



Commemoration of 150 Years of National Song

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A soul-stirring invocation that awakened the nation

Chief Guest  
**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Hon'ble Prime Minister



Date: 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2025 | Time: 09:45 am  
Venue: Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium, Delhi

Program Highlights

Grand Musical Presentation - Vande Mataram: Naad Ekam, Roopam Anekam  
Curated Exhibition | Short Film on the History of Vande Mataram  
Cultural Performances | Release of Commemorative Stamp & Coin

In August Presence

**Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat**  
Hon'ble Minister of Culture & Tourism  
Government of India

**Shri Vinai Kumar Saxena**  
Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Delhi  
Government of NCT

**Smt. Rekha Gupta**  
Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi  
Government of NCT

On this momentous occasion, let us participate in  
large numbers and take forward Vande Mataram's eternal  
message of patriotism and national pride!

From 7<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2025, join in spreading the national fervour

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Step 2

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IN BRIEF

Dr Rajendra Prasad KV wins 33rd Youth Parliament



Dr Rajendra Prasad Kendriya Vidyalaya has proudly won the 33rd Youth Parliament (Yuva Sansad Partyogita) at the Zonal Level, held at KV ONGC, Dehradun. A team of 55 talented and dynamic students, led by Principal Dr Charu Sharma, represented the Delhi Region and showcased exceptional debating skills, leadership, and knowledge of parliamentary procedures.

Lawyers observe strike over advocate’s false implication

Lawyers across Delhi district courts on Thursday said they successfully observed a one-day strike against “the alleged false implication” of an advocate in a murder case. Tarun Rana, secretary of New Delhi Bar Association, of the Patiala House court, said, “The coordination committee’s call to abstain from work today was successful. Today’s agitation was to warn the prosecuting agency not to attack lawyers’ fundamental right to maintain secrecy about their privileged communication with clients.” On Tuesday, the coordination committee of district courts’ bar associations in Delhi called for a complete strike on November 6, citing that the Special Task Force of Gurugram Police had “illegally implicated advocate Vikram Singh merely because he was representing a co-accused in a murder case.” The committee demanded the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of “the false implication and all consequential proceedings” against the advocate.

Government launches winter plan for homeless

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The Delhi Government has launched an extensive Winter Action Plan to provide safe shelter to homeless and underprivileged citizens during the cold months. The Government has set up 250 new temporary shelters across the city in addition to the existing 197 permanent ones, aiming to ensure that no one is forced to sleep under the open sky. The plan will be implemented from November 15 to March 15. Chief Minister Rekha Gupta said her Government was determined to protect the city’s most vulnerable residents. “The Delhi Government is sensitive towards the needs of the poor, as they are often the hardest to reach,” she said while announcing the initia-

tive. “We will ensure that no citizen sleeps under the open sky this winter. These shelters are not merely roofs over one’s head but symbols of dignity and safety. Our Government is committed to giving every homeless individual an equal opportunity to live with respect,” she added. Under the Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board (DUSIB), the city currently operates 197 night shelters. Of these, 153 are for men, 17 for women, 19 for families and children and eight for special categories such as people affected by HIV, tuberculosis, or drug addiction. Each shelter has been equipped with beds, mattresses, sheets, pillows, blankets, lighting, mosquito-control devices, and clean drinking water. Women’s shelters are fitted with CCTV cameras for additional safety.



To expand capacity for the winter season, 250 temporary shelters have been prepared across 120 locations. These can collectively accommodate around 2,500 people, with the possibility of adding more if needed. The shelters will be open round the clock and will offer warm bedding and hot water.

The Chief Minister said rescue teams will operate every night to bring homeless persons from the streets to these shelters. GPS-enabled vans will patrol the city between 10 pm and 4 am, coordinating through a central control room. “Rescue teams will ensure that no one remains on the streets during harsh

winter nights,” she said. The Government has also introduced several technology-based systems to improve coordination and oversight. DUSIB uses the Rain Basera mobile application to help citizens report homeless people in distress. The Night Shelter Inspection App (NSIA) is used by officials to monitor each shelter through GPS tracking and real-time data updates. The Chief Minister said digital tools will make rescue operations faster and more transparent. “We are using technology to ensure comfort and safety for the homeless and to keep the system efficient,” she said. The Chief Minister said her Government has also launched a new policy to raise the quality of services in the shelters. Agencies operating the facilities will now be

selected through a quality- and cost-based evaluation process. They will be responsible for maintaining cleanliness, providing basic services, ensuring fire safety, and handling electrical and security systems. Attendance of shelter staff will be tracked through Aadhaar-based biometric systems to prevent negligence or absenteeism. Women’s and children’s shelters will also be linked with nearby Anganwadi centres so that residents can access health, nutrition and education services. The Chief Minister said that monitoring and accountability were central to the plan. Shelter operations are regularly reviewed under the supervision of the Supreme Court Monitoring Committee, the Joint Apex Advisory Committee (JAAC), and DUSIB’s Chief Engineer.

Friends stab each other after dispute over second marriage

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

Two friends stabbed each other in Delhi’s Rohini area after a heated argument erupted over one of them failing to “arrange a second wife” for the other despite taking ₹60,000 for the task, police said on Thursday. According to the police, the incident took place on the night of October 7 near the

Rithala bus stand, where the victim, Jagdish, confronted his friend Deepak (35) about the woman he had promised to introduce him to. The argument escalated, and Deepak allegedly pulled out a knife and stabbed Jagdish in the chest, a senior police officer said. In a bid to save himself, Jagdish removed the knife from his chest and attacked Deepak. Upon being injured,

Deepak fled the spot. Soon after, a PCR call was made, and police reached the location and rushed Jagdish to Dr Baba Saheb Ambedkar Hospital. Jagdish told investigators that he had been facing marital discord for several years. He said he had confided in Deepak about his troubled marriage and his wish to remarry, the police said. According to his statement,

Jagdish had dropped his wife off at her parental home in Uttar Pradesh’s Raebareilly on October 6 and returned to Delhi the next day. He spent the entire day with Deepak, who had assured him that he would find a woman for him to marry. “Jagdish told police that he had already paid Deepak ₹30,000 some time ago for arranging his remarriage and paid him another ₹30,000

through an online payment application on the evening of October 7,” the officer said. Around 11 pm that night, Deepak called Jagdish near the bus stand in Rithala. When Jagdish asked about the promised woman, Deepak became aggressive, pulled out a knife, stabbed him, and said, “I will finish you, forget about the woman”, Jagdish told the police.

PWD to install mist sprayers at Anand Vihar to curb pollution

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The Public Works Department (PWD) will install mist spraying systems at one of the most polluting locations in Delhi, Anand Vihar, to combat air pollution. This would be the fourth top polluting location in the city where PWD has planned to install the dust-suppressing mechanism. Before this, projects have also been initiated at the Narela, Bawana and Jahan-girpuri areas, which are among the top 13 polluting locations. “The sprinklers will be installed on the central verges of roads in Anand Vihar and Vivek Vihar. Tenders have been floated for the project,” a PWD official said. The systems will spray RO water, having a total capacity of 2,000 litres per hour. The cost of the project is ₹4 crore, which includes operation and maintenance for five years, he added. According to the tender, the system will be powered by a capacity RO water pumping unit, and to ensure the security of the equipment, the tender document also specifies the deployment of security guards. “The misting system will operate in two shifts — 6 am to 2 pm and 2 pm to 10 pm. The contractor will also be responsible for a five-year defect-free liability,” the tender states.

Spanish team tours Nam Bharat Corridor with NCRTC

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

A high-level Spanish business delegation visited the Delhi-Meerut Nam Bharat Corridor on Thursday, accompanied by senior officials of the National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC). The visit commenced at the state-of-the-art Nam Bharat Depot at Duhai, Ghaziabad, where the delegates received an overview of the advanced maintenance facilities and processes employed to ensure the reliability and operational efficiency of the Nam Bharat services. The delegation then boarded the Nam Bharat train at Duhai Depot Nam Bharat Station and travelled through various stations along the corridor. During the journey, the delegates were briefed on the



commuter-centric design of the train and its modern onboard features. They appreciated the seamless regional travel experience offered by this new-age mode of transport. At Anand Vihar Nam

Bharat Station, the delegation was briefed on the station’s design and the initiatives taken by NCRTC to ensure Multi-Modal Integration (MMI) with other transport systems. This integration aims to enable

smooth connectivity and enhance the commuter experience across the wider mobility network. Following the station visits, the delegation proceeded to GatiShakti Bhawan, NCRTC Corporate

Office, where they interacted with the NCRTC leadership team. The delegates were welcomed, and an address was delivered by Shalabh Goel, Managing Director of NCRTC. The Spanish delegation appreciated the innovative approach adopted by NCRTC in implementing this first-of-its-kind regional transit system in India. A detailed presentation was made by senior NCRTC officers on Nam Bharat, covering an overview of the project, the technologies deployed, future opportunities, and best practices followed during implementation. Throughout the visit, the delegation commended the project’s emphasis on safety, operational excellence, modern technology integration and its contribution to shaping sustainable, commuter-friendly regional mobility.

MODI RUBBER LIMITED

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NOTICE

Pursuant to regulation 29 of SEBI (LODR) 2015, Notice is hereby given that a 311th Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company is scheduled to be held on Friday on 14th day of November, 2025 at 4.30 PM at Corporate Office: 4-7/C, DDA Shopping Centre, 4th Floor, New Friends Colony, New Delhi- 110025 to inter-alia approve the following:

(1) Un-audited Financial Results (Standalone & Consolidated) of the Company for the quarter and half year ended September, 2025 and review limited review report of the Statutory Auditors for the publication as per SEBI LODR requirements

For Modi Rubber Limited

Sd/-

(S K Bajpai)

Place : New Delhi

Date : 06.11.2025

Head - Legal & Co. Secretary

THE PIONEER CLASSIFIEDS

LOST & FOUND

I, Smt. Priya Singh W/o Ritesh Kumar, have lost my original Registry of Flat Na.105, 1st Floor, Plot No.6, Khasra No.119, APS Hanumant Residency, Vill-Khoda, Loni, Distt. Ghaziabad (U.P) if found please contact: 8328692942. PD(3394)C

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Waikhom Ongbi Bijeta Devi, wife of No. 4378135L: NK, Waikhom Sanjoy Singh, of Athokpam Khunou Mayai Leikai, PO&PS Thoubal, District-Thoubal, Manipur-795138, hereby declare that I have changed by name from Waikhom Ongbi Bijeta Devi to Wairokpm Bijeta Devi for all future purposes. PD(3395)C I, No. 4378135L, Rank-NK, W Sanjoy Singh, a resident of Athokpam Khunou Mayai Leikai, PO&PS Thoubal, District-Thoubal, Manipur-795138, hereby declare that I have changed my name from W Sanjoy Singh to Waikhom Sanjoy Singh for all future purposes. PD(3396)C I, hitherto known as Vas Dev Bansal S/o Sh. Mahadev Parsad residing at H.N. 54 Village Bhattu Kalan, Tehsil and District Fatehabad (125053) Haryana have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Vas Dev. PD(3397)C I, AMAN JOSEPH GREWAL S/o Amarjit Singh Grewal R/o D-242, KH No.- 241/1, Near Neb Sarai, Anupam Garden, Saidulajab Ext., Neb Sarai South Delhi, Delhi-110068 have changed my name to AMANDEEP GREWAL for all future purposes. PD(3398)C

I, KARNABIR SINGH, S/O, DEVINDER SINGH, R/O, J-93, OPPOSITE, 3, BLOCK. MILAP MARKET, SUBHASH NAGAR, HARI NAGAR, NEW DELHI - 110064, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO KARNBIR SINGH, (KARNABIR SINGH AND KARNBIR SINGH IS THE SAME PERSON) PD(3399)C

I, Dipabai Sudamji Manupure, W/o No.15781231M Hav Bhelawe Sanjay Maroti, R/o- Vill-Bopesar, PO- Lakhegaon, Teh- Tiroda, Dist- Gondia, Maharashtra- 441911, have changed my name from Dipabai Sudamji Manupure to Dipa Sanjay Bhelawe, vide affidavit dated 06/11/2025 before Notary Public Delhi. PD(3400)C

I, Rani K B, Mother of No.15752285L, L/NK Jayakrishnan K, R/o- Lakshmi Jayam, Jlr-25, Joseph Lane, Kachani, Karakulam PO, Trivandrum, Kerala- 695564, have changed my name from Rani KB to Rani Nair KB, vide affidavit dated 06/11/2025 before Notary Public Delhi. PD(3401)C

I, Avadesh alias Avadhesh Kumar Gupta alias Avadhesh Gupta S/o- Om Prakash Gupta, R/o- D-3 Pink Co-op GHS, Sec- 13, Rohini, North West Delhi, Delhi- 110085, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Vas Dev. PD(3402)C

I, No.15208339Y Hav (GNR) Gherade Bramhadeo Pandurang, R/o- Vill-Kidebisari, PO- Nagaj, PS & Teh- Sangola, Distt- Solapur, Maharashtra- 416403, have changed my son's name from Prasad to Prasad Bramhadeo Gherade vide Affidavit No. IN-DL88704760186121X, dated 06/11/2025 before Notary Public Delhi. PD(3403)C

PUBLIC NOTICE

Known to all that my Client Sh. Dalchand owner of SECOND FLOOR FRONT SIDE AREA 55 SQ. YDS., KHASRA NO.112/9/1, BLOCK-A-1,GALI NO.4, MADHU VIHAR, UTTAM NAGAR, NEW DELHI-110059, and Sh. Dalchand purchased from Smt. Shashi Gupta vide GPA, ATS and Will dated 16.06.2025, Now Sh. Dalchand wants sell aforesaid property. And it is informed that any deal with said documents by any person except my said client and said institution regarding said property, shall be deemed as null and void. If any person having any claim, right in said property then he may contact and handover the same and apprise his claim to undersigned within 15 days of this publication.

ADRIAL SPECIAL SOLUTION

Ch.No.760-Dwarka Court Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi-75

Mobile :- 9899013918

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Manjula Devi W/o Sh. Ram Adhin Shah, R/o C-6, Om Nagar, Mithapur, Badarpur, New Delhi-110044 has severed all her relation and disowned her son Roshan Shah & his wife Rupam Gupta from her all movable-immovable properties due to their disobedience. My client shall not be responsible for their any acts.

S. Dutt, & Associates (Advocates)

Ch. No.480 Saket Court, New Delhi-17

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Mr. Ajay Kumar, S/o Parshotam Das R/o House No.45/3A/1, Street No. 18, Near Aggarwal Sweets, East Azad Nagar, Krishna Nagar, East Delhi, Delhi-110051, have severed all relations with his son Vikas Gupta and disowned him from all his movable and immovable properties and relations due to his misconduct, hostile behaviour. My client and his family shall not be responsible for any of his acts, dealings, transactions or liabilities. Anyone dealing with him shall do so entirely at his/her own risk and responsibility.

Anjali (Advocate)

Mob: 7042376818

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER (HEALTH & EDUCATION): PW (H&E) DEPTT. CHANDMARI: GUWAHATI-3.

ASSAM SCHOOL EDUCATION AND ADOLESCENT WELL-BEING PROJECT (ASAP) (WORLD BANK FUNDED) NATIONAL OPEN COMPETITIVE BIDDING

No. CE/WBC/2025-26/04/ Dated. Guwahati the 6th November, 2025

PRESS NOTICE FOR RE-TENDER

The Chief Engineer, (Health & Education) P.W. (H&E) Deptt, Chandmari, Guwahati-3 on behalf of the Governor of Assam, invites fresh Bids online e-tenders in two bid system (Eligibility and Financial) on Design and Build basis from eligible firms/ contractors of repute having experience in similar nature of work, for the following works.

- Details of the bid may be seen at e-procurement website i.e. www.assamtenders.gov.in which is freely accessible.
- The bidders must be enrolled with e-tendering web-portal [www.assamtenders.gov.in](http://www.assamtenders.gov.in)

All terms and conditions will be as per the Bidding Documents. The Press Notice will be a part of the Bidding Documents.

SN.	Package No.	Name of work	Bid Value (Rs. In Lakh)	Completion Period	Bid Security	Cost of Bid Document
1	Package-12	Construction of Class Rooms under Assam School Education nd Adolescent Well-Being Project (ASAP) under Silchar,Udharbond , Sonai & Dholai(SC) TBD for i. Bam Bidyapith High School ii. Itachora Tea Estate Model School iii. 62 No Dudhpatil	Rs. 1081.78 L	18 (Eighteen) Months (including rainy seasons)	2% of Bid value	Rs. 21,600.00

The Bid price may vary at the time of detail tendering for which no claim will be admissible.

The Work will be allotted only after receiving Government approval.

Sd/-

Chief Engineer (Health & Education)

P.W. (H&E) Deptt.

Chandmari, Guwahati-3

DIPR/C/PIO/576/7-Nov-25

उत्तर प्रदेश आवास एवं विकास परिषद

अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, रुहेलखण्ड वृत्त,

ऑफिस कॉम्प्लेक्स, भूतल, सेक्टर-5, मझोला योजना सं0-4, भाग-2, मुरादाबाद E-mail: circle5@upavp.com

पत्रांक : 1946 /एम-15ए/ 121 दिनांक : 06.11.2025

कार्यालय अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, रुहेलखण्ड वृत्त, उ0प्र0 आवास एवं विकास परिषद, मुरादाबाद

ई-निविदा आमन्त्रण सूचना विज्ञापित

30प्र0 आवास एवं विकास परिषद की ओर से इस कार्यालय के ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना सं0-1945/एम-15ए/120 दिनांक 06.11.2025 द्वारा परिषद में पंजीकृत एवं अनुभवी टेकदारों/फर्मों से दू-बिड प्रकृति पर अधिशासी अभियन्ता, निंखं०, रुहेलखण्ड-03, मुरादाबाद के अन्तर्गत मझोला योजना संख्या-4, भाग-2 (विस्तार), मुरादाबाद के सेक्टर-14 की आन्तरिक सड़कों (ग्रेनुलर बेस) का निर्माण कार्य एवं अधिशासी अभियन्ता, निंखं०, रुहेलखण्ड-02, मुरादाबाद के अन्तर्गत अवस्थापना निधि के अन्तर्गत जनपद-मुरादाबाद में मझोला योजना संख्या-4, भाग-2, मुरादाबाद के सेक्टर-6ए/7ए/ 7 बी/ 7 सी/ 7डी एवं 9बी की सड़कों के सुदृढीकरण एवं ड्रेन तथा कलवर्ट के कार्य हेतु दिनांक 26.11.2025 एवं 10.12.2025 अपरान्ह 05:00 बजे तक ई-टेंडर के अन्तर्गत निविदाएं वेबसाइट <https://etender.up.nic.in> के माध्यम से कार्यालय अधिशासी अभियन्ता, निर्माण खण्ड, रुहेलखण्ड-02 एवं 03, 30प्र0 आवास एवं विकास परिषद, मुरादाबाद में आमंत्रित की जाती हैं :- अन्य नियम व शर्तें किसी भी कार्यदिवस में अधिशासी अभियन्ता, निर्माण खण्ड, रुहेलखण्ड-02 एवं 03, मुरादाबाद एवं अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, रुहेलखण्ड वृत्त, मुरादाबाद कार्यालय अथवा परिषद की वेबसाइट [www.upavp.in](http://www.upavp.in) से देखी जा सकती हैं।

अधीक्षण अभियन्ता

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER: PW (HEALTH & EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT: CHANDMARI, GUWAHATI-3

No. Tech-I(H&E)/22/2025/7

PRESS NOTICE

The Chief Engineer (Health & Education), P.W.D. (H&E), Assam, Chandmari, Guwahati-3 on behalf of the Governor of Assam, invites online EPC Mode-1 e-tenders in two bid system (Technical and Financial) on Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) Mode-1 basis from eligible firms/ contractors of repute having experience in similar nature of work, for the following work:

Sl. No.	Name of work	Bid Value (including GST @18%)	Completion Period	Bid Security	Cost of Bid
1	Proposed model degree college at Bedeti, District- Biswanath, Assam	Rs. 31,20,97,745.00	24 (twenty four) months	2% of Bid value for General category and 1% of Bid Value for reserved Category	Rs.30,000.00

Details of the bid may be seen at e-procurement website i.e. [www.assamtenders.gov.in](http://www.assamtenders.gov.in). The bidders must be enrolled with the tendering web-portal [www.assamtenders.gov.in](http://www.assamtenders.gov.in). All terms and conditions will be as per the Bidding Documents. The Press Notice will be a part of the Bidding Documents.

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Sd/-

Chief Engineer (Health & Education),

PW(H&E) Deptt.

Chandmari, Guwahati-3

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Supriya Shrinate, Congress party's social media head, shared a video of the woman, identified as Larissa Nery, purportedly reacting to her image going viral, after Rahul showed it at his press conference on Wednesday and claimed that it was used 22 times at 10 booths in the Rai Assembly constituency of Haryana, with names such as "Seema, Sweety and Saraswati" on the electoral list. After showing her photograph, Rahul asked reporters to guess the nationality of the woman.



# City records coldest night of the season at 12.7 degrees

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The national Capital recorded its coldest night of the season with the mercury dipping to 12.7 degrees Celsius. This was the first time this winter that the minimum temperature fell below the 15-degree mark.

The reading was three degrees below normal for this time of the year and marked a sharp drop from 18.4 degrees Celsius recorded a day earlier, according to the India Meteorological Department (IMD).

The city recorded a maximum temperature was 27.4 degrees Celsius, 3.1 degrees below normal, the IMD said.

Meanwhile, the Palam monitoring station recorded a maximum of 24.9 degrees Celsius, which was 5.9 degrees below the normal for this time of the year.



Officials attributed the sudden chill to cold north-westerly winds blowing into Delhi following fresh snowfall in the western Himalayas, coupled with clear night skies that enhanced radiation cooling.

“Cold northwesterly winds are now in effect after fresh snowfall in the hills, which is subsequently impacting the

minimum temperature,” said Mahesh Palawat, vice president (meteorology and climate change) at private weather forecaster Skymet.

The previous lowest this year was 15.8 degrees Celsius, recorded on October 26.

Data show that Delhi’s minimum temperature usually dips below 10 degrees Celsius by late

November.

The city had recorded minimum temperatures of 9.5 degrees Celsius on October 29 last year, 9.2 degrees Celsius on October 23 in 2023 and 7.3 degrees Celsius on October 29 in 2022, indicating a slightly delayed onset of winter chill this year.

The Met has forecast mainly clear skies for Friday, with the maximum and minimum temperatures likely to hover around 27 to 32 and 12 to 14 degrees Celsius.

Earlier, the IMD had predicted that northwest India is unlikely to face an unusually severe winter this month, with conditions expected to remain largely consistent with previous years.

The clarification comes after reports predicted an exceptionally cold November due to the likely development of La Niña conditions.

## Residents face rising pollution levels again

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

After two days of slight improvement, Delhi’s air quality has worsened again, plunging back into the ‘very poor’ category on Thursday, with stubble burning emerging as a major contributor and no respite expected anytime soon.

The 24-hour average Air Quality Index (AQI), reported at 4 pm every day, stood at 311, placing Delhi in the ‘red zone’, according to data from the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB). Delhi ranked fourth among the most polluted cities, with Rohtak topping the list in the ‘very poor’ category with an AQI of 348 out of 254 cities, according to the CPCB.

Of the 38 monitoring stations in the Capital city, 32 reported air quality in the ‘very poor’ category, with readings above 300, according to the CPCB’s Sameer App.

Meanwhile, the Decision Support System (DSS) for air quality forecasting estimated that stubble burning contributed 21.5 per cent to



Delhi’s PM2.5 levels on Thursday, likely to rise to 36.9 per cent on Friday and 32.4 per cent on Saturday, up from just 1.2 per cent on Wednesday.

On Wednesday, Delhi’s air quality had shown some improvement with an overall AQI of 202, as favourable wind conditions helped disperse pollutants. The AQI was 291 on Tuesday and 309 on Monday, CPCB

data showed. Meanwhile, PM 2.5 remained the key pollutant on Thursday.

Satellite data showed that on Wednesday, 94 stubble-burning incidents were detected in Punjab, 13 in Haryana, and 74 in Uttar Pradesh.

After stubble burning, transport was projected to be the second-highest contributor, accounting for 16.2 per cent on Thursday, 11.2

per cent on Friday, and 12.3 per cent on Saturday.

According to the Air Quality Early Warning System for Delhi, wind speed was expected to decrease to below 10 kmph from the northwest direction during the evening and night hours on Wednesday.

The air quality is likely to remain in the ‘very poor’ category between November 6 and 8, the forecast stated.

## Traffic police intensify PUC drive as air quality worsens

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The Delhi Traffic Police has penalised over 4.87 lakh motorists as of October this year for driving without valid Pollution Under Control (PUC) certificates, compared to 3.78 lakh during the same period in 2024, marking a sharp 20 per cent rise.

According to data from the Delhi Traffic Police, the intensified drive comes as the air quality in the national Capital continues to remain in the ‘poor to severe’ category. “Strict action is being taken against violators to curb vehicular emissions that significantly contribute to Delhi’s air quality,” the offi-

cial said.

The officer informed that till October 30, police had issued over 8.87 lakh challans to vehicles found without valid PUC certificates. In addition, 941 vehicles carrying materials like cement, sand and dust in the open were penalised, while 12 end-of-life vehicles were seized for violating pollution-control norms.

The West Traffic Range recorded the highest number of PUC violations (1,14,754 challans), followed by East (1,09,707), South (1,06,939), North (96,984), Northwest (83,438) and Central (76,012), police data mentioned.

Sources in the traffic police said that despite the exten-

sive enforcement, only about 10 per cent of the violators have paid their fines.

The PUC violation attracts a penalty of Rs 10,000 under the Motor Vehicles Act.

According to the data, the traffic police have already stepped up enforcement of the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP), issuing 46,921 challans to motorists for driving without valid Pollution Under Control Certificates (PUC) between October 14 and November 2.

Another officer said that traffic teams deployed at city borders inspected 82,334 commercial vehicles during the period, refusing entry to 3,018 that failed to meet anti-pollution standards.

On average, 712 commercial vehicles were ticketed daily for violating no-entry or restricted-timing rules. Additionally, 204 vehicles transporting construction and demolition waste were fined Rs 20,000 each for not covering their loads properly. Stage 2 of GRAP came into effect on October 19.

“Roadside surveillance and automated checks had been intensified, with particular focus on strict PUC compliance during the poor air quality phase and on improving overall traffic discipline. We have also intensified checks at remote places from where many vehicles used to enter the national Capital,” the officer said.

He further said that to ensure that BS-III or lower-grade vehicles from outside Delhi do not enter the city, 23 joint teams of traffic police and the transport department have been deployed round-the-clock at border points. These teams, comprising inspectors, sub-inspectors and constables, are also monitoring pollution-prone industrial areas, construction zones and major roads.

“We have installed signage boards at entry points to alert drivers about restrictions, while awareness drives are being conducted through social media and digital platforms,” added the officer.

## Faansi Ghar row: Assembly summons Kejriwal and Sisodia

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The Delhi Assembly has summoned former chief minister Arvind Kejriwal, the then Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia, ex-speaker Ram Niwas Goel, and deputy speaker Rakhi Birlan for appearing in person on November 13 before the privileges committee looking into the previous AAP Government’s Faansi Ghar (execution room) claims.

The Delhi Assembly Secretariat, in its latest order, has said, “Members of the ‘Committee of Privileges’ are hereby informed that the sitting of the committee is scheduled to be held on Thursday (November 13) at 3 pm at the Assembly complex to deliberate the matter regarding authenticity of Faansi Ghar” inaugurated on 9th August 2022 in Delhi Legislative Assembly Premises.

Members of the Committee Pradyumn Singh Rajput, Abhay Verma, Ajay Kumar Mahawar, Neeraj Basoya, Ram Singh Netaji, Ravi Kant, Satish Upadhyay, Surender Kumar, and Surya Prakash Khatri are requested to attend the sitting.” The Secretariat has also forwarded the same to Kejriwal, Sisodia, Goel, and Birlan to keep them informed.

Alleging distortion of historical facts besides misuse of government funds, the Delhi Assembly Secretariat had on September 9 asked them to submit their replies.

During the Monsoon session in August, Speaker Vijender Gupta had conducted a tour of *Faansi Ghar* for media persons, saying that *Faansi Ghar* was actually a tiffin room and there was a misconception that it was used to hang freedom fighters during British Rule. The same was inaugurated by Kejriwal with much fanfare in 2022 following renovation.

Displaying a 1912 map of the assembly complex, Gupta had stated that no documentation or evidence was indicating that the space was used for executions.

## 91 private, Govt buildings installed anti-smog guns

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

Amid the plummeting air quality, a total of 91 public and private buildings have already installed anti-smog guns to combat air pollution.

The Delhi government had mandated that all private and Government buildings with a height of G+5 floors and above must install anti-smog guns by November 29. The Government has set a target that 150 buildings in the city should have anti-smog guns.

At a recently held meeting, it was discussed that 149 anti-smog guns will be installed by the MCD, 21 by the NDMC, and one by the Delhi Cantonment Board. According to an official, the total number of buildings

identified is 171.

The Delhi Transport Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (DTIDC) will also be installing anti-smog guns atop all the Inter-State Bus Terminals (ISBTs). The agencies have to submit a compliance certificate regarding the installation of the anti-smog guns.

A minimum of three guns is mandated for properties with a built-up area of less than 10,000 square metres.

Buildings with built-up areas between 10,001 and 15,000 square metres must install at least four guns, while those between 15,001 and 20,000 square metres must have at least five.

Properties ranging from 20,001 to 25,000 square metres are required to install at least six guns.

A MINIMUM OF THREE GUNS IS MANDATED FOR PROPERTIES WITH A BUILT-UP AREA OF LESS THAN 10,000 SQUARE METRES

For every additional 5,000 square metres beyond this, an extra anti-smog gun must be added.

Environmentalists, however, said the anti-smog guns are like a band-aid measure to curb pollution. “What the government is doing is a temporary measure.

The anti-smog guns actually lower the PM10 levels in the immediate radius and do not have an impact on the overall pollution levels.

It is a band-aid measure and the government is just treating the symptoms rather than hitting the source of pollution,” environmentalist Vimendu Jha said. Concurring with him, environmentalist Bhavreen Kandhari said water sprinkling can never be a cure for settling down pollutants, especially PM2.5.

“They can only have a momentary impact on settling down PM2.5 and PM10 pollutants. Where they are really needed is on construction sites, and that too throughout the year. There are sites where they are installed but are non-functional. Strict compliance needs to be enforced, and they need to be functional throughout the year,” she added.

## MKPY benefits for school games athletes

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

Delhi’s young athletes who participated in the 68th National School Games will now be eligible for financial and training support under the Mukhyamantri Khel Protsahan Yojana (MKPY).

According to a statement, the scheme, launched by the Delhi Government in July, aims to encourage budding and elite sportspersons by

providing them with training support, participation assistance and rewards for their achievements in national and international tournaments.

The Directorate of Education (DoE) on Thursday said that school-level sportspersons who participated in the 68th National School Games in April 2025 are eligible for benefits under the scheme.

Eligible sportspersons can apply online for the scheme through the DoE’s sports

portal. A hard copy of the application, along with the required documents, must also be submitted at the Chhatrasal Stadium in Model Town by November 17, it stated.

Under the programme, school-level sportspersons can receive up to Rs 5 lakh per year for expenses such as coaching, equipment, travel, and nutrition, while elite athletes can get up to ₹20 lakh annually.

## Drinking water woes persist for Janakpuri residents

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The Delhi Jal Board has informed the National Green Tribunal that residents of A-1 Block of Janakpuri would not receive uncontaminated drinking water after November, as a new pipeline will be laid before the end of the month. The bench of NGT Chairperson Justice Prakash Shrivastava and expert

member A Senthil Vel was hearing the petition filed by the Resident Welfare Association of A1 Block of Janapuri, alleging that they were being supplied contaminated water.

Earlier in May, the tribunal had rapped the board for supplying non-potable water to Janakpuri residents in the capital. Two months later, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) informed it that several

samples of tap water collected from Janakpuri homes were impure as they showed contamination of coliform and E. Coli bacteria.

In an order dated October 30, the tribunal said, “Counsel appearing for the DJB submits that out of a stretch of 730 metres, the work of laying a new pipeline on a stretch of 480 metres has been completed and the water supply to the residents from that

stretch of 480 metres from the new pipeline has commenced.”

It noted that according to the DJB advocate, the work for the remaining stretch would be “positively completed” by November 15 and that by November 20, the residents covered by the entire stretch would receive drinking water from the new pipeline, which would be “uncontaminated and as per norms.”

# Ekta Padyatra 2.0 aims to bring together 80 crore Hindus

SAKSHI PRIYA ■ New Delhi

Early this morning, devotees gathered in large numbers at Aadhya Katyayani Shaktipeeth Temple in Chhatarpur, Delhi, to witness and take part in *Sanatan Hindu Ekta Padyatra* 2.0. At 7 am, prayers were offered, saffron flags were raised, and the march towards Vrindavan officially began, marking the beginning of a ten-day journey covering nearly 150 kilometres.

A day earlier, on November 6, Peethadhiswar of Bageshwar Dham, Dharendra Shastri, held a press conference at the Constitution Club in Delhi. He said this yatra is

not an ordinary walk but “a revolution of thought.”

“This is not a yatra, it is a movement to awaken ideas. Everyone should be part of it.” He said the march aims to bring together the country’s 80 crore Hindus by moving past caste divisions and building a feeling of national unity. He explained that his motive is to ensure that the coming generations, especially Gen Z, do not get lost in the trap of casteism but rise with a sense of Rashtravad, national consciousness.

“This country has been divided by caste; I want to see it united by nationhood,” he



Spiritual leader Dharendra Krishna Shastri addressing a press conference on his upcoming ‘Sanatan Hindu Ekta Padyatra 2.0’ from Delhi to Vrindavan in New Delhi on Thursday

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said. The march from Delhi to Vrindavan, Shastri added, symbolises a journey from Maya Shakti to Madhav Nagari-a reminder to move

from material pursuits to spiritual purpose. The procession began with the chanting of the Hanuman Chalisa, followed by the National

Anthem and a pledge for unity. The ten-day *yatra*, being held from November 7 to 16, will cover six districts across Delhi, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh. Thousands are expected to participate, walking with discipline and devotion. Shastri urged all participants to maintain decorum during the march, refrain from making comments against any religion, and avoid carrying any weapons. “This path is for peace and harmony. Let our steps speak of unity,” he said.

The Sanatan Hindu Ekta Pad Yatra 2.0 is being undertaken with seven resolutions aimed at uniting followers of

Sanatan Dharma: purification of the Yamuna River, declaring India as a *Hindu Rashtra*, recognising Gau Mata as the National Mother, constructing a grand and divine Krishna Janmabhoomi Temple, restoring the original glory of the *Braj* region with prohibition of meat and liquor, curbing illegal religious conversions and love jihad and ending caste discrimination to establish social harmony.

Many prominent religious leaders are part of the yatra, including Jagadguru Rambhadracharya Maharaj, Didi Maa Ritambhara, Swami Chidanand Muni, Swami

Gyananand Maharaj, and Sudhanshu ji Maharaj.

Political figures such as Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta, MP Manoj Tiwari, and Minister Kapil Mishra are also expected to participate at various stages. In a notable gesture, over 300 members of the Muslim community, led by Faiz Khan, have joined the yatra.

Shastri said they came forward in support of the message of unity, recognising the yatra’s aim to connect people rather than divide them. Security has been tightened along the route, with special arrangements made at major stops.



## SIR will only create confusion: TNCC chief Selvaperunthagai



The Special Intensive Revision (SIR) drive, which was "brought in haste", was not needed now and it will only cause confusion, TNCC chief K Selvaperunthagai claimed on Thursday.

## Strong wave in favour of BJP candidate, claims Marandi

Jharkhand BJP president Babulal Marandi on Thursday claimed that there was a "strong wave" in favour of BJP and NDA candidate Babulal Soren in the Ghatshila byelection. Addressing reporters at Ghatshila, Marandi said that BJP leaders have got in touch with voters in each of the booths and panchayats in the last few weeks and also held *sammelan* (meetings) in each panchayat.



## Rahul's hydrogen bomb a mere firecracker: Fadnavis



Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Thursday said Congress MP Rahul Gandhi's "hydrogen bomb" remark over alleged vote theft has turned out to be just a "small firecracker".

## Maoist with ₹17 lakh bounty surrenders in Chhattisgarh

A hardcore woman Maoist carrying a reward of ₹17 lakh surrendered before police in Chhattisgarh's Khairagarh-Chhuikhadan-Gandai (KCG) district on Thursday, an official said. Kamla Sodi (30) had been active in the Maaad division of Bastar and the Madhya Pradesh-Maharashtra-Chhattisgarh (MMC) zone of the outlawed CPI (Maoist), KCG Superintendent of Police Lakshya Sharma said.



# Top leaders cast votes in phase 1 of Bihar polls

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Patna

Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar and INDIA bloc's CM candidate Tejashwi Yadav were among the top leaders who cast their votes on Thursday in the first phase of the high-stakes Assembly polls, seen as a litmus test for the ruling NDA.

A total of 27.65 per cent of 3.75 crore voters exercised their franchise till 11 am, an official said, adding that Begusarai district recorded the highest polling percentage at 30.37, followed by Lakhisarai (30.32) and Gopalganj (30.04).

Kumar, who cast his vote in his hometown Bakhtiarpur, posted on X, "Voting is not only a right but also a duty of citizens in democracy."

Deputy CM Samrat Choudhary, who voted in Tarapur, said, "The work done by Nitish Kumar should continue. A lot of effort has gone into the transformation we



(Left) Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar and others after casting votes; (right) RJD chief Lalu Prasad Yadav, wife Rabri Devi and son and party leader Tejashwi Yadav after casting votes in the first phase of the Bihar Assembly elections in Patna



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are witnessing today. Vote for development."

Union Minister Giriraj Singh, who cast his vote in Lakhisarai, defended the checking of the identity of burqa-clad women, stating it will prevent 'vote chori' (vote theft). "This is not religious bias... We are not living in Pakistan. Neither will Bihar have a Tejashwi Yadav Government, nor will Sharia

law be implemented here," he said. Tejashwi Yadav, along with his family members, including RJD

supremo Lalu Prasad, cast his vote at a booth in Veterinary College in Patna.

"I appeal to the youth to bring a change by installing a new government," Tejashwi Yadav said.

His mother and former

Bihar chief minister Rabri Devi, too, appealed to people "to vote and bring a change".

She wished both her sons, Tejashwi and Tej Pratap, success in the elections.

Tejashwi Yadav's sister Rohini Acharya exuded confidence that people will defeat the "double-engine government" this time.

"This time, people of Bihar

will choose Tejashwi, the one who has provided employment. All our unemployed brothers will get jobs, and those who are struggling and wandering outside the state will also get relief," Acharya said.

"All people of Bihar should vote. Each vote is important," Tej Pratap, the Janshakti Janata Dal president and

elder son of Lalu Prasad, said after casting vote at Veterinary College Ground polling booth in Patna.

Tej Pratap, the incumbent Hasanpur MLA, is contesting from Mahua, a seat he first won in 2015 during his electoral debut on an RJD ticket.

RJD candidate from Chapra seat, Khesari Lal Yadav, who cast his vote in Ekma in Saran district, said, "This is the second innings of my life, and with the love people have for me, I believe things will only get better, they have so far. Nothing in this world is easy; everything takes effort. For those who are determined, work is never a burden... I just want everything to be built, not just the Ram temple, but all that people need."

BJP candidate from Alinagar seat, Maithili Thakur, said, "If I win, I will work to ensure that projects and schemes mentioned in our manifesto are accomplished."



## BJP stealing votes, will try to do in Bihar as well, alleges Rahul

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ Motihari/Sitamarih/Purnea

Congress leader and Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi on Thursday alleged that the BJP was winning elections everywhere by "stealing votes" and will also try to do it in Bihar polls as well. Now it becomes the responsibility of the youth to act against it.

"It is the responsibility of Bihar's youth to put a stop to this and save the Constitution... All of you need to be cautious at the polling booths," the former Congress president said.

Addressing a poll rally in Purnea, Gandhi said, "We have shown the entire world that the BJP and the Election

Commission of India (ECI) have stolen the Haryana election by "stealing votes" and I am sure that they would try to steal votes in Bihar, too.

Congress general secretary Priyanka Vadra also echoed against the NDA and ECI alleging that the NDA was "preparing to steal" the Assembly polls in Bihar, "just like they did in Haryana, colluding with the EC to weaken our Constitution and democratic rights." She was addressing back-to-back public rallies in the Sitamarih and East Champaran districts.

"Just like they stole the entire election in Haryana, they are preparing to do the



LoP in the Lok Sabha and Congress leader Rahul Gandhi addressing a public rally for the Bihar Assembly polls in Purnea

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same in Bihar by deleting 65 lakh votes from the rolls," she said. The Haryana assembly polls last year were "stolen", Congress leader Rahul Gandhi alleged on Wednesday, citing electoral list data to claim that 25 lakh entries were fake and the Election Commission colluded with the BJP to ensure the party's victory.

The elaborate plan included a Brazilian model whose photograph was used 22 times in 10 booths in the Rai assembly constituency during the 2024 assembly elections, the former Congress president said at a press conference during which he put up a presentation to back his claim. "Rahul Gandhi's fight is

for you and truth; he is fighting the same battle that Mahatma Gandhi once fought," she asserted, adding that those who are "betraying" this country will "not be forgotten" by the people.

Rahul also accused the PM and Home Minister Amit Shah of imposing 'jungle raj' in the country. Addressing another rally in Araria, Rahul Gandhi said, "Nitish Kumar talks about 'jungle raj' in Bihar... But, it is the PM and Amit Shah who have imposed 'jungle raj' in Delhi, in the entire country, which is witnessing the rule of the ED, CBI, IT, hatred and unemployment. This is the true *jungle raj*."

## Bihar Deputy CM Sinha alleges his convoy attacked by RJD supporters

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Lakhisarai

Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Vijay Kumar Sinha caused a flutter on Thursday, alleging that his convoy had been attacked by workers of the main opposition party, RJD, who were trying to "intimidate" voters in the area.

The senior BJP leader, who is seeking re-election for a fourth consecutive term, expressed dissatisfaction with the response of the local administration, saying he would take up the matter with the Election Commission (EC).

Reacting to the alleged incident, Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar directed the state DGP to take "immediate action."

"No one will be allowed to take the law into their own hands. Strict action will be taken against the miscreants," an official said, quoting Kumar.

Lakhisarai SP Ajay Kumar said polling was continuing in the area where Sinha alleged that his convoy was attacked by RJD supporters.

"I have received reports of some protests over broken roads, but I will be able to confirm what actually happened only after visiting the site," the SP said.

Talking to reporters, the Deputy CM said, "Since morning, RJD supporters have been intimidating voters belonging to extremely backward classes. The local SP is a coward. He says there is



Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Vijay Kumar Sinha speaking to a policeman, unseen in Lakhisarai, Bihar

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peace all around, when the fact is that people are not being allowed to vote."

"You can see one of the cars in my cavalcade, which has been damaged by the opposition party goons who hurled stones, slippers and cow dung when our men tried to stop them. One of my workers, Vibhishan Kevat, was beaten up badly. He has been admitted to a hospital, and there has not been a single arrest," Sinha said.

Accusing the RJD of resorting to violence, the deputy chief minister said, "The party has shown what it stands for. When this is their behaviour while out of power, if they win the polls even by fluke, what will ensue will be nothing short of the law of the jungle."

Expressing serious dissatisfaction with the response of the local administration, the Deputy CM said, "The matter will be raised before the

Election Commission. The questionable conduct of the official concerned with be reviewed and action will follow."

RJD spokesperson Shakti Yadav said, "He (Sinha) is a liar. He gets Z- Security; it's his party that is in power in the state and controls the administration. Still, you are levelling these false allegations? Locals raised questions on a broken drain, and that is what happened."

Meanwhile, a similar incident was reported from Manjhi assembly constituency of Saran district, where the convoy of Satyendra Yadav, the sitting CPI(M) Liberation MLA, was attacked by unidentified persons.

According to a statement issued by the Saran police, occupants of the car, including the MLA, had escaped unhurt attack and a search was on for "antisocial elements" in the attack.

## Youth will oust NDA from power, claims Akhilesh Yadav


PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Patna

Samajwadi Party (SP) chief Akhilesh Yadav on Thursday launched a blistering attack on the ruling BJP and JD(U) during a rally in Bihar's East Champaran district, claiming that the State's youth have made up their minds to "oust the NDA from power and elect a chief minister who will give jobs, not jumla".

Addressing a rally as part of campaigning for the INDIA bloc candidates in the assembly polls, Yadav asserted that the people's mood across the State was "against the ruling NDA".

"Half of Bihar is voting today, the other half is waiting for its turn. All of Bihar is sending just one message. This time, the youth will oust the NDA from power and elect a chief minister who will give jobs, not jumla (rhetoric), and this time, Bihar will write the BJP's defeat."

Alleging that the BJP and its allies had "failed to provide employment, tame inflation and ensure farmers' welfare", Yadav said people were asking for accountability. "In 10 years of Delhi's (BJP-led central) government and 20 years of Bihar's government, tell me, how many youth got jobs? They promised that farmers' income would be doubled. Has anyone's income doubled?" he asked, as the crowd responded with a loud "No".

Tapir Constructions Limited (CIN: U70200DL2014PLC267441) EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025				
(₹ In Millions)				
Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended 30 September 2025 (Unaudited)	Corresponding quarter ended 30 September 2024 (Unaudited)	Previous year ended 31 March 2025 (Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	1,616.17	12.40	23.30
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(40.56)	(13.70)	(182.80)
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before Tax (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(40.56)	(13.70)	(182.80)
4	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after Tax, (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(40.56)	(13.70)	(182.80)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(40.56)	(13.70)	(179.20)
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	0.50	0.50	0.50
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	(2,199.98)	(2,154.00)	(2,268.60)
8	Securities Premium Account	-	-	-
9	Net Worth	(2,199.48)	(2,153.50)	(2,268.10)
10	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	5,218.20	3,785.20	4,438.80
11	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Share	-	-	-
12	Debt Equity Ratio*	-	-	-
13	Earnings per Share (EPS) (Face value Per Share ₹ 10 each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) - - Basic (Amount in ₹) - Diluted (Amount in ₹)	2,022.74 2,022.74	(273.20) (273.20)	(3,654.38) (3,654.38)
14	Capital Redemption Reserve	-	-	-
15	Debenture Redemption Reserve	-	-	-
16	Debt Service Coverage Ratio**	-	-	-
17	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	-	(0.21)	(0.66)
18	Current ratio (In times)	1.06	0.92	1.02
19	Total debts to total assets (In times)	1.40	0.71	0.73
20	Long term debt to working capital (In times)†	11.31	-	19.38
21	Bad debt to account receivable ratio (In %)	-	-	-
22	Current liability ratio (In times)	0.59	0.77	0.71
23	Debtor turnover ratio (In times)	-	-	-
24	Inventory turnover ratio (In times)	0.37	-	-
25	Operating margin (In %)	3.33	-	11.31
26	Net profit margin (In %)	6.26	(110.93)	(783.67)
* Ratio can not be calculated due to negative average shareholders funds.				
** Ratio can not be calculated due to negative earning available for debt service.				
† Ratio can not be calculated due to negative working capital.				
Notes:				
1. The above results have been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors ('the Board') at its meeting held on 06 November 2025.				
2. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly / Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52(8), read with 52(4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/ Annual Financial Results are available on the Company's website (https://embassyindia.com/tcd/) and on the website of BSE (https://www.bseindia.com) and NSE (https://www.nseindia.com).				
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## IN FOCUS



BJP leaders and workers take part in a torch march on the eve of the 150th anniversary of 'Vande Mataram' in Jaipur

# India has too few diplomats: Argentine envoy

ABHINAV KUMAR JHA  
■ New Delhi

India's global rise is not matched by the number of diplomats it has, Argentine Ambassador Mariano A. Caucino said on Thursday. Speaking at the Observer Research Foundation's (ORF) Diplomat Diaries series in the national Capital, he said India and Argentina have almost the same number of diplomats, though India's population is nearly 30 times larger.

"India has almost 1.5 billion people, and Argentina has less than 50 million. Yet we have the same number of diplomats," Caucino said at the Latin America Roundtable held at the Dr Ambedkar International Centre. "I heard that India is recruiting many new diplomats this year. That is good news," he added.

The session was moderated by Professor Harsh V Pant of ORF. It featured Argentine Ambassador Caucino and Chilean

Ambassador Juan Angulo. Both envoys spoke about their countries' growing ties with India and the region's changing role in global politics.

Ambassador Caucino said Latin American nations face a "paradox". Politically, the region belongs to the Western Hemisphere. But economically, it is now more connected to Asia.

"Our trade partners are mostly in Asia. India is already among the top ten," he said. "We share democratic values with the West, but our economic future lies in Asia," he added. He said India's economic growth has opened new areas of cooperation. "India is already the fifth-largest economy. It will soon be third. Many Indian companies are investing in Argentina's lithium and food sectors," he said. But he warned against depending only on natural resources. "Countries develop when they add value and invest in technology," he said.

Chilean Ambassador Juan



Chile Ambassador Juan Angulo, Ambassador Mariano A Caucino at the Diplomat Diaries series organised by the Observer Research Foundation in the national Capital on Thursday. The session was moderated by Professor Harsh V Pant of ORF and the topic of discussion was Latin America Roundtable

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Angulo said small economies like Chile must stay flexible. "We are takers of global rules, not makers," he said. "We cannot choose

sides in big power rivalries. We must adapt," Angulo remarked. He further said Chile is trying to add value to its exports and use tech-

nology to improve productivity. "We don't want to export raw rocks of lithium. We want to be part of the battery value chain," he

said. "In agriculture, we use artificial intelligence for packing and shipping. Innovation is the only way to compete," he added.

Angulo said Latin America remains a "zone of peace" but faces internal challenges. "There are no wars between our countries. But we have problems like crime, drugs, and weak institutions," he said. "People are also losing faith in democracy because it is not meeting their needs.

Caucino agreed that Latin America's political values remain democratic but said the region must do more to turn economic links into opportunities. "With India, our economies are complementary, not competitive," he said. The envoys said India's limited diplomatic presence makes it harder to engage with faraway regions like Latin America.

Many Indian missions in the region cover multiple countries. Ambassador Angulo summed it up: "The distance is large, but the opportunities are larger."

## President to visit Angola, Botswana

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

President Droupadi Murmu will undertake a six-day visit to Angola and Botswana beginning Saturday with a broader aim to further expand India's development partnership with the African continent.

In the first leg of her trip, Murmu will visit Angola from November 8 to 11. From Angola, she will travel to Botswana, according to the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA). "The President of India will be paying a state visit to Angola and Botswana from November 8 to 13. This will be the first-ever state visit by an Indian head of state to Angola and Botswana," Secretary (Economic Relations) in the MEA, Sudhakar Dalela, said. India's engagement with the African continent is growing and President Murmu's visit to the two nations should be seen in the larger context of India's priority in expanding the partnership with the African region, he said at a media



briefing. Dalela said India's trade with the African region is reaching almost \$100 billion.

"India's growing engagement with Africa is also in consonance with the government's priority of strengthening partnerships with countries in the Global South," he said. Dalela said President Murmu will hold bilateral talks with her Angolan counterpart and attend the 50th

anniversary celebrations of the African nation's independence.

She is also scheduled to address the Angolan parliament and interact with members of the Indian community in that country, he said. Angolan President Joao Manuel Goncalves Lourenco is currently holding the chairship of the African Union, an influential bloc that comprises 55 African member states.

## Nagrota by-polls: Omar's message lost as mic fails

MOHIT KANDHARI  
■ Jammu

Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Thursday failed to send a 'loud and clear' message to voters gathered at an election rally after the public address system went off, forcing him to abruptly wind up his speech in support of the party candidate ahead of the November 11 by-elections in the Nagrota Assembly constituency.

A large number of party leaders, including Deputy Chief Minister Surinder Choudhary and senior MLAs, addressed the meeting without facing any technical glitches. Ironically, when Omar started addressing the gathering, his mike abruptly went off.

Omar waited patiently for over two minutes, but when the sound engineers, working behind the stage, failed to rectify the glitch in time, Omar, apparently, lost his cool. He was also seen making gestures, pointing fingers towards the party organisers.



Sporting a Dogra turban, Omar stepped down without addressing the party supporters. However, before leaving, Omar made a passionate appeal to the voters to support the party's candidate on November 11 by turning up in large numbers at the polling booths. Omar refused to use the mike, offered to him by the party candidate standing next to him in front of the electorate.

This was Omar Abdullah's first election meeting in Jammu after completing one year in office. The Bharatiya Janta Party candidate Devyani Rana, daughter of deceased BJP MLA Devender Singh Rana, and Shamim Begum of the Jammu and Kashmir National Conference are locked in a straight contest.

After Chief Minister Omar Abdullah received a rousing reception in Jammu on the

day of the reopening of the Durbal move offices, the provincial National Conference leaders extended an invitation to Chief Minister Omar Abdullah to address an election meeting to boost the morale of party workers.

The Nagrota Assembly Constituency, represented by Devender Singh Rana in 2014, was won by the National Conference. Rana, a close aide of Omar Abdullah, was appointed Omar's political advisor between 2009-2011.

After quitting the National Conference in 2021, Rana joined the Bharatiya Janata Party. He won the Nagrota Assembly seat by a margin of over 30,000 votes, defeating his rival candidate of the National Conference in October 2024. Rana passed away after a brief illness last year. The National Conference leaders are hoping to make inroads in the Nagrota constituency and are seeking votes from the electorate to support the Omar Abdullah-led Government.

## PM MODI TO LAUNCH YEAR LONG TRIBUTE TO 'VANDE MATARAM'

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the year-long commemoration of the National Song, "Vande Mataram", at the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium here on Friday and also release a commemorative stamp and coin. The programme will mark the formal launch of the year-long nation wide commemoration — from November 7, 2025 to November 7, 2026 — celebrating 150 years of the timeless composition that inspired India's freedom movement and continues to evoke national pride and unity.

Modi will inaugurate the year-long commemoration of the National Song, "Vande Mataram", at around 9:30 am on Friday at the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium, New Delhi, a statement issued by the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) said. The prime minister will also release a commemorative stamp and coin on the occasion, it added.

"The celebrations will witness Mass Singing of the full version of 'Vande Mataram' at around 9:50 AM across public places with participation of citizens across all segments of society, in conjunction with the main programme," the statement said. The year marks 150 years since "Vande Mataram" was composed. "Vande Mataram" was written by Bankimchandra Chatterji during the auspicious occasion of *Akshaya Navami*, which was on November 7 in 1875. Vande Mataram "first appeared in the literary journal, 'Bangadarshan', as part of Chatterji's novel, 'Anandamath'."



## Shah slams Rahul for seeking caste data of army jawans

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ Banka/Jamui/Gayaji

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday lambasted Rahul Gandhi for seeking to know about the caste and religion of army jawans. Shah said the country does not discriminate among military personnel on the basis of caste or creed. "Rahul Gandhi should be ashamed for seeking to know about the caste and religion of Army jawans. We do not discriminate among military personnel on the basis of caste or creed," he said.

Addressing back-to-back election rallies in Madhubani, West Champaran and Motihari districts, Shah also took up the issue of illegal Bangladeshi immigrants, saying that these people snatch jobs and pose security threats to the country. He also asserted that the Bihar assembly elections are for making the eastern state "infiltrator-free".

Gandhi, while addressing public rallies in Bihar on Tuesday, claimed that lower castes, tribal communities and minorities have little representation in the armed forces.

## CAG approves centralised cadres to boost expertise

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) on Thursday announced the creation of two centralised cadres to build deeper professional expertise and further improve the quality of audit of central Government finances. The CAG has accorded in-principle approval for the creation of specialised cadres — Central Revenue Audit (CRA) Cadre and Central Expenditure Audit

(CEA) Cadre — within the Indian Audit and Accounts Department, DAI (HR, IR, CDN) K Subramaniam said at a media briefing here. The scheme will be operationalised from January 1, 2026.

At present, the audit of central receipts and expenditure is undertaken by 9 Director General (Audit)/Principal Director (Audit) offices and exclusive offices with cadre control dispersed across multiple state.

## ED raids human hair export firms

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

In an export business of human hair to Tunisia and Italy, Enforcement Directorate carried out search operations at seven premises across Nagaland, Assam and Tamil Nadu, the agency said on Thursday.

The raids were carried on October 4, for violations of the provisions of Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999. The agency sleuth received information that Imsong Global Suppliers Co — based in Nagaland — claimed to be engaged in the export of human hair to entities based in Tunisia

and Italy received ₹50 crore foreign remittances suspiciously.

During the searches, crucial evidences, documents and digital devices relating to the foreign remittances received by the entity Imsong Global Suppliers Co have been seized. The company, despite considerable lapse of time, had failed to submit requisite export documentation such as shipping bills, export invoice copies amongst others to the authorised dealer bank within prescribed timelines. "Such non-compliance of export obligations and suppression of documentary evidences constitute con-

traventions of the provisions of the FEMA vis a vis several directions issued by RBI from time to time," the agency said. During investigation, it was found that the foreign remittances received by Imsong Global Suppliers Co. were further diverted to Inchem India Private Limited on the pretext of purchase of human hair.

The agency found that Inchem India Private Limited, which had remained dormant or inactive for a considerable period, was re-activated in 2015. This coincides precisely with the period when Imsong Global Trading Co commenced receipt of large foreign remit-

## Gupta, Sharma take oath as MPs



Vice President CP Radhakrishnan administering oath Rajinder Gupta as an elected Member of the Rajya Sabha

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PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

Newly elected members of the Rajya Sabha, Rajinder Gupta and Sat Paul Sharma, were administered the oath of office by Vice President CP Radhakrishnan on Thursday. Gupta of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) was elected an MP from Punjab.

Sharma of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) took oath as an MP representing Jammu and Kashmir. Gupta took the

oath at a brief function in Parliament House in Punjab, while Sharma did it in Hindi.

Gupta, an industrialist, was nominated by the AAP, which is in power in Punjab. Gupta was elected unopposed to the Rajya Sabha from Punjab as he was the lone candidate in the fray. The AAP, which nominated Gupta as its candidate for the October 24 RS bypoll, enjoys an overwhelming majority with 93 members in the 117-member state assembly.

## 2025 likely to be 2nd or 3rd hottest year on record:WMO

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) said on Thursday that the 2025 is set to be either the second or third warmest one on record, with the alarming streak of exceptional temperatures continuing throughout the year so far. This will make the past 11 years, from 2015 to 2025, the warmest 11-year period in the 176-year observational record, with the past three years being the hottest on record.

According to WMO's "State of the Global Climate Update", the mean near-surface temperature from January to August 2025 was 1.42 degrees Celsius (±0.12) above the pre-industrial average.

The Paris Agreement, adopted by nearly 200

countries in 2015, aims to keep global temperature rise well below 2 degrees Celsius and pursue efforts to limit it to 1.5 degrees Celsius. Warming has already crossed 1.3 degrees Celsius and global emissions continue to rise. According to the WMO, 2024 was the hottest year on record and the first with a global average temperature 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels.

However, a permanent breach of the 1.5-degree Celsius limit under the Paris Agreement refers to long-term warming over a 20- or 30-year period, not a single year. The Berlin-based climate science and policy institute Climate Analytics, in a report published on Thursday, said the world will very likely reach 1.5 degrees Celsius of warming by the early 2030s.

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"No one will be allowed to take the law into their own hands. Strict action will be taken against the miscreants," an official quoted Kumar as saying.

Voting in the first phase of the Bihar assembly elections was briefly disrupted on Thursday after a confrontation between supporters of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) in Bhojpur left a polling agent injured.

Choudhary, who voted in Tarapur, said, "The work done by Nitish Kumar should continue. A lot of effort has gone into the transformation we are witnessing today. Vote for development." Giriraj Singh, who cast his vote in Lakhisarai, defended the checking of the identity of burqa-clad women, stating it will prevent 'vote chori' (vote theft). "This is not religious bias... We are not

living in Pakistan. Neither will Bihar have a Tejashwi Yadav Government, nor will Sharia law be implemented here," he said.

Tejashwi, along with his family members, including RJD supremo Lalu Prasad, cast his vote at a booth in Veterinary College in Patna. "I appeal to the youth to bring a change by installing a new Government," Tejashwi said. His mother and former Bihar chief minister Rabri Devi, too, appealed to people "to vote and bring a change".

A notable feature of this election has been the presence of Prashant Kishor's Jan Suraj Party, which the former political strategist believes could emerge as the proverbial dark horse.

Kishor has caught public imagination with his promise of making the state "among the top-ranking ones in the country", and to this end, he has not shied away from making a few bold statements.





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Madhya Pradesh HC  
dismisses plea by Shah  
Bano Begum’s daughter



HAQ

Shah Bano

The Indore Bench of Madhya Pradesh High Court (HC) has dismissed a petition to restrain the release of the film ‘Haq’ which draws inspiration from the Shah Bano case in which the Supreme Court ruled in favour of giving maintenance to divorced Muslim women. The petition against the movie was filed by Shah Bano Begum’s daughter, Siddiqua Begum Khan, contending that the film distorted personal events that took place in Shah Bano’s life. The Emraan Hashmi, Yami Gautam starrer film is set to release on November 7.

Siddiqua said that the movie commercially exploits the privacy and personality of her deceased mother without taking consent from her legal heirs. She added that she had inherited her late mother’s reputational rights after Bano’s death. Justice Pranay Verma has rejected these arguments, holding, “privacy or reputation earned by a person during his or her lifetime extinguishes with his or her death. It cannot be inherited like a movable or immovable property.” The Court further accepted the filmmaker’s stance that the film is only inspired by the Supreme Court case but is otherwise fictional and that a disclaimer about this is also part of the movie.

“Since the disclaimer itself states that the same is dramatisation and is fictional and an adaptation of a book and is inspired by a judgment of the Supreme Court, it cannot be said that the contents of the film are fabricated. Since the film is an inspiration and a fiction, some amount of leeway is certainly permissible and merely because the same is done, it cannot be said that there has been any sensationalisation or false portrayal,” the Court said, adding that the film is stated to be largely inspired from publicly available court records.

## Accused must be given grounds of arrest in writing: SC reiterates

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

Reiterating its earlier orders, the Supreme Court (SC) on Thursday held that police and investigating agencies must provide written grounds of arrest to every arrested person as soon as possible, regardless of the offence or statute under which the arrest is made. A Bench of Chief Justice of India BR Gavai and Justice AG Masih said the right to be informed of the grounds of arrest is a fundamental and mandatory safeguard under Article 22(1) of the Constitution and applies to all offences.

In certain exceptional situations when it is not possible to supply written grounds immediately, the ground should be conveyed orally to the accused. Even in such cases, written grounds must be furnished to the accused within a reasonable time and no later than two hours before the accused is produced before the Magistrate for remand proceedings, the Court ordered. The judgment came in a batch of appeals arising from the 2024 Worli BMW crash case in Mumbai.

“The constitutional mandate of informing the arrestee the grounds of arrest is mandatory in all offences under all statutes including offences under IPC 1860 (now BNS 2023),” said the Supreme Court, citing various orders passed earlier. The Court described this right as an integral part of personal liberty under Article 21, emphasising that an arrest made without following this safeguard is unconstitutional. “If a person is not informed of the grounds of his arrest as soon as may be, it would amount to the violation of his fundamental rights thereby curtailing his right to life and personal liberty under Article 21 of the Constitution of India, rendering the arrest illegal,”



the judgement said, adding that every arrested person must receive the grounds of arrest in writing, and the document must be in a language that the person understands.

“The grounds of arrest must be provided to the arrestee in such a manner that sufficient knowledge of facts constituting grounds is imparted and communicated to the arrested person effectively in a language which he/she understands,” the Bench said. The judges added that merely reading out the reasons for arrest does not fulfil the constitutional requirement.

“The objective of the constitutional mandate would not be fulfilled by mere reading out the grounds to the arrested person, such an approach would be antithesis to the purpose of Article 22(1),” the judgment said. The Court noted that written communication is important not only to protect the rights of the arrested person but also to help investigating agencies prove that proper procedure was followed if challenged later.

At the same time, the Bench recognised that in certain exceptional circumstances, it may not be immediately possible to hand over a written document — for

## Plea to adjourn hearing on tribunal reforms irks CJ

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The Supreme Court (SC) on Thursday expressed strong displeasure over the Centre’s request to adjourn the hearing on a batch of pleas, including the one filed by the Madras Bar Association, challenging the constitutional validity of the 2021 law on tribunal reforms. On November 3, a bench headed by Chief Justice BR Gavai took strong note of the Centre’s application seeking a direction to refer to a five-judge bench the pleas challenging the provisions of the Tribunals Reforms (Rationalisation and Conditions of Service) Act, 2021, saying that it did not expect this from the Government at the fag end of the final hearing.

The 2021 Act abolishes certain Appellate Tribunals, including the Film Certification Appellate Tribunal and amends various



terms related to the appointment and tenure of judicial and other members of various Tribunals.

The CJ-led bench had then threatened dismissal of the Centre’s plea, moved through Attorney General R

Venkataramani to get the matters referred to a larger bench, saying it did not approve such tactics from the Union Government.

This led the AG to argue the case on merits on Monday and after that the bench fixed

the hearing on Friday.

On Thursday, Additional Solicitor General Aishwaraya Bhati mentioned the matter and sought an adjournment on behalf of the attorney general, citing the latter’s international arbitration

commitments. “Very unfair to the court,” the CJ said. The ASG said that the Attorney General has an international arbitration scheduled on Friday and hence sought an accommodation. “We have accommodated him for so much time. We have accommodated him twice. This is not fair to the court,” the CJ again said.

“If you want to keep it after 24 (November), you tell us frankly,” the CJ, who is retiring on November 23, told Bhati. When ASG Bhati suggested the matter be taken up on Monday, the visibly irked Chief Justice remarked, “When do we write the judgment then? Every day we are told he’s busy with arbitration. At the last moment, you come with an application to refer the matter to a Constitution Bench!”

The CJ also questioned why another law officer could not represent the Union in

the matter. “You have a battery of competent ASGs. When we were in the High Court, we gave up other briefs for part-heard matters,” he said, adding that the bench had kept its Friday schedule clear to conclude hearings and use the weekend to prepare the judgment. Ultimately, the bench agreed to hear senior advocate Arvind Datar, representing the petitioner Madras Bar Association, on Friday and accommodate the Attorney General’s submissions on Monday. “If he does not come, we will close the matter,” the CJ said.

Earlier, the bench, which also comprised Justice K Viond Chandran, has already heard final arguments on behalf of petitioners, including lead petitioner the Madras Bar Association, in the matter. Previous hearing, the CJ observed that it seems the Centre wanted to avoid the present bench.

## No plans to install cameras in Ajmer dargah’s sanctum sanctorum

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

The Delhi High Court (HC) was informed by the Centre on Thursday that it has no plans to install CCTV cameras inside the sanctum sanctorum of the dargah of Sufi saint Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti in Ajmer.

The Centre said CCTV cameras will be restricted to public approach areas and passages leading up to the sanctum and that cameras are being installed to prevent instances of pickpocketing, harassment and theft.

Justice Sachin Datta noted the submissions of the Centre’s counsel on the aspect of cameras and directed the Government to expedite the process of appointment of the members of the Ajmer Sharif Dargah Committee.

“Let the process be expedited and members be appointed as expeditiously as possible, preferably within 3 months,” the court said.

The court passed the order while disposing of a plea by Syed Meharaj Miya, a khadim of the dargah, challenging the decision of Centre-appointed Nazim to install cameras within the sanctum.

The dargah committee is tasked with managing the affairs of the 13-century shrine but has been lying defunct since 2022. In the absence of the committee, decisions related to the dargah are taken by the central Government-appointed Nazim and assistant Nazim.

As the Centre’s counsel clarified that the move followed a security audit and



Ajmer Sharif Dargah


cameras were not being installed inside the sanctum, the petitioner’s counsel said there was no objection to cameras being placed in public approach areas, leading the court to dispose of the plea.

Khadims are hereditary custodians of the Ajmer Sharif dargah and are responsible for its management, rituals and upkeep of the Sufi shrine.

Besides the aspect of cameras, the petitioner also sought court’s direction to the Centre to appoint the dargah management committee. He claimed that there were several alleged finan-

cial irregularities in the functioning of the office bearers at the dargah at present and said that it was damaging the religious site’s image.

“The said anomalies in the finances of the dargah committee are extremely alarming and would be adversely affecting the trust and confidence of devotees/pilgrims of Sufi Saint Khawaja Sahib from across the world irrespective of faith, religion, caste, creed, ethnicity, colour or race who generously donate and deposit monetary funds either online or during their regular visit to the Dargah Ajmer Sharif,” the plea said.

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Statement of Unaudited Consolidated Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended 30 September 2025							
Sl. No.	Particulars	3 months ended	Preceding 3 months ended	Corresponding 3 months ended	Year to date figures for current period ended	Year to date figures for previous period ended	Previous year ended
		30 Sept. 2025	30 June 2025	30 Sept. 2024	30 Sept. 2025	30 Sept. 2024	31 March 2025
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
1	Total income from operations	4,931.09	6,809.19	4,754.72	11,740.28	9,653.29	21,799.25
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the year/period (before Tax, Minority Interest and Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(1,524.86)	(1,647.58)	(274.55)	(3,172.44)	(1,004.61)	553.19
3	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period before Tax and Minority Interest (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(1,519.86)	(1,647.58)	(274.55)	(3,167.44)	(1,004.61)	273.19
4	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period after Tax and Minority Interest (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(1,524.69)	(1,656.00)	(288.59)	(3,180.69)	963.75	2,029.32
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the year/period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the year/period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(1,508.86)	(1,656.43)	(1,463.81)	(3,165.29)	1,587.45	2,111.69
6	Earnings per Share (face value of ₹ 2/- each)						
	- Basic (Amount in ₹)	(1.12)	(1.29)	(0.54)	(2.40)	1.45	2.76
	- Diluted (Amount in ₹)	(1.12)	(1.29)	(0.54)	(2.40)	1.37	2.65
7	Paid up Equity Share Capital	2,741.26	2,730.50	1,271.74	2,741.26	1,271.74	2,443.88
8	Other equity						93,266.51
Statement of Unaudited Standalone Financial Results :							
1. The above consolidated results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on 06 November 2025. These financial results have been subjected to limited review by the statutory auditors of the Company.							
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		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	1,662.45	1,188.45	4,060.92	2,850.90	12,289.56	21,123.57
2	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(420.56)	(903.69)	(144.39)	(1,324.25)	980.91	803.14
3	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period before Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(415.56)	(903.69)	(144.39)	(1,319.25)	980.91	523.14
4	Net (Loss) / Profit for the year/period after Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(404.79)	(888.04)	(141.72)	(1,292.83)	3,085.71	2,641.78
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the year/period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(386.77)	(888.04)	(141.72)	(1,274.81)	3,085.71	977.05
6	Earnings per Share (of ₹ 2/- each)						
	- Basic (Amount in ₹)	(0.30)	(0.69)	(0.22)	(0.97)	5.06	3.66
	- Diluted (Amount in ₹)	(0.30)	(0.69)	(0.22)	(0.97)	4.80	3.51
7	Paid-up equity share capital (face value of ₹ 2 per equity share)	2,741.26	2,730.50	1,271.70	2,741.26	1,271.70	2,443.88
8	Other equity						99,265.92
Notes to the standalone financial results:							
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Editor's  
TAKE

## New York elects hope over hate

Zohran Mamdani's election as New York mayor signals that the arc of democracy, however bent by demagogues, still leans towards justice, inclusion, and hope

In what can be termed a personal defeat for Donald Trump, Zohran Mamdani has been elected as New York City mayor. And the reason for this binary is simple: Mamdani stands for everything that Trump wants to dismantle – socialism, environment, migrants, fair trade, and, above all, ethics in public life. He has defeated a Trump-supported candidate and decimated his narrative of polarisation and the politics of fear, a victory of reason over rhetoric. Indeed, there are many firsts in his win - the 34-year-old socialist, son of Indian parents and born in Uganda, defeated the establishment's stalwart, Andrew Cuomo, and the right-wing provocateur, Curtis Sliwa, to become New York's first Muslim, first South Asian, first Africa-born, and youngest mayor in over a century. Mamdani's meteoric rise from an obscure state assemblyman to the most prestigious post of New York City is not just a personal triumph; it is an ideological milestone. His victory represents a sharp rebuke to Trump-style politics - a politics built on division, spectacle, and the demonisation of the "other." At a time when Donald Trump continues to dominate America's conservative narrative with populist outrage and cultural onslaught, Mamdani's win shows that voters, at least in New York, are ready to turn the page towards empathy, inclusion, and economic fairness.

When Mamdani launched his campaign in late 2024, few took him seriously. Analysts dismissed him as a fringe socialist with radical ideas about housing and taxation. Yet, through persistence, creativity, and an authentic connection with working-class New Yorkers, Mamdani redefined what a grassroots movement could look like. His campaign was powered not by corporate donors but by volunteers, community organisers, and an entirely digital-first strategy. From witty TikTok videos to multilingual street interactions, he reached voters who had long been ignored – immigrants, tenants, gig workers, and young families crushed by Trumponomics. His policy proposals – from rent freezes and social housing to free buses, universal childcare, and a \$30 minimum wage - may sound radical, but resonated deeply in a city increasingly unaffordable to its own people. They reflected lived experience, not ideological abstraction. His empathy – born from proximity to struggle – infused his politics with rare moral clarity.

Yet his journey was far from smooth. His unapologetic Muslim identity, his vocal support for immigrant rights, and his criticism of Israel's actions in Gaza invited fierce backlash. Cuomo accused him of "fueling antisemitism," while Trump labelled him a "communist lunatic." But Mamdani's response was firm and dignified: he neither diluted his principles nor distanced himself from his roots. It reminds America that leadership can still be built on empathy rather than ego, and that politics can still be a moral pursuit, not a marketplace of outrage. No doubt Mamdani will face enormous tests. But for now, his win signals a larger message – reason will always prevail in the end, come what may!

# The climate reality we cannot outrun

The absence of a unified climate law in India limits effective action, with the background of it being among the most vulnerable nations facing compound climate extremes such as landslides, floods, and heatwaves



PRIYANKA CHATURVEDI

Every year, as winter arrives in Delhi, so does the inevitable reality of toxic haze, so does the discussion to prioritise healthy air. After huffing and puffing, literally and figuratively, for a few days, it is work as usual till the next Diwali/farm fire season.

The great Indian apathy to demand better governance continues. However, this is no more a seasonal nuisance but a major public health and policy crisis unfolding. For the crores of residents, breathing has become an act of endurance. The norm of pollution has disillusioned the citizens about the need for immediate action by their chosen representatives. While most cities would shut down at an AQI of over 500, Delhi continues to function as if the choking air were normal, with the Government even hosting fitness events amid it all.

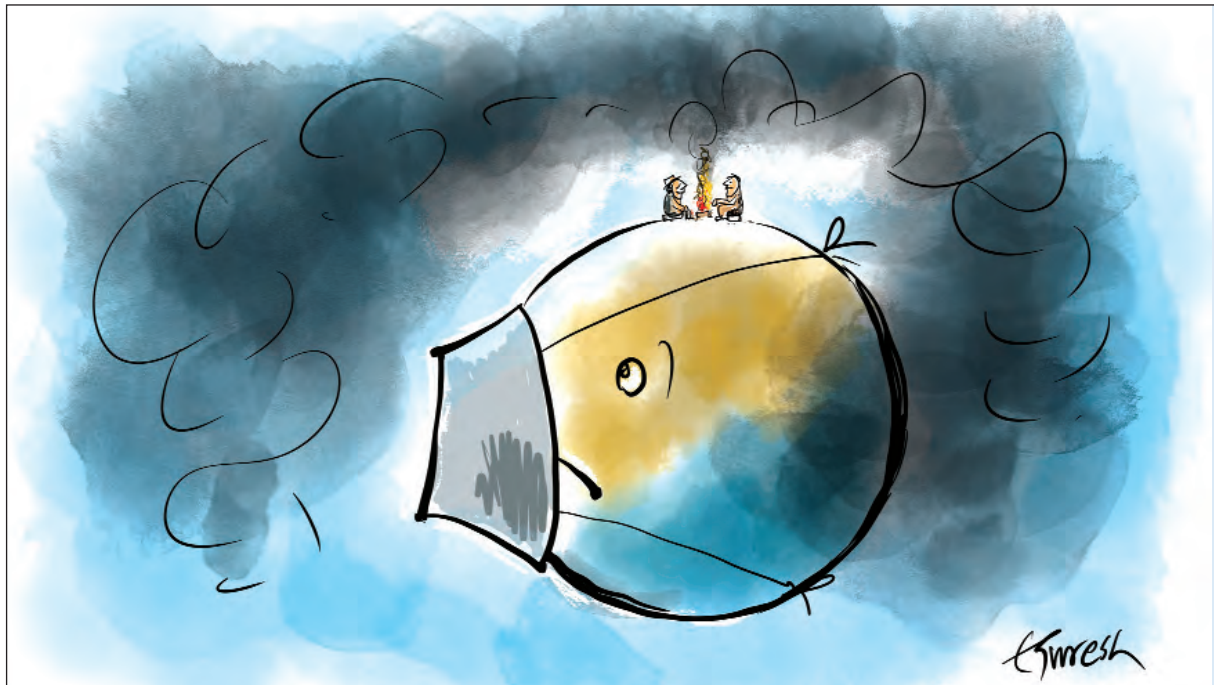
Worse still, the Government's response only further enhances its wilful apathy, as rather than fighting pollution, it chooses to manipulate the data measuring it. The remarkable "triple-engine government" in Delhi has been accused of taking cosmetic measures, such as allegedly spraying water near AQI sensors, rather than tackling pollution at its source.

According to the data submitted to the Supreme Court, on Diwali, only 9 out of 37 sensors were functioning, even as authorities claimed to be monitoring air quality closely. Various examples will tell you that a call for a ban on anything seldom works, rather makes the proposition more interesting. Similar was the case of the firecracker ban, and once that was lifted by the highest court of the land under the label of 'green crackers', welcomed by the Government, the NCR saw the return of the fire-crackers with a vengeance.

Yes, of course, this isn't the only cause but one of the major causes of what makes the capital of the country choke with poisonous air. Then there is the elephant in the room-the stubble burning by farmers. Punjab alone has already recorded over 1,200 farm fires since September.

To add salt to the wound, when India's AQI scale has been capped at 500, international apps have shown readings over 1,000. While this is not new, it remains unaddressed by the Government, and much of the population remains unaware. Around such conditions, many parts of the city will adopt work-from-home policies, yet what about the citizens who cannot afford to work from home, nor afford to buy a purifier like the Chief Minister?

The new-age capitalism has brought along the need to buy clean air for survival. This is no more a seasonal problem. According



THE UNITED STATES' RENEWED WITHDRAWAL FROM THE PARIS AGREEMENT UNDER TRUMP, THE ROLLBACK OF CLIMATE GRANTS, AND THE RETREAT OF MAJOR CORPORATIONS AND BANKS FROM CLIMATE ALLIANCES REFLECT A DANGEROUS TREND OF WILFUL DENIAL BY THOSE MOST RESPONSIBLE

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to the 2025 Lancet Countdown on Health and Climate Change, India now accounts for 26 per cent of global deaths caused by air pollution-over 17 lakh deaths annually-a 38 per cent rise since 2010. The very air that every single citizen of the country breathes is also what is slowly killing them.

Even still, the Environment and Health Ministries continue to deny any direct correlation between air pollution and mortality. This silence should itself be a clarion call for decisive and coordinated action.

Delhi's smog is a symptom of a deeper policy vacuum on pollution. On one hand, cities like Mumbai get away thanks to the sea winds, which also blow away accountability, against unchecked construction and industrial activity. On the other hand, northern cities dominate global pollution rankings in the top 50 of the world's most polluted cities.

This inaction is not India's alone; it mirrors a wider failure of global leadership. Even as India ranks 10th in the Climate Change Performance Index, global leadership continues to falter.

The United States' renewed withdrawal from the Paris Agreement under Trump, the rollback of climate grants, and the retreat of major corporations and banks from climate alliances reflect a dangerous trend of wilful denial by those most responsible. The developed world is not yet seeing the worst consequences of climate change, now endured by the Global South. Addressing this crisis requires not just short-term measures but systemic

reform. That is why, in 2021, I introduced the Climate Change Council Bill-a Private Member's Bill-to establish a comprehensive legal framework to guide India's response to climate change; a framework we currently lack. The absence of a unified climate law in India limits effective action, with the background of it being among the most vulnerable nations facing compound climate extremes such as landslides, floods, and heatwaves. By integrating environmental, ecological, and developmental aspects, the Bill seeks to ensure focused mechanisms for the assessment, adaptation, and mitigation of climate change impacts.

Still, policy cannot succeed without public will. These persisting conditions across various North Indian states will drive the majority of the public health emergencies not only for the present but for future generations as well. Every citizen, regardless of occupation or income, deserves the right to breathe clean air.

We must expand public transport; prioritise walking and cycling through safer streets; enforce vehicle and construction emission standards; and embed air quality goals into urban planning. Clean air must be a collective national guarantee. It is not a woke agenda, as many dismiss it, but an urgent health hazard agenda which needs to be tackled on a war footing. The citizens of India deserve better. When fate comes knocking, it will not distinguish between wealth and geography. By then, no nation will be immune to the consequences of its own-and our collective-inaction.

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# Meditation: The mind's antidote to modern stress



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In the last about 50 years or more, it has been increasingly realised by medical professionals that many ailments are caused by stress or trauma, resulting in more and more deaths.

Isn't it surprising that a few years back, something like stress, about which we were not so serious, has today become a part of our everyday life? Today, there is a flood of literature available on stress-related diseases and their treatment, and it has become almost a fashion nowadays to talk or write on the effects of stress on modern men and women.

Although we all talk about stress, it often isn't clear what stress is really about. Even though WHO, in its well-

known definition of health, has taken into account the social, moral, and spiritual aspects of health, some very important aspects of stress have, up to now, been missed, overlooked, or at least underemphasised by doctors, social scientists, criminologists, administrators, historians, and others.

Many people feel that stress is something that happens to them during an event such as physical injury, emotional heartbreak, or some family feud, etc. Some people say that stress is a feeling experienced by our mind and body in response to an event like a terror attack, rail accident, or plane crash. However, experts believe that while stress does involve events and our responses to them, these are not the most important factors causing it. Our thoughts about the situations in which we find ourselves are more critical compared to other reasons mentioned above.

We need to understand that when something happens to us, we automatically evaluate the situation mentally and decide if it is really threatening to us, how we need to deal with the situation, and what skills we can use. So, if we feel that the demands of the situation outweigh the skills we have, then we treat the situation as stressful. On the other hand, if we feel that our coping skills outweigh the demands of the situation, then we don't see it as stressful. According to psychologists, stress in

small quantities is good and at times necessary because it motivates a person and helps him or her to become more productive. However, an excess of it, or a strong response to it, can be fatal. Hence, the way in which we deal with a stress-provoking event would determine its impact on our health.

The basic idea is to understand ourselves and our reactions towards stressful events, thereby learning to handle them more effectively. One should understand that stress management is not about avoiding or escaping the pressures and turbulence of modern living. No! In the actual sense, it is about learning to appreciate how the body reacts to external pressures and developing skills that enhance the body's adjustment.

The *Gita* states that man can be his own best friend or his own worst enemy. To be my best friend, I must spend time with myself – learning to love and respect myself so I can do the same for others. By watching what goes on in my mind, I can gently guide it back on the right track. If I allow negative or wasteful thoughts, meditation becomes difficult; but if I clear my mind and keep my thoughts positive, it's easier to experience peace. It isn't enough to just read about it – get up and start meditating today!

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## INDIA'S YOUTH SUFFOCATING UNDER UNKEPT PROMISES AND INEQUALITY

The current regime in India has plunged the nation into a spiral of economic distress and social despair, with every section of society hit from all sides over the past decade. Students, youth, farmers, labourers, workers, shopkeepers, employees, and traders are struggling, and not a single section appears content with this Government amid rising prices, shrinking opportunities, and deepening inequality.

Inflation has skyrocketed, the rupee has lost its sheen, and the gulf between the rich and the poor has widened dangerously, making life increasingly difficult for the poor and middle-class families.

Unemployment has become a matter of grave concern. According to the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy

(CMIE), India's unemployment rate climbed to 7.5 per cent in October 2025-the highest in the past six months.

Lakhs have lost jobs across sectors, including construction, IT, and banking.

More than 90 lakh people are jobless in the construction industry alone, while 25 lakh salaried positions have vanished. Such frightening figures have become routine, yet the Government seems unmoved.

It appears that those in power remain in constant election mode, crafting slogans instead of solutions. The time has come for citizens to question why leaders continue to campaign even as the nation gasps under the weight of unemployment and inequality

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Delhi choking on neglected air

Apropos "Delhi's deadly air: A public health emergency" (Nov. 6), the capital's toxic air stands as a grim reminder of how environmental neglect can slowly suffocate a city's health and spirit. Each winter, Delhi turns into a gas chamber, yet the response remains disappointingly routine – a mix of temporary bans, political blame, and public resignation. The crisis is structural, not seasonal. Vehicular fumes, industrial emissions, and construction dust, coupled with weak enforcement and fragmented governance, have created a calamity that transcends class and geography. What worsens the situation is the erosion of accountability. Governments announce short-term plans; citizens complain but persist with polluting habits, and industries evade scrutiny. China's willingness to share its smog-control experience is instructive – proof that leadership, strict regulation, and civic participation can change the air we breathe. Beijing's example shows that progress follows when political will aligns with scientific planning.

Clean air must not remain a campaign slogan or seasonal privilege; it is a fundamental right defining the quality of life in any modern city. Delhi must commit to transparent, collective, and sustained action before its skyline becomes a permanent haze of indifference.

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### A victory beyond American borders

Zohran Mamdani's victory in New York represents far more than an electoral win; it is a triumph for the working class and a reminder that politics can still serve ordinary citizens. His immediate statement – "Let's get back to work today" – reflects commitment to building a city that is affordable and inclusive. At a time when chauvinism and racism dominate American discourse, Mamdani's success offers hope.

America has thrived on the contributions of immigrants, whose labour and creativity have shaped its cities and economy. Yet, this truth is often undermined. The Republicans continue to ignore these sacrifices, resorting instead to divisive rhetoric. Change, however, is constant and New York itself is living proof: a city built on the sweat, capital, and dreams of the masses. Its rewards must belong to everyone, not merely the super-rich.

Seeing a young leader of Indian origin succeed in American politics reinforces the belief that democracy thrives when diverse voices are heard. His victory symbolises justice, equality, and shared prosperity. Zohran Mamdani's victory in New York marks a defining moment for inclusive politics, celebrating working-class strength, immigrant contribution, and the enduring power of diversity in democracy.

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### Equality in compassionate job rules

Apropos the report, "HC bins petition of adopted son seeking job in KSRTC on compassionate grounds," the headline is misleading. The Karnataka High Court rejected the plea not because the petitioner was adopted, but because he applied five years after his foster father's death. Rules stipulate that an application must be made within a year. Even a biological son's plea would have been dismissed.

However, discrimination between adopted and biological children in compassionate appointments is unjust. If KSRTC's policy excludes adopted children, it is flawed and violates equality. The Court rightly ruled that there can be no distinction between adopted and biological offspring. Denying an adopted child such consideration defeats the purpose of adoption itself.

The Government should reconsider its rule limiting applications to one year from the employee's death. Earlier, minors could apply within a year of attaining majority, which was fairer. Compassionate appointments may not erase grief, but they can ease hardship. Restoring the earlier rule would be a humane gesture-better than distributing unsustainable freebies. Political parties must pledge to remove such inequities and uphold compassion in governance.

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# Hapless citizens, helpless Governments

In recent months, a series of fatal incidents across Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Burma, and Sri Lanka has exposed the fragility of their transportation systems. Overcrowded buses tumbling off narrow mountain roads, trains derailing due to outdated tracks, and air mishaps blamed on technical negligence have become grimly routine



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Transportation is the lifeline of any nation, facilitating economic growth, social interaction, and national integration. From bustling highways to vital railway networks and expanding aviation routes, the efficiency and safety of transport systems determine a country's progress and global competitiveness. However, across much of Southeast Asia, this lifeline is fraying. The region has witnessed an alarming rise in man-made transportation accidents on roads, rails, and in the air and water, underscoring deep-rooted systemic failures. Despite repeated warnings from experts and recurring tragedies, safety remains a neglected priority. The real crisis lies not merely in poor infrastructure, but in governance deficits, corruption, and a culture of complacency that have made such disasters almost predictable.

**Current Situation**

India, with one of the world's largest road networks, records the highest number of road fatalities globally: a tragic distinction that reflects the dire state of safety enforcement. In Pakistan and Bangladesh, poorly maintained public buses and lax driving standards contribute to frequent road tragedies. In Nepal, a combination of treacherous terrain and vehicle overloading continues to claim lives. Even air safety, which demands the highest precision, has been compromised by negligence and inadequate oversight. What ties these incidents together is not just infrastructural decay but institutional corruption. Funds earmarked for road repairs, rail modernisation, and aviation safety audits are too often siphoned off by corrupt officials or misused due to poor planning. Substandard materials are used in construction projects, safety inspections are perfunctory or skipped altogether, and regulations exist more on paper than in practice. At the state level, the rot runs deep. Many regional governments lack the political will or administrative capacity to enforce safety standards. The issuance of driving licences, for instance, is notoriously casual. In several countries, licences can be



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obtained without proper training or testing, sometimes through bribery or political influence. This results in untrained, reckless drivers operating vehicles on already hazardous roads—a recipe for tragedy. Moreover, there is little to no culture of periodic vehicle inspection. Buses, trucks, and private vehicles continue to ply despite being mechanically unfit, emitting toxic fumes and posing constant danger to commuters. Corrupt local officials often overlook such violations in exchange for small bribes, perpetuating a cycle where accountability is absent and public safety is compromised. The consequences of such governance

failures are devastating. Every day, citizens across the region risk their lives merely by commuting. Road fatalities rob families of their breadwinners; rail and air disasters inflict collective trauma that scars entire communities. The loss is not merely statistical but deeply human: children orphaned, parents grieving, families shattered by entirely preventable tragedies. The economic cost is equally severe. Repeated accidents deter investment, disrupt trade, and drain public resources on rescue operations and compensation. Yet, beyond economics, the larger tragedy lies in the erosion of public trust.

When citizens realise that their lives are endangered not by fate but by the corruption and indifference of those meant to protect them, faith in institutions collapses.

**Call to Action**

Governments across Southeast Asia must recognise that transportation safety is not a luxury; it is a fundamental right of every citizen. The first step towards reform lies in tackling corruption head-on. Transparency in infrastructure spending must be made non-negotiable. Every rupee or taka allocated for road safety, railway upgrades, or aviation oversight must be accounted for and subject to public scrutiny.

Second, state governments must institutionalise rigorous and periodic inspections of vehicles, tracks, and aircraft. Independent safety commissions—insulated from political influence—should be empowered to enforce compliance and penalise violators. Third, the process of issuing driving licences must be overhauled. Stringent testing standards, computerised assessments, and continuous driver education should replace the current system that too often rewards bribery and negligence. Road safety education, starting from schools, can help cultivate a culture of responsibility and awareness that endures over generations. Finally, civil society and the media must play a proactive role in demanding accountability. Each preventable death on the road or in the air must be treated not as an isolated incident, but as evidence of systemic failure that demands redress. Transportation should connect lives, not end them. The tragic frequency of man-made transportation disasters in Southeast Asia is a stark reminder that progress without integrity is hollow. Unless corruption is rooted out, regulations are enforced, and human life is valued above political expediency, the region will continue to pay a heavy price in blood and broken trust. Governance, after all, is not measured by how quickly roads are built or airports inaugurated, but by how safely and honestly citizens are allowed to travel upon them. Human life, and indeed all living life, must be treated as sacred by those in power. There has to be a limit to the suffering a society can endure before its conscience revolts. Yet, indifference has become our silent companion; we mourn briefly for the dead and then move on, believing tragedy belongs to someone else. But fate has a cruel way of closing distances: it is someone else's loss today, it could be your loved one tomorrow. Those who sit in positions of authority must remember that no shield of privilege can protect them forever from the pain they choose to ignore. When a life is lost to negligence, it is not just an accident; it is a moral failure of the entire system, a wound that bleeds into the collective soul of a nation.

## Rethinking modern technology: When progress defies nature and dharma



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The technologies of modern times are full of gleam and glitter. They are declared to be the products of painstaking and pathbreaking research. They are touted to be the result of great discoveries of the scientific principles operating in the vast universe and revolutionary inventions based thereon. They are hailed as the harbingers of great beneficial changes in the lives of billions of humans inhabiting this planet Earth. They are supposedly stated to be instruments of further economic development and growth of the 193 nations holding a population of 8 billion human beings in the world. But what if I were to tell you that most of the so-called modern technologies are crude, cruel, and inferior? What if I were to call them technologies based on incomplete or even, in some cases, incorrect understanding of material nature? What if we were told that almost all modern technologies in various domains of human endeavour are environment-polluting and nature-unfriendly? Furthermore, how will you take the insinuation that most of the above technologies are also devoid of human values? They are, unfortunately. We have to go to the fundamentals of material nature. We have to go to the original, timeless knowledge base provided in the Vedic scriptures by the omniscient, divine creator of the universe. All humans are His creation, and He handed down to the earliest humans at the dawn of creation, more than 1.96 billion years ago, all knowledge in coded and cryptic form. That fundamental knowledge is embodied in the universal, timeless, and cosmic scriptures called the Vedas. It stands to reason that the master and creator of the universe knows best how humans created by Him should live and behave—what type of technologies they should develop and use for preserving peace, stability, and health. He provided to humans a set of coded principles or values called Dharma for assiduous adherence by humans. Dharma is the code of righteous living and includes, in its broad ambit, pure, unsullied, true knowledge which even covers all sciences and technologies. Let us see how today's technologies are harsh on all the primordial elements of Mother



Nature called out in Vedic scientific literature—air, earth, fire, water, and ether. Today's surface transport vehicles are air-polluting and earth (soil)-polluting. These include automobiles and aeroplanes. Many parts and components of these vehicles, including electric batteries, are bio non-degradable after use. All modes of electricity generation—coal or diesel-based thermal, hydropower, nuclear power, and even solar and wind power—are not without well-known deleterious effects on the environment. Solar panels are largely bio non-degradable after a lifespan run of 25 years. Wind power turbines pose hazards to birds. Chemical process industries are heavily air-polluting. Petroleum and petrochemical industries are both earth-polluting and air-polluting. Oil-digging and extraction activities create big holes below the earth which, apart from upsetting the proportion of natural substances underground, disturb the disposition of the earth's tectonic plates. The baneful effects of the release of factory pollutants, even after treatment by chemicals, into rivers and seas contaminate natural water bodies, thus adversely affecting aquatic flora and fauna. Continuous use of chemical fertilisers and genetically modified seeds is leading to erosion of soil fertility and undermining the intrinsic, natural quality and flavour of cereals, fruits, and vegetables. Ether, the other prime element of Mother Nature, is being heavily defiled by electromagnetic radiation in the form of microwaves emanating from mobile telephony towers and other wireless communication equipment. This important aspect needs more elaboration. The microwaves are not low-frequency waves; they have a high frequency, falling between radio waves and infrared on the electromagnetic spectrum. They are of a frequency higher

than radio waves but lower compared to visible light. Microwaves have frequencies from approximately 300 MHz to 300 GHz and are used for applications like radar, cell phones, and cooking. The content of microwaves in natural background radiation is being increased by extensive generation of microwave energy for these applications. This is disturbing the natural proportion of microwaves in the ethereal space and hence polluting it. And global warming is eloquently exhibiting that our fancied technologies are vitiating the subtle primeval element of fire (Agni) of Mother Nature. The most recent technological wonders are computer hardware, computer software, and artificial intelligence. These are primarily intended for increasing gross economic output or replacement of humans by machines or computing algorithms. This is going to exploit more and more of natural materials, including rare earth metals, and leave post-usage residual substances that are only partially recyclable, and their recycling processes are also environment-degrading. We now come to human values that are supposed to go with technologies and their usage. A Vedic derivative text—Maha Upanishad—carries the message that the world is one family and all humans are connected through fraternal bonds, being children of the one creator. This divine message indirectly conveys that humans, cutting across nations and continents, should treat other humans as members of one global family and design institutions, systems, and even technologies and technology-based processes accordingly. Further, moderation (non-greed), compassion, honesty, and truthfulness are values that must be adhered to in both development and usage of technological implements. They should be conducive to equitable wealth creation and distribution. Simply stated, our technologies should not only be environment-friendly but also aligned with eternally relevant, divine human values. Our scientists, engineers, and, most of all, political leaders should become alive to the above stark truths and take corrective action before it is too late. Let us not wait to face the powerful, retributive fury of Mother Nature, some of the milder symptoms of which are already being seen in the form of climate change, flooding of cities, cracking of roads, melting of snow peaks, violent landslides, and crumbling hillsides.

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The Rajasthan government has chalked out a long-term plan to transform the state from a resource-driven economy to a \$4.3 trillion innovation-led powerhouse by 2047. According to the recently unveiled Developed Rajasthan @2047 vision document, the state, currently the seventh-largest economy with a Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) of approximately \$197 billion, aims to increase the GSDP to \$350 billion by 2028-29 and, by 2047, reach an ambitious \$4.3 trillion. The vision document has identified five sectors—manufacturing, renewable energy, mining, tourism, and services—to drive the economy forward. Aware that achieving the target will not be easy and will require a mix of industrial diversification, private investment, technology adoption, and policy reforms, the state has prioritised plans to create jobs, empower small businesses, and modernise industries. It proposes to turn the state into one of India's most investment-friendly destinations. The vision document emphasises that “economic progress must reach people,” signifying that growth would not be limited to big cities—rural clusters, small towns, and border districts will also become engines of opportunity. Rajasthan's economic blueprint puts technology and sustainability at its core. The government aims to make the state a hub for digital innovation and green manufacturing. From solar energy to hydrogen projects, renewable power will be the backbone of Rajasthan's future economy. Rajasthan is already India's largest producer of cement, zinc, marble, and solar power. It now wants to move beyond raw production to value-added industries. MSMEs remain central to the plan and will be strengthened with easier financing, skill support, and e-market access. Technology and sustainability will be at the core of the transition. In its efforts to ensure the ease of doing business, the state government is keen on simplifying clearances, digitising compliance, and reducing red tape. The vision document predicts that by 2047, Rajasthan's young workforce will be among the most skilled in India. Training centres and industry-linked courses will prepare young people for modern sectors, including robotics, data analytics, clean technology, and digital marketing. Rajasthan is quietly scripting one of India's most remarkable green transformations. Under the

leadership of Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma, the state is positioning itself as the country's renewable energy capital—where solar fields stretch across the horizon and windmills turn the desert breeze into power. Special mention is deserved for the state's clean energy front. With more than 300 days of sunshine each year and vast stretches of land ideal for clean energy projects, Rajasthan has a natural advantage. A shift is taking place—from being a producer of energy to building a green economy, where factories, farms, and cities all run on sustainable power. Guided by the Viksit Rajasthan @2047 roadmap, the Chief Minister aims to make Rajasthan a hub for solar, wind, and green hydrogen. The plan focuses on expanding renewable energy capacity, encouraging private investment, and linking clean power to job creation and industrial development. From the blazing sun of the Thar to the corridors of Jaipur, Rajasthan's renewable revolution is gathering pace—turning sunlight into strength and vision into reality. While solar parks are already lighting up homes across Bikaner, Jaisalmer, and Barmer, wind projects are also being scaled up in western districts, with hybrid systems combining both sources to ensure round-the-clock supply. By 2047, more than 70 per cent of the state's electricity is expected to come from renewables. The Bhajan Lal Sharma government is also steering Rajasthan towards the next frontier—green hydrogen. With pilot projects underway in Jodhpur and Barmer, the state plans to produce clean hydrogen fuel using renewable electricity. Partnerships with private companies and global investors are in motion, positioning Rajasthan as a potential exporter of green fuels in the coming decade. By 2047, Rajasthan envisions itself not just as an energy supplier but as a model of sustainable living. The vision is to combine ecological balance with economic expansion—ensuring that development never comes at the cost of nature. Another defining feature of Sharma's plan is its emphasis on inclusivity. The renewable energy push is reaching villages, where locals are being trained to manage small solar parks and microgrids. Women's cooperatives are adopting solar-powered equipment for irrigation and food processing. By 2047, Rajasthan aims to be not only a supplier of clean energy but also a model for how development and ecology can coexist. Under Bhajan Lal Sharma's leadership, the desert state is showing that sustainability is not a slogan—it is a strategy for growth.

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A senior manager in a reputed mutual fund recently dropped a bombshell within the investing community. Speaking at a prominent (financial) investment conference, he said that the country's stock market has entered a new phase in this century. Unlike the 1980s, 1990s, 2000s, and 2010s, the entire set of risks are borne by the investors, both retail and institutional, and not by the financial entities. This is because the latter, which include development financial institutions, and banks, avoid stocks and equities for varying reasons. Thus, there are no safety valves for the direct investors. They are on their own, and they need to deal with their risks. There is no one to save them, and no one to make them aware of the anchoring, and other cognitive biases. "The risk-taking for the entire country today lies with the investors," said Sankaran Naren, ICICI Prudential AMC's chief investment officer.

During the 1980s, when the stock market boomed for various reasons, including the role played by the cash-rich Unit Trust of India, a host of state-owned development institutions such as IDBI, ICICI (now a privatised bank), and IFCI were invested in shares. Apart from giving loans for the nation's progress, especially in heavy industries and infrastructure, these entities held significant equity holdings in the companies. It was possibly to secure the large loans, or have a say in nation-building. In fact, their voting rights were so significant that they could sway decisions against the promoters, if the need arose. In several sensitive situations, like takeovers, they would play major roles, especially as they were puppets of the ruling regimes. For example, they stalled the late Swraj Paul's desire, which was initially aided by politics, to take over iconic Indian firms. They did the opposite by preventing the Ambani takeover of L&T.

Simultaneously, and during the 1990s, the banks took over from the development agencies, whose role declined, and almost-vanished due to the economic reforms. As the financial sector opened, the Government diluted a part of its stake in state-owned banks, and allegedly gave more autonomy, the banks became more excited about equities. According to Naren, this was more so in the 2000s, especially "in the 2007-08 cycle." Over time, as the banks were saddled with chunks of bad loans, including by willful defaulters, they became risk-averse. Despite goading by the finance ministry, they remained aloof to both lending, and equities. They were more interested in recovering any portion of the non-performing assets. This is reflected in the existing shareholding patterns of the listed firms, where Life Insurance Corporation (LIC), mutual funds, foreign investors, and retail investors together hold major percentages. This is especially true of firms, where the promoters' stakes are low.

What has happened in the last decade or so is the phenomenal cash flows with LIC, and unbelievable inflows into mutual funds. The foreign pipeline, which spurted during the 1990s, continued to pump hundreds of billions of dollars into Indian equities. There were major differences. Being state-owned, LIC was nudged and pushed by the Government. Recently, it was embroiled in a controversy over investment in a large group, which it denied. Foreign investors remained fickle, with sudden inflows and outflows to manage risks, hedge uncertainties, and cater to quarterly returns. Thus, mutual funds, by default, became the champions of Indian investments. In the recent past, despite huge withdrawals by the foreigners, the domestic fund flows via mutual funds have not only resuscitated the markets, but grown the indices to induce attractive returns. Conversely, felt Naren, fund managers, plush with funds, are pushed to invest in expensive stocks, irrespective of their valuations.

Although the mutual funds have created multiple, almost confusing, options for the investors, this has had the opposite effect. It has impeded the decision-making of the fund managers. As Naren explained, thanks to the specialised vehicles, if the retail investors root for small-cap, midcap, or large-cap categories, the fund managers have no choice. "If SIPs come in costly midcaps, the midcap manager will invest in costly midcap issues," he said. This creates a non-virtuous cycle of hyped valuations since the inflows keep growing, and there is an urgency to be invested in specific categories. So, while private equity and foreigners sell to benefit from high valuations, and knowledgeable ones exit at the right time, the retail investors keep buying because the fund managers have no option but to keep the money busy. In addition, the small investors are keen to invest in equities, and avoid debt and balanced-advantage funds, which distort their portfolios, and continuously enhance risks.

The trick, according to Naren, is two-fold. First, retail investors need to understand that the long-term implies long-term. According to him, investors pay lip-service to long-term goals; they may say they wish to be invested for 20 years, but very few stay for 10 years. In addition, their portfolios, as mentioned earlier, are lopsided. "Do not put everything in one asset class. Asset allocation is the only way to stay safe," warns Naren. Thus, financial advice, financial knowledge, due diligence, and reading the fine print is essential to understand risks, take appropriate decisions, and increase the asset basket. No one, apart from the investors themselves, can save them. The policy-makers and regulators will constantly be a few steps behind the risks, and act once the horses have bolted the stables.

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# Grandstanding States' Tribute

It is always a conundrum of a half-filled glass, or half-empty one when it comes to policy and tax implications. There are ways to praise the decisions, and there are ways to undermine the actions. It depends on the outlook and mindset of the critic, chosen period, and desired conclusions through unique calculations. Hence, it is not surprising that a recent report states that GST collections may exceed the Union Budget's expectations in this fiscal year. Another one looks at GST collections through another prism, and finds that states are the losers in the GST regime, and will remain so.

Obviously, the spate of reports emanates from the rationalisation via lower rates, and less slabs. Lower rates can result in lower numbers if volumes do not take off. In such a scenario, the states' share can slump. The reports gained confidence, in varying ways, from the October 2025 GST collections, which went up by under five per cent. According to a report by SBI Research, GST revenue will be higher than the budgeted projections, and in line with growth assumptions made by the GST Council. Thus, higher volumes will trump lower rates, which is reflected in the October numbers.

The October collections were for sales in September, when due to expectations of lower GST rates, there was minimal buying in the first three weeks, and most of the sales, especially of big-ticket purchases, took place during the Navratri period, which began on September 22. Despite this slag, and lack of buying desires, especially after Prime Minister Narendra Modi's announcement of the forthcoming changes on August 15, revenues were up. Once the November numbers for the sales in October (Dussehra and Diwali included) come in, one will know the actual implications.

Most states, states the SBI report, will benefit,

which will lead to higher revenues in 2025-26. It estimates that the progressive and industrial states of Maharashtra will gain by six per cent, and Karnataka by almost 11 per cent. Other beneficiaries will include Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, and Haryana, with an outlier like Telangana (8.6 per cent rise). Even the so-called weaker states will benefit: Bihar (9.3 per cent), and Punjab (6.7 per cent). Some states will be large losers: Himachal Pradesh (minus 6.3 per cent), Jharkhand (minus 5.2 per cent), and Uttarakhand (minus 4.6 per cent).

Comparing state-wise October 2025 figures with October 2024 ones, of the 28 states, 16 clocked negative figures, with the main losers being Jharkhand (minus 15 per cent), Uttarakhand (minus 13 per cent), and Andhra Pradesh (minus nine per cent). The biggest gainers were the puny states like Nagaland (46 per cent), and Arunachal Pradesh (44 per cent). Some of the largest states were in the black, and included Karnataka (10 per cent), and Gujarat (six per cent). Maharashtra (three per cent), and Tamil Nadu (four per cent) were in the positive. The outlier: Telangana (10 per cent).

What is remarkable is that the predicted state-wise losses did not materialise. Reports indicated that Karnataka's monthly loss would be more than ₹7,000 crore; gain in October 2025 over September 2025 was ₹900 crore. In the case of Telangana, the loss was estimated at nearly ₹600 crore a month; the figures showed an increase of over ₹700 crore. At the national level, the predicted annual loss in revenue ranged from less than ₹50,000 crore to a mind-boggling ₹10,00,000 crore. The SBI report stated that the "strong momentum (in October 2025) ... belies not only the near-absurd fear of large falls... it refutes the apprehension expressed by the

states."

In a contradictory report, PRS legislative Research found that the states' GST revenues, when compared to the pre-GST collections from sources that were subsumed under GST, like value-added tax, sales tax, excise duty, etc., have suffered. They declined from 6.5 per cent of the GDP in 2015-16 to 5.5 per cent in 2023-24. In the four years before 2015-16, the states received an average 2.8 per cent of GDP from the central pool. This dropped to 2.7 per cent in the first year of GST, 2.3 per cent (Covid year), and bounced back to 2.8 per cent in 2024-25. PRS expects an adverse impact now.

There are extreme differences between the states. Some of the larger states such as Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, and Punjab witnessed "relatively large drops" in revenues from subsumed taxes. Smaller states, especially the North-East ones such as Meghalaya, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, and Sikkim, gained. According to the Fifteenth Finance Commission, the improvement was due to the "destination-based principle of taxation under the GST regime." This is pertinent because 44 per cent of the states' annual own-tax revenues came from the State GST, 20 per cent from sales tax, 14 per cent from state excise, and 12 per cent from stamp duty and registration.

SBI Research's historical evidence proves the opposite. Its report states that when GST was rationalised earlier in 2018 and 2019, there was no weakening in collections. "Instead, the evidence points to a temporary adjustment phase followed by stronger inflows. While an immediate reduction in rates can cause a short-term dip of 3-4 per cent month-on-month, revenues typically rebound with a sustained growth of 5-6 per cent per month," explains the report. In the past, such trends resulted in additional revenues of ₹1 trillion. Rationalisation is not just a "short-lived stimulus" but a "structural measure," which tends to widen the tax base.

For example, in 2018, the two subsequent months after the rate cut witnessed a decline of three per cent each, before monthly revenues picked up by more than eight per cent, and nearly 10 per cent. Similarly, in 2019, the slumps were higher, up to 6.5 per cent per month. The uptick was lower, nearly four per cent in the third month after the rate cut, and 8.5 per cent in the fourth month. The fact remains that rate cuts come with simplification, which "reduces compliance burdens, and enhances voluntary compliance." They are steps towards "long-term revenue buoyancy, and greater efficiency."

Hence, one needs to wait for the January 2026 collection figures, which will pertain to the sales in December 2025, to be sure of the impact of the double-Diwali bonanza this time. It is too early to reach conclusions, and this is applicable even to the sectors. There is much enthusiasm about the higher sales of cars, two-wheelers, and appliances, which was partially triggered by the pent-up pre-festive season demand. Only, when things settle down, and stabilise, and life returns to normal after the New Year's can we gauge the trends.

The Tech Wrecker

## Regulating power over data

across services, prohibits self-preferencing, and mandates user consent for targeted advertising. It requires interoperability between the messaging platforms to prevent user lock-in. The objective is to give users and smaller businesses more control over how data is used, and to make markets more contestable. In the US, regulators are more aggressive.

The US Department of Justice has filed antitrust cases against Google for its dominance in search and advertising technologies, and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) continues to monitor Meta's acquisitions and data practices. The approach is focused on structural remedies such as divestitures or business separations, rather than a single rulebook (EU). For consumers, this may eventually mean more transparency, and reduced switching costs, though the progress remains slow and politically contested.

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission completed a five-year inquiry into digital platforms, and proposed a regime of mandatory codes of conduct, and interoperability mandates. This framework borrows from the EU model, but is tailored to

Australia's market dynamics. The goal is to reduce data-based dominance, and give consumers the ability to move between services. Across the three markets, the converging message is that data is a source of market power, and unrestricted integration across platforms is a structural advantage that can distort market competition.

Although India's position is similar in spirit, it is different in execution. It seeks to encourage growth, and keep dominance in check. For the country's more than half a billion WhatsApp users, the implications of the NCLAT ruling will be both visible and invisible. They can expect a seamless experience as WhatsApp, Instagram, and Facebook talk to each other. This may lead to better shopping, faster business responses, and more contextual recommendations. Small businesses may benefit from the synergies. Yet, the users have little visibility into how their metadata is used to refine algorithms. The removal of the data-sharing ban means greater operational freedom for Meta, as well as higher dependence on users' trust.

The Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023 provides a legal foundation for consent

and purpose limitation. Over time, users are expected to gain clarity and control, including the right to access, correct, and erase data. For now, however, much depends on Meta's transparency, and the government's enforcement consistency. India's competition and data protection frameworks are still works-in-progress. CCI's interventions against WhatsApp signals a willingness to treat data concentration as an antitrust issue. NCLAT has refined that stance, confirming that competition authorities can act when data policies limit user choice or coerce consent.

The recent order possibly reflects the country's broader legal-digital philosophy, which is to regulate through accountability, rather than restriction. While the EU sets upfront rules, India prefers a case-by-case approach that allows room for correction without shutting down innovation. This has attracted attention from regulators in other nations such as Indonesia, Brazil, and Nigeria, who are watching India's experiment on how to balance growth and governance.

Yet, this legal back-and-forth is not complete, and is an evolving issue. The CCI may review NCLAT's order, and approach the Supreme Court to challenge it. A verdict by the apex court will set a binding precedent on whether data can be treated as a determinant of market dominance under the Competition Act. Such a decision, along with future ones, will shape digital regulation. For Meta, the immediate task is twofold: leverage its freedom while rebuilding user confidence. The company's attempts to position WhatsApp as a one-stop solution for payments, commerce, and services depend on the trust. If users perceive otherwise, it can become a vulnerability.

Hence, the NCLAT order is less of a triumph, and more of a checkpoint in the evolution of data governance. India's regulators are maturing, learning from global precedents, and adapting to local realities. For consumers, it implies a future of more interconnected yet closely watched digital ecosystems. The underlying tensions will persist. Integration offers convenience but concentrates power. Regulation promises fairness but risks friction. A balance between the two will decide how India governs its data economy. India looks at Europe for intent, and America for ambition. But it acts with local instincts, and a desire to adapt to local needs.

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# Trump has other options if US Supreme Court stalls his import taxes

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■ Washington

President Donald Trump has warned that the United States will be rendered “defenceless” and possibly “reduced to almost Third World status” if Supreme Court strikes down the tariffs he imposed this year on nearly every country on earth.

The justices sounded skeptical during oral arguments Wednesday of his sweeping claims of authority to impose tariffs as he sees fit.

The truth, though, is that Trump will still have plenty of options to keep taxing imports aggressively even if the court rules against him. He can re-use tariff powers he deployed in his first term and can reach for others, including one that dates back to the Great Depression.

“It’s hard to see any pathway here where tariffs end,” said Georgetown trade law professor Kathleen Claussen. “I am pretty convinced he could rebuild the tariff landscape he has now using other authorities.”

At Wednesday’s hearing, in fact, lawyer Neal Katyal, representing small businesses suing to get the tariffs struck down, argued that Trump didn’t need the boundless authority he’s claimed to impose tariffs under 1977 International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA). That is because Congress delegated tariff power to the

White House in several other statutes — though it carefully limited the ways the president could use the authority.

“Congress knows exactly how to delegate its tariff powers,” Katyal said.

Tariffs have become a cornerstone of Trump’s foreign policy in his second term, with double-digit “reciprocal” tariffs imposed on most countries, which he has justified by declaring America’s longstanding trade deficits a national emergency.

The average US tariff has gone from 2.5 per cent when Trump returned to the White House in January to 17.9 per cent, highest since 1934, according to calculations by Yale University’s Budget Lab.

The president acted alone even though the US Constitution specifically gives the power to tax – and impose tariffs – to Congress.

Still, Trump “will have other tools that can cause pain,” said Stratos Pahis of Brooklyn Law School.

**Here’s a look at some of his options:**

**Countering unfair trade practices:** The United States has long had a handy cudgel to wallop countries it accuses of engaging in “unjustifiable,” “unreasonable” or “discriminatory” trade practices. That is Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974.

And Trump has made aggres-



sive use of it himself — especially against China. In his first term, he cited Section 301 to impose sweeping tariffs on Chinese imports in a dispute over the sharp-elbowed tactics that Beijing was using to challenge America’s technological dominance. The US is also using 301 powers to counter what it calls unfair Chinese practices in the shipbuilding industry.

“You’ve had Section 301 tariffs in place against China for years,” said Ryan Majerus, a partner at King & Spalding and a trade official in Trump’s first administration and in Biden’s.

There are no limits on the size

of Section 301 tariffs. They expire after four years but can be extended. But the administration’s trade representative must conduct an investigation and typically hold a public hearing before imposing 301 tariffs.

John Veroneau, general counsel for the US trade representative in the George W Bush administration, said Section 301 is useful in taking on China. But it has drawbacks when it comes to dealing with the smaller countries that Trump has hammered with reciprocal tariffs.

“Undertaking dozens and dozens of 301 investigations of all

of those countries is a laborious process,” Veroneau said.

**Targeting trade deficits:** In striking down Trump’s reciprocal tariffs in May, the US Court of International Trade ruled that the president couldn’t use emergency powers to combat trade deficits.

That is partly because Congress had specifically given the White House limited authority to address the problem in another statute: Section 122, also of the Trade Act of 1974. That allows the president to impose tariffs of up to 15 per cent for up to 150 days in response to unbalanced trade.

The administration doesn’t even have to conduct an investigation beforehand.

But Section 122 authority has never been used to apply tariffs, and there is some uncertainty about how it would work.

**Protecting national security:** In both his terms, Trump has made aggressive use of his power — under Section 232 of Trade Expansion Act of 1962 — to impose tariffs on imports that he deems a threat to national security.

In 2018, he slapped tariffs on foreign steel and aluminum, levies he’s expanded since returning to the White House. He also plastered Section 232 tariffs on autos, auto parts, copper, and lumber.

In September, the president even levied Section 232 tariffs on kitchen cabinets, bathroom vanities and upholstered furniture. “Even though people might roll their eyes” at the notion that imported furniture poses a threat to national security, Veroneau said, “it’s difficult to get courts to second-guess a determination by a president on a national security matter.”

Section 232 tariffs are not limited by law but do require an investigation by the US Commerce Department. It’s the administration itself that does the investigating — also true for Section 301 cases — “so they have a lot of control over the outcome,” Veroneau said.

**Reviving Depression-era tariffs:**

Nearly a century ago, with the US and world economies in collapse, Congress passed the Tariff Act of 1930, imposing hefty taxes on imports. Known as the Smoot-Hawley tariffs (for their congressional sponsors), these levies have been widely condemned by economists and historians for limiting world commerce and making the Great Depression worse. They also got a memorable pop culture shoutout in the 1986 movie “Ferris Bueller’s Day Off.”

Section 338 of the law authorises the president to impose tariffs of up to 50 per cent on imports from countries that have discriminated against US businesses. No investigation is required, and there’s no limit on how long the tariffs can stay in place.

Those tariffs have never been imposed — US trade negotiators traditionally have favoured Section 301 sanctions instead — though the United States used the threat of them as a bargaining chip in trade talks in the 1930s.

In September, Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent told Reuters that the administration was considering Section 338 as a Plan B if the Supreme Court ruled against Trump’s use of emergency powers tariffs.

The Smoot-Hawley legislation has a bad reputation, Veroneau said, but Trump might find it appealing. “To be the first president to ever use it could have some cache.”

# India needs world-class banks: FM Sitharaman

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■ Mumbai

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Thursday said the country needs big and world-class banks, and discussions are on with the Reserve Bank and lenders in this regard.

Addressing the 12th SBI Banking and Economics Conclave 2025, Sitharaman asked lenders to deepen and widen credit flow to the industry, exuding confidence that GST rate cut-driven demand would unleash a virtuous investment cycle.

Stressing that India needs a lot of big and world-class banks, she said the “government is looking at this and work has already commenced. We are discussing with the RBI. We are discussing with banks”.

As part of the privatisation exercise, the government in January 2019 sold its controlling 51 per cent stake in IDBI Bank to Life Insurance

Corporation of India (LIC).

Subsequently, the government and LIC announced plans for the strategic sale of their stake in IDBI Bank.

In October 2022, both shareholders had invited EoI (Expression of Interest) from investors for privatising IDBI Bank by selling a total of 60.72 per cent stake. This includes a 30.48 per cent stake of the government and 30.24 per cent of LIC.

In January 2023, the DIPAM received multiple EoIs for IDBI Bank.

Paving the way for the sale of IDBI Bank, Sebi in August 2025 has approved the reclassification of Life Insurance Corporation as a public shareholder from promoter of the bank on completion of strategic divestment in the lender.

Besides, the government had undertaken the consolidation of public sector banks. In the biggest consolidation exercise in the banking space, the government, in August 2019, had announced four

major mergers of public sector banks, bringing down their total number to 12 from 27 in 2017.

Effective April 1, 2020, United Bank of India and Oriental Bank of Commerce were merged with Punjab National Bank; Syndicate Bank was merged with Canara Bank; Allahabad Bank was amalgamated with Indian Bank; and Andhra Bank and Corporation Bank were consolidated with Union Bank of India.

In 2019, Dena Bank and Vijaya Bank were merged with Bank of Baroda. Prior to this, the government had merged five associate banks of SBI and Bharatiya Mahila Bank with the State Bank of India.

She emphasised that infrastructure creation is the government’s main focus, and capital expenditure has increased fivefold in the last decade.

**GOVT CANNOT RESTRAIN RETAIL INVESTORS FROM**



Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman with State Bank of India Chairperson Challa Sreenivasulu Setty during the 12th SBI Banking and Economics Conclave 2025, in Mumbai on Thursday.

**TRADING IN F&O:** Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Thursday said the government cannot restrain retailers from trading in Futures and Options (F&O) but will definitely create awareness regarding the risks involved in putting money in such instruments.

The statement comes days after Sebi chairman Tuhin Kanta Pandey ruled

out shuttering the weekly derivatives contracts in Nifty and Sensex.

Responding to a question on the government’s stance on the F&O segment, wherein retailers lose significant amount of money, Sitharaman said that the government “is not not here to shut the door on F&O trading but it can make aware people about the

risks involved in the derivatives.”

At the same time, investors have the responsibility to understand the risks involved, she said while speaking at the SBI Banking and Economics Conclave 2025.

She also sought suggestions for dealing with the issue of the retailers trading in F&O segment.

# Next round of talks on trade pact with Peru likely in Jan next year

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■ Mumbai

The next round of negotiations between India and the South American nation Peru is proposed to be held in January next year in the national capital, the Commerce Ministry said on Thursday.

The ninth round of negotiations with Peru concluded on November 5 in Lima.

Peru is a major producer of critical minerals, which are key inputs for electronics, auto and solar sectors.

“The discussions witnessed substantive progress across key chapters of the proposed agreement, including trade in goods and services, rules of origin, technical barriers to trade, customs procedures, dispute settlement, and critical minerals,” the ministry said in a statement.

The Indian delegation is being led by Vimal Anand,

Joint Secretary in the Department of Commerce and Chief Negotiator for the pact.

Teresa Stella Mera Gomez, Minister of Foreign Trade and Tourism of Peru, reaffirmed the country’s commitment to the timely conclusion of the negotiations, highlighting the complementarity between both economies and expressing optimism that the agreement will enhance trade and investment flows. Vishvas Vidu Sapkal, Ambassador of India to Peru, noted that the agreement would create new opportunities for cooperation in areas like critical minerals, pharmaceuticals, automobiles, textiles and food processing.

“Both sides agreed to hold inter-sessional meetings to address pending issues ahead of the next round of negotiations proposed to be held in New Delhi in January 2026,” the ministry said.

# India could generate 11 mn tonnes of solar waste by 2047: Study

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■ Newe Delhi

India is projected to generate about 11 million tonnes of solar waste by 2047, largely from crystalline-silicon modules, according to two studies published on Thursday.

Managing this waste would require nearly 300 recycling plants across the country and an investment of around Rs 4,200 crore, said the studies by Delhi-based think tank Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW).

The studies also said that recovering and reusing materials from discarded solar panels could create a ₹3,700-crore market opportunity by 2047.

If this potential is realised, recovering valuable materials such as silicon, copper, aluminium and silver from solar waste could meet 38 per cent of the sector’s manufacturing inputs by 2047 and avoid 37 million tonnes of carbon emissions by replacing virgin resources with recycled ones.

India’s solar module recycling market is currently at a very early stage, with only a few commercial recyclers operating.

The CEEW studies provide India’s first comprehensive blueprint for building a domestic solar recycling ecosystem that supports both clean energy and manufacturing self-reliance.

Rishabh Jain, Fellow, CEEW, said, “India’s solar revolution can power a new green industrial opportunity. By embedding circularity into our clean energy systems, we can recover critical minerals, strengthen supply chains and create green jobs while turning potential waste into lasting value. Building this circular economy is most important for India’s resilient and responsible growth.”



The CEEW studies also said that solar recycling in a formal setup remains unviable today, with recyclers facing losses of ₹10,000-12,000 per tonne.

The biggest operational expense is buying back waste modules, which accounts for nearly two-thirds of the total (around ₹600 per panel), followed by processing, collection and disposal costs.

For recycling to become profitable, modules would need to be priced below ₹330 or recyclers supported through EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility) certificate trading, tax incentives and R&D investments in efficient recovery of silicon and silver, the studies said.

Akanksha Tyagi, Programme Lead, CEEW, said, “Solar recycling can be the bridge between India’s clean energy and manufacturing ambitions. Beyond managing waste, it’s an opportunity to

innovate by designing panels for easier recovery, improving material purity and creating new value chains around critical minerals.

“Introducing EPR targets, creating demand for circular products, improving data transparency and designing for recyclability could turn India’s solar waste challenge into a green industry opportunity,” she said.

To enable large-scale adoption, the CEEW studies recommend EPR targets for collection and recovery under the E-Waste (Management) Rules, 2022, led by the Environment Ministry, and a Circular Solar Taskforce under the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy to align policy, finance and industry action.

They also propose a centralised solar inventory to identify waste hotspots and urge producers to share material data and design modules for easy disassembly.

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EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025				
(₹ in Millions)				
Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended 30 September 2025 (Unaudited)	Corresponding quarter ended 30 September 2024 (Unaudited)	Previous year ended 31 March 2025 (Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	39.60	11.34	146.80
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before Tax; Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(138.19)	(36.95)	(390.50)
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before Tax (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(138.19)	(36.95)	(1,710.50)
4	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after Tax; (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(138.13)	(38.13)	(1,757.70)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(138.13)	(38.13)	(1,755.40)
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	100.00	100.00	100.00
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	(8,770.07)	(6,833.90)	(8,504.70)
8	Securities Premium Account	-	-	-
9	Net Worth	(8,670.07)	(6,733.90)	(8,404.70)
10	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	11,344.43	10,010.47	10,950.80
11	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Share	-	-	-
12	Debt Equity Ratio*	-	-	-
13	Earnings per Share (EPS) (Face value Per Share ₹10 each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -			
	- Basic (Amount in ₹)	(13.81)	(3.81)	(175.77)
	- Diluted (Amount in ₹)	(13.81)	(3.81)	(175.77)
14	Capital Redemption Reserve	-	-	-
15	Debt Redemption Reserve	-	-	-
16	Debt Service Coverage Ratio**	-	-	-
17	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	(0.64)	-	(46.36)
18	Current ratio (In times)	0.34	0.43	0.36
19	Total debts to total assets (In times)	3.17	1.94	3.08
20	Long term debt to working capital (In times)#	-	-	-
21	Bad debt to account receivable ratio (In %)	-	-	-
22	Current liability ratio (In times)	0.85	1.00	0.84
23	Debtor turnover ratio (In times)	0.57	0.12	1.34
24	Inventory turnover ratio (In times)	0.01	0.00	0.07
25	Operating margin (In %)	(14.47)	(81.16)	(74.33)
26	Net profit margin (In %)	(348.93)	(338.22)	(1,197.55)
* Ratio can not be calculated due to negative average shareholders funds.				
** Ratio can not be calculated due to negative earning available for debt service.				
# Ratio can not be calculated due to negative working capital.				
Notes :				
1	The above results have been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors ('the Board') at its meeting held on 06 November 2025.			
2	The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly / Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52(8), read with 52(4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/ Annual Financial Results are available on the Company's website ( <a href="https://embassyindia.com/sylvanus/">https://embassyindia.com/sylvanus/</a> ) and on the website of BSE ( <a href="https://www.bseindia.com">https://www.bseindia.com</a> ) and NSE ( <a href="https://www.nseindia.com">https://www.nseindia.com</a> ).			
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<b>B.O.: ASHOK VIHAR, NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
1	TUSHAR SINGH	XXXXXXXXXXXX5179	RS. 10,22,950.94	29-09-2025	381.400	271.400
<b>B.O.: BADARPUR DELHI DL</b>						
2	REHAN AFRIDI	XXXXXXXXXXXX4345	RS. 3,11,270.00	14-10-2025	62.370	60.610
<b>B.O.: BAWANA DEL DL</b>						
3	GEETA	XXXXXXXXXXXX3356	RS. 1,45,266.00	17-10-2025	26.900	25.700
<b>B.O.: D B GUPTA ROAD, NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
4	MUKESH	XXXXXXXXXXXX0652	RS. 4,84,645.70	29-09-2025	155.500	138.300
<b>B.O.: DARYAGANJ, DELHI [DL]</b>						
5	SURESH KUMAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX4809	RS. 5,37,635.00	27-09-2025	107.910	92.610
<b>B.O.: DLF, GURGAON [HR]</b>						
6	SIMARPREET KAUR	XXXXXXXXXXXX5863	RS. 16,32,022.00	25-03-2025	349.900	341.400
<b>B.O.: DWARKA, DELHI [DL]</b>						
7	ASIF IQBAL	XXXXXXXXXXXX2552	RS. 2,76,129.93	27-09-2025	77.600	74.100
8	LOVELEEN SHARMA	XXXXXXXXXXXX1915	RS. 66,000.00	29-09-2025	296.500	278.800
<b>B.O.: FARIDABAD [HR]</b>						
9	CHANDRA KALA DEVI	XXXXXXXXXXXX1248	RS. 17,40,025.70	29-09-2025	386.400	377.200
10	MANISHA SINGHLA	XXXXXXXXXXXX2627	RS. 7,49,423.11	27-09-2025	352.400	282.000
11	JITENDER BHATIA	XXXXXXXXXXXX4671	RS. 2,24,741.81	27-09-2025	85.200	83.900
12	LAKHBEER SINGH	XXXXXXXXXXXX7495	RS. 23,260.00	17-10-2025	15.100	14.600
13	NIKITAA VERMA	XXXXXXXXXXXX6879	RS. 23,03,093.00	14-09-2025	643.500	552.800
<b>B.O.: GHAZIABAD [UP]</b>						
14	ARUN NAGAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX8057	RS. 8,21,032.00	27-09-2025	163.900	146.400
15	MOHD WASEEM	XXXXXXXXXXXX6160	RS. 29,189.42	16-05-2025	7.100	6.700
<b>B.O.: GREATER NOIDA [UP]</b>						
16	BABALI	XXXXXXXXXXXX0352	RS. 1,57,762.00	27-09-2025	64.900	59.900
17	TASHLIM	XXXXXXXXXXXX6184	RS. 28,173.00	17-10-2025	6.800	6.500
18	YOGENDRA SINGH	XXXXXXXXXXXX6782	RS. 8,70,068.00	27-09-2025	150.900	142.400
19	GAURAV SINGH	XXXXXXXXXXXX1931	RS. 1,30,632.00	17-10-2025	21.800	20.750
20	BLUENDRA SINGH	XXXXXXXXXXXX0882	RS. 1,20,675.54	17-10-2025	37.200	35.200
21	SUMIT SHARMA	XXXXXXXXXXXX05184	RS. 95,825.01	17-10-2025	22.500	21.050
<b>B.O.: GREATER NOIDA W NOI UP</b>						
22	PRAYANSH NAVAL	XXXXXXXXXXXX5932	RS. 1,20,542.00	17-10-2025	20.700	19.100
<b>B.O.: HAYATPUR GUR HR</b>						
23	MONIKA PANGHAL	XXXXXXXXXXXX5252	RS. 3,64,352.00	27-09-2025	80.200	79.500
<b>B.O.: JYOTI NAGAR DEL DL</b>						
24	RITIKA RAWAL	XXXXXXXXXXXX0322	RS. 76,517.00	27-09-2025	17.100	16.200
25	SHAADAMA YOUSUF	XXXXXXXXXXXX0404	RS. 11,94,611.79	27-09-2025	282.200	270.700
<b>B.O.: KALKAJI, NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
26	KESHAV BESOYA	XXXXXXXXXXXX8494	RS. 2,29,413.00	06-08-2025	49.600	47.600
27	KANIKA SINGHANIA	XXXXXXXXXXXX2755	RS. 1,64,322.00	17-10-2025	58.600	56.500
<b>B.O.: MALVIYA NAGAR, NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
28	RAVI RANJAN	XXXXXXXXXXXX09647	RS. 1,22,480.29	17-10-2025	21.400	20.500
29	SNEH BHARTI	XXXXXXXXXXXX4240	RS. 38,18,148.00	17-10-2025	681.000	642.600
30	SHAHADAB	XXXXXXXXXXXX3206	RS. 97,950.00	17-10-2025	17.700	16.700
<b>B.O.: MAYUR VIHAR, NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
31	PUNEET JAGGI	XXXXXXXXXXXX7730	RS. 52,176.00	17-10-2025	12.400	11.900
<b>B.O.: MEEHA BAGH, NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
32	ANJU OBEROI	XXXXXXXXXXXX2112	RS. 15,37,830.00	27-09-2025	249.500	242.000
<b>B.O.: NEW RAILWAY ROAD, GURGAON [HR]</b>						
33	BHARAT BHUSHAN	XXXXXXXXXXXX5862	RS. 1,24,676.00	27-09-2025	20.200	19.100
<b>B.O.: NOIDA [UP]</b>						
34	TANU NAGAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX05814	RS. 6,38,823.86	27-09-2025	141.800	128.600
35	SHALLU SHARMA	XXXXXXXXXXXX6929	RS. 1,45,874.12	17-10-2025	83.560	31.560
<b>B.O.: NOIDA EXTENSION GNO UP</b>						
36	KUMARI SONI BHARTI	XXXXXXXXXXXX05510	RS. 70,215.97	17-10-2025	18.300	17.200
37	ERUM FATIMA	XXXXXXXXXXXX07480	RS. 7,98,307.00	27-09-2025	171.300	159.700
<b>B.O.: PALAM VIHAR, GURGAON [HR]</b>						
38	MOHIT MALHOTRA	XXXXXXXXXXXX02257	RS. 5,25,362.23	27-09-2025	83.900	82.500
<b>B.O.: PALWAL [HR]</b>						
39	AMIT KUMAR KUNDU	XXXXXXXXXXXX06567	RS. 66,760.00	17-10-2025	16.300	14.900
<b>B.O.: PARADISE MALL S GUR HR</b>						
40	ANKITA KUMARI	XXXXXXXXXXXX03361	RS. 37,186.00	24-03-2025	37.800	36.800
<b>B.O.: PUSHPVIHAR,DELHI [DL]</b>						
41	RAHUL JHA	XXXXXXXXXXXX05400	RS. 2,27,291.41	27-09-2025	41.600	34.300
<b>B.O.: RAJ NAGAR, GHAZIABAD [UP]</b>						
42	CHHAMMAN	XXXXXXXXXXXX00630	RS. 1,65,627.00	17-10-2025	29.100	27.400
43	PANKAJ KHARIWAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX08745	RS. 17,582.00	17-10-2025	17.800	16.500
44	AMOSH NAGAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX4847	RS. 10,38,610.00	17-10-2025	270.500	236.000
45	RAKSHIT JAINTH	XXXXXXXXXXXX06307	RS. 75,526.00	16-06-2025	17.860	13.460
<b>B.O.: SECTOR 10A, GURGAON [HR]</b>						
46	MANURANJAN KUMAR THAKUR	XXXXXXXXXXXX04437	RS. 93,583.00	27-09-2025	18.500	17.300
47	JITENDRA KUMAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX09470	RS. 62,504.00	27-09-2025	10.500	10.000
48	MALTI	XXXXXXXXXXXX2492	RS. 3,20,056.65	27-09-2025	62.200	60.900
<b>B.O.: SECTOR 12 NOIDA</b>						
49	LALLI SRIVASTAVA	XXXXXXXXXXXX03628	RS. 19,28,698.97	14-09-2025	355.800	337.000
<b>B.O.: SECTOR 14, GURGAON [HR]</b>						
50	LATIKA	XXXXXXXXXXXX00124	RS. 4,10,836.00	16-06-2025	78.500	73.400
51	KM NISHA SINGH	XXXXXXXXXXXX08892	RS. 2,47,805.14	27-09-2025	65.700	57.950
<b>B.O.: SECTOR 16, FARIDABAD [HR]</b>						
52	GAURAV DAGAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX05114	RS. 1,12,000.00	27-09-2025	26.900	26.110
53	MOHD JAVED	XXXXXXXXXXXX08027	RS. 5,08,271.85	27-09-2025	83.700	80.700
54	PRASHANT GODARA	XXXXXXXXXXXX01015	RS. 1,34,797.00	17-10-2025	25.300	24.500
55	ANITA KHUSIRAM	XXXXXXXXXXXX00134	RS. 3,25,398.00	14-09-2025	202.000	176.500
<b>B.O.: SECTOR-24,ROHINI,NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
56	ACHAL KUMAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX22994	RS. 2,55,719.85	27-09-2025	43.200	41.400
57	PANKAJ KUMAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX01151	RS. 1,70,694.37	17-10-2025	32.300	30.800
<b>B.O.: SECTOR88 FARIDA FAR HR</b>						
58	SUJIT	XXXXXXXXXXXX09669	RS. 7,35,329.30	25-03-2025	180.770	175.170
<b>B.O.: SHAHDARA, DELHI [DL]</b>						
59	ANISH	XXXXXXXXXXXX05364	RS. 16,56,484.30	14-09-2025	290.900	281.700
<b>B.O.: SHEESHGANJ CHA OD DL</b>						
60	SUSHIL	XXXXXXXXXXXX00767	RS. 7,14,395.00	27-09-2025	138.730	131.920
<b>B.O.: SOUTH PATEL NAGAR DL</b>						
61	RAJ KISHOR GIRI	XXXXXXXXXXXX02506	RS. 1,35,611.00	17-10-2025	24.820	23.110
<b>B.O.: SWASTHYA VIHAR, NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
62	PRIYA CHAWLA	XXXXXXXXXXXX007926	RS. 9,31,001.00	27-09-2025	176.900	155.600
63	VYOM GUPTA	XXXXXXXXXXXX06553	RS. 7,18,748.00	30-01-2025	176.700	167.100
64	MUKESH	XXXXXXXXXXXX09412	RS. 4,68,623.35	27-09-2025	96.000	91.100
65	RAVI PAL	XXXXXXXXXXXX03854	RS. 4,05,988.56	27-09-2025	81.800	75.500
<b>B.O.: UTTAM NAGAR, NEW DELHI [DL]</b>						
66	KAPIL CHAWLA	XXXXXXXXXXXX06374	RS. 47,941.00	17-10-2025	12.700	12.200
<b>B.O.: VAISHALI, GHAZIABAD [UP]</b>						
67	PRIYANKA KUMARI	XXXXXXXXXXXX06042	RS. 62,637.00	27-09-2025	34.100	24.800
68	KM JYOTI PAL	XXXXXXXXXXXX008565	RS. 8,15,837.00	27-09-2025	161.800	144.300
69	VIRHA DEVI	XXXXXXXXXXXX003218	RS. 34,768.00	08-04-2025	9.500	9.100
<b>B.O.: VISHWAS NAGAR DEL DL</b>						
70	NUTAN KAUSHIK	XXXXXXXXXXXX08812	RS. 56,010.40	17-10-2025	11.700	11.400
71	GURCHARAN ARORA	XXXXXXXXXXXX003696	RS. 4,10,977.80	25-03-2025	95.760	92.560
<b>B.O.: VAIBHAV KHAND UP</b>						
72	BALWANT KUMAR	XXXXXXXXXXXX01947	RS. 1,36,216.24	17-10-2025	47.440	38.440
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
It is for general information that I, MOHAMED SIRAJ S/O MEHNDI HUSSAIN R/O B-33, 1ST FLOOR, TAJPUR PAHARI, BUDH VIHAR, BADARPUR, PO: BADARPUR, SOUTH DELHI, DELHI-110044 declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as MOHAMMAD SIRAJ in his 10th school records. The actual name of mine is MOHAMED SIRAJ, which may be amended accordingly.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
I, SHIKHA w/o Late Arun Choudhry R/o B-5/141, Yamuna Vihar, Delhi-110053 declares that I am absolute owner of aforesaid property allotted by DDA. I have applied for Freehold/conversion of aforesaid Property. This property was never Sale and Mortgage by me. There is no court case and no dispute on this property.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
NOTICE is hereby given that **Divya Sethi** claims to be owner and in possession of **First Floor of C-245, Defence Colony, New Delhi** ( hereinafter called the said property ) after death of **Ranjit Sethi** by virtue of will dated 25.10.2013 regd. vide **Doc No. 1157** executed by **Ranjit Sethi** & said **Ranjit Sethi** was the owner of the said property vide Sale deed dated 31.07.2004 regd. vide doc no. Doc No. 9643 & now said **Divya Sethi** has agreed to sell the said Property to **Ravinder Singh Marwah** and said **Ravinder Singh Marwah** has agreed to create a mortgage in favour of our clients **Axis Bank Ltd., East of Kailash Branch, N.D.**, any persons/ having claim against the said Property, or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, mortgage (equitable/registered or otherwise), gift, trust, inheritance, lien or otherwise howsoever, are hereby intimated to notify the same in writing to us with supporting documentary evidence at the address mentioned below **within 7 days** from the date hereof, failing which the claim or claims, if any, of such person or persons will be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned and our client shall proceed with the disbursement of loan and subsequent creation of mortgage in respect thereof.  
**Vishal Diwan (Advocate)**  
**Advocates and Solicitors**  
**Ho.No.2 (LGF), NRI Complex, N.D-19**  
**Mobile No. 9818399999**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given to the general public that my clients **Ms. Neha Gupta, D/o Sh. Devendra Kumar Gupta, R/o 4/10, 2nd Floor, Block-4, Saranyia Vihar, Hauz Khas, South Delhi-110016, and Sh. Arpit Gupta, S/o Sh. Devendra Kumar Gupta, R/o L-11, Gandhi Nagar, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh-474002, Mobile No. 9893788318**, are proposing to purchase an immovable property bearing Plot No. A-4, Sector-33, Noida, admeasuring 165 square metres, together with all rights, title, and interest appurtenant thereto, from **M/s National Plastic Industries**, through its sole Proprietor **Sh. Umesh Kumar Jain**, residing at Flat No. 31, Vidhi Apartments, Plot No. 116, I/P Extension, Delhi.

The said Sh. Umesh Kumar Jain, Proprietor of **M/s National Plastic Industries**, has represented and declared that he is the lawful allottee and owner of the aforesaid property, duly allotted and leased by the **New Okhla Industrial Development Authority (NOIDA)** in his favour, vide Lease Deed registered in the office of Sub-Registrar, Ghaziabad, entered in **Bahi No. 1, Zild 571, Page No. 214, Ad Book No. 1, Zild 576, Pages 979-1010, Serial No. 3207, dated 04.08.1988**. However, the said Original Allotment Letter dated 22.12.1987, Original Possession Letter dated 04.10.1988, and Original Lease Deed executed by the Noida Authority, Noida, in favour of **M/s National Plastic Industries** through its Proprietor **Sh. Umesh Kumar Jain**, have been lost and/or misplaced and are not traceable despite diligent search. The said loss has been reported at Police Station Sector-20, Noida, vide written intimation dated 29.03.2001, for record and necessary action.

My clients intend to purchase the aforesaid property on the basis of the title and ownership of the said proprietor and on the strength of certified copies of the title documents and other relevant papers to be produced at the time of execution and registration of the Sale Deed.

Therefore, this Public Notice is being issued to invite claims, objections, or notices, if any, from any person, bank, financial institution, government authority, company, firm, or any other entity or individual claiming any right, title, interest, mortgage, lien, charge, lease, tenancy, encumbrance, or any other claim whatsoever in respect of the said property or the said lost documents.

Any such person or entity having any claim, objection, or interest with respect to the said property is hereby called upon to submit the same in writing, along with documentary proof, to the undersigned within 7 (seven) days from the date of publication of this notice. Please take further notice that in the absence of any claim, objection, or notice received within the said period, it shall be conclusively presumed that no person or entity has any right, title, or interest in respect of the said property and that the same is free from all encumbrances, liens, or disputes. In such event, my clients shall proceed with the proposed purchase, and any claim, right, or objection raised thereafter shall be deemed to have been waived and barred in law, and no person shall be entitled to raise any claim or dispute against my clients or the said property on any ground whatsoever.



# US airports among 4 targeted by shutdown-related flight cuts

ASSOCIATED PRESS  
■ Washington

Airports in New York, Los Angeles and Chicago along with hubs across the US are among the 40 that will see flights cut starting Friday due to the Government shutdown, according to a list distributed to the airlines and obtained by *The Associated Press*. The Federal Aviation Administration announced Wednesday that it would reduce air traffic by 10 per cent across 40 “high-volume” markets to maintain travel safety as air traffic controllers exhibit signs of strain during the ongoing Government shutdown. The airports impacted cover the busiest across the US — including Atlanta, Denver, Dallas, Orlando, Miami, and San Francisco. In some of the biggest cities — such as New York, Houston and Chicago — multiple airports will be affected. The FAA is imposing the flight reductions to relieve pressure on air traffic controllers who are working without pay during the Government shutdown and have been increasingly calling off work. Controllers already have missed one paycheck and are scheduled to again receive nothing next week as the shutdown drags on and the financial pressure on them mounts.



The FAA has already been delaying flights at times when airports or its other facilities are short on controllers. Airlines said they would try to minimize the impact on travellers. United Airlines said it would focus the cuts on smaller regional routes that use smaller planes like 737s. Passengers should start to be notified about cancellations Thursday. The AAA recommended that travelers download their airline's app and turn on notifications. United Airlines and Delta Air Lines both said they will offer refunds to passengers who opt not to fly — even if they purchased tickets that aren't normally refundable. Experts predict hundreds if not thousands of flights could be canceled. The cuts could

represent as many as 1,800 flights and upwards of 268,000 seats combined, according to an estimate by aviation analytics firm Cirium. “I’m not aware in my 35-year history in the aviation market where we’ve had a situation where we’re taking these kinds of measures,” Bedford said Wednesday. “We’re in new territory in terms of Government shutdowns.” Air traffic controllers have been working unpaid since the shutdown began Oct. 1. Most work mandatory overtime six days a week, leaving little time for side jobs to help cover bills and other expenses unless they call out. Mounting staffing pressures are forcing the agency to act,

Bedford said. “We can’t ignore it,” he said, adding that even if the shutdown ends before Friday, the FAA wouldn’t automatically resume normal operations until staffing improves and stabilises. Bedford and Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy said Wednesday that they would meet with airline executives to figure out how to safely implement the reductions. Major airlines, aviation unions and the broader travel industry have been urging Congress to end the shutdown, which on Wednesday became the longest on record. The shutdown is putting unnecessary strain on the system and “forcing difficult operational decisions that disrupt travel and damage confidence in the US air travel experience,” said US Travel Association President and CEO Geoff Freeman in a statement. Duffy warned on Tuesday that there could be chaos in the skies if the shutdown drags on long enough for air traffic controllers to miss their second full paycheck next week. Duffy said some controllers can get by missing one paycheck, but not two or more. And he has said some controllers are even struggling to pay for transportation to work.

# Attackers board ship after firing grenades

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■ Dubai

Attackers firing machine guns and rocket-propelled grenades boarded a ship, en route to South Africa from India, off the coast of Somalia on Thursday, officials said, likely the latest assault by resurgent Somali pirates operating in the region. The British military’s United Kingdom Maritime Trade Operations centre issued an alert over the attack, warning ships in the area. The private security firm Ambrey also said that an attack was underway, saying it targeted a Malta-flagged tanker heading from Sikka, India, to Durban, South Africa. Ambrey added that it appeared to be an assault by Somali pirates, who have been reported as operating in the area in recent days and who seized an Iranian fishing boat to use as a base of operations. Iran has not acknowledged the fishing boat’s seizure, called the *Issamohamadi*. Details of the attacked vessel correspond to the

Hellas Aphrodite, which changed its track and slowed down at the time of the attack. The ship’s owners and managers could not immediately be reached for comment. Another maritime security firm, the Diaploous Group, said the attacked tanker had a crew of 24 mariners, all of whom reportedly locked themselves into the ship’s citadel for safety during the attack. The vessel did not have an armed security team aboard it, the firm added. The European Union’s Operation Atalanta, a counter-piracy mission around the Horn of Africa, did not immediately respond to a request for comment. That EU force has responded to other recent pirate attacks in the area and had issued a recent alert to shippers that a pirate group was operating off Somalia and assaults were “almost certain” to happen. Thursday’s attack comes after another vessel, the Cayman Islands-flagged *Stolt Sagaland*, found itself targeted in a suspected pirate attack that included

both its armed security force and the attackers shooting at each other, the EU force said. Piracy off the Somali coast peaked in 2011, when 237 attacks were reported. Somali piracy in the region in 2011 cost the world’s economy some \$7 billion, with \$160 million paid out in ransoms, according to the Oceans Beyond Piracy monitoring group. The threat was diminished by increased international naval patrols, a strengthening central government in Somalia, and other efforts. However, Somali pirate attacks have resumed at a greater pace over the last year, in part due to the insecurity caused by Yemen’s Houthi rebels launching attacks in the Red Sea corridor over the Israel-Hamas war in the Gaza Strip. In 2024, there were seven reported incidents off Somalia, according to the International Maritime Bureau. So far this year, multiple fishing boats have been seized by Somali pirates.

# Jewish community feels insecure in Singapore, says Minister

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Singapore

Members of the Jewish community in Singapore have faced “unpleasant incidents, hostility, both online and offline”, amid global tensions over the Israel-Hamas conflict, Minister for Home Affairs K Shanmugam said as a warning to a multi-ethnic society of over six million. Speaking at the Chesed-El Synagogue on Thursday during its 120th anniversary celebration, Shanmugam said Jewish residents now feel “less secure”. “I came here today

because there has been feedback from the Jewish community about how reactions in Singapore. To events overseas have impacted the lives of some members of the Jewish community,” the Channel News Asia quoted the Minister as saying. Shanmugam, who is also Coordinating Minister for National Security, cited several recent incidents. In September, toilets in some international schools in Singapore were vandalised with anti-Israel vulgarities. Jewish students are enrolled in these schools, according to the Channel report.

# Police investigate swastikas painted with blood in Germany

ASSOCIATED PRESS ■ Hanau (Germany)

Police in Germany said on Thursday they were investigating the appearance of swastikas painted with human blood and smeared on dozens of cars, some mailboxes and building facades in the central town of Hanau. Police spokesman Thomas Leipold said officers were alerted Wednesday night when a man reported that he noticed the shape of a swastika applied in a reddish liquid on the hood of a parked car. A special test quickly revealed that the substance was human blood. Police said that in total, almost 50 cars had been defaced in a similar way. “The background is completely unclear,” Leipold said, adding that investigators did not know if specific cars, mailboxes and buildings were targeted or if the swastikas were applied randomly.

# Indian-Americans hail new era in US politics

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ New York

Members of the Indian-American diaspora have hailed the victory of New York City Mayor-elect Zohran Mamdani, describing his win as historic and a sign that immigrant stories are now shaping the narrative in the US. “Last night felt like the dawn of a new era. With Zohran Mamdani’s historic win, in the same moment New York welcomes its first Indian-origin mayor, we are witnessing a shift in how this city understands identity, belonging, and power,” Founder and CEO of NYC-based educational and cultural organisation The Culture Tree Anu Sehgal told PTI on Wednesday. She said Mamdani’s victory speech reflected a pro-immigrant conviction that New York is built by those who arrive, strive, and rise. “It was filled with cultural Easter eggs only our community would recognise... From quoting Nehru to closing to the beat of Dhoom,” Sehgal said. Acknowledging that challenges lie ahead, Sehgal said what is undeniable is that “South Asian and immigrant stories are no longer just part of the narrative, they are shaping it”. South Asian community leader and former Deputy Comptroller of Nassau County, Dilip Chauhan, congratulated Mamdani and said he was delighted to see a fellow South Asian American devoted to

public service and committed to his vision for the city. Chauhan, an early supporter of Mamdani, said the mayor-elect’s victory reflected people’s trust in his leadership. “He inspires hope for a brighter future and stands as a role model for every immigrant. Wishing him all the best in continuing to serve and uplift our communities,” Chauhan said. Indian American Impact Fund, a community organisation, said the results of Tuesday’s election “proved that whether it’s city council, mayor, or statewide office, South Asian Americans are part of the political future of this country”. It said that 19 of its endorsed candidates across the US won elections, including Virginia’s first-ever South Asian woman elected to statewide office, Lt Governor-elect Ghazala Hashmi, and New York’s first South Asian mayor Zohran Mamdani. Other notable wins included the re-election of Cincinnati Mayor Aftab Pureval and the election of Joe Khan as District Attorney of Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Chintan Patel, Executive Director of the Indian American Impact Fund, congratulated all endorsed candidates who won and lauded those who ran for office. “We can only ensure positive change happens by building community and being at the table where decisions are made,” Patel said.

# Trump says he will not attend G20 Summit in South Africa



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■ New York

US President Donald Trump has said he will not attend the G20 Summit to be held in South Africa later this month, questioning the country’s membership in the grouping of major economies. South Africa, which assumed the year-long G20 Presidency on December 1, 2024, will host the Summit in Johannesburg from November 22 to 23, the first time the meeting of G20 leaders will be held on African soil. “I am not going. We have a G20 meeting in South Africa. South Africa shouldn’t even be in the Gs anymore because what’s happened there is bad. I’m not going. I told them I’m not going. I’m not going to represent our country there. It shouldn’t be there,” Trump said while addressing the America Business Forum Miami in Florida on Wednesday. The US will take over the G20 Presidency from South Africa on December 1, 2025,

and will chair the grouping until November 30, 2026. Trump has previously said he plans to host the 2026 G20 Summit at his golf club near Miami. India held the G20 Presidency from December 2022 to November 2023 and hosted the 18th G20 Summit in New Delhi in September 2023, which was attended by then US President Joe Biden. The G20 comprises 19 countries: Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Türkiye, the UK, and the US as well as the European Union and the African Union. It was under India’s G20 Presidency that the African Union was inducted as a permanent member of the grouping. In his remarks, Trump also criticised “communist” New York City Mayor-elect Zohran Mamdani, and said Miami has long been a haven for people fleeing communist tyranny in South Africa.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Re: Plot No. 24, area measuring 56.6 sq. yds., Part of Mustali No. 101, Kila No. 19/3(1-13), 21/1(16-19), 20 min. Gavy (4-0), & Khewal/Khata No. 52/271/4, 715, 716, 717 & Khalsa No. 112, Kila No. 1/1(1-7), min. Shumal 1/1 min Janab (1-5), 10/20(2), & Khewal/Khata No. 575/788-789 & Mustali No. 101, Kila No. 22/1(1-1) & Khewal/Khata No. 45/75, situated in the Village Badkhal, Tehsil Badkhal & District Fardabad, Haryana, hereinafter referred to as 'said Property'. NOTICE is hereby given to general public that our client, Mr. Saddam Hussain is intending to purchase the said property from Mr. Shamshad Ali (hereinafter referred to as the 'Seller'). In this connection, seller has become owner of the said property vide Regd. Sale Deed dated 28.08.2025, Doc No. 13949 forming part of chain documents, and hereinafter called the 'said document' has been lost/misplaced and is not traceable. A FIR to this effect has also been lodged by client with Crime Branch, Delhi vide LR No. 3329050/2025 dated 06/11/2025.

If the aforesaid original document (the said document) or any one of them is found or is returned by any person, the same may be returned and delivered to the undersigned at the address mentioned herein below. Further, if any person, body, institution is having any claim and/or objection in respect of the said property, he/they may raise his/their objection/s, in writing, with documentary evidence, by Registered AD Post, to the undersigned at the address mentioned herein below within 07 days of publication of this notice. Otherwise, after expiry of 07 days from the date of publication of this notice, no objection shall be acceptable. General Public may also take note that any deal or transaction done by anybody on the basis of the said documents or any of the said documents shall be illegal and not binding on our clients. The person doing so shall be liable to be prosecuted under the law. SHIVKANT ARORA, ADVOCATE FORMS INTELLECTIVE LAW OFFICES A-74, LOWER GROUND FLOOR, DEFENCE COLONY, NEW DELHI-110024

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public on behalf of our client i.e. ICICI BANK LTD. that Mrs. Malti Bhatnagar, Ultra Luxury Homes is the owner of Property Bearing No. 11, area measuring 376.245 sq. mtrs., with its road rights, in Block-1, Situated at Model Town in the revenue estate of Village Mangpur Chokas, Delhi, vide a sale deed dated 09/01/2023, Registered No. 441, executed by Mrs. Kamini Moha. All persons are hereby informed that above mentioned owner want to sell Entire Third floor of above property to Mr. Prakash Agarwal and his nominees, by taking home loan facility from our client, if anybody has any objections on the ownership of above owner in respect of said property, he/she may raise his/her objection in writing, with documentary evidence, by Registered AD Post, to the undersigned at the address mentioned herein below within 10 days of the present notice. KUNTA & ASSOCIATES (Advocates & Consultants) 200, 2nd Flr, 23 Shweta Vihar, MG Road, N. Delhi-110028. E-mail: kantaadvocates@gmail.com, Ph: 011-21112522-23

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that Mrs. Shobha Rani Jain is the owner of Plot No. 71, area measuring 208.00 sq. mtrs., in Block D, sector 10, NOIDA, Distt. Gautam Budh Nagar UP through Transfer Deed cum sale Deed dated 25.07.2008 as doc. no. 2484 executed by Mr. Ved Prakash Jain through SPA of M/s. V.K Industries through Prop. Gulshan Vir in favour of Mrs. Shobha Rani Jain in respect of said property. The above-said owner has misplaced the (1) Original Lease deed dated 18.06.2003 as doc. no. 5183 executed by NOIDA in favour of M/s V.K Industries through Prop. Gulshan Vir in favour of Mrs. Shobha Rani Jain in respect of said property. The said owner has also informed that there is no dispute or any litigation pending upon the said property.

Any person including Banks, Financial Institution/s, relative/s having any claim, right, title or any interest of any nature whatsoever into or upon the said property is hereby called upon to make the same known, in writing, with documentary evidence, by Registered AD Post, to the undersigned at the address mentioned herein below within 07 days from the date of this public notice. Any objections submitted after the completion of this 07-day period will not be considered binding with respect to the said property or the interests of our client. If anyone wishes to raise an objection, please do so within the stipulated 07-days period by contacting Law Veritas: North (Advocates & Legal Consultants) at Office No. 11, 1st Floor, Building No. A-4/A, Sector-16, Noida, Uttar Pradesh-201303; Landline(s): -91012-044997/1, e-mail: accounts@wvorth.in.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Re: Apartment bearing No. 104, on 1st Floor, in Block No. 06, super area measuring 180.63 sq. mtrs. (2052 sq. ft.), situated in the residential colony known as UNIWORLD GARDENS, situated in Sector 47, in the revenue estate of Village Islamabad Sub-Tehsil Badshahpur, District Gurugram, Haryana, hereinafter referred to as the 'said property' vide Sale Deed dated 30/06/2022 executed by Mr. Sanjeev Juneja. The said owners have also informed that initially Mrs. Venu Juneja and Capt. Sanjay Juneja were the owners of the said property vide Conveyance Deed dated 31/08/2007 executed by M/s. Unitech Reality Pvt. Ltd. (formerly known as M/s. Rhino Holdings Pvt. Ltd.) and further deed of Apartment dated 04.09.2013 also executed in their favour. Thereafter, one of the owners Mrs. Venu Juneja have executed Will dated 13.04.2019 in favour of another owner Capt. Sanjay Juneja in respect of his half undivided shares. And finally after the death of Mrs. Venu Juneja, Mr. Sanjeev Juneja has become the owner of the said property and sold the same to the owners as mentioned above. The said owner has also informed that there is no dispute or any litigation pending upon the said property.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Known to all that my Client Sh. Simraj Singh & 2. Damandeep Singh owner of FIRST FLOOR WITHOUT ROOF PROPERTY NO. W2-159, AREA 66/2/3 SQ. YDS, KHASRA NO. 1, KRISHNA PURI, NEW DELHI, and I.S.H. Simraj Singh & 2. Damandeep Singh purchased from Sh. Hari Gopal vide GPA, ATS and ill dated 17.08.2023, Now I.S.H. Simraj Singh & 2. Damandeep Singh wants sell afore said property. And it is informed that any deal with said documents by any person except my said client and said institution regarding said property, shall be deemed as null and void. If any person having any claim, right in said property then he may contact and handover the same and apprise his claim to undersigned within 15 days of this publication.

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Form No. URC-2	
Advertisement giving notice about registration Under Part I of Chapter XXI of the Act (Pursuant to section 374(b) of the Companies Act, 2013 and rule 4(1) of the companies (Authorised to Register) Rules, 2014)	
1. Notice is hereby given that, in pursuance of sub-section (2) of Section 366 of the Companies Act, 2013, an application is proposed to be made to the Registrar of Companies for the incorporation of MUSLIM NAVJAGHAN FOUNDATION (A Section 8 company) under Part I of Chapter XXI of the Companies Act, 2013, as a company limited by share.	
2. The principal objects of the company are as follows: To uphold and promote the values of secularism, equality and peaceful coexistence enshrined in the Constitution of India, and to foster harmony, communal unity, and mutual cooperation among all communities. To spread awareness against social orthodoxy, superstition, and extremists, and to promote inclusive and equitable across all sections of society. To function as a completely secular, non-political, and non-profit organization, with no engagement in any political activities. To initiate special programs for promoting women's education, health and self-employment, with a focus on marginalized and minority communities. To bring together secular, liberal and constitutionally-minded youth, intellectuals, and entrepreneurs, and to provide them opportunities for dialogue, collaboration and leadership development. To nurture a generation of socially responsible citizens who actively uphold the values of communal harmony, gender equality, freedom of expression, and justice, and who contribute meaningfully to national development. To promote and cultivate Indian Constitutional and cultural values among the communities, fostering unity in diversity.	
3. A copy of the draft memorandum and articles of association of the proposed company may be inspected at the office at Flat No. 287, CA Apartment, Paschim Vihar, New Delhi, 110063, India.	
4. Notice is hereby given that any person objecting to this application may communicate their objection in writing to the Registrar of Companies, within twenty-one (21) days from the date of publication of this notice, with a copy to the company at its registered office.	
Dated 04 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025	Name(s) of Applicant 1. Nisha 2. Saleem Ahamed

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE					
SR. NO.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT / EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	PWD B&R, GURUGRAM	DEVELOPMENT OF LANDSCAPING WORK OF PHASE III AND IV (NON RESIDENTIAL) BUILDING IN SAINIK SCHOOL AT GOTHRA TAPPA KHORI IN DISTRICT REWARI. + 1 WORKS	04.11.2025 17.11.2025	28.96 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 9717214202 zulesinghhor@gmail.com
2	PWD B&R, HISAR	CONSTRUCTION OF NEW BUS STAND AT TOHANA IN DISTT. FATEHABAD (PDG. 13 PASSENGER LIFT ONLY)	03.11.2025 10.11.2025	16.65 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in pwd-eeed-hissar@hry.nic.in
3	PWD B&R, HISAR	WDG. AND SDG. OF NATHUWANA TO MATTERSHAM ROAD RD 0.00 TO 2.40 (ROAD ID 10420) IN HISAR DISTT. UNDER RSCP SCHEME (SHIFTING OF HT/LT LINE ONLY)	03.11.2025 10.11.2025	2.30 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in pwd-eeed-hissar@hry.nic.in
4	PWD B&R, HISAR	RECONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM DELHI HISAR SULEMANKI ( NH-10) ROAD KM. 160.30 TO INDUSTRIAL AREA UPTO BALSAMAND DISTY. ( RD 0.00 TO 1.600) ROAD IN HISAR DISTT. ( ROAD ID 4834)	CLOSING DATE 14.11.2025	342.07 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 9878384499 pwd-eeepd-hissar@hry.nic.in
5	PWD B&R, HISAR	WIDENING AND STRENGTHENING OF SIDE N.O.S. ROADS (I) KABREL DOBHI ROAD PANCHAYAT GHAR VIA PHIRMI SOUTH SIDE IN VILLAGE KABREL ROAD RD 0.00 TO 1.000 (ROAD ID 4928) (II) HISAR GHURSAU TO SALEMGARH ROAD RD 0.00 TO 0.600 (ROAD ID 5024) (III) BURAK TO BHIRANI UPTO RAJASTHAN BORDER ROAD RD 0.00 TO 3.050 (ROAD ID 4944) (IV) BURAK TO BANDHERI ROAD RD 0.00 TO 5.940 (ROAD ID 4942) (V) GHURSAU TO STATE BORDER ROAD RD 0.00 TO 1.300 (ROAD ID 4939) (VI) GHURSAU TO BANDHERI ROAD ROAD RD 0.325 TO 4.000 AND 4.100 TO 8.500 (ROAD ID 4940) IN HISAR DISTT WORK PROGRAMME 2025-26 (ADAMPUR CONSTITUENCY) GROUP NO. 19 + 1 WORKS	CLOSING DATE 12.11.2025	563.18 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 9878384499 pwd-eeepd-hissar@hry.nic.in
6	PWD B&R, GURUGRAM	WORK FOR INTERIOR WOODEN WORK INCLUDING WALL PANELLING, STORAGE UNITS AND OTHER ALLIED COMPONENTS IN THE COURT ROOMS AND CHAMBERS IN NEW JUDICIAL COMPLEX 'TOWER OF JUSTICE' AT GURUGRAM	CLOSING DATE 17.11.2025	623.36 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 01242322424 pwd-eeepd1-gurgaon@hry.nic.in
7	PWD B&R, HISAR	SUPPLY, CARRIAGE AND COLLECTION OF STONE METAL IN SIZE 53MM TO 22-49MM IN SHAHPUR STORE HISAR IN PROVINCIAL DIVISION NO.1, PWD BANDR BRANCH, HISAR IN HISAR DISTRICT + 2 WORKS	CLOSING DATE 10.11.2025	10.15 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 9878384499 pwd-eeepd-hissar@hry.nic.in
8	PANCHAYATI RAJ, AMBALA	DPLAN CONST. OF BC CHOUPAL IN VILL. TOKA AND CONST. OF SC CHOUPAL AT VILL. SHAHPUR NURD BLOCK NARAINGARH + 2 WORKS	04.11.2025 10.11.2025	42.31 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 0171-2551368 prexeeng.amb@hry.nic.in
9	PANCHAYATI RAJ, BHIMWANI	CONSTRUCTION OF SHED IN SAMSHAN GHAT IN VILLAGE BARDU JOGI, BLOCK LOHARU, SCHEME VAGY + 16 WORKS	05.11.2025 10.11.2025	98.77 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 01664243927 prexeeng.bhw@hry.nic.in
10	WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT, HISAR	TRANSPORTATION OF SNP AND OTHER ITEMS FOR ANGANWADI CENTERS IN HISAR DISTRICT.	03.11.2025 17.11.2025	EMD 50000	https://wcdhry.gov.in 01662239097 pohsr.wcd@gmail.com
11	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING,MANDI DABWALI	KALANWALI TOWN AMRUT 2.0: " D" FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NO. S/S TANK, PC, B/WALL, ROAD AND PATH, REPAIR OF FILTER BEDS, REMOVAL OF SURPLUS SLOI AT W/W AND CONSTRUCTION OF PUMP WELL, PC, RISING MAIN, B/WALL, CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NO. NEW BOOSTING STATIONS AND AUGMENTATION OF 3 NO. BOOSTERS, WORK L.E. CONST. OF UGR, PUMPING MACHINERY AT EACH BOOSTER AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ALONG WITH TAP CONNECTIONS AND WATER METER AND ALL OTHER WORK CONTINGENTS THERETO " CH. HEAD :- KALANWALI-UPDATION, RENOVATION OF WATER SUPPLY SCHEME, CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NOS. BOOSTING STATION AND STRENGTHENING OF DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AT KALANWALI TOWN DISTT. SIRSA (AMRUT 2.0)	03.11.2025 24.11.2025	904.82 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 8730000001 ee.mandiadabwali@gmail.com
12	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT HARYANA, CHARKHI DADRI	RECONSTRUCTION OF V.R BRIDGE AT RD 7700 OF LOHARU FEEDER + 3 WORKS	31.10.2025 17.11.2025	443.73 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 01250297003 xenivsvadri@gmail.com
13	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT HARYANA, ROHTAK	WHITE WASHING AND PAINTING OF SINCHA BHAWAN BUILDING ROHTAK + 2 WORKS	CLOSING DATE 11.11.2025	15.96 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 9812111077 xenivsvnrk@gmail.com
14	HORTICULTURE DEPARTMENT,HARYANA GURUGRAM	REPAIRING AND UP-GRADATION OF HI-TECH GREEN HOUSE (HTGH) AT DHO, GURUGRAM.	07.11.2025 17.11.2025	EMD 28000	https://etenders.hry.nic.in 8059016595 dhogurugram0@gmail.com

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PROSPECT



Meghalaya CM Conrad K Sangma at the 49th Wangala Festival, Wangala A-dam, Chibragre, near Tura

Field distillation unit under aroma mission inaugurated



The event witnessed the participation of a number of farmers from Phlangwanbroi and neighbouring villages, reflecting strong community involvement in the initiative.

In his address, the Chief Guest Olan Singh Suin expressed happiness at witnessing the collaboration between various organisations and local farmers. He conveyed his gratitude to all dignitaries and stakeholders present and highlighted the immense potential for lemongrass cultivation within the Mawsynram constituency, Meghalaya.

He further encouraged farmers to explore bay leaf and patchouli cultivation as emerging opportunities, emphasising the importance of value addition to agricultural products for better market returns and economic sustainability.

He also mentioned that this is the first distillation unit established in the constituency, expressing hope that it will not only boost agricultural productivity but also attract visitors and contribute to the area's overall growth. He concluded with optimism for a prosperous future for the farming community in the region.

The inaugural function also featured a traditional dance performance by the youth of Phlangwanbroi village, celebrating the local culture and community spirit.

The inauguration was followed by a demonstration of the distillation process and a visit to the facility by the assembled guests. Farmer-producer groups were introduced to operation protocols, quality assurance measures and market-linkage opportunities.

National Rural Conclave stresses on rural development

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

India's rural development took the spotlight in Delhi on Thursday. The National Rural Conclave 2025, organised by Dr B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi, opened with a call to place villages at the centre of the country's growth vision for Viksit Bharat 2047. The two-day event, titled "The Rising Rural: Mapping the Trajectories towards Viksit Bharat", began at the India Habitat Centre. It is being hosted by the university's new Chaudhary Charan Singh Centre for Agribusiness and Rural Entrepreneurship.

The conclave brought together policymakers, academics and development experts to discuss the future of rural livelihoods, agrarian change and entrepreneurship. The message from the opening day was clear: India's growth story must begin from its villages. The inaugural session was attended by Professor Anu Singh Lather, Vice-Chancellor of Ambedkar University; Dr Abha Rani Singh, Chairperson of the National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation; Dr Archana Verma, IAS, of the National Water Mission;



Dr Santosh K. Singh, Director of the Centre and Col. (Retd) Omkar Singh. In his keynote address, Harsh Lohit, Founder and Chairperson of the Charan Singh Archives, spoke about Chaudhary

Charan Singh's lasting influence on India's rural thought. He said Singh's focus on equity and empowerment continues to guide social and economic policy today. Experts from the World Bank Group, Water for People

India Trust, Welthungerhilfe India, GIZ India, and the United Nations Environment Programme took part in the technical sessions. Discussions focused on the need to link water, land and agriculture in an integrat-

ed framework. Speakers warned that India must move away from fragmented policy-making. They said a holistic approach to rural growth is essential to ensure sustainability.

"Rural development cannot work in silos. It must connect ecology, economy and equity," said one participant. Dr Santosh K. Singh said the conclave aims to build a bridge between research, policy and practice. "Rural transformation is not about charity. It is about justice and opportunity," he said. The sessions also underlined that policies must be local and community-driven. Experts said that one-size-fits-all models often fail to address the diversity of India's villages. They called for hyperlocal planning and community participation to make development more effective.

The first day ended with a call to reimagine India's villages as the foundation of national progress. The recurring theme, echoed by several speakers, was that "India's soul resides in its villages." The conclave will continue on Friday with sessions on agribusiness, rural entrepreneurship and climate resilience.

ASDMA strengthens Assam's disaster preparedness ecosystem

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ Guwahati

The Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) organised a ceremonial launch, Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) signing and release programme titled "Building Collaborative Resilience for the Future" at Guwahati today.

Keshab Mahanta, Minister for Revenue and Disaster Management Department, formally launched the SMART AXOM App, the Flood Scenario and Downstream Impact Study Report for Ranganadi, Doyang and Kurichhu Hydro Projects and the Certificate Course on Disaster Management Communication, focusing on working professionals, journalists, among others.

He also announced, as part of the same, a special Orientation Course for media personnel to strengthen disaster communication and promote responsible, timely and factual reporting during emergencies.

To strengthen institutional collaboration and build technical capacity, ASDMA signed three Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with leading institutions. The partnership with Gauhati University focuses on academic collaboration and launching a certificate course on disaster communication and gender studies. The collaboration with the Geological Survey of India (GSI) and the National Institute of Hydrology (NIH) will result in integrated geo-environmental appraisals



and urban flood studies in Barpeta district. Meanwhile, the collaboration with the Public Works Department (Electrical) and Assam Engineering College (AEC) aims to promote research and innovation in lightning protection systems and resilient infrastructure design for schools and community buildings.

Also, the Annual Activity Report (2020 to 2024) of ASDMA, summarising key achievements and interventions across the State, including advances in early warning systems, community-based preparedness and inter-departmental coordination, was released by the Minister.

The programme also included the

felicitation of mentors and distribution of certificates to interns under the ASDMA Youth Internship Programme (AYIP) 2025, recognising their contributions to disaster risk research and field-based resilience initiatives.

The event was attended by Ms L. Sweete Changsan, Additional Chief Secretary & CEO, ASDMA; Ms Meenakshi Das Nath, Additional CEO, ASDMA & Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management Department; senior officials from the Government of Assam, NESAC, GSI, PWD and Faculty and officials from Gauhati University, AEC & NIH, along with mentors and AYIP interns and members from central and state disaster management agencies.

ICAI submits suggestions on insolvency law amendments to Parl panel

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ New Delhi

Chartered accountants' apex body ICAI on Thursday made its submissions to a Parliamentary panel on the proposed amendments to the insolvency law. The Select Committee, headed by BJP member Baijayant Panda, is examining the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Bill, 2025, which was introduced in the Lok Sabha on August 12. A source said the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) made its submissions to the select committee on the amendments that are aimed at further improving the processes under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC).

Around 60 Per cent of the insolvency professionals are chartered accountants. There are over 4,560 insolvency professionals registered with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI). IBBI is a key institution in the insolvency law ecosystem.

The amendment bill, introduced on August 12, has proposed a raft of amendments,



including an out-of-court mechanism to address genuine business failures, group and cross-border insolvency frameworks.

Besides, provisions have been proposed to reduce the time taken for admission of insolvency resolution applications, to expand the definition of resolution plan and decriminalisation of certain actions.

In the Statement of Objects and Reasons for the bill, Finance and Corporate Affairs Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had said the proposed changes aim to reduce delays, maximise value for all stakeholders and improve Governance of all processes under the Code.

Equinox India Infraestate Limited (formerly Indiabulls Infraestate Limited) (CIN: U70102DL2007PLC157384)			
EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025			
(₹ in Millions)			
Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended 30 September 2025 (Unaudited)	Previous year ended 31 March 2025 (Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	133.02	993.16
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(11.32)	(1,084.50)
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before Tax (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(11.32)	(1,991.35)
4	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after Tax, (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(11.32)	(1,997.94)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(11.32)	(1,998.52)
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	2.27	2.27
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	9,539.22	(2,268.60)
8	Securities Premium Account	16,123.92	16,123.92
9	Net Worth	9,541.48	9,580.99
10	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	16,942.86	13,973.87
11	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Share	-	-
12	Debt Equity Ratio*	-	-
13	Earnings per Share (EPS) (Face value Per Share ₹10 each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) - - Basic (Amount in ₹) - Diluted (Amount in ₹)	(49.77) (49.77)	(8,784.37) (8,784.37)
14	Capital Redemption Reserve	-	-
15	Debt Redemption Reserve	-	-
16	Debt Service Coverage Ratio*	1.78	1.46
17	Interest Service Coverage Ratio**	-	-
18	Current ratio (In times)	1.42	1.23
19	Total debts to total assets (In times)	0.61	0.55
20	Long term debt to working capital (In times)†	0.47	-
21	Bad debt to account receivable ratio (In %)	-	-
22	Current liability ratio (In times)	0.84	1.00
23	Debtor turnover ratio (In times)	1.28	3.94
24	Inventory turnover ratio (In times)	0.01	0.13
25	Operating margin (In %)	(7.25)	(105.30)
26	Net profit margin (In %)	(8.51)	(201.17)
* Ratio can not be calculated due to negative earning available for debt service.			
* Ratio can not be calculated due to negative earning available for interest service coverage			
Notes :			
1 The above results have been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors ('the Board') at its meeting held on 06 November 2025.			
2 The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly / Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52(8), read with 52(4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/ Annual Financial Results are available on the Company's website ( <a href="https://www.embassyindia.com/EIIL">https://www.embassyindia.com/EIIL</a> ) and on the website of BSE ( <a href="https://www.bseindia.com">https://www.bseindia.com</a> ) and NSE ( <a href="https://www.nseindia.com">https://www.nseindia.com</a> ).			
Registered Office: Office no 202, 2nd Floor, A-18 Rama House, Middle Circle, Connaught Place, New Delhi- 110001.		For and on behalf of the Board of Directors	
Place : Gurugram Date : 06 November 2025		Manish Riyal Whole-time director	

Nirmala Sitharaman to lay foundation stone of Swahid Kankalata Barua State University on November 8

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE  
■ Guwahati

Just prior to the foundation-laying ceremony of Swahid Kanaklata Barua State University in Gohpur on November 8, Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Thrusday flagged off 270 vehicles carrying Amrit Kalash containing soil collected from every village and municipal ward for the construction of the university. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman will lay the foundation stone of Assam's first university focussed on technical and vocational education and training.

It may be noted that two years ago in the year 2023, the people of the state came together to donate soil from their villages during Amrit Kalash Yatra. The soil thus collected, will be used in the Bhumi Pujan of Swahid Kanaklata Barua State University on 8 November. Speaking on the occasion at Srimanta Sankardev Kalakshetra in Guwahati, Chief Minister Sarma said that the Amrit Kalash Yatra programme was observed in Assam from September 20, 2023, as part of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 'Meri Maati Mera Desh', initiative. Under this programme, soil or rice was collected from every household in every village and municipal ward across the state. Out of the 540 Amrit Kalash thus received from the 270 development blocks and municipal bodies of the state, 270 were sent to New Delhi for the construc-



Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Thursday flagged off 270 vehicles carrying Amrit Kalash

tion of the Amrit Vatika near the National War Memorial, while the remaining 270 were preserved at Srimanta Sankardev Kalakshetra. The Chief Minister said, "I consider it my pleasure to flag off the 270 Amrit Kalash which will be used at the Bhumi Pujan ceremony of Swahid Kanaklata Barua State University in Gohpur".

The Chief Minister described the construction of Swahid Kanaklata Barua State University as one of the most ambitious projects of the State Government and stated that it will be the country's first university dedicated to technology-based vocational education and training. He said that the institution will be built over 731 bighas of land at Bholaguri Tea Estate in Gohpur with an estimated expenditure of ₹500 crore. The Public Works Department has already completed the tendering process

and is ready to begin construction. CM Sarma further stated that after Gauhati University and Dibrugarh University, this new university will emerge as another premier institution of higher education in Assam. He mentioned that the area of land allotted for the new university exceeds that of Tezpur University. State Government has made adequate financial provisions to ensure that Swahid Kanaklata Barua State University becomes a modern educational institution of higher education.

The university will offer advanced courses in Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Blockchain and other emerging disciplines. He also informed that efforts are underway to establish academic collaboration between this university and a reputed international institution. The Chief Minister moreover informed that

financial compensation and rehabilitation arrangements have already been made for the workers of Bholaguri Tea Estate. He also announced that the Government has appointed Professor IIT Guwahati Parameswar Iyer as the mentor to oversee the academic and institutional framework of the university. CM Sarma said that the soil thus sent for the university symbolises the collective aspirations and dreams of every person in Assam.

Meanwhile, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman will arrive in Assam on Friday to interact with around 300 young entrepreneurs of Assam at the semiconductor project in Jaiagroi. She will also inaugurate the state of the art river terminal constructed near Sukreswar Ghat in Guwahati and open to the public the newly beautified Brahmaputra riverfront at Uzan Bazar near the Raj Bhavan.



BRIEFLY

VANI SHOOTS SECOND 68,  
LEADS 14TH WPGT LEG



Vani Kapoor picked just two birdies but parred the rest of the second round for a steady 2-under 68 that put her in sole lead in the 14th leg of the Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour at the Rambagh Golf Club on Thursday. A four-time winner in 2025, Vani is now 4-under 136 for two rounds and one shot ahead of Jasmine Shekar (69-68) at the Par-70 course. Vidhatri Urs (70-68) moved into third place at 2-under 138, while Ridhima Dilawari (71-68), Sneha Singh (70-69) and Shagun Narain (68-71) were tied for the fourth place at 1-under 139. Vani, one of the three co-leaders after the first round, parred the entire front nine and then four more before she found her first birdie on the Par-3 13th. She followed that up with another on the Par-5 14th. She closed her round with four more pars for a second straight 68 as she moved closer to a fifth title this season. Jasmine Shekar was also very steady, though she dropped a shot on the Par-5 eighth, while picking birdies on the third, 16th and the 17th. Vidhatri Urs had four birdies against two bogeys for her 68, which was the day's best score registered by as many as five players. Ridhima Dilawari parred her first eight holes and birdied the ninth.

ALCARAZ, DJOKOVIC IN  
SAME ATP FINALS GROUP



Top-seeded Carlos Alcaraz was drawn in a group with Novak Djokovic at the ATP Finals, while defending champion Jannik Sinner was grouped with Alexander Zverev on Thursday. The Jimmy Connors group features Alcaraz, Djokovic, Taylor Fritz and Alex de Minaur. The Bjorn Borg group has Sinner, Zverev, Ben Shelton and Felix Auger-Aliassime or Lorenzo Musetti, who are battling for the final spot. Auger-Aliassime occupies the eighth and final qualifying spot but Musetti can leapfrog the Canadian if he wins a tournament in Athens this week. The status of Djokovic, who is also playing in Athens, is questionable. Djokovic, who is a record seven-time champion at the finals, sat out the event last year and has said he will decide whether to play or not after the Athens tournament. The finals start on Sunday with round-robin play. The top two finishers in each group advance to the semifinals. The final is scheduled for November 16.

DIKSHA DAGAR  
BEST INDIAN  
AFTER FIRST  
ROUND IN  
ARAMCO CHINA

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Shenzhen (China)

Golfer Diksha Dagar, coming back from the break she took after the women's Indian Open, carded 1-under 72 to be placed T-42 after the first round of the Aramco China Championship on Thursday. Pranavi Urs was the next best Indian after Dagar, carding an even-par 73 to be placed T-57. Two other Indians in the field, Tvesa Malik and Avani Prashanth carded 1-over 74 to be in tied-75th place. Moa Folke of Sweden is leading the field by one stroke. She carded 6-under 67 to secure a one-shot lead over the trio of Alice Hewson of England, Aunchisa Utama of Thailand and Laura Fuenfstueck of Germany. Folke played a bogey-free round with four birdies and one eagle. On the front-nine, Dagar had four birdies and three bogeys. The bogeys came on the second, 10th and 12th holes while the birdies were made on the sixth, seventh, 11th and 13th holes. Pranavi began her day with three consecutive birdies, on the first, second and third holes, before dropping a shot on the sixth.

President lauds world champion women's team

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ New Delhi

President Droupadi Murmu lauded the World Cup-winning Indian women's cricket team for its exemplary performance during a meeting with the players at the Rashtrapati Bhavan on Thursday and was presented a jersey signed by the entire squad. India clinched their first ever global title in women's cricket, defeating South Africa by 52 runs in the ODI World Cup final in Navi Mumbai on Sunday. President Murmu congratulated the team on its historic achievement, saying the players had not only scripted history but also become role models for the younger generation. "Members of the Indian Women Cricket team, winner of the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 called on President Droupadi Murmu at Rashtrapati Bhavan. The President congratulated the team and said that they have created history and have become role models for the younger generation. "She said that this team reflects India. They repre-



President Droupadi Murmu with the ODI World Cup winning women's cricket team during a meeting at Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi

sent different regions, different social backgrounds, different circumstances but they are one Team — India," the official handle of the President posted on X with pictures of the meeting. During the interaction,

Indian skipper Harmanpreet Kaur also presented the World Cup trophy to the President besides the signed jersey. In a statement issued by the Press Information Bureau, the President said that this team reflects India.

"They represent different regions, different social backgrounds, different circumstances. But they are one Team India. This team shows India at its best," read the PIB release quoting Murmu. The

President said that the team strengthened the belief of all Indians in their capability by defeating seven-time world champion and then-undefeated Australian team in the semifinal. "The younger generation,

especially girls, will be inspired to move ahead in life. She expressed confidence that with the same qualities with which they have written history, they will keep Indian cricket at the top in future as well."

Mandhana nominated for  
ICC Player of the Month



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Dubai

Charismatic top-order batter Smriti Mandhana has been nominated for the ICC Women's Player of the Month for October after her string of brilliant performances helped India to lift their maiden Women's ODI World Cup Trophy. The India vice-captain will be vying for the honour along with South African skipper Laura Wolvaardt and dynamic Australia batter Ashleigh Gardner. Mandhana led the Indian charge at the top, and her partnerships with opening batter Pratika Rawal created quite a buzz in the showpiece event. Mandhana, 29, had a relatively quiet start, but soon came into her own with a

blistering 80 against seven-time champions Australia, and followed it up with a combative 88 against England. Though India lost both the matches, it was clear that the India mainstay was in the zone. In the must-win encounter against New Zealand, Mandhana stood up to the challenge smashing a brilliant 109, and stitching a match-winning partnership of 212 with Rawal. In the final against South Africa, she gave a solid start by scoring 45 and shared a century partnership with Shafali Verma at the top. South African skipper Wolvaardt guided her side from the humiliation of a 10-wicket loss to England in the World Cup opener to the title showdown with India in Navi Mumbai.

Those who taunted me now applaud: Kranti

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ New Delhi

The boys were one player short. With no option left, they decided to include her in the team. That was the first step into cricket for Indian pacer Kranti Goud who until then had only watched the game from the fringes. Occasionally, she had thrown the ball back into the field whenever it rolled near her modest home's doorstep in Ghuwara village of Madhya Pradesh. "I didn't even know there was a women's cricket team — that's where my journey began," Goud said just before meeting President Droupadi Murmu here on Thursday along with the rest of her team following its historic World Cup victory. The 22-year-old, who contributed nine wickets at an average of 18.55 to India's maiden title-clinching run, including a player of the match-winning three-wicket haul against Pakistan, spoke to PTI Videos about her nascent but remarkable career so far. The felicitation at the Rashtrapati Bhawan followed an evening meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi on



Wednesday, marking an unprecedented high for the youngster, who made her debut for India only in May this year. Her story began far from the stadium lights and cameras. She recalled watching mostly from afar, a bunch of boys playing the game near her house. This distant familiarity culminated into an opportunity as she ended up in the playing XI on a day when the boys were a player short. "There was a ground in front of my house, so boys used to play there and when the ball would come near my house, I used to throw it to them. When I started playing

with them, they used to play me only as a fielder but slowly, I also learned playing. "I didn't even know that there was something called a spin bowler so I just started bowling pace looking at them," she laughed. It set off a chain of events during the course of which her formative coach Raviv Biltre, who was also the secretary of the Chhatarpur District Cricket Association, spotted her and found her speed to be impressive. "He asked me whether I aspired to play international cricket as well. I was not aware that there is an international team of girls and

then he took me to his academy. "Within six months I played the senior division and within a year I debuted for state's domestic under-19 team in Vadodara," she said. The youngster is obviously elated and proud at how things have panned out for her so far. She has appeared in 15 ODIs and a T20I since her debut. "I am feeling really proud as this was my first World Cup and we are world champions now. It is a matter of pride for me, my family and the entire nation," she said. Coming from a conservative rural background, Goud faced social resistance in her early days but she is glad that the same people in her village have shown the grace to applaud her success. "I am from a small village, so they didn't allow girls to play and used to say that why are you allowing her to play with the boys? But I thought that one day, I will make them all clap for my performance. "And now those who used to taunt me and my family are applauding us. Now the women's team is also improving and after the World Cup win it will go very far," she said.

Ahmedabad set to host 2026 T20 WC final

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ New Delhi

The BCCI has shortlisted Ahmedabad, Delhi, Kolkata, Chennai and Mumbai as the venues for next year's T20 World Cup with the final to be played in Ahmedabad. The 2023 ODI World Cup final, between India and Australia, was also conducted in Ahmedabad, home to the world's largest cricket stadium with a capacity of over one lakh. That edition of the marquee competition was held across 10 venues in total. It is learnt that the ICC will announce the full schedule of the February-March tournament next week. It is expected to begin on



February 7 with the final likely to be held on March 8. The event will be co-hosted by Sri Lanka which will act as a neutral venue for Pakistan as per an agreed arrangement with India. Three venues in Sri Lanka will host the games, including Kandy and Colombo.

The third venue is not locked in yet. India will go into the home World Cup as defending champions, having won the previous edition in Barbados in June last year. The five chosen venues in India are Tier 1 cities and are expected to draw in packed crowds.

WC win a watershed for Indian sports: Coach

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ New Delhi

Harmanpreet Kaur and her team's maiden World Cup title is not just a turning point for cricket in the country but a watershed moment for Indian sports, feels women's head coach Amol Muzumdar. The Indian women's cricket team clinched its first-ever World Cup title with a 52-run victory over South Africa, scripting a golden chapter in the country's sporting history in Navi Mumbai last week. The win has widely been described as a watershed moment for women's cricket in India, drawing parallels with the men's team's iconic 1983 World Cup triumph.



"Talking about the 1983 moment, I feel this Women's World Cup must be a watershed moment not just for Indian cricket as a whole both men's and women's but a watershed moment for Indian sports," Muzumdar told PTI Videos.

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EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS				
FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2025				
( ₹ in million)				
Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended 30 September 2025 (Unaudited)	Corresponding quarter ended 30 June 2024 (Unaudited)	Previous year ended 31 March 2025 (Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	2.52	25.00	160.60
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(85.34)	(38.20)	(252.70)
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period before Tax (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(85.34)	(38.20)	(1,171.40)
4	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period after Tax, (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	(85.34)	(38.20)	(1,663.90)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(85.34)	(38.20)	(1,657.30)
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	0.50	0.50	0.50
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	(10,952.46)	(8,959.50)	(10,799.60)
8	Securities Premium Account	-	-	-
9	Net Worth	(10,875.52)	(8,959.00)	(10,522.60)
10	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	13,032.17	12,244.00	12,583.20
11	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Share	-	-	-
12	Debt Equity Ratio*	-	-	-
13	Earnings per Share (EPS) (Face value Per Share ₹10 each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -			
	- Basic (Amount in ₹)	(1,706.91)	(763.73)	(33,280.43)
	- Diluted (Amount in ₹)	(1,706.91)	(763.73)	(33,280.43)
14	Capital Redemption Reserve	-	-	-
15	Debt Redemption Reserve	-	-	-
16	Debt Service Coverage Ratio**	-	-	-
17	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	(1.13)	(0.62)	(10.59)
18	Current ratio (In times)	0.55	0.57	0.54
19	Total debts to total assets (In times)	1.10	0.99	1.11
20	Long term debt to working capital (In times)#	-	-	-
21	Bad debt to account receivable ratio (In %)	-	-	-
22	Current liability ratio (In times)	0.95	1.00	0.95
23	Debtor turnover ratio (In times)	0.04	0.04	0.85
24	Inventory turnover ratio (In times)	-	0.00	0.01
25	Operating margin (In %)	52.98	(17.60)	22.34
26	Net profit margin (In %)	(2,229.50)	(153.16)	(1,347.46)
* Ratio can not be calculated due to negative average shareholders funds.				
** Ratio can not be calculated due to negative earning available for debt service.				
# Ratio can not be calculated due to negative working capital.				
Notes :				
1. The above results have been reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors (the Board) at its meeting held on 6 November 2025.				
2. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly / Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52(8), read with 52(4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/ Annual Financial Results are available on the Company's website ( <a href="https://embassyindia.com/tol/">https://embassyindia.com/tol/</a> ) and on the website of BSE ( <a href="https://www.bseindia.com">https://www.bseindia.com</a> ) and NSE ( <a href="https://www.nseindia.com">https://www.nseindia.com</a> ).				
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# Bowlers fire as India take 2-1 lead vs Australia

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Carrara (Gold Coast)

India defended a modest total with a stifling bowling performance for a 48-run win over Australia in the fourth T20 International to grab an unassailable 2-1 lead in the five-match series here on Thursday.

The architects of India's win were Axar Patel and Shivam Dube who shared two wickets each to put Australia on the backfoot in the run chase.

Washington Sundar struck thrice towards the end as India comfortably defended 168 with Australia folding up for 119 in 18.2 overs after being 91/3 at one stage.

The final T20 will be played in Brisbane on November 8. The opening match of the series was washed out in Canberra.

Openers Matthew Short (30 off 24) and Mitchell Marsh (25 off 19) got Australia off the blocks smoothly in the run chase but a flurry of wickets in the middle overs pushed the hosts to a point of no return. After Axar trapped Short in the powerplay, Dube removed Marsh and Tim David (14 off 9) in successive overs to make a telling impact on the game. The



Indian players celebrate after winning the T20 cricket international against Australia in Carrara, Australia

PTI

wicket of Marsh came off his second ball before he surprised David with a short ball in the following over.

Ashdeep Singh too picked a wicket in the middle overs and the game seemed done and dusted when Glenn Maxwell saw his exposed

stumps disturbed off the last ball of Varun Chakaravarthy's fourth over. The stellar performance came after a middling batting effort. India never got the momentum they needed after a wicketless powerplay to end with an underwhelming

167 for eight.

Abhishek Sharma (28 off 21) and Shubman Gill (46 off 39) put on 56 for the opening wicket before India lost their way.

Promoted to number three to counter Adam Zampa, Shivam Dube (22 off 18) could

not make a big impact while skipper Suryakumar Yadav (20 off 10) departed after hitting a couple of sixes.

Pacer Nathan Ellis (3/21 in 4 overs) was the pick of the Australian bowlers, using his variations effectively.

Zampa leaked 45 runs in

his four overs but more importantly, he got three wickets including the dangerous Abhishek.

Abhishek stepped out to Zampa in the second ball of his opening spell and dispatched it down the ground for a maximum.

The southpaw tried to hit another one out of the park two balls later but was caught at long on.

Abhishek could have been out off the game's second ball by left-arm pacer Ben Dwarshuis but Xavier Bartlett grassed the early opportunity. Abhishek's friend and opening partner Gill, who is yet to make an impact in the series, had to work hard for his runs.

He released some pressure with a massive hit off Marcus Stonis in the cow corner region before falling to a back of the hand slower one from Ellis.

The wickets kept falling thereafter, robbing the innings of any flow. Axar Patel (21 not out off 11) got the much needed boundaries towards the end to push the total past 160.

India lost four wickets for 42 runs in the last five overs but a stellar bowling performance carried them over the line.

# Smart batting key to win: Suryakumar

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Carrara

India skipper Suryakumar Yadav credited his players' tactical awareness with bat and ball for his team's 48-run victory over Australia in the fourth T20 here on Thursday.

Axar Patel and Shivam Dube played pivotal roles as India defended a modest total of 168 with a disciplined bowling performance to take a 2-1 lead in the five-match series.

"I feel credit goes to all the batters. The way Shubman and Abhishek started, they knew this was not a 200-220 wicket. They batted very smartly. It was a complete team effort from the batters," Suryakumar said at the post-match presentation.

Defending a competitive score, the Indian bowlers produced a clinical display, with all of them among the wickets.

"The message is clear. Me and Gauti (Gautam Gambhir) bhai, we are on the same page. There was a little dew but the bowlers adapted quickly," he added.

All-rounders Shivam Dube (2/20) and Washington Sundar (3/3) made significant contributions with the ball, sharing five wickets between them. "Always good to have bowlers give you 2-3 overs. This combination suits us.

People chipping in, raising their hands, bailing their side is great," Suryakumar said.

Australia skipper Mitchell Marsh expressed disappointment at the loss but praised India's all-round performance.

"I thought 167 was par. It provided us with a few challenges. We failed to go over the line. Fair play to India and they are a world-class team," Marsh said. With the Ashes approaching, Australia have had to make several changes, with key players leaving the T20 squad to prepare for the upcoming Test series against England.

"It is great. You ideally want to have a full-strength side at all times but the boys have a big series coming up. We want to give more boys the opportunity. I think it's great especially in a high-pressure game like this," Marsh added.

Player of the Match Axar Patel said he focused on assessing the pitch conditions before making his move with the bat and looked to exploit the good length while bowling.

"I batted at No. 7 and had a chance to look at the wicket. There was some unexpected bounce, so I waited for my position and just hit," said the 31-year-old, who struck an 11-ball 21 to boost India's total.



India's Suryakumar Yadav bats during a T20 cricket international between India and Australia in Carrara, Australia

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# Patil back at favourite ground as India gear up for ISSF World Championships

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ New Delhi

Three years after being crowned world champion, men's 10m air rifle shooter Rudranksh Patil will return to his favourite range in Cairo, aiming for more glory when the ISSF World Championships (Rifle/Pistol) begins on Saturday.

India has sent a strong contingent for the prestigious event, with the likes of double Olympic bronze-medallist in Paris, pistol shooter Manu Bhaker, the immensely talented Suruchi Inder Singh, 50m rifle stalwart Anjum Moudgil and the reigning Asian champion in 50m rifle 3-positions Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar being a part of the strong group. However, Rudranksh will be the marksman to watch, having made a huge impact at the 2022 World Championships in Cairo by becoming only the second Indian after Abhinav Bindra (2006, Zagreb) to win the 10m air rifle gold and showcase his exceptional talent.

The Thane shooter, who was still a teenager when he became world champion, is now among the country's leading 10m air rifle exponents.

After the disappointment of missing qualification for the Paris Olympics last year, he will be eager to reassert his dominance at a venue that has brought him immense success — having won the President's Cup gold in 2022 and two top-podium finishes in the men's individual and mixed team events at the 2023 ISSF World Cup.

# NZ holds out West Indies by 3 runs in 2nd T20

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Auckland (New Zealand)

Mark Chapman blasted 78 from 28 balls including a half-century from only 19 deliveries as New Zealand beat the West Indies by three runs and leveled the series at 1-1 on Thursday.

Chapman's assault saw New Zealand add 100 runs from the ninth to the 16th overs on the way to 207-5 after being sent in.

The West Indies struggled at first against New Zealand's three-pronged spin attack and was 94-6 after 13 overs.

But outstanding hitting by Rovman Powell, who made 45 from 16 balls, Romario Shepherd with 34 from 16 and Matthew Forde with an unbeaten 29 from 13 saw the West Indies reach the last over needing 16 runs with three wickets in hand. Entrusted with the final over, Kyle Jamieson conceded fours from the first and third balls, the second of which was a no ball. Powell was out to the fourth ball, caught by Chapman who took three catches in the innings to complete a player-of-the-match performance.

# Pat Cummins aiming to return for second Ashes Test at Brisbane

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Sydney

Australia captain Pat Cummins is on track to return for the second Ashes Test but admitted that he might not play all four remaining matches against England, given the short turnarounds between games.

Australia will be captained by Steve Smith as Cummins will miss the all-important Ashes opener due to a back injury and even though he expects to be bowling full tilt by the first Test, a decision on his return will be taken closer to the second Test starting December 4.

The 32-year-old, who has been sidelined by a lower-



back injury since July, was able to bowl a spell of eight overs without feeling any pain in his back on Wednesday. "That's the aim and we're building our plan to the second Test. It's probably not until you get a bit closer that you can really know where you're at," Cummins was quoted as saying by 'cricket.Com.Au' on Thursday.

"The good thing is that I'm pulling up well and the body is great. We're trying to keep that second Test as a live option. I'll have a really good bowl in Perth, and by then I'll know where I'm at," added Cummins.

Cummins, however, may not feature in each of the four Tests after missing the opener at Perth starting on November 21 in order to manage his workload.

"I'm pretty keen to play as much as I can. But realistically, if we have a big game and bowl 40 or 50 overs and then there's a game that starts a few days later, it might be a bridge too far," he said.

While there is a long gap between the second and third Tests to be played at Brisbane and Adelaide from December 4-8 and December 17-21 respectively, the remaining three Tests will only have four-day gaps between them.

"I'm trying to get right, and if I get right then hopefully I'll try to play most of it as I can," Cummins said.

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The West Indies needed six from the last two balls but managed only three runs

and finished 204-8.

"The West Indies boys, they're so strong they're never really out of the game," Chapman said. "It was amazing that the boys held their nerve at the end." Chapman went from 12 off 10 balls to 65 off 22 balls. He hit 24 runs including three sixes in the 13th over, bowled by Shepherd, then four fours and a six in the 15th over bowled by Jayden Seales.

New Zealand went from 83-2 after 12 overs to 140-3 after 15 and at the end of the 16th over was 163-3.

The West Indies bowlers sent down 11 wides, many of them trying to put the ball out of Chapman's reach. It was reminiscent of the Toronto Blue Jays walking Shohei Otani during the World Series.

# Williams, Bharti join; new era for Indian football

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ New Delhi

In what could mark a new beginning for Indian football, the game's national federation AIFF has roped in two overseas-based players — Ryan Williams and Abneet Bharti — for the national camp ahead of the AFC Asian Cup qualifier against Bangladesh in Dhaka on November 18.

The move reflects a bold shift in approach by the federation, opening the door for Indian-origin players and those willing to give up foreign citizenship to represent the country.

The camp begins in Bengaluru on Thursday, with both players expected to join shortly.

If cleared, both players will join the squad in Dhaka for the November 18 qualifi-



er in a development that could open the door for many more such aspirants and signal a new, inclusive phase for Indian football.

Williams, a 31-year-old midfielder born in Perth represented Australia at U-20, U-23 levels and the senior team as a second half substitute during a friendly against South Korea in 2019.

He also represented English clubs Fulham and Portsmouth before joining former Indian Super League champions Bengaluru FC in 2023. Earlier this year, he expressed his desire to give up his Australian passport and take up Indian citizenship and he recently got his Indian passport.

AIFF president Kalyan Chaubey said the idea was first brought up by Indian star Sunil Chhetri during the national camp in Kolkata in May this year.

"Sunil Chhetri gave the first information about Ryan Williams, who wants to play for India by giving up his Australian passport. From then on, the process started," Chaubey told PTI.

The federation then initiated the necessary paperwork with the government support. Chaubey credited the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, particularly Sports Minister Mansukh Mandaviya, for fast-tracking the process.

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He had a slight collision with SA wicketkeeper Connor Esterhuizen that required a medical check-up, and that was the lone discomforting moment during his long stay, until a mix-up with Jurel resulted in his run out. Their partnership unfortunately did not have any top-order reflection as Sai Sudharsan (17, 52b), KL Rahul (19 off 40) and skipper Rishabh Pant (24 off 20) got out after getting starts.

# Dhruv Jurel's hundred propels India A to 255 against South Africa A

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
■ Bengaluru

Dhruv Jurel gave a scintillating demonstration of his technical nous with a fighting hundred, carrying India A to a respectable 255 all out after a top-order malfunction against South Africa A on the first day of the four-day match on Thursday.

Asked to bat first, India A were in serious trouble, some of their own making, at 126 for seven, but Jurel (132 not out, 175b, 12x4, 4x6) and Kuldeep Yadav (20, 87b) milked 79 runs for a doughty eighth-wicket stand to bail them out.

Jurel's innings stood out for its marvellous adherence to batting technique, helping

him survive the vagaries of conditions, pitch and relentless of Protean bowlers under largely overcast skies.

His batting neither touches the vast expanses nor does it have an element of derring-do, but it's based on stunning compactness that allows him to collect runs stealthily.

Even the six he hit off off-spinner Prenelan Subrayen over long on was not an explosive act, but more a melange of timing and precise ball placement.

Later his slog-swept six off Subrayen too was not a shot hit in anger, but testified his judgment and awareness of field setting around him.

On other occasions, he either leaned on his front-foot to smother the spin or



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waited late to turn the balls to on-side for risk-free singles.

The pacers Tshepo Moreki and Tiaan Van Vuuren (4/52) found steady bounce off the pitch here under overcast skies, but Jurel was quick to climb over the balls to guide them past the point fielder for boundaries.

Jurel flicked when the SA bowlers slanted the balls

onto his pads, and pulled out drives when they pitched up to him. On the day, his initial movement and footwork were so decisive that he seldom got stuck in no-man's land playing the shots.

The only time he looked awful at the crease was when he attempted a lap shot in vain off Van Vuuren.

Soon the 24-year-old fetched his fourth first-class hundred with a single off Van Vuuren, much to the delight of his teammates and a few spectators who hung around the periphery of BCCI Centre of Excellence grounds.

It was also his third hundred in the last seven innings after going past three digits against Australia A at Lucknow and the West

Indies at Ahmedabad.

Jurel has an equally unflappable companion in Kuldeep, who was dropped on four, in his rescue mission, as they batted 124 minutes and 173 balls across two sessions to thwart the visitors' advance off.

He had a slight collision with SA wicketkeeper Connor Esterhuizen that required a medical check-up, and that was the lone discomforting moment during his long stay, until a mix-up with Jurel resulted in his run out. Their partnership unfortunately did not have any top-order reflection as Sai Sudharsan (17, 52b), KL Rahul (19 off 40) and skipper Rishabh Pant (24 off 20) got out after getting starts.