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**PM Modi will travel to Cyprus on Sunday for the first leg of his three-nation tour that will see him participating in the G7 Summit** in Canada and also visiting Croatia on his way back, P19

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## CM forms panel to revise circle rates in city

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## 16 J&K tourist sites to reopen June 17

J&K LG Manoj Sinha announced Saturday the reopening of 16 of 48 tourist destinations that had been shut since the Pahalgam attack. Eight of the spots to be reopened June 17 are in the Valley and the rest in Jammu. **P 15**

## Ax-4 targeting June 19 for launch, says Isro

Axiom-4 mission, which will take Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla to space, is now expected to be launched on June 19, Isro said Saturday. Axiom Space and Nasa are yet to make a formal announcement though. TNN

## CRPF jawan killed in IED blast

A CRPF assistant sub-inspector, Satyaban Kumar Singh (34), was killed in an IED blast, suspected to have been carried out by Maoists, during an area domination exercise in Odisha's Sundargarh early Saturday. **P 12**


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Happy Father's Day

**Papa do preach: Lessons, laughs & life hacks from famous fathers**

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## Cycling reduces risk of dementia: Study

Those who commute primarily by bicycle have a reduced overall risk of dementia compared to those who use passive transport, says a study in Journal of the American Medical Association Network Open. **P 9**

## Shah: Pak will yearn for every drop of Indus

Indus waters will be taken to Rajasthan's Sri Ganganagar through canals within three years and irrigation facilities will benefit large areas even as Pakistan will crave every drop, home minister Amit Shah said Saturday. **P 14**

# Thrust not achieved...falling... Mayday: AI pilot's last words

## AI 171 Exhausted 3.5km Runway During Take-Off

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Ahmedabad:** "Thrust not achieved... falling... Mayday! Mayday! Mayday!" Those were the last words from the cockpit of Air India Flight 171 moments before the Boeing Dreamliner slammed into BJ Medical College hostel in Ahmedabad Thursday afternoon.

Ahmedabad police confirmed the pilot's chilling distress call. It reached air traffic control (ATC) seconds before all communication ceased. Top officials said the jet had nearly exhausted the 3.5km runway at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport — usually, 2.5 to 3km is needed for a wide-bodied jet.

"The longer runway roll hints at a possibility of the aircraft not having adequate thrust for take-off," said a source close to the investigation. "The facts can be ascertained only after the black box is decoded."

No earlier warnings were flagged. "There were no requests for runway changes, thrust adjustments or flap reconfigurations. Weather was stable, visibility was clear. Temperature was high, but within operational limits," said an airport source.

CCTV footage from the airport confirmed the extended take-off roll. No visual or radar anomalies were noted. No engine irregularities or pitch deviations were detected by ATC or ground personnel. All communication and safety protocols were followed, sources said.

Authorities now await data from the flight data and cockpit voice recorders to piece together what triggered the fatal failure of thrust that doomed the flight.

### TWO DAYS ON, 2 MORE BODIES FOUND

- **One body, believed to be that of an air hostess, recovered from the tail of the aircraft** that was lodged atop the hostel mess building. **Another body found in debris of hostel mess**
- **Identities of 6 passengers confirmed** as DNA matches with samples of relatives. Bodies handed over to families
- **DNA samples collected from 230 individuals**; 21 individuals, including those living abroad, expected to arrive in Ahd

Caskets arrive at Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad, on Saturday for bodies of crash victims

- In addition to ₹1cr for each victim's family, Air India to make **interim payment of ₹25 lakh to each family and to the sole survivor**

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## Urgent checks on AI's 787 fleet: Aviation minister

Air India's fleet of 33 Boeing 787 Dreamliners is undergoing urgent safety checks following the June 12 crash, civil aviation minister Ram Mohan Naidu said Saturday in his first press conference since the tragedy. Naidu said a high-level committee led by Union home secretary Govind Mohan has been set up to study the crash and recommend safety reforms. The panel will not interfere with ongoing investigations but will focus on systemic reforms to prevent future disasters, the minister said.

"Checks have been completed on nine aircraft. We are on track to complete the remaining 24 within the regulator's timeline," Air India posted on X. AI warned of possible delays on long-haul routes due to extended turnaround times. **P 21**

# India refuses to join SCO statement censuring Israel

## Says It Was Not Part Of Talks That Led To Critique

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**New Delhi:** India refused to associate itself with a statement by the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) condemning Israel's military strikes on Iran in another show of solidarity with Israel this week, after it abstained from voting on a UN resolution seeking ceasefire in Gaza. Like India, Iran is also a member of the Eurasian security grouping in which China and Russia play key roles and Pakistan, too, is a member.

The organisation condemned the Israeli attack saying such aggressive actions against "civilian targets, including energy and transport infrastructure" violate the UN Charter and international law, constituting an infringement of Iran's sovereignty and posing serious risks to global peace. However, India said on Saturday that it wasn't a part of the discussions that led to the SCO statement.

Recalling its statement on Friday for restraint, the Indian govt urged that dialogue and diplomacy be utilised to work towards de-escalation. It also recalled foreign minister S Jaishankar's talks with his Iranian counterpart on Friday conveying concerns of the international community and urging avoidance of any escalatory action.

▶Not first time, P 19

PTI

Israeli Iron Dome air defence system fires to **intercept missiles over Tel Aviv** late on Friday. Iran and Israel traded missiles and airstrikes again on Saturday. **Israel's military headquarters were damaged** after Iranian missiles struck Tel Aviv late Friday. Israeli PM Benjamin **Netanyahu rejected international calls for restraint**, saying the attack would be intensified. Iranian state TV reported around 60 people had been killed in an attack on a housing complex on Tehran. Israel said it had attacked more than 150 targets. **Iran has said it won't take part in N-talks with US** till Israel keeps up the attacks | Reports on P 24

# No perfect scores in NEET-UG '25, cutoffs dip; Rajasthan boy is AIR 1

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**New Delhi:** Not a single candidate scored a perfect 720 in the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (Undergraduate) (NEET-UG 2025), a stark departure from last year when 17 students had achieved the maximum possible marks. The highest score this year was 686, secured by Mahesh Kumar from Rajasthan, indicating a tougher question paper and more stringent evaluation. The drop in scores is also reflected in the cut-offs, which have declined across all categories.

Delhi's Avika Aggarwal, ranked fifth overall, is the highest-scoring woman candidate this year and the only one in the top 10. Delhi also had the most candidates in the top 100 with 17, followed by Rajasthan (14), Maharashtra (11), Gujarat and Punjab (9 each), and Karnataka (7). Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, and others also had strong representation.

"A few months before the exam, pressure increases automatically, and given last year's NEET-UG entrance, a little bit of tension was normal. Then when we got the question paper, it was a different format...so keeping calm and solving it under pressure was a challenge. After the paper, I knew I wouldn't get a score of 700 like I used to in practice papers, but later when I analysed the answers, I realised that I would get a decent rank, never thought that it would be AIR1," said Mahesh Kumar.

▶12,000 qualify, P 28

## Mahesh overcomes self-doubt, tops exam

NEET-UG topper **Mahesh Kumar**, who secured 99.9 percentile score, hails from a small town in Rajasthan's Hanumangarh district. He didn't want to take up science in Class 11 as he was from Hindi medium. But he overcame self-doubt and cracked NEET with first rank. **P 19**

## 2 teens from Fbd rank among top 5

Two teenagers from Faridabad, raised in vastly different academic environments, now share the same dream: to study at AIIMS Delhi. Mrinal Kishore Jha, whose parents once urged him to pursue engineering, and Avika Aggarwal, raised by doctor parents, have emerged as Delhi's highest scorers with all-India ranks 4 and 5, respectively, in NEET UG. **P 8**

## 6-year-old boy drowns while swimming in MCD pool

Taksh Rathi, a six-year-old boy, allegedly drowned in a swimming pool at the MCD Community Centre in northwest Delhi's Pitampura on Friday. Rathi was declared brought dead at the hospital, **reports Abhay.**

A municipal official said that police were conducting an investigation, and the civic body was providing complete cooperation. "The facility was rented out to a private concessionaire. We are also looking into the matter, and if any lapses are found, we will take strict action," the official said. Kanchan, the boy's aunt, told **TOI** that he was a healthy child who knew how to swim. Taksh's grandfather, Lakshman Bhatt, said the family is demanding answers about lack of supervision and safety arrangements at the pool. **P 2**

# US lawmaker, husband shot dead in 'political assassination'

## 2nd Lawmaker, Wife Shot At

**Chidanand Rajghatta** | TNN

**Washington:** Two Democratic lawmakers in Minnesota were shot — one of them fatally — by a gunman masquerading as a cop as the US spiralled into deadly violence ahead of a military parade to mark the 250th anniversary of the US army on Saturday.

The parade, which coincidentally or conveniently fell on MAGA supremo and US President Donald Trump's 79th birthday, is being marred by nationwide 'No Kings' protests by critics who see it as a self-aggrandising fete.

Thousands of protesters are gathering at nearly 2,000 locations across the country, with major demonstrations in New York City, Chicago, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Atlanta and other cities, even as Trump's MAGA flock is gathering near the White House to witness a parade that the US president has long been fixated on after watching a Bastille Day parade in France.

Hours before the parade, which itself is being threatened by rain, Minnesota lawmaker Melissa Hortman and her husband Mark, were shot and killed early Saturday morning in what state governor Tim Walz said "appears to be a politically-motivated assassination". Another lawmaker, John Hoffman, and his wife were also targeted by the same individual in a separate incident, and they both survived after surgeries, Walz said.

President Trump said he has been briefed on the "terrible shooting", which he acknowledged appears to be a targeted attack against state lawmakers.

▶Senator was cuffed, P 24

Hortman & Hoffman were fired at by a gunman posing as a cop

## Trump pauses ICE raids on farms, hotels

Following complaints about shortage of farm labour and restaurant workers, the Trump administration has told Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials to largely pause raids and arrests in the agricultural industry, and restaurants, according to an internal email and three US officials. **P 24**

## Man stabbed to death for phone, juvenile held

A 40-year-old man was stabbed to death after he resisted a bid by three people, including two juveniles, to snatch his mobile phone in Ashok Vihar. One of the juveniles has been detained, cops said. Police said Amit Kumar was employed as a tailor at a factory and stayed with his family in Rampura Keshavpuram and was cycling home when he was attacked. He was originally from Auraiya in UP. Kumar had sustained two deep stab wounds on the right side of his chest. He succumbed to his injuries during treatment.

Kumar was the sole earner of his family, which included his wife, two children aged 6 and 8, and elderly mother. "We are in talks with the factory association to provide assistance to the family," police said. **P 5**

# Man held for murder in Aus in 2003 got passport only in 2016, discharged

**New Delhi:** A Delhi court discharged a man apprehended last month for a murder in Redfern, Australia, in 2003, saying it was a case of mistaken identity. After considering forensic reports, the court of additional chief judicial magistrate Pranav Joshi noted in his order that the fingerprints of the accused, Mohammed Basheeruddin, 37, did not match with that of the murderer.

The lawyer representing the arrested man told the court that the name of the actual accused mentioned in the foreign records was Bashiruddin Mohd, who was a different individual.

The counsel claimed Mohammed Basheeruddin obtained his passport in 2016, and had never travelled outside India except to Saudi Arabia. TNN

### IN THE COURTS

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## Sanitary worker delivered baby who died, say kin

Family members of a 22-year-old woman alleged that a sanitary worker performed her delivery at the Tallarevu community health centre in Kakinada early Saturday, soon after which the newborn died, **reports Samson Raj**.

Authorities denied the allegations and said an inquiry was on. Dr Swapna, district coordinator for health services, said the sanitary worker was a trained birth attendant and held the baby when the woman delivered all of a sudden. As the umbilical cord stretched too long, she "clamped the cord and placed oxygen on the baby", she said, adding that the nurse and doctor were called immediately. The baby died due to respiratory distress caused by a breathing problem, doctors said. **P 12**


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## FINALLY, SA GO FROM 'CHOKERS' TO CHAMPS

Photo: Reuters

- Often termed 'chokers' due to their history of heartbreaking losses on the big stage, **South Africa** won an ICC event after 27 years on Saturday, **defeating defending champs Australia by 5 wickets in the World Test Championship final**
- It was their **first major victory since winning the 1998 ICC Knockout**, a precursor to the Champions Trophy
- **Aiden Markram** (holding trophy mace in pic), was dismissed for a duck in the 1st innings but scored a **match-winning 136** — hailed by many as **the greatest knock ever by a Protea batter** — in the 2nd. He also took 2 wkts and was declared **man of the match**

"We could hear the Aussies using that dreaded word, choke... We've been etched in history, we're part of something that has never been done... for us as a country, as divided as we are at times, here's an opportunity to forget all that, rejoice in this moment and just be one —**Temba Bavuma**, SA captain | **FULL COVERAGE, P 29**

# *Together since Class 6, six boys become Army officers*

**Dehradun:** Their paths—unusually running parallel for years—had been intertwined since 2013, when they first met in Class 6 at Sainik School in Imphal. On a hot, humid Saturday morning, inside the sandstone confines of Indian Military Academy's Khetrapal Auditorium, six young men from Manipur were commissioned as Army officers,

▶Cadet with 3 gens in Army wins Sword of Honour, P 14

**reports Shivani Azad.**

After clearing NDA entrance exam in 2021 and training together at both NDA & IMA, Lieutenants Thokchom Shiggarth, M Denish Singh, Naoton Maetei, Naoba, Meghnat Soibam & Ronendro Angom arrived—side by side—at the same destination: officers in Army.

▶First in their families, P 19

## 3 of a family are proud officers in 3 services

A Bengaluru-based family witnessed its youngest member, Anmol Navad, don the Army uniform at IMA on Saturday. The occasion marked a milestone for IAF Air Commodore Vasant Navad, whose elder son, Aryan Navad, is already an officer (naval aviator) in the Indian Navy. **P 14**

# 6-Yr-Old Drowns While Swimming

## Incident Occurred At Community Centre In Pitampura, Kin Claim Delay In Rescue

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**New Delhi:** A six-year-old boy allegedly drowned in a swimming pool at the MCD Community Centre in northwest Delhi's Pitampura on Friday. The boy, Taksh Rathi, a resident of Bakhtawarpur, was declared brought dead at the hospital.

Bhisham Singh, DCP (Northwest), said that the alleged cause of death was drowning. A team visited the community centre and found there were no safety measures in place. There were no CCTV cameras installed at the site.

The body was sent for postmortem examination and a case under Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita's Section 106 (causing death by negligence) was registered.

A municipal official said that police were conducting an investigation, and the civic body was providing complete cooperation. "The facility was rented out to a private concessionaire. We are also looking into the matter, and if any lapses are found, we will take strict action," the official said.

**LAKSHMAN BHATT SAYS**

**According to the doctor, Taksh was underwater for three to four minutes. By the time he was taken out, he had already ingested a lot of water. There were no CCTV cameras either to verify what actually happened**

Kanchan, the boy's maternal aunt, told **TOI** that the six-year-old was a healthy and active child who knew how to swim. "This was the first day he went out to swim at this swimming pool with the neighbours' children. Around 10.40am, we received a phone call informing us that Taksh was unconscious. We rushed him to the hospital, but by the time we reached, the doctor declared him already dead," said Kanchan, struggling to hold back tears.

She added that Taksh, a Class I student, had participated in a summer camp last year, during which he was enrolled in swimming classes. "He performed quite well in those sessions and was very comfortable in the water. We never imagined something like this could happen to him," she said.

Taksh's grandfather, Lakshman Bhatt, also spoke about the tragic incident. He said that at the time of the drowning, the boy was in the pool with two other children. "They were all swimming together. At one point, the other two kids swam ahead. When they turned back to check on Taksh, they saw that he was under the water. They immediately raised an alarm. People rushed in, pulled him out and took him to the hospital," he recounted.

Bhatt added that the family was devastated and was demanding answers about the lack of supervision and safety arrangements at the swimming facility. "The pool management claimed that lifeguards were present and that they rescued our child within seconds. But that was not true," he alleged. "According to the doctor, Taksh was underwater for three to four minutes. By the time he was taken out, he had already ingested a lot of water. There were no CCTV cameras either to verify what actually happened. The authorities must act strongly in the case."

# Panel to be formed to look into revision of circle rates: Rekha

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**New Delhi:** Chief minister Rekha Gupta said on Saturday that there would be a revision of circle rates soon. Citing inconsistencies with market value of land, CM directed the revision of circle rates and announced the formation of a committee under the chairmanship of the divisional commissioner to carry out this task.

The committee will submit a report based on current market conditions and property values, which will then be used as the basis for revising the circle rates. Gupta said that there were inconsistencies in the current circle rate structure across Delhi that required reassessment.

Circle rates, or minimum rates for the valuation of land and immovable property, were last hiked for residential areas in all existing categories (A to H) in Delhi in 2014. The previous govt also proposed an increase in the circle rate on farming land from Rs 53 lakh per acre fixed in 2008 to Rs 2-5 crore. However, it was not notified.

Officials said that since there is a big gap between the existing circle rates and the market rate at which the sale and purchase of properties take place, there was an existing proposal to hike the rates by up to 35%. They said that govt would now come out with a fresh proposal after including feedback of stakeholders. Govt may also consider downgrading or upgrading the categories of certain colonies based on their location, facilities and existing market rates.

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Officials said the previous plan prepared by the revenue department proposing the creation of sub-categories in A to H categories of residential areas with multiple slabs of rates was returned by the finance department with objections and suggestions. Delhi govt formed an empowered committee in 2016 and set up four working groups in 2021 to revise the rates, but no final decision was taken.

Former deputy CM Manish Sisodia said in March 2022 that revising circle rates to align with the market rates was necessary to increase govt revenues in sectors other than GST. Lieutenant governor VK Saxena also asked the revenue department in Sept last year to give a presentation on the proposal it had finalised, but a perfect draft could not be readied.

Gupta, after meeting with the task force to discuss the issues related to the development of better infrastructure in the capital and ease of doing business, said the meeting focused on critical issues such as unauthorised colonies, housing societies, redevelopment of colonies, and modernisation of infrastructure in industrial zones. CM said there was a need to make construction-related procedures simple, transparent and accountable to avoid unnecessary delays in developmental works.

Regarding unauthorised colonies, Gupta instructed all civic agencies to take proactive steps for their improvement. She also directed Delhi Development Authority and urban development department to prepare a comprehensive and detailed report addressing issues related to ownership rights and property registration in these colonies.

# Seven-year-old drowns, police not informed

**New Delhi:** A seven-year-old boy died after allegedly drowning at a water park on GT Karnal Road in Delhi's Alipur area on Friday evening.

Police said the incident occurred around 5 pm while the boy was visiting with his family. He had come from Nehru Vihar with his relative Yamin, siblings, and cousins. While the group was enjoying themselves in the pool, the child reportedly went underwater unnoticed and was later found drowned by his family.

He was rushed to a nursing home in Kundli, Sonipat, but was declared dead on arrival. Following the declaration, Yamin informed his brother. Without notifying the authorities, the family took the boy's body home and buried him the same day.

On Saturday, local police received information about the incident. Upon preliminary investigation, the Alipur police registered a case under appropriate provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). They are investigating possible negligence, why the drowning was not promptly reported, and whether safety protocols were followed. CCTV footage is being reviewed to establish the sequence of events. TNN

# Govt to study feasibility of an elevated corridor along Sonia Vihar Pusta Road

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**New Delhi:** Public Works Department has initiated the process for constructing an elevated corridor spanning 5.5km along Sonia Vihar Pusta Road in northeast Delhi. The department has issued a tender for its feasibility study. Currently, the irrigation and flood control department owns this stretch.

The tender seeks a consultant to conduct a comprehensive study for the corridor, which will extend from Nanaksar Gurudwara T-Point to the Delhi-Uttar Pradesh border at Tronica City. Officials have noted that the route handles substantial vehicular movement throughout the day, leading to significant traffic congestion during both peak and non-peak hours and causing inconvenience to both residents and commuters.

Building an elevated road is likely to alleviate the congestion problem. The corridor will also improve connectivity between Delhi and the UP border, said a senior official. PWD minister Parvesh Verma conducted a site inspection in April and announced the project. The estimated cost is Rs 500 crore.

**WIDENING NOT FEASIBLE ON CITY SIDE**

**Inter-state traffic will take the proposed elevated road**

- Sonia Vihar Pusta Road starts from Nanaksar Gurudwara T-Point and goes till Delhi-UP border at Tronica City, having a length of 5.5km
- The width of existing Pusta Road is 10 metre
- Widening of Pusta Road on the Delhi side is not feasible due to space constraints
- The widening of Pusta Road towards the Yamuna side involves permission for large no. of tree cutting along with other approvals from regulating agencies concerned
- Accordingly, it has been decided by PWD to construct an elevated corridor to ease congestion on the stretch. Inter-state traffic going to Tronica City of UP will take the elevated road
- The existing road at the ground level will be used for local traffic
- It will reduce the traffic load, thus the traffic jam/ congestion on the existing pusta road and travel time will come down

The central verge's existing space will make it possible to construct an elevated road without significant obstacles, said officials. The right-of-the-way assessment will span six kilometre. The Nanaksar T-junction marks the starting point, where six approach roads connect to Pusta Road via a service road.

"There are trees present on both sides of Pusta Road, and there is a Delhi Jal Board pipeline passing underneath. All of this will be part of the feasibility study," the tender stated. The Sonia Vihar treatment plant, operated by DJB, is situated near the proposed alignment.

"Widening of Pusta Road on the city side is not feasible because of space constraints. So, an elevated road will be built," the official said. This would bring relief to residents as the demand for an elevated road was long pending. Pillars will be erected on both sides of the road to leave the traffic at the ground level unaffected, he added.

**Building an elevated road may alleviate the congestion problem. The corridor will also improve connectivity between Delhi and UP border, said an official**

The construction of this elevated road will resolve congestion at several bottleneck points. Officials said PWD had been instructed to expedite all necessary procedures to start the work at the earliest.

The PWD minister earlier said, "The people of Sonia Vihar have been struggling with severe traffic congestion, making this project essential. However, due to the large number of trees in the area, we have now decided to build an elevated flyover instead." Verma mentioned that he received a request from local MLA Kapil Mishra, following which the project was discussed with chief minister Rekha Gupta and received approval.

**ALERT: OWNERS/ DRIVERS OF END-OF-LIFE VEHICLES**

**No Fuel to End-of-Life (EoL) Vehicles**

**w.e.f. 1st July 2025**

**Direction:** Commission for Air Quality Management (**CAQM**), vide direction no. 89, dated 23.04.2025, has inter-alia directed that all EoL vehicles identified through ANPR cameras or other such devices installed at fuel pump stations shall be denied fuel w.e.f. 01.07.2025, in the NCT of Delhi.

**Violating vehicles** identified through ANPR cameras installed at fuel stations across Delhi or through any other monitoring mechanism, shall be DENIED fuel, besides other legal actions under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988.

**Violating Petrol/Diesel/CNG Pump Owners** found supplying fuel to EoL vehicles may also face action as per rule.

**What is an End-of-Life (EoL) Vehicle:**

- No longer validly registered vehicles, whether running on Petrol, CNG or Diesel fuel.
- Petrol vehicles more than 15 years old and Diesel vehicles more than 10 years old.

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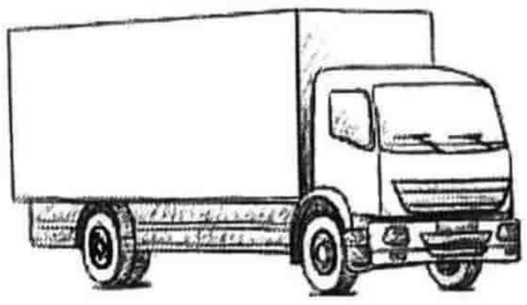

**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR TRANSPORTERS**

The **Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM)** in the National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas has issued **Direction No. 88** to curb rising air pollution from commercial goods vehicles entering Delhi.

**⊘ Ban on Entry:**

- All transport/commercial goods vehicles viz. LGVs, MGVs, and HGVs- that are NOT BS-VI compliant will be **strictly prohibited** from entering NCT of Delhi **from 01.11.2025.**
- Even non BS-VI compliant transport/ commercial goods vehicles carrying essential commodities/ providing essential services shall be permitted to enter Delhi for a limited period **up to 31.10.2026.**

**✓ No restrictions:**

**There are no restrictions for entry, at any point in time of the year for following categories:**

- BS-VI compliant diesel vehicles
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- LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) vehicles
- Electric Vehicles (EVs)
- Commercial vehicles registered in Delhi

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# Drugs worth ₹2.5cr missing at SW Delhi police stn, probe on

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** Weeks after the fiasco at the Special Cell, where cash and jewellery worth crores were stolen, another similar incident has emerged at Kishangarh police station in southwest Delhi.

This time, narcotics worth several crores went missing, prompting swift action from police brass. The Station House Officer (SHO) of Kishangarh police station was transferred, three cops were suspended, and the DCP ordered a departmental inquiry.

According to police sources, the incident unfolded during a murder investigation on June 9-10, when police recovered approximately 1.5 to 2 kilograms of drugs from a room in Southwest Delhi's Munirka. The seized drugs, valued at around Rs 2.5 crore, was entrusted to beat constables for safekeeping at the police station. However, the narcotics mysteriously disappeared shortly after being taken into custody.

The inspector who initially seized the drugs began investigating the disappearance, but received evasive and unsatisfactory responses from other officers, including the SHO. As the matter escalated to senior officials, an inquiry was ordered. Under mounting pressure, the drugs was recovered a day later from a deserted area. Both the disappearance and the suspicious recovery raised serious concerns about internal protocols and accountability.

Following preliminary findings, SHO was transferred to district lines, and investigators seized his official vehicle as part of the ongoing probe. Sources revealed that police are reviewing CCTV footage from the station to establish the sequence of events. DCP (Southwest) Amit Goel confirmed the inquiry, stating, "We have taken preliminary disciplinary action."

This incident follows another major breach earlier this month when a head constable stole cash and jewellery worth crores from the Special Cell police station in Lodhi Colony.

# Brawl over passengers ends in e-rickshaw driver's murder in Dwarka

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** A 30-year-old e-rickshaw driver died after he was allegedly assaulted during a dispute over passenger pick-up near Dwarka Sector-10 metro station in New Delhi. Police apprehended one suspect, an e-rickshaw driver, in the case under culpable homicide not amounting to murder.

The deceased was identified as Dharmender Yadav, a resident of Goyla village.

The incident came to light on June 10 when police received a call from a hospital reporting the death of a man under suspicious circumstances. A team from the local police station immediately visited the hospital and spoke with the victim's brother, Jitender Yadav, to gather further details.

According to Jitender, the altercation occurred on the evening of June 9. Dharmender reportedly got into a heated confrontation with a group of e-rickshaw drivers near the metro station over picking up passengers from the location. "He was beaten badly during the scuffle. His throat appeared swollen, and he was visibly in pain, though he still managed to pick me up from Sector-18, and we went home together," Jitender recalled.

The next morning, Dharmender's health deteriorated rapidly. Jitender rushed him to a nearby hospital, from where he was referred to another medical facility for more specialised care. Unfortunately, Dharmender collapsed while en route and was declared dead on arrival.

A preliminary medical examination revealed multiple signs of physical assault, including swelling on the face and neck and bruises under the chin, on the left side of the neck, chest, abdomen, and lower limbs.

During the investigation, local resident Santosh confirmed that a fight broke out on June 9. A witness, Ramashish Chaudhary, identified the suspect, a resident of Qutub Vihar Phase-1. A case was registered under Section 105 (culpable homicide not amounting to murder) at Dwarka South police station, and one suspect was detained.

# Fire breaks out at govt building on Janpath Rd

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi :** A fire broke out on the third floor of the under-construction hall of the Common Central Secretariat building on Janpath Road on Saturday morning. Upon receiving the news, 15 fire tenders rushed to the spot along with local police. After a gruelling hour-long battle, firefighters managed to bring the blaze under control. There were no reports of any casualties in the incident.

According to the fire department, the incident was reported at 11.14 am. Fire officials stated that the fire broke out in a hall on the third floor, damaging the furniture inside. "The presence of combustible materials acted as a catalyst and helped the fire to spread," the official added.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation by the police.

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# Noida's 'Jungle Trail' To Open Soon

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The facility has over 700 life-sized animal sculptures from six continents, including elephants, tigers, camels and exotic birds

**Noida:** A slice of the wild, crafted from steel and imagination, Noida's Jungle Trail is almost ready to welcome visitors next month. Part of the waste-to-wonder park project, the trail is set for a trial run starting June 25, with an official opening expected in early July. While final touches are underway, officials say installation of the main gate, a cafeteria, and paintwork remain.

Deputy director (horticulture) of Noida Authority, Anand Mohan Singh, said Uttar Pradesh chief minister Yogi Adityanath will also be invited for the park's inauguration.

The 20-acre park is strategically placed to attract visitors from Noida, Delhi, Greater Noida and Faridabad. Built at an estimated cost of Rs 22 crore, the park is being developed on a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model by the Noida Authority in collaboration with a private company called Z-Tech. The company has developed similar parks in Lucknow, including UP Darshan Park and Happiness Park.

Divided into four themed zones, the park offers an immersive wildlife experience. The Jungle Trail has over 700 life-sized animal sculptures from six continents, including elephants, tigers, camels, and exotic birds.

Isha Chaudhary, vice president of Z-Tech, said every animal and artistic installation at the park has been designed using scrap materials like nuts, bolts, rods, chains, and fuel tanks. "This reinforces our dedication to protecting the environment and our support towards the Swachh Bharat Mission," she said. "At this park, visitors can also experience a night Jungle Safari, where illuminated sculptures and ambient lighting create an authentic, life-like adventure," she added, noting that all sculptures, furniture, gazebos, and lighting fixtures at the park have been made using recycled and repurposed materials.

Nearly 500 tonnes of iron waste have been repurposed into elaborate sculptures, turning discarded materials into captivating visual elements. While most of the construction has been completed, the main entry gate, cafeteria, and painting are underway.

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# This family gang stole 25 SUVs in Delhi in past one year, three held

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** Stealing high-end SUVs from upscale areas in Delhi and selling them became a family operation for a 56-year-old man and his son and son-in-law over the past 10 months. All of them have been arrested.

The trio didn't include anyone else in the gang to prevent any information leak, said police. Using sophisticated tools to bypass vehicle security systems, they managed to steal 20-25 SUVs over this period and sold them illegally through receivers based in Meerut, Uttar Pradesh.

After studying the pattern and timing of the thefts and analysing CCTV footage from various cases, police found that the gang primarily operated during the early hours of the day, targeting three specific types of SUVs—Hyundai Creta, Fortuner and Maruti Brezza—usually stationed near parks and gyms. The footage showed them disabling, starting and stealing the vehicles in five to seven minutes, often taking only a few seconds to gain entry.

Deputy commissioner of police (Dwarka) Ankit Singh said during the investigation, around 200 CCTV cameras were reviewed. Footage revealed that a car was repeatedly seen trailing the stolen vehicles in multiple incidents. Acting on a tipoff, police laid a trap near a drain in Uttam Nagar and arrested Raman, a resident of Rohini, along with his son Sagar, as they arrived in a white car with a fake numberplate. The vehicle was found to be stolen.

Upon searching the car, police recovered several tools commonly used for car theft, including two car scanners, one hand clip with wire, two key connectors, one engine control module, two hammers, six lock T tools, a wire cutter, a cutting plier, twelve keys and two numberplates.

Interrogation revealed that Raman and Sagar were part of a family-based gang in Delhi, which also included Neeraj, Raman's son-in-law, who was arrested later. Records showed that Raman was involved in 18 such cases, Sagar in 12 and Neeraj in 14. The accused admitted to stealing 20-25 SUVs.

Raman, identified as the gang's kingpin, explained that he formed this close-knit, family-only gang to avoid leaks and prevent infiltration by unknown associates. Their unique modus operandi involved using sophisticated tools to exploit the vehicles' onboard diagnostic ports. These ports, typically used by authorised technicians to diagnose vehicle systems, were manipulated by the gang to disable security systems and steal the cars.

# Man killed for resisting bid to snatch phone, minor held

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** A 40-year-old man cycling home from work was stabbed to death allegedly by three people, including two juveniles, after he resisted their bid to snatch his mobile phone in northwest Delhi's Ashok Vihar. Police apprehended one of the juveniles.

Ashok Vihar police station received an emergency call from a hospital on June 10, reporting that a person named Amit Kumar was admitted in a severely injured condition after being stabbed by unidentified people. He was brought to the hospital by constable Saurav, who was on routine patrolling duty at the time. A police team immediately went to the site of the incident.

During the medical test, it was found that Kumar had sustained two stab wounds on the right side of his chest. He succumbed to his injuries during treatment.

Police found that Kumar was employed as a tailor at a factory and stayed with his family in Rampura Keshavpuram. He was originally from Bidhuna, Auraiya in Uttar Pradesh.

A murder case was registered under Section 103(1) of BNS. The 17-year-old juvenile who has been apprehended allegedly told police that the motive behind the attack was robbery. "Kumar was returning home from work when he was intercepted by the trio, who threatened him at knifepoint and demanded his phone," police said. An altercation ensued. In the course of the struggle, two persons attacked Kumar with knives. They later fled the scene with Kumar's mobile phone and other belongings, police said.

**The deceased was the sole breadwinner of his family. He is survived by his wife, two children aged 6 and 8 years, and elderly mother**

# Newly formed IVP removes councillor over cross-voting

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** Following BJP's move to remove a councillor for "anti-party activities", Indraprastha Vikas Party (IVP) also took a similar action against one of its members. The party announced on Friday that Ashok Pandey, a councillor representing Vikas Nagar ward, was removed from the party for six years due to cross-voting during the ward committee elections in Municipal Corporation of Delhi.

IVP contested for the chairman's post in two zones, West and Rohini, but lost in both. It even had a majority in Rohini zone with BJP's support. Sources said Pandey, who contested for the chairman's seat in West zone, did not vote for himself.

Party functionary Hemchand Goyal indicated in a statement that its councillors were working to resume development projects halted in various wards. He emphasised that the party would not accept any action by any member or municipal councillor that interferes with these development initiatives.

"This decision was taken unanimously in a meeting after it was confirmed that Pandey was working against the policies of the party in the past few days. The policies of our party are clear that if any other party talks about any scheme for the welfare of the people of Delhi and development of Delhi, we will support it," Goyal pointed out. "In the last two and a half years, the condition of works related to MCD had deteriorated. Hence, we are wholeheartedly focusing only on works related to the development of the wards," he added.

Calling himself the victim of a conspiracy, Pandey, who was among the 15 municipal councillors who resigned from AAP to form IVP on May 17, said, "Never ever in the history has it happened that a candidate contesting an election has voted against himself or herself. All allegations of anti-party activities are wrong and I have been framed."

Pandey claimed that after the zonal elections, he himself had expressed his doubt about cross-voting by some other councillor to senior party functionaries, including president Mukesh Goel. "However, instead of going into details, they targeted me and expelled me from the party wrongfully. I have not decided my next move."

On June 9, BJP expelled Suman Tinku Rajora, a councillor from Mangolpuri-B, for six years over alleged anti-party activities during a vote in Rohini zone on June 2.

# Bhai Veer Singh Marg to remain closed for traffic for six months

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**New Delhi:** Traffic on Bhai Veer Singh Marg, connecting to Gole Market in Lutyens Delhi, will remain closed for six months, starting June 18.

New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) will close the road for the construction of a subway and service block as part of the project for the "conservation and restoration of the main Gole Market building into a museum and redevelopment of the surrounding area, including the construction of a service block and a subway."

In a public notice issued by NDMC, it was stated that "the construction work on the project for the conservation of Gole Market buildings and its redevelopment is going on at the Gole Market roundabout area. Delhi Traffic Police has accorded permission for the road closure of Bhai Veer Singh Marg and service lane for the construction of a subway and service block. Therefore, the road and service lane will remain closed for a period of six months starting June 18. Inconvenience caused is regretted," stated the council.

The council began the on-site work in Oct 2023, initially planning to complete the conservation and restoration of the heritage building by Oct 2025. However, in April, NDMC revised the completion timeline to March 2026. Officials explained that the deadline extension was necessary due to the time required for finalizing all drawings, layouts, and designs for the project.

The heritage building will be transformed into a museum dedicated to women achievers in various spheres. The restoration work, costing Rs 21.6 crore, involves retrofitting, rehabilitation, and conservation of the 1,407 sqm building. The renovated structure will feature a glass dome in the central courtyard, an insulated roof, central air-conditioning, ornamental fittings and fixtures, and a subway and lifts. The project also includes provisions for public facilities and accessibility for differently-abled individuals, while maintaining the original fenestration and entrance archways. An underpass will connect the museum to Doctors Lane and Bhai Veer Singh Marg.

During a site visit on Nov 5, LG V K Saxena reviewed the progress and was informed by officials that the retrofitting and overall strengthening of the existing structure and walls are progressing well, with the arches taking shape.

**GOLE MARKET REVAMP:** NDMC began the on-site work in Oct 2023

# Juvenile among 4 held for cosmetics shop loot

**New Delhi:** Six people, all of them drug addicts, looted a cosmetics shop in the bustling M Block market of outer Delhi's Mangolpuri. The gang, some of them armed with knives, allegedly threatened the shopkeeper before fleeing with around Rs 10,000. Three of the gang members were arrested and one juvenile was apprehended.

According to police, a PCR call was received on Friday about the robbery. The complainant said four unidentified men entered his store and held him at knifepoint, forcibly taking between Rs 8,000 and Rs 10,000. A case was registered, and an investigation taken up.

The entire incident was captured on CCTV, helping investigators identify the culprits. DCP (outer) Sachin Sharma said that based on intelligence inputs, the suspects were located in a nearby park. A trap was set, leading to the swift apprehension of four of them.

The accused confessed that the robbery was planned to fund their addiction. TNN

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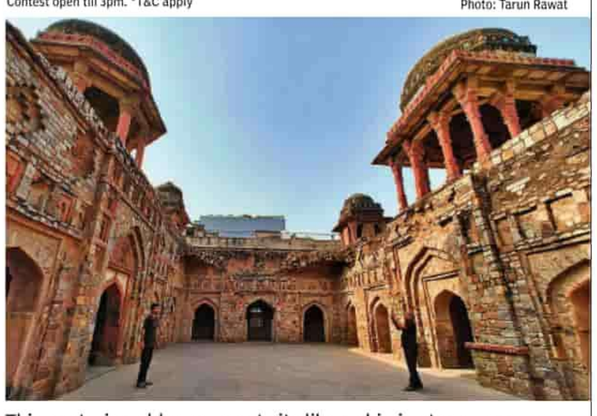

This centuries-old monument sits like a ship in stone—can you name it? **Scan the QR code and enter the name of this spot**

Yesterday's answer: Dwarka Expressway
Winner: **Yogesh Rathod** (Voucher will be sent by email)

## Kiren Rijiju inaugurates e-Vidhan, Delhi Assembly likely to go paperless soon

**New Delhi:** Union minister of parliamentary affairs Kiren Rijiju laid the foundation stone of the e-Vidhan (Paperless Assembly) on Saturday in the presence of Delhi Legislative Assembly Speaker Vijender Gupta. This event marks a significant milestone in the digitisation of legislative governance, said the Vidhan Sabha in a statement. Rijiju stated, "The laying of the foundation stone for the e-Vidhan Project at the Delhi Legislative Assembly is a commendable step towards adopting technology for legislative efficiency and transparency. While several states have already implemented the e-Vidhan system successfully, it is encouraging to see Delhi joining this important national initiative." Speaker Vijender Gupta described the initiative as a historic milestone aimed at making Assembly functioning more efficient, transparent, and environmentally conscious. "The project, being implemented under the National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA), is expected to digitise legislative operations, reduce paper usage, and provide lawmakers with real-time digital access to legislative business." TNN

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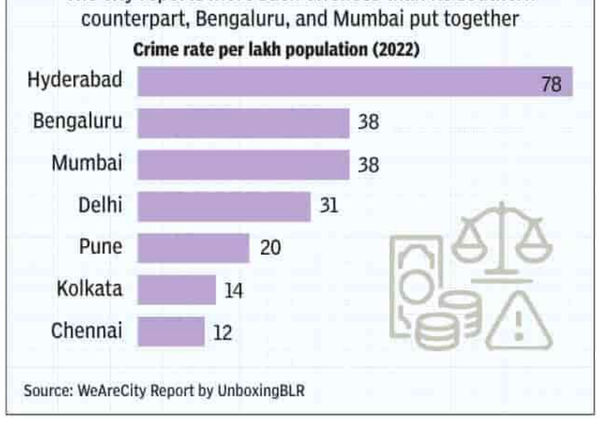
### Hyderabad Leaves The Rest Behind In Economic Offences

The city reports more such offences than its southern counterpart, Bengaluru, and Mumbai put together

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# Debate Over 498A Misuse Grows Louder

## Since 2021, 0.2% Conviction Rate In Cases Of Cruelty To A Woman By Husband And His Kin

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**New Delhi:** In four years since 2021, there was a very low conviction rate of 0.2% in criminal cases related to cruelty to a woman by her husband or his relatives under Section 498A of the Indian Penal Code. Data obtained from the city's district courts through Right to Information applications, reveals that 4,655, or nearly 47%, of the cases were quashed by Delhi High Court while 736 resulted in acquittals, an indication perhaps of how the law is being used as a weapon against men.

Advocate Manisha Bhandari, who practices in trial courts, high courts and the Supreme Court, said, "Only credible evidence can lead to conviction. It's time 498A was made a compoundable offence. There are enough indications that most of the cases are filed to exact revenge or due to resentment against the husband or in-laws. There often is no cruelty, but possibly love lost. The low conviction rate exposes the authenticity of the complaints."

Data related to 2021-24 Delhi from five of the seven district courts in Delhi — Patiala House, Saket, Tis Hazari, Rohini, and Karkardooma (the other two are the Rouse Avenue and Dwarka courts) — shows that of 9,950 cases tried, 23 ended in conviction. These seven district courts comprise the capital's 11 judicial districts of Central, East, New Delhi, North, North East, North West, Shahdara, South, South East, South West and West. RTI data was provided by Karkardooma from East, Rohini from North, Saket from South, Karkardooma from Shahdara, Tis Hazari from West, Saket from South East, Patiala House from New Delhi and Rohini from North West.

In every judicial district, there are two judges in the 'mahila courts' designated to hear Section 498A cases. Altogether, 22 judges convicted the accused in 23 cases though in most, even relatives of the husband, including individuals with no direct involvement in the matrimonial relationship of the husband and wife, had been implicated.

Shonee Kapoor, a lawyer and RTI activist who filed the application for information from the Delhi district courts, told TOI that Section 498A, originally intended to safeguard women from cruelty in matrimonial, has increasingly become a tool for coercion and negotiation rather than justice. It is invoked not for genuine redressal but to pressure the husband and his family into financial or personal settlements. "The judiciary, while aware of these patterns, often resorts to an endless cycle of adjournments. Instead of ensuring swift justice or decisive action—either to punish the guilty or to discharge the innocent—cases are prolonged unnecessarily," said Kapoor. "This systemic delay appears to function as an unofficial mechanism to push parties towards a compromise, irrespective of merit. The courtroom, in such cases, becomes less a forum for justice and more a theatre of attrition, where time is weaponised against the accused."

Kapoor, who has made a representation for virtual investigation and trial of matrimonial offences, said, "Courts have time and again said that technology should be a means of ensuring justice to everyone. The time has come for all investigation and trial of matrimonial offences to be mandatorily made virtual. Virtual conferences, since Covid times, have become an effective way of dealing and delivering justice across the country.

Expressing his concern that many of these cases which reached a conclusion in the last four years actually began 7-12 years ago, Kapoor said the defendants, among them senior citizens and women in the husband's families, faced trauma over a lengthy period. "If justice delayed is justice denied, then the routine delays in Section 498A cases amount to a denial of justice to the falsely accused men as well as to genuine victims," he said.

Deepika Narayan Bhardwaj, a men's rights activist, pointed out to TOI, "In the last two years, 10 Supreme Court judgements expressed concern at the misuse of 498A. "What's the point of expressing concern when the court can't bring relief to people who are being harassed? Not a single woman has been punished for filing false 498A cases in the last 40 years. Is this equality? Men are dying by suicide after being falsely implicated, but our lawmakers are oblivious to the pain of such men and their families," said Bhardwaj.

In Dec 2024, the Supreme Court accepted that the law was increasingly being exploited to settle "personal vendettas" or exert undue pressure on husbands and their families. In Jan this year, the Supreme Court said, "For bringing a case under Section 498A, the material placed on record should show that the ill-treatment was meted out by the husband or a relative, which is connected with non-fulfilment of demand of dowry. Taking the allegations at their face value in the FIR or even in the entire material placed in the charge-sheet, it will show that there is no averment or material to show that the appellant (husband) was in any way concerned with causing harassment on account of non-fulfilment of demand of dowry."

In May 2024, the apex court ruled that married women couldn't use police machinery to hold the husband to ransom and expressed concern at IPC's Section 498A being replicated in the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita without offering protection to the husband and his relatives against frivolous complaints.

Quashing a 498A case filed by a woman against her husband, his parents, brother, and sister, Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra said, "Police machinery should be resorted to as a measure of last resort and that too in a genuine case of cruelty and harassment." The bench referred to the 2010 judgment highlighting the abuse of Section 498A by married women in matrimonial disputes and the court's request to the law commission and law ministry to revisit the provision.

In Feb, Delhi High Court too expressed concern about women harassing their husbands and in-laws by misusing the anti-dowry law. Justice Amit Mahajan made the remarks while quashing a case registered by a wife against her husband in 2017 alleging he had made dowry demand and failed to return her *stri dhan*. As the bench noted, "Courts have taken note of the increasing tendency of implicating the husband and his family in matrimonial litigation in a number of cases. While the provision of Section 498A of IPC was introduced to combat harassment meted out to married women, it is abysmal to note that the same is now also being misused as a tool to harass the husband and his family members and gain leverage." Justice Mahajan also condemned the filing of such cases "by exaggerating and misconstructing actual events".

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### JUST 23 CONVICTIONS IN 9,950 CASES

**What is Section 498A, IPC?**
Legal provision under Indian Penal Code, which applies when a husband or his relatives subject a woman to cruelty

Punishment | **Up to 3 years in prison + fine**

**Extremely Low Conviction Rate**

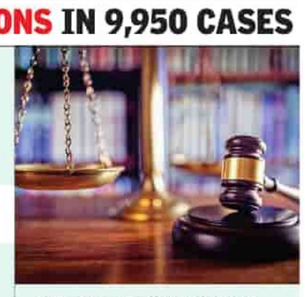
**Conviction rate** in 498A cases | Just **0.2%** (2021–2024)

➤ Indicates a significant gap between allegations and legal outcomes

**High Number of Cases Quashed**

**Delhi High Court** quashed **47% of total cases**

➤ Suggests misuse or lack of evidence in many cases



**Data from Delhi's District Courts (2021–2024)**

Total cases tried | **9,950**
Convictions | **23**
Acquittals | **736**
Cases quashed | **4,655**
**Courts covered** | Patiala House, Saket, Tis Hazari, Rohini, Karkardooma
(Rouse Avenue & Dwarka excluded from this dataset)

**Issue of Over-Inclusion**

➤ In many FIRs under 498A, every relative of the husband is named.

➤ Activists highlight that even uninvolved family members are often implicated.

# Relief from heatwave likely next week

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**New Delhi:** Despite relief from heatwaves, the city continued to suffer extreme heat on Saturday, with a feel-like temperature or heat index of 51.8 degrees Celsius due to high humidity and above-normal temperatures. The weather department forecasts thunderstorms and rain in the coming week.

On Saturday, the maximum temperature at base station Safdarjung was 41.8 degrees Celsius, two notches above normal, against 41.2 a day earlier. The humidity oscillated between 43% and 72%. The winds were calm.

While the maximum temperatures saw a slight drop, the clear sky and high humidity made the weather unpleasant. Mungeshpur in northwest Delhi turned out to be the warmest at 43.3 degrees Celsius. Among other areas, Aya Nagar recorded 42.2 degrees Celsius, Palam 42, Ridge 41.9 and Lodhi Road 41 degrees Celsius.

The weather department predicted a thunderstorm, rain and gusty winds towards late Saturday night. No such weather conditions were recorded till late evening.

While no colour-coded warning has been issued for Sunday, the weather department expects rain and thunderstorms, with a slight drop in the maximum temperature over the next week. Weather experts indicate that over the next week, the city could experience severe weather conditions, including powerful squally winds.

The maximum temperature on Sunday is expected to be 39-41 degrees Celsius. It may, however, drop to 36-38 degrees Celsius by Monday. "A trough line thus developed from northwest Rajasthan to peninsular India, facilitating moisture transport. This is likely to cause thunderstorms and rain in the region," said an IMD official.

Meanwhile, the city's AQI on Saturday averaged at 156.

Rajesh Mehta

DELHI CONTINUES TO BOIL


**ALERT: OWNERS/ DRIVERS OF END-OF-LIFE VEHICLES**

**No Fuel to End-of-Life (EoL) Vehicles**

**w.e.f. 1st July 2025**

**Direction:** Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM), vide Direction No. 89, dated 23.04.2025, has inter-alia directed that all EoL vehicles identified through ANPR cameras or other such devices installed at fuel pump stations shall be denied fuel w.e.f. 01.07.2025, in the NCT of Delhi.

**Violating vehicles** identified through ANPR cameras installed at fuel stations across Delhi or through any other monitoring mechanism, shall be DENIED fuel, besides other legal actions under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1989.

**What is an End-of-Life (EoL) Vehicle:**

- No longer validly registered vehicles, whether running on Petrol, CNG or Diesel fuel.
- Petrol vehicles more than 15 years old and Diesel vehicles more than 10 years old.

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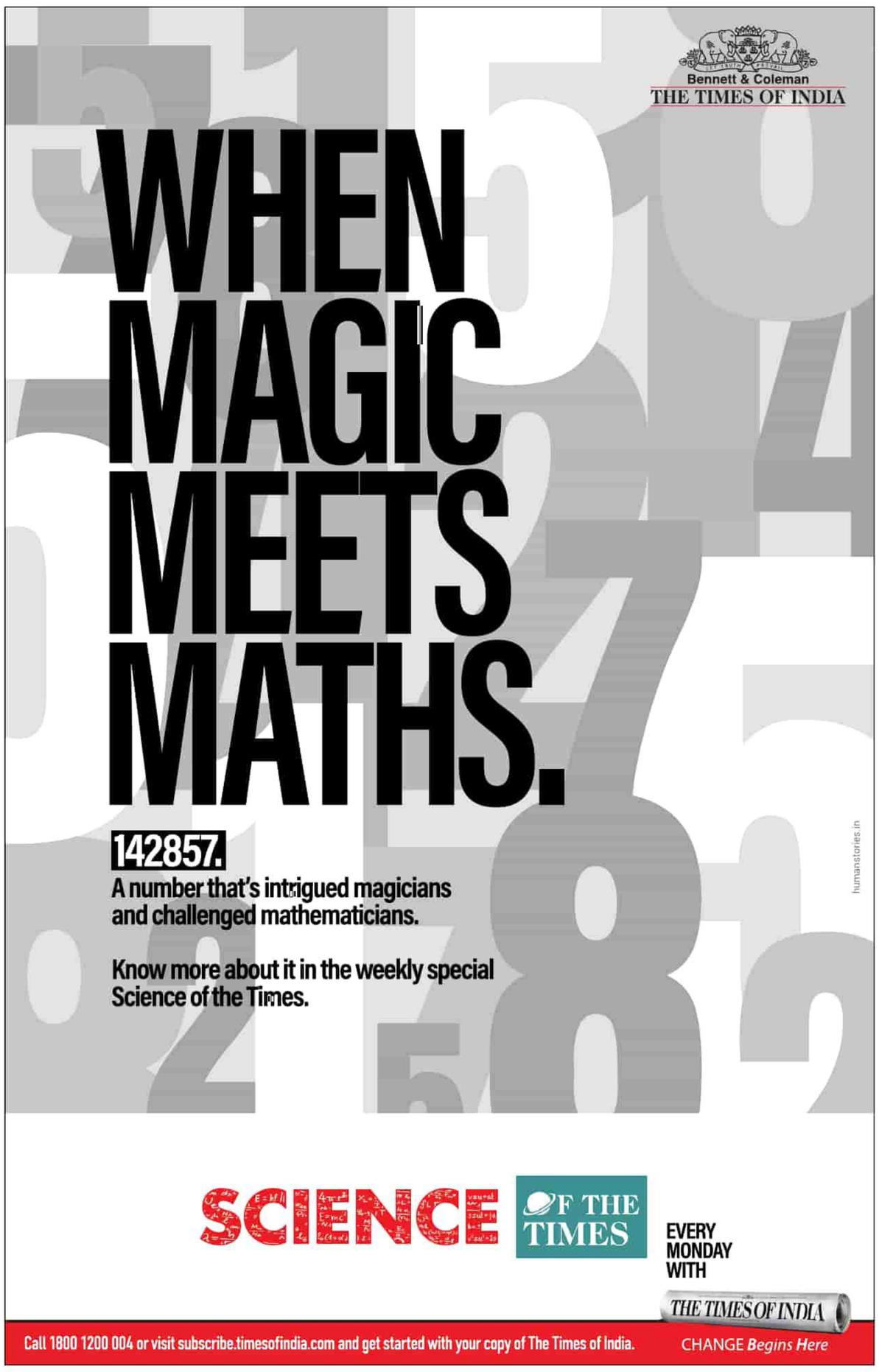

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# Closure of runway to affect flight ops

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**New Delhi:** From Sunday, Indira Gandhi International Airport in Delhi will temporarily shut one of its four runways, affecting 200 flights daily until Sept 15. The closure will result in 114 daily flight cancellations while the runway undergoes CAT-III specification upgrades to enhance its performance during heavy fog conditions.

The airport administration previously announced that runway 28/10 would close from June 15 for improvements, impacting flight schedules. The closure of runway 28/10 aims to achieve CAT-IIIB compliance, improving operations during dense winter fog and upgrading the current instrument landing system (ILS).

Videh Kumar Jaipuriar, CEO, Delhi International Airport Ltd, announced last week that while the enhancement works would take approximately three months, passengers would benefit during low-visibility conditions in the fog season.

The administration worked with airlines to reorganise 86 daily flights and cancel 114 flights, with cancellations distributed equally between arrivals and departures during the closure period. Previous upgrades in April and May led to numerous flight delays. The situation worsened when the winds were easterly, reducing hourly landing capacity from 42 to 32 flights.

Delhi airport's four runways (27/9, 28/10, 29R/11L, and 29L/11R) will operate differently during the closure. DIAL confirmed that runway 29R/11L will handle departures, 29L/11R will manage arrivals, while runway 27/9 will accommodate both. During westerly winds, the three operational runways can handle 42 arrivals and departures hourly. However, during easterly winds, departures will remain the same at 42, but arrivals will reduce to 32 per hour.

The airport, which typically handles 1,450 daily flights, will see 7.5% daily cancellations during the upgrade, compared to the usual 3.5%. Management indicates this increase won't significantly disrupt operations. Officials confirmed consultation with all stakeholders and redistribution of flights from peak to non-peak hours.

DIAL assured minimal impact on major airport connections.

# Summer Holidays Hit By Turbulence

## From Tense Airspace Maps To The Recent Air Tragedy, There's A Lot On Flyers' Minds

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**New Delhi:** It's the season when suitcases come out and travel plans take off. But this summer, for many outbound flyers, wanderlust is tempered with worry. From tense airspace maps to the recent air tragedy, there's a lot of rethink going on at what is otherwise peak carefree vacation time.

The skies between India and the west have become a minefield with airlines avoiding ever-expanding no-fly zones. Air India resumed overflying Iran after Pakistan airspace was closed to Indian carriers on April 24 to make the longer detours bearable. But with Iran closing its airspace following the Israeli attacks on its nuclear sites, the longer routes between India and the west will get even longer. The deadly Air India crash in Ahmedabad has also created a fear of flying.

"There's concern among flyers. Many are opting for airlines other than AI," claimed Anil Kalsi, vice-president, Travel Agents Federation of India. "The current uncertainty about routes and the memory of the horrific air crash have caused nervousness among travellers. Many people are deferring non-essential travel until the situation stabilises on either or both of these fronts."

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation has asked Air India to inspect its Dreamliner fleet, employed in routes to Europe and the Far East. These craft are being checked as they fly into India and are cleared for the next flight only after passing the checks. "AI has completed checks on nine of the B787s. Some of these inspections could lead to higher turnaround time and potential delays on certain long-haul routes, especially those to airports with operating curfews. Customers will be duly notified about any delays. They are advised to check the status of their flights before heading to the airport," AI posted on X on Saturday.

The closure of Iranian airspace led to 16 AI flights being affected on Friday. Some were diverted to cities en route such as Vienna, Jeddah and Sharjah, while others re-

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With Iran closing its airspace, the longer routes between India and the west will get even longer

turned to their port of origin. IndiGo's once non-stop flights between Delhi and Tbilisi and Baku are now one-stop routes.

"Safety is any traveller's first concern. The crash pushed Air India's image back by at least three years. Both family and solo travellers are equally rattled," said M. Iqbal Mulla, president, Global Tourism Council, and former head of Travel Agents' Association of India. "Then, the impact of the Iran airspace closure has proved severe."

The bottlenecks in the sky could get worse. The airspace of Jordan and Lebanon closes whenever there's conflict in the region and has shut several times since the Hamas attack in Israel in Oct 2023.

Expectedly, travel agents are inundated with panicked calls, airports are grappling with unscheduled landings, and passengers are coming to terms with the uncertainty. Sunil Kumar R, president, Travel Agents' Association of India, said, "The confidence of international travellers has been affected. Many of them are now undecided and awaiting stabilisation of the situation. This indecision is having a negative impact on outbound travel. While some of this may benefit domestic tourism temporarily, continued uncertainty will discourage overseas travel altogether. We're receiving several calls from customers confused about whether to book or postpone travel."

Jyoti Mayal, chairperson, Tourism and Hospitality Skill Council and former TAAI president, reiterated, "The Israel-Iran conflict and airspace closure have disrupted over 1,800 flights and prompted diversions, especially on routes from India and southeast Asia to Europe and the US. Amid this, Air India has faced a wave of cancellations and change requests, particularly from those booked on similar flights."

The India-Pakistan airspace standoff whenever there is tension also forces carriers to take detours and passengers to think twice. There is discussion every day among potential travellers whether it is the right time to be travelling. Sonalika said, "I remember cancelling my flight tickets from Canada to India because of the tension between the two countries earlier. I can only imagine how it feels right now."

# Two teens from Faridabad among top 5 in NEET-UG

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**New Delhi:** Two teenagers from Faridabad, raised in vastly different academic environments, now share the same dream: to study at AIIMS Delhi. Mrinal Kishore Jha, whose parents once urged him to pursue engineering, and Avika Aggarwal, raised by doctor parents, have emerged as Delhi's highest scorers with all-India ranks 4 and 5, respectively, in NEET-UG 2025.

For Jha, a student at Indraprastha Public School, Rohini, the dream of becoming a doctor began in Class VII. "Biology always fascinated me, and I knew early on I wanted to pursue medicine," he said. His parents, however, initially leaned toward engineering for him. "They have come around now," he said with a smile.

**Both toppers say discipline, clarity of goal and emotional support were the key—and both now have their sights set on AIIMS Delhi**

Jha prepared with coaching in Lajpat Nagar, supported by long hours of self-study—up to 12 hours on some days. "School was secondary," he admitted. "I studied just enough to pass. NEET was the priority." He faced moments of demotivation due to low marks but stayed consistent. His next goal? "AIIMS Delhi. I haven't decided my specialisation yet."

In contrast, Aggarwal grew up surrounded by medicine. Her parents, both NEET-PG professors, were her earliest role models—but not in the way most assume. "People think they pushed me into it. In reality, they tried to warn me—about the stress, the workload. But this was my dream."

A student of Savitri Public School, Sangam Vihar, Avika studied in focused bursts, leaned on her family for doubt-clearing, and credits her younger brother as her emotional reset button. "I would play with him whenever I felt overwhelmed," she said. While she trained with a coaching centre in Faridabad, she believes her home environment gave her "a definite edge".

Both toppers say discipline, clarity of goal and emotional support were the key—and both now have their sights set on India's most prestigious medical college.

The NEET-UG results were declared on Saturday, with 12,36,531 or 55.96% of the candidates qualifying out of the total 22,09,318. Of the qualified candidates, 5,14,063 were male and 7,22,462 female.

# NDMC to spend ₹31cr on smart water meter plan

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**New Delhi:** New Delhi Municipal Council has approved a sum of Rs 31 crore for its long-pending project to provide smart water meters in areas under its jurisdiction. The work includes replacing conventional mechanical meters with new smart meters. At present, there are 20,709 water connections in the NDMC area.

There was earlier a Rs 14 crore proposal for replacing 5,397 defective mechanical water meters with smart water meters. This has been extended also to the remaining 15,312 meters to achieve 100% accuracy in operations and to ensure the longevity of the water meters. "We have a preliminary estimate of Rs 30.8 crore for installing smart water meters in consumer connection lines. These meters will have advanced metering capacities, are highly waterproof, magnetically sealed, have no moving parts and are capable of measuring both low and high water flow," claimed Kuljeet Chahal, NDMC vice-chairman.

The proposal underlined that the smart meters were relatively costlier but provided accurate data without manual intervention. Their life expectancy was 15-20 years compared with 5 for mechanical meters. These meters can eliminate entrapped air so can accurately measure water consumption, the proposal said, adding, "These cannot be tampered with and have an in-built provision to raise an alarm if any unauthorised tampering is done. Most importantly, no manpower is required for physical meter reading at the site, unlike conventional meters, as the reading will be directly available at the meter data management."

Given such features, NDMC decided on June 12 to get the current meters replaced by smart meters to instil confidence in the consumer. "These types of meters are now installed by most water-supplying departments across the country. Since NDMC has already granted administrative and expenditure sanction for the project, we expect the work to be completed by July 2026," said Chahal.

Bansuri Swaraj, member of Parliament and ex-officio member of NDMC, said that upgrading essential civic facilities employing modern technology would significantly enhance efficiency and bring transparency and ultimately benefit citizens while improving service delivery.

A proposal for the procurement of smart electricity meters for the mass replacement of existing static-type operated electronic energy meters was also approved by NDMC. An official said that the process for replacing conventional meters with smart electricity meters is already underway, with 60% of the work completed. The new proposal is meant to procure the remaining smart meters.

# Sump wells in Golf Links to control waterlogging

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** New Delhi Municipal Council has finalised the construction of three sump wells in Golf Links with a combined capacity of 30,000 litres as part of its monsoon preparedness plan. This low-lying area experienced severe waterlogging last year.

A larger sump well with a 5-lakh-litre capacity near Purana Qila is also under construction and scheduled for completion by June 30. Another similar facility at Bharti Nagar is also expected to be ready by the same deadline.

"These facilities are among the initiatives taken to ensure no waterlogging occurs in low-lying areas. Preparations are underway to avoid waterlogging in areas surrounding Purana Qila. At Bharti Nagar, a sump well with a 40,000-litre capacity is under construction," said NDMC vice-chairman Kuljeet Chahal.

NDMC has reported the completion of all desilting operations. "Our area comprises of an extensive network of stormwater drains, manholes, bell mouths and gully traps designed to manage rainwater runoff and prevent urban flooding. With growing urbanisation and changing climatic patterns, maintaining these drainage lines has become critical," said Chahal. "To ensure timely desilting, cleaning and unclogging of the drainage infrastructure, the council approved Rs 5.2 crore to buy a hydraulic high-pressure jetting-cum-grabbing-cum-rodding machine in a meeting on June 12," he added.

On desilting the covered portion of Sunehri Nullah, NDMC said lieutenant governor, in an earlier meeting, stressed taking up its desilting as the topmost priority. "It was further decided that MCD will send communication to Delhi Metro and NDMC. Delhi Metro will implement the desilting work, prepare estimates for project and submit them to NDMC. Based on communication, the council has sanctioned a budget amounting to Rs 70.4 crore for the desilting/cleaning of Sunehri Nullah on Lodhi Road."

Municipal Corporation of Delhi has completed 85% desilting and will take time beyond the June 15 deadline to conclude the remaining work. According to an MCD official, while the targeted silt has been collected from drains, approximately 10,000 tonne still need to be transported to landfills. "We will consider the work to be completed only when all silt reach the designated site. Work is on at all sites in full swing," said the official.


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## Undertrial prisoner escapes

**New Delhi:** An undertrial prisoner managed to escape from police custody at Amar Colony police station, sending Delhi Police into a tizzy. The incident occurred when the accused, who was brought in for questioning in connection with a robbery case, fled from the station while the officers on duty were reportedly distracted.

The inmate, identified as Meherban, currently lodged in Tihar Jail's high-security jail number 8-9, was temporarily brought to Amar Colony station for further investigation. A police source stated that the escape happened when the personnel were preoccupied with other official work. TNN

# Survey to identify causes of jams at 2 S Delhi roads

File photo

The findings of the survey on the Chirag Dilli intersection will be formally presented on June 23

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**New Delhi:** To ease traffic snarls at two of south Delhi's busiest corridors—the Chirag Dilli intersection and RTR Marg—Delhi Traffic Police, in collaboration with Institute of Road Traffic Education (IRTE), has launched a detailed traffic engineering survey to identify the root causes of congestion and recommend long-term solutions.

While the survey on the Chirag Dilli intersection is already complete, its findings will be formally presented on June 23. The report for RTR Marg, which connects the airport corridor with the AIIMS stretch, is expected to be ready by mid-July.

"Traffic engineering plays a key role in managing road infrastructure. When we conduct surveys, we try to identify the root causes of congestion. In many cases, it's not just about traffic volume but also about traffic engineering—like sudden lane expansions or contractions, missing or unclear signage, and much more. For instance, a sudden stop of one vehicle at a particular point causes a ripple effect across the entire stretch," explained IRTE director Rohit Baluja.

"These aren't problems that can be solved by policing alone. They need proper traffic engineering solutions," he asserted.

According to sources, some problems found at the Chirag Dilli intersection included a lack of information signs, inappropriate geometry with reference to the volume of traffic, and the need for better signal operation management.

"We've initiated a detailed traffic survey of the Chirag Dilli and RTR stretches around Munirka and near Gurgaon, in collaboration with IRTE to identify engineering-led solutions. The Chirag Dilli's inspection is complete, and we expect inputs on RTR by mid-July. Based on the findings, we will involve civic agencies and draw up a coordinated plan to ease snarls on these two high-pressure corridors," said additional CP (traffic) Dinesh Kumar Gupta.


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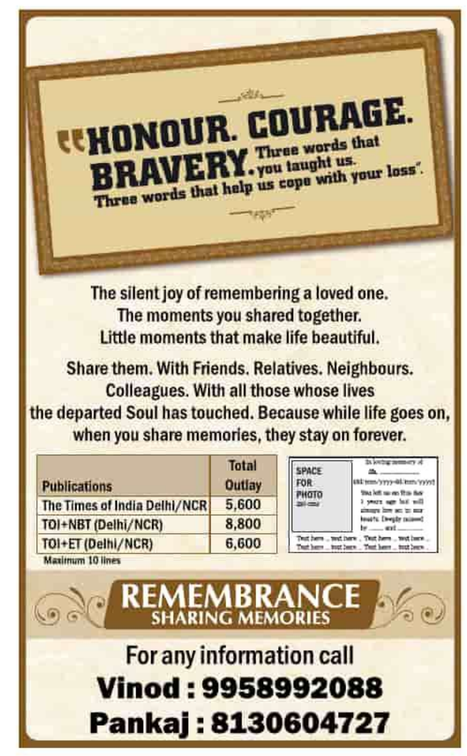




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## 27-yr-old biker hit by car in Vasant Kunj, dies

**New Delhi:** A 27-year-old man died in a hit-and-run incident after his motorcycle was struck by a car in south west Delhi's Vasant Kunj. The accident occurred on June 7 around 10 pm near Shiv Murti on NH-8. The victim, identified as Ashish Kumar, was initially taken to a hospital in Gurgaon and later shifted to Safdarjung hospital, where doctors declared him brought dead.

Following the incident, a case was registered at Vasant Kunj South police station under sections 281 (rash driving or riding on a public way) and 106(1) (causing death by negligence) of BNS.

Deputy commissioner of police (Southwest) Amit Goel formed an investigative team led by inspector Arvind Pratap Singh. The team conducted a detailed examination of the accident site. However, due to dense traffic and the absence of CCTV cameras near the location, no immediate evidence was found. TNN

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# Cycling Frequently Reduces Dementia Risk, Finds Study

## Aerobic Activities Boost Cerebral Blood Flow, Say Doctors

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**New Delhi:** Individuals who primarily commute by bicycle have a reduced overall risk of developing dementia compared to people who rely on passive transport methods like automobiles, buses, or railways. This was revealed in a study published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (JAMA) *Network Open*, analysing data related to 4,79,723 participants across 13 years.

The authors of the study said, "Our findings suggest that promoting active travel strategies, particularly cycling, may be associated with lower dementia risk among middle-aged and older adults, which carries substantial public health benefits by encouraging accessible, sustainable practices for cognitive health preservation." They said that cycling and mixed-cycling modes were associated with a lower incidence of all-cause dementia, including early-onset, late-onset and Alzheimer's disease.

Neurologists confirm that this recent study reinforces their existing understanding of cycling's positive impact on cognitive function and its ability to lower dementia risk. The research indicates that cycling activates various physiological processes that support mental health. Physical activities, including walking, cycling, aerobics, and dancing, all improve brain function.

Dr Rajul Aggarwal, director, neurology, Sri Balaji Action Medical Institute, explained that aerobic activities such as cycling boost cerebral blood flow, delivering oxygen and nutrients to crucial brain regions, particularly the hippocampus, which manages learning and memory. Cycling promotes brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) production, a protein that supports synaptic plasticity whilst promoting neuron development and longevity. These processes prevent neurodegeneration, decrease oxidative stress, and reduce beta-amyloid deposits associated with Alzheimer's. Cycling also supports cardiovascular health, reduces inflammation, improves insulin sensitivity, and regulates blood pressure, collectively lowering dementia risk.

Global dementia cases are projected to rise from 55 million in 2019 to 139 million by 2050, becoming a major disability factor in elderly people. Young-onset dementia, occurring before 65 years, affects around 3.9 million people globally, requiring more intensive care despite being less frequent than late-onset cases.

Dr Vinit Suri, senior neurology consultant, Indraprastha Apollo Hospitals, indicated that young-onset cases represented 5-10% of all dementia diagnoses. He said the affected people were typically aged 45-65 years, occasionally 30-40 years. "Early detection is vital because symptoms can be confused with stress or mental health issues, delaying diagnosis," said Suri. "Young-onset dementia symptoms include memory loss, planning difficulties, personality changes, language issues, and poor judgement. Younger patients may show work performance changes, financial management problems, and social interaction difficulties. Some cases present movement or visual-spatial issues, depending on the cause. Professional assessment is crucial due to symptom overlap with other conditions."

Dr Arun Garg, chairman, neurology and neurosciences, Medanta Medicity, listed the main young-onset dementia causes: "Alzheimer's disease (most common, even in younger individuals), frontotemporal dementia (affecting behaviour and language), vascular dementia (due to stroke or reduced blood flow to the brain), Lewy body dementia, genetic factors (mutations in the APP or PSEN genes). Secondary causes like traumatic brain injury, infections (like HIV), or autoimmune diseases."

While dementia typically appears after age 60, younger people increasingly experience strokes due to smoking, alcohol, hypertension, diabetes, air pollution and sleep apnea, pointed out professor Manjari Tripathi, head, neurology, AIIMS. Multiple strokes can lead to vascular cognitive impairment and vascular dementia, the second most common type after Alzheimer's.

Tripathi recommended a balanced diet rich in vegetables, fruits, sprouts and legumes.

### Mediterranean Diet, Quality Sleep Can Also Help

**Daily Cycling Makes a Difference**
Most health bodies recommend 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity per week—roughly 20–30 minutes of cycling daily

**Boosts Brain and Heart Health**
This routine is linked to improved cardiovascular function and reduced dementia risk

**Consistency Over Intensity**
Even moderate, regular cycling has lasting benefits for brain health

**Make It Enjoyable to Sustain It**
Activities that are fun and sustainable ensure long-term commitment—and long-term benefits

**Other Physical Activities Help Too**
Brisk walking, swimming, jogging or dancing also contribute to lower dementia risk

**Keep Your Brain Engaged**
Reading, puzzles and learning new skills stimulate cognitive function. Social interaction adds an extra protective layer

**Diet, Sleep, and Health Management Matter**
A Mediterranean-style diet, quality sleep, and control of chronic conditions further lower dementia risk

#### YOUNG ONSET DEMENTIA OCCURS BEFORE AGE 65

**What Is Young-Onset Dementia**
YOD refers to dementia diagnosed before age 65, sometimes as early as in one's 30s or 40s

**Early Signs Go Beyond Memory Loss**
Initial symptoms often include behaviour changes, language issues and poor problem-solving

**Often Mistaken for Mental Illness**
YOD is frequently misdiagnosed as depression, anxiety or bipolar disorder

**Executive Function Impairments Are Common**
Struggles with planning, decision-making, and mood regulation are frequent

**Diagnosis Is Often Delayed**
Memory loss is not always the first sign, making early detection challenging

**Lifestyle Diseases Can Be Triggers**
Uncontrolled diabetes, hypertension, and poor lifestyle habits may increase risk

**Genetics Plays a Major Role**
Family history is a significant factor in many early-onset cases

**Less Common Medical Causes**
Conditions like Lewy body dementia, Parkinson's-related dementia, autoimmune encephalitis, prion diseases, and Wilson's disease can also lead to YOD

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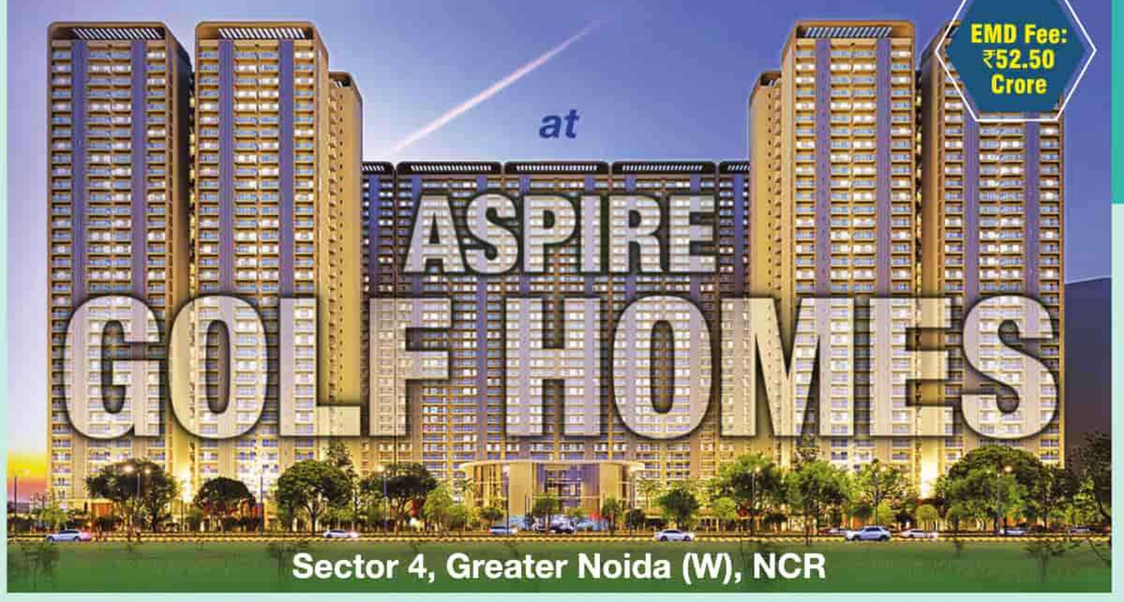


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What to do if you have a complaint?

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When to approach the RBI Ombudsman?

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Note:

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- **Filing complaint directly with RBI Ombudsman, without approaching the Regulated Entity, may lead to its rejection.**

How to lodge a complaint with RBI?

Complaint against the regulated entity can be filed through any of the following modes:

- Online through the Complaint Management System (CMS) portal of RBI at https://cms.rbi.org.in
- Physical complaint (letter / post) in the form as specified in Annexure in the RB-IOS to "Centralized Receipt and Processing Centre, 4th floor, Reserve bank of India, Sector-17, Central Vista, Chandigarh - 160017"

How to know more about lodging a complaint with RBI?

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# Crowd-Control Systems To Boost Security At Rly Stns

## Advanced Baggage Scanners, CCTV Network Also Planned

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**New Delhi:** To enhance passenger safety at city railway stations, the Railway Protection Force (RPF) has begun a sweeping overhaul of security equipment with plans to induct cutting-edge surveillance technology, enhanced screening equipment and modern crowd-control systems integrated with the station infrastructure.

Sources said a security audit outlined plans for the procurement and deployment of gear such as advanced baggage scanners and an extensive CCTV network. RPF sources said that Delhi's railway stations currently have 27 baggage scanners and 28 new machines are being procured. Hand-held metal detectors, vital for individual frisking, have also seen a major upgrade with 385 new ones procured. Similarly, door-frame metal detectors (DFMDs) are being enhanced, 18 having already been acquired.

The number of road barricades to control crowds and manage vehicles will also be increased from the current 100 with the addition of 170 more. Queue managers meant to ensure orderly lines and prevent congestion are also being scaled up and over 200 have been acquired, with 130 more planned. Different types of queue managers are being procured. One type consists of two heavy rods with an attached ribbon for installation at station entrances. A second, made of plastic, will be filled with water and positioned outside the stations to control vehicles in circulating areas and manage public flow. The third, and most important, are the steel Mojo barriers, which will be placed in zigzag formation within holding areas to manage passengers boarding the trains.

In Feb, a stampede at New Delhi Railway Station took a toll of 18 lives. The surge forward when a train arrived exposed the flaws in crowd control systems. Queue managers have been introduced to prevent such disorder. "Under normal circumstances, people tend to break queues and rush towards trains, causing a lot of confusion. With the use of queue managers, we can maintain order. Passengers have to form a line and can proceed only when the train comes to a complete stop after arriving at a station," an RPF officer explained.

To strengthen communication among security personnel, more than 400 walkie-talkies have been procured, and over 270 others also in the process. Additionally, over 100 body-worn Cameras — to establish accountability, transparency and aid evidence collection — have been purchased. These compact devices, attached to RPF uniforms, will record all interactions, incidents and decisions taken on duty hours.

Visual surveillance is also being significantly enhanced and over 2,000 CCTV cameras are being acquired. At vulnerable stretches in the railway stations, high-definition CCTV cameras equipped with the latest surveillance technology will be installed to enhance security monitoring. These cameras are expected to deter criminal activities such as theft and trespassing, and also assist security personnel in real-time tracking and incident response. The footage from the cameras will aid in locating missing persons and provide authorities with critical visual evidence during investigations. An RPF officer said that the newly introduced gadgets would act as force multipliers. "Railway stations see large crowds daily, and thorough checking of each individual is near impossible. These devices will assist us and make the screening process more efficient and effective," he said.

### SCREEN, SURVEIL, SECURE

**Surveillance**
- 2,000 + CCTV cameras under procurement
- High-definition cameras with advanced surveillance technology for vulnerable areas

**Screening equipment**
- 28 baggage scanners being procured
- 385 hand-held metal detectors procured
- 18 door frame metal detectors procured

**Crowd control & accountability**
- 170 road barricades under procurement
- 200+ queue managers acquired, 130 more planned

**Communication**
- 400 + walkie-talkies procured, 270 more being acquired
- 100 + body-worn cameras procured for RPF personnel

**Goals**
- Enhance passenger safety and security
- Improve crowd control and management
- Increase transparency and accountability among security personnel

# *'I'm struggling to find a spark in my work, but starting afresh scares me'*

*To help readers cope with their anxieties in these stressful times, TOI has launched **Talk it Out**, a series in which expert counsellors answer your mental health queries. This week's advice is from clinical psychologist **Tanuja V***

**I am 31 years old and have been working for five years now. I am not finding any spark in my work even though I have changed my domain thrice in these years. I am yet to marry as I am not sure about my job responsibilities and what the future holds for me. However, starting afresh or thinking about changing my line of work again scares me at this age. Can you please tell me what to do?**

**— Anonymous**

You have put in years of effort, and it is natural to feel uncertain, especially when clarity is expected by a certain age. Even after trying different domains, not finding a spark can feel discouraging. With thoughts of marriage and future responsibilities, the pressure to feel stable can grow heavier. It may help to pause and reflect on what truly matters to you in a career. Is it flexibility, creativity, autonomy, job security or a supportive environment? Consider your working style. Do you prefer structure or spontaneity, working alone or with others? Are you more drawn to problem-solving, organising or leading? Clarifying these can guide you toward a better fit. Even if your job provides stability, fulfilment and spark can come from meaningful connections, passions and experiences outside of work. Create a reflection chart noting what you liked and disliked in the roles you have tried. This can help you spot patterns and

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preferences. Set SMART goals that are specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and time-bound to bring clarity. Talk to people you trust or seek support from a career professional. Remember, passion and growth are not limited by age. You are allowed to keep evolving!

**I am a 16-year-old boy. I had friends in the past but none of them were my best friends. I've always tried to find a good, genuine friend, but no one seems interested — everyone has their own priorities. I feel lonely every time I see two best friends talking and sharing laughs. Actually to be honest, I'm jealous. I want to find someone whom I can rely on and share my burdens with. I am in need of a best friend. At the same time being an introvert, it's hard to talk freely in the initial stages of any relationship. Please help me.**

**— Anonymous**

It is completely normal to want deeper connections, even if you have some friends. Wanting someone to share your thoughts and feelings with is a human need. It can feel heavy and lonely to see others laughing and bonding, and it is okay to feel jealous. That emotion simply shows how much you long for meaningful connection, which is valid. Take time to reflect on what a best friend truly means to you. Friendships rooted in trust, shared values and respect tend to be more fulfilling in the long run. Remember, being a good friend starts with being kind and patient with yourself. You are someone worth finding too. It may help to start conversations with simple, genuine remarks. For example: "I saw your sketch the other day. You're really talented," "That book looks interesting, what is it about?" or "Hi, we haven't met before. I'm (your name)." You can also build deeper friendships by asking questions about others' views and perspectives. It helps you get to know them better. Joining clubs or group activities can connect you with people who share your interests. Talking to someone always helps! You are worthy as you are.

**I am a 78-year-old retired professor. I have shifted to a new city where I have no friends. My neighbours differ in both economic status and personal interests. I feel lonely. At this age, one needs friends to spend time with. I read newspapers, books and watch TV all day. I also go for walks. Sometimes I get bored and look for some company. How can you help me?**

**— Anonymous**

Shifting to a new city is a big transition and it can feel overwhelming. It can feel lonely when you're not able to find people who share similar interests as you. It's great that you stay engaged by reading, watching TV and going for walks. Getting bored is natural as we need people to talk to, and connect with. It can help to learn about nearby events that match your interests. Libraries, community centres and colleges often host talks, book clubs or lectures. You could ask a local watchman or a shopkeeper if there is a regular walking group of retired people nearby. Meeting people you know on your walk can make starting conversations easier. If you are open to technology, WhatsApp and Facebook groups for seniors in your area offer great chances to chat and share interests. The app 'Meetup' also lists hobby-based gatherings, and a family member can help you get started. Volunteering at schools or community events and sharing stories with people can be deeply meaningful. These small steps may help you build new friendships and ease the loneliness. I wish you a peaceful and a fulfilling social life!

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# Syrup death case: HC relief for drug firm

Rajesh Kumar Pandey | TNN

**Prayagraj:** The Allahabad high court has directed restoration of a Noida-based drug company's licence, which was cancelled in 2023 following the death of around 15 children in Uzbekistan.

Allowing a writ petition filed by Ms Marion Biotech Private Limited, Justice Dinesh Pathak quashed an order dated Oct 4, 2023, passed by the reviewing authority that manufacturing company (petitioner) should produce the certified copies of the orders passed by different courts of Uzbekistan and submit a report to the Drugs Licensing and Controlling Authority, UP and Drug Controller General of India after implementing the process of corrective and preventive action. "I am surprised to see that Indian authorities are trying to validate their proceedings conducted under the Indian law on the basis of judgment passed by the Supreme Court of the Republic of Uzbekistan. Indian laws relating to drugs are exhaustive and self-sufficient which does not require any validation of the judgement passed by foreign courts," the HC said. "The factory has been inspected more than once and the samples collected have been examined by the govt analyst, as per provisions enunciated in the Act 1940 and Rules 1945. Authorities have delved deep to examine the manufacturing process of the drugs at the factory premises of the petitioner and the quality of drug, as well, as per legal requirement enunciated under the Act 1945 and Rules 1945."

### Extortion gang busted, 3 arrested

**New Delhi:** Delhi Police's Crime Branch arrested three members of a notorious gang involved in extorting money from transporters and animal traders in the city's markets. The accused, identified as Ravinder Sharma (47), Pawan Kumar (56), and Mustaq Ali (50), were apprehended on June 11 after a thorough investigation. Sharma was the first to be arrested, and based on his information, the other two accused were arrested. TNN

# Tehkhand may get automated testing station in four months

Times News Network

**New Delhi:** Delhi Transport Corporation has initiated the process of setting up a new four-lane automated testing station at its Tehkhand depot in southeast Delhi. The testing station, with a budget of around 2 crore, is expected to be completed in four months. This will serve as Delhi's second automated testing station, following the existing facility at Jhuljhuli, which currently operates beyond its capacity.

The Union govt's directive last year, mandating states to establish automated testing station facilities for commercial vehicle permit testing, has intensified the vehicle congestion at Jhuljhuli. Another such facility in Burari is under construction and is currently operating as a manual facility.

"This facility will reduce manual inspection, ensure transparency and improve the roadworthiness of vehicles. Advanced technology and modern software systems will be employed to evaluate various vehicle parameters, including emissions, brakes, suspension and alignment measurements. The reason behind the selection of the Tehkhand depot was its ample space and central connectivity for vehicles that find the Jhuljhuli centre too far," said a senior official.

The automation will include tests of roller brakes, headlights, speedometers, steering linkage, gear, suspension, sound level, side slip, insulation, etc. Equipment like smoke opacimeter, onboard diagnostics scanner and exhaust gas analyser will also be used. Different areas, including emission test and visual inspection areas, electrical panel rooms and sheds, will be created.

The transport department plans to have five new automated testing stations across Delhi.

### Missing teen's body found in canal

**Noida:** The bloated body of a 16-year-old boy, who went missing earlier this week, was recovered from a canal in Jewar on Friday, prompting cops to detain three minors who were allegedly with the teenager at the time of his disappearance. Sunny Rawat went missing on June 10 after he left his home in Jaipur Vaishpur village near Surajpur on a motorbike. His family said he never returned. A day later, Sunny's bike was discovered abandoned near a canal in Surajpur, and a missing person report was filed with local police. On Friday, police were alerted about a body found floating in the canal in Jewa It was later identified as Sunny. Police said the body was severely bloated, indicating it had been in the water for several days. His family alleged the boy had been murdered. Officials said preliminary inquiries suggest Sunny drowned, but the others did not inform anyone. TNN


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**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**West Bengal Tourism Development Corporation Limited.**
**(A Govt. of West Bengal Undertaking)**
**NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER**
**NIT No. 21/WBTDCL OF 2025-26 (Technical)**
**Tender ID- 2025_WBTDC_863693_1**
WBTDCL invites e-Tender for the work: "Procurement of New Furniture including allied civil and furnishing works for 100 Bedded Tourist Lodge at Gangasagar in South 24 Pgs District." From the reputed, bonafide and experienced agencies in similar works. Start date & time of documents download: 13.06.2025 - 14:30 Hrs. Last date & time of Bid Submission: 07.07.2025 - 15:00 Hrs. Details are available in website: wbtdcl.wbtourismgov.in / wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Superintending Engineer, West Bengal Tourism Development Corporation Limited
ICA- T12043(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
AE, Dhupguri Highway Sub-Division, P.W. (Roads) Dte., Dhupguri, invites online e-tender for the work of - 1) "Emergent repairing work in different stretches of 'Emergent temporary repairing work in different stretches of Khalaigram Khetifulbari road portion from 5.00 km to 5.60 km with WBM, potholes, premix carpet and seal coat under Jalpaiguri Highway Division in the district of Jalpaiguri, during the year 2025-2026." Estimated Amount: 1) Rs. 481653.00, Tender Ref No: 08/AE/DHUP/25-26, Tender ID: 2025_WBPWD_863886_1. Bid submission start date (online) : 18/06/2025 from 6.00 P.M. Bid submission closing date (online) : 26/06/2025 upto 12.00 P.M. Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. Details N.I.T. and Tender documents may be downloaded from: http://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- AE, PW(R), DHSD, Dhupguri, Govt. of W.B.
ICA- T12070(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
EE/PWD/Purulia Division invites "Online e-tender for 05(Five) Nos. work related to maintenance of building under Purulia Division PWD". N.I.E.T. NO. 19 of 2025-2026 of the Executive Engineer, Purulia Division, P.W.D. Bid submission start date (Online) 16.06.2025. Bid submission closing date (Online) 23.06.2025. Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. Details of N.I.T. and documents may be downloaded from: http//wbetenders.gov.in TENDER ID NO. 2025_WBPWD_863225_1 2025_WBPWD_863225_2 2025_WBPWD_863225_3 2025_WBPWD_863225_4 2025_WBPWD_863225_5 Sd/- Executive Engineer Purulia Division, P.W.D.
ICA- T12086(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**e-TENDER NOTICE**
The Superintendents of Subsidiary Correctional Homes in West Bengal for and on behalf of the Governor of WB, invite e-tender for supply of dietary articles for the period from 01.10.2025 to 31.03.2026. Tender Inviting Notice No. will be specific for each Correctional Home. Date of documents download starts: 15.06.2025 onwards. Last date of submission of tender: 14th or 21st day from the date of uploading of individual tender by the Corr. Homes concerned. Full particulars may be had from the website www.wbtenders.gov.in "The ADG & IG of Correctional Services, West Bengal reserves the rights to cancel any or all the tenders without showing any reason." Sd/- Superintendent of Subsidiary Correctional Home, W.B.
ICA- T12037(4)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**e-Tender Notice**
e-Tender is invited by the Superintending Engineer, Mechanical Circle-III, P.H.E. Dte. on behalf of Governor of West Bengal vide Reference No. 02/SEMCIII/WBPHED OF 2025-2026 and ID: 2025_PHED_863309_1 for Replacement of unserviceable sewage pump set for different Intermediate Sewage Lifting stations in AA-I under NTK Project. Details will be available in the web site: **wbtenders.gov.in** the last date for submission of tender is 14/07/2025 up to 14:00 hours. Sd/- For Superintending Engineer, Mechanical Circle-III, .P.H.E. DTE.
ICA- T12064(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
Executive Engineer, Northern Mechanical Division, P.H.E. Dte, Siliguri on behalf of the Governor of West Bengal invited e_Tender **"WBPHED/EE/NMD/NIeT No. 05 of 2025-2026"** for (08) eight nos works having Tender ID: **2025_PHED_863741_1; 2025_PHED_863741_2; 2025_PHED_863741_3; 2025_PHED_863741_4; 2025_PHED_863741_5; 2025_PHED_863741_6; 2025_PHED_863741_7 and 2025_PHED_863741_8** under Northern Mechanical Division, P.H.E. Dte." The Tender Document collection and submission from **14.06.2025, 10:00 A.M. to 04-07-2025, 2:00 P.M.** For details visit on "**https://wbtenders.gov.in**" The tender is also visible at departmental website: **www.wbphed.gov.in** Sd/- Executive Engineer, NMD P.H.E. Dte.
ICA- T12063(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
e-TENDER No.: WBPWD / KWD / EE-II / NIT-04 / 25-26. E-tender under jurisdiction of Kolkata West Division, PWD is invited from bonafide outsiders having sufficient work experience of similar nature in Government works. Bid Submission Start Date (Online): 19.06.2025 at 12.00 Noon Bid Submission Closing Date (Online): 02.07.2025 at 3.00 P.M. Tender ID: 2025_PWD_863244_1. Corrigendum if any will be published in e-tender site and PWD website. Details of NIT and tender documents may be downloaded from: https://wbtenders.gov.in/nicgep/app Sd/-Executive Engineer-II, PWD Kolkata West Division N.S. Building.
ICA- T12084(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**e-TENDER NOTICE**
e-Tender is invited by the Executive Engineer, Hooghly Division, P.H.E. Dte. for NIeT No- **WBPHE/EE/16/HUG/2025-26/SHRABANIMELA-2025** related to Arrangement of temporary Toilets, Latrines, Urinals and Drinking water facilities for the Pilgrims of Shrabani Mela-2025 under Hooghly Division P.H.E. Dte. Bid submission Closing Date 30.06.2025 upto 03:00 p.m. & Opening Date 02.07.2025 upto 03:00 p.m. For Details, corrigendum/addendum, participating in the tender log on to: - **www.wbtenders.gov.in** Sd/- Executive Engineer, Hooghly Division, P.H.E. Dte.
ICA- T12058(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
Executive Engineer, PWD, Malda Division, Malda Notice Inviting e-Tender for the work of - Roof treatment and plastering works of Thalassemia ward (2nd floor) at Blood Bank in the compound of Malda Medical College and Hospital under Malda Division PWD, Malda. Tender ID: 2025_WBPWD_863271_1. Estimated Amount: Rs. 16,62,735.00 e-NIT No. 06 of 2025-26 of the EE, PWD, Malda Division, Malda. Bid submission start date & time (online): 17/06/2025 from 11:00 AM Bid submission closing date & time (online): 30/06/2025 upto 04:00 PM. Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. Details of e N.I.T. and tender documents may be downloaded from: http://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Asit Kumar Saha Executive Engineer, PWD Malda Division, Malda.
ICA- T12099(4)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PW(Roads) directorate**
**NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER**
SE/WHC-II invites online tenders for e-NIT No. 07 of 2025-26 for the work of "G.T. Road to Talandu Railway Station from 0.00 kmp. to 1.43 km., Widening and Strengthening work under Hooghly Highway Division No.- II in the district of Hooghly. (Project ID: PD252634735S000)". Estimated Amount put to Tender: - Rs. 1,97,24,789.00, Tender ID: 2025_WBPWD_863213_1. Bid Submission End Date: 08.07.2025 at 02.00 PM. Details may be obtained from the website https://wbtenders.gov.in & Office Notice Board. For any clarification regarding upload & download, Bidder may contact PWD e-Tender Help Desk through Phone No. (033) 2223-6236. Corrigendum or Addendum if issued will be published only through Website. Sd/- SE/WHC – II, P.W.(R) Dte.
ICA- T12087(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER**
No.–WBPWD/EE/PMED/NIT-05/e-T/2025-2026 Tender ID: 2025_WBPWD_863367_1. Last date of submission of bid :- 07.07.2025 up to 1:00 PM Name Of Work: Renovation of EI work of Female Septic Surgical Ward, at Bidhan Block 1st floor, Midnapore Medical College & Hospital, Paschim Medinipur. Amt. Put to the Tender Rs. 10,17,766.00, EMD Amt.- 20,355.00 Further details can be seen in the above mentioned office during working hours or in Official Website www.pwdwb.gov.in For all details and online tender submission visit https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- EE, PMED, PWDte.
ICA- T12093(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
Executive Engineer, Kolkata North Division, P.W.D. invites online e-tender for the work for Sl-01"Day to day sweeping and dust cleaning of carriageway, cleaning of boulevard, pedestrain guard rail, debris cleaning etc. From ch. 12.00 km to ch. 24.30 km on both side carriageway of B.T. Road in the district of North 24 Parganas under Kolkata North Division, P.W.Dte. for a period of six months during the year 2025-2026." Estimated Amount: 12,87,733.00 Tender ID: 2025_WBPWD_862889_1. Sl-02 "Restoration Work due to Damages done by CESC at different places on B.T.Road from ch. 12.00 km to ch. 24.30 km, under Kolkata North Division, P.W.D. in the district of North 24 Parganas, during the year 2025-26." Estimated Amount: 26, 86,108.00 Tender ID: 2025_WBPWD_862889_2 NIeT No: WBPWD/EE/KND/NIeT 06/2025-2026 Bid Submission upload start date: 19-06-2025 from 11.05 Hours Bid Submission upload end date: 02-07-2025 up to 13.00 Hours for Sl-01 and Sl-02. The details of NIeT and Tender document may be downloaded from http://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/-EE KND PWD GOVT OF WB
ICA- T12082(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
Superintending Engineer, Western Highway Circle No.-I, P.W. (Roads) Directorate, Purta Bhavan, Burdwan-713103 invites Online e-Tender for the work of - "Permanent restoration work of (i) Old Kalna Katwa Road from 4.50 km to 7.40 km, (ii) Old Katwa Kalna Road from 0.00 km to 1.30 km, (iii) Dainhat Link Road from 1.50 km to 3.00 km, (iv) Mateary Dewanganj Road from 0.00 km to 1.60 km, (v) Monteswar Dainhat Road from 25.00 km to 26.20 km due to laying of water pipe line of MED Deptt of Katwa Highway Sub-Division under Burdwan North Highway Division in the district of Purba Bardhaman during the year 2025-26." Estimated Amount : Rs. 3,83,06,962.31, EMD.: Rs. 7,66,139.00, Time of Completion : 210 days. Tender ID : 2025_WBPWD_863147_1. Tender ref. No.: WBPW(R)D/NIT-09 of SE/WHC-I/2025-2026. Bid Submission start date (online) : 26/06/2025 from 3.00 PM. Bid Submission closing date (online) : 09/07/2025 upto 2.00 PM. Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. Details of N.I.T. and Tender documents may be downloaded from: https://etender.wb.nic.in Sd/- S.E., W.H.C.-I, P.W.(R)D., GOVT. OF W.B.
ICA- T12103(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
**EE, PWD, Hooghly Construction Division invites online e-Tender for the work of** 1. Repairing of existing Fire Fighting system at old SDH building at Prafulla Chandra Sen Government Medical College and Hospital, Arambagh under Hooghly Construction Sub-Division No-II, P.W.D. under Hooghly Construction Division, P.W.D. during the year 2024-2025., Project ID: HF252635886S000. Estimated Amount: 3403839.00. Tender ID: 2025_PWD_863167_1. NIET No.: WBPWD/EE/HCD/NITe-14 of 2025-2026. Bid submission start date (online) : 13.06.2025 from 11:00 A.M. Bid submission closing date (online) : 02.07.2025 upto 2:00 P.M. Corrigendum if any will be published in website only. Details of NIQ/NIT and other documents may be downloaded from: **http://wbtenders.gov.in** Sd/- S. Roy Pratihar, Executive Engineer, PWD, Hooghly Construction Division, Chawkbazar, Hooghly.
ICA- T12079(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**TENDER NOTICE**
**Tender Ref No.: WBPWD/EE/S24PED/eNIT20/25-26 (Tender ID: 2025_WBPWD_863960_1)**
Online Tender is hereby invited by the Executive Engineer, PWD, South 24 Parganas Electrical Division, 57/2, Diamond Harbour Road, Kolkata-700023 from the eligible contractors for the following works: Name of Work: 1. SITC of AC machine and allied EI work at Caning Sub-Divisional Hospital, Canning, South-24 Parganas. Bid submission start: 20.06.25 at 09:00 AM. Bid Submission end: 02.07.25 at 01:00 PM. Bid Opening Date: 04.07.25 at 01:30 PM. Details of eNIT, BOQ & tender document may be downloaded from https://wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD, South 24 Parganas Electrical Division
ICA- T12068(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**KMDA TENDER NOTICE**
**e-NIQ No. NIQ-01/SE/HIT WING/ KMDA of 2025-26**
e-Quotation is invited by the Superintending Engineer, HIT Wing/ KMDA, 19, Grand Trunk Road (South), Howrah-711101, from bonafide, reliable, experienced & resourceful firms / individuals contractors, for the work, **Name of Work, Estimated Amount, Earnest Money, Time of Completion,** Temporary License for Pisciculture at Dumurjola Jheel beside HIT ECO Park, HIT Scheme-XXV, Dumurjola, Howrah-711104., Rs.**18,10,959**/-, Rs.**36,220**/-, 36 months, **Last date & time of Online Bid submission: 04.07.2025 Time: 16.00 hrs,** for details contact the above office or visit both websites. **(KMDA-269)** **www.kmda.wb.gov.in** **www.wbtenders.gov.in**
ICA- T12040(3)/2025

**NOTICE INVITING e-Tender**
**Notice Inviting e-Tender No.: 02/NKDA/SE-PGV/2025-26**
**Tender ID No. 2025_NKDA_864465_1**
The Executive Engineer - (P&GV), New Town Kolkata Development Authority invites online **Notice Inviting e-Tender,** from the eligible contractors for the work" **"Development of Muslim Burial Ground at Ghuni New Town Kolkata under NKDA".** Last date of submission: 08.07.2025. For details please visit websites: **http://wbtenders.gov.in**
Sd/-
**Executive Engineer - (P&GV)**
**New Town Kolkata Development Authority**

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**Notice Inviting E-Tender**
**NIeT No.–PHE/EE/NIeT-08/2025 – 2026** is invited by the Executive Engineer New Town Kolkata W/S Divn-I, P.H.E. Dte. Details information about the tender will be available in the website– **www.wbtender.gov.in** as well as in the office notice board. Sd/- EE, NTK W/S Divn-I, P.H.E. Dte.
ICA- T12059(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**e-Tender Notice**
e-Tender is invited by the Executive Engineer, Birbhum Division, P.H.E. Dte. on behalf of Governor of West Bengal vide Ref. No.12/2025–2026 and 2025_PHED_863658_1 to 10 for different types of works for different W/S Scheme under Birbhum Division, P.H.E. Dte. Details will be available in the website: **wbtenders.gov.in** The last date for submission of tender is 07.07.2025 at 15:00 IST. Sd/- For Executive Engineer, Birbhum Division, P.H.E. Dte.
ICA- T12061(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**ABRIDGED TENDER NOTICE**
Tender Ref. No. NIeT_03 of EE/RD/PHED of 2025-2026. Tender ID: 2025_PHED_862544_1 & 9. Last date for submission of Technical and Financial Bid (online) :-23/06/2025 upto 3:00 P.M. Tender invited by the undersigned for O & M different PWSS under Raiganj Division, P.H.E. Dte. All details available in website **http://wbtenders.gov.in** & **www.wbphed.gov.in** Sd/- Executive Engineer, Raiganj Division, P.H.E. Dte.
ICA- T12057(3)/2025

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**
**PWD TENDER NOTICE**
Online bids are invited for the work under Tender ID: 2025_WBPWD_863150_1. Bid Submission end Date: 26.06.2025 (upto 15:00 Hrs.). For details please follow the website:www.wbtenders.gov.in Sd/- EE, PWD, Malda Electrical Division.
ICA- T12088(2)/2025

**The West Bengal Power Development Corporation Limited**
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Corporate Identity No. U40104WB1985SGC039154
**Bakreswar Thermal Power Project**
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**Notice Inviting E-Tender**
**Ref No. WBPDCL/Tend-Adv/25-26/BKTPP/CC-3627, Dtd: 12/06/25**
**NIT No.: WBPDCL/BKTPP/NIT/E3739/25-26**
E-Tenders in prescribed format are invited at https://wbtenders.gov.in by the GENERAL MANAGER - BKTPP, WBPDCL from eligible Agencies / Companies in 2 Part bid system for **"Annual Rate Contract for refilling, testing etc. of N, Gas cylinders of BkTPS for 2 years." Tender Document Download Start Date:** 24.05.2025 at 14.00 Hrs. **Bid Submission End Date:** 26.06.2025 at 12:00 Hrs. **Contact Person:** Mr. Sumit Dasgupta, DGM/HOD (Purchase Deptt.), BkTPS/WBPDCL. **Contact No.:** 8336903911. **E-mail:** s.dasgupta@wbpdcl.co.in/ purchase_bktps@wbpdcl.co.in. For details please visit: **https://wbtenders.gov.in**
ICA- T12056(3)/2025

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**Ref No. WBPDCL/Tend-Adv/25-26/CORP/CC-3640, Dtd: 13/06/25**
**NIT No: WBPDCL/CORP/NIT/E2077/25-26 Dtd:- 10/06/2025**
E-Tenders in prescribed format are invited at https://wbtenders.gov.in by GENERAL MANAGER (M&C), Corporate Office, WBPDCL from eligible Agencies / Companies in 2 Part bid system for **"Providing Security Service for Guarding the Properties/ Premises and other Security Related jobs at Bidyut Unnayan Bhaban, WBPDCL". Tender Document Download Start Date:** 10/06/2025 from 18:00 p.m., **Bid Submission End Date:** 23/06/2025 at 10:00 a.m. **Contact Person:** Smt Sulagna Dass, Sr. Manager (M&C). **Contact No.:** 8240042058. **E-mail:** s.dass@wbpdcl.co.in. For details please visit: **https://wbtenders.gov.in**
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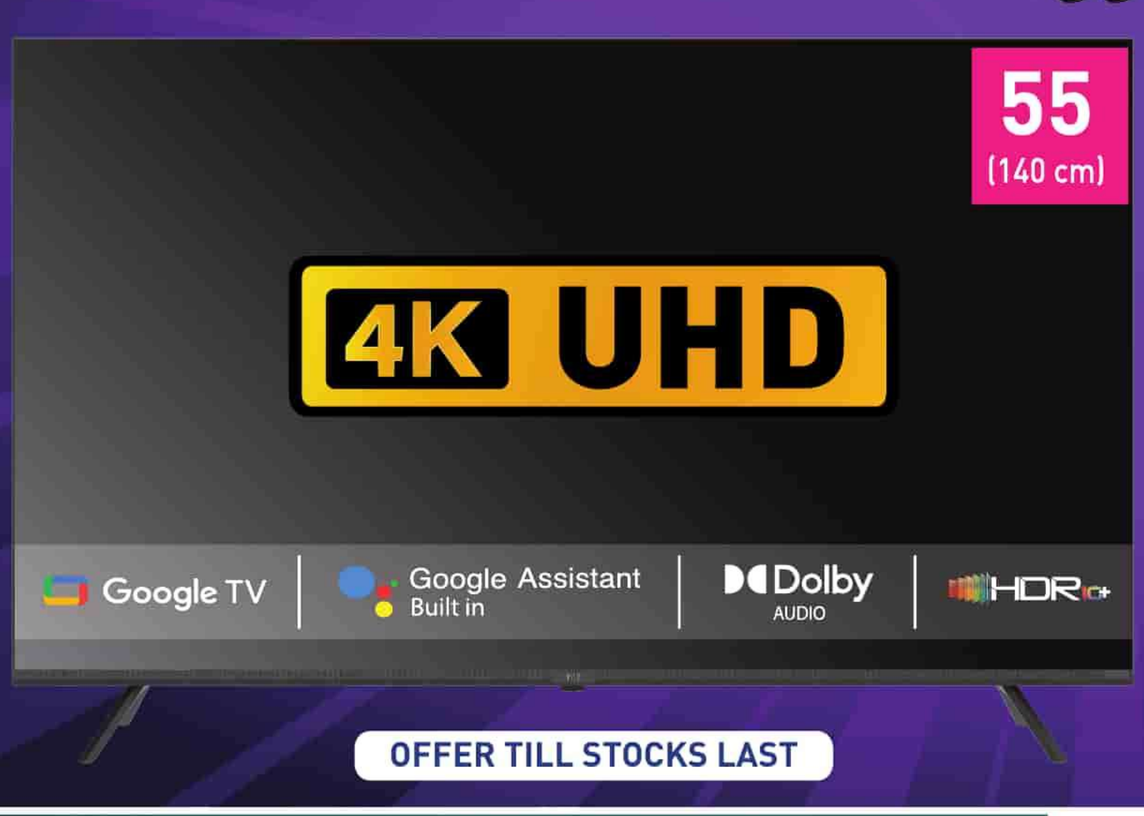


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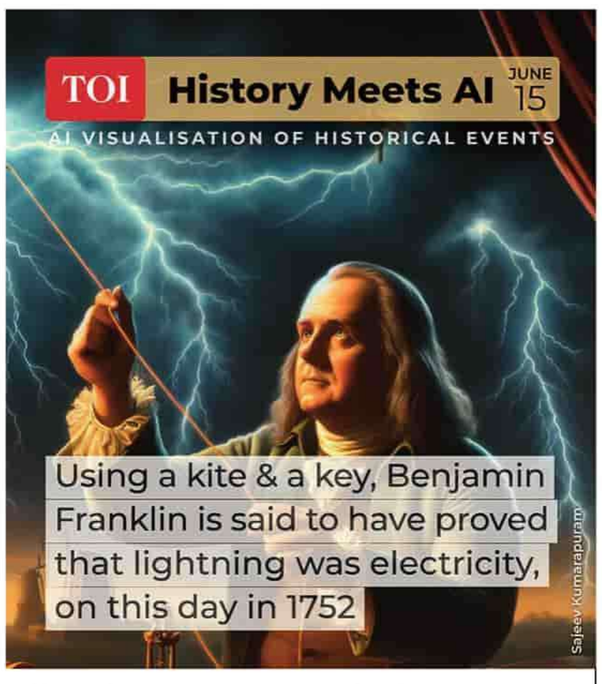


## Aligarh man arrested after row over using wife's toilet soap

A 39-year-old man in Aligarh's Quarsi area was arrested after a heated argument with his wife when he used her toilet soap. Tempers flared further, police arrived, and before the day was out, Praveen Kumar, once a team leader at a retail firm, found himself in police custody, alleging custodial violence, reports **Mohammad Dilshad.**

The soap in question was, one imagines, unremarkable — mass-produced and scented in that faintly medicinal way of supermarket toiletries. But on Friday, when Kumar emerged from his bath, freshly scrubbed and unaware of the domestic boat he had just rocked, his wife exploded with the fury of a woman whose personal boundaries had been tested and trespassed upon. "She got angry with me for using her soap," Kumar said later. "I told her, 'You always use my stuff and I never object.' She, though, called the police."

Police allegedly escorted Kumar to the thana against his will. There, he claims, the situation deteriorated. "They beat me up with sticks and registered a case against me, though it was a minor domestic row," Kumar said. He was later released on bail.

Quarsi SHO Narendra Sharma offered the more officious version of events. "We received information that the man assaulted his wife. He was brought to the station, and a case of disturbing peace was registered. Further probe is underway."

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# Amid bid to rebuild China ties, Rajnath to attend SCO meet

## Bilateral With Def Counterpart Likely; Pak's Asif Also Slated To Attend

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** Defence minister **Rajnath Singh** is set to visit China later this month for Shanghai Cooperation Organisation defence ministers' meet, which comes amid efforts by New Delhi and Beijing to rebuild and stabilize bilateral ties, though de-escalation between the rival armies is yet to take place along the Line of Actual Control.

▶PM to visit Cyprus. P19

Singh is likely to have a bilateral meeting with his Chinese counterpart Admiral Dong Jun on the sidelines of the SCO meet on June 24-25, in what will be his first visit as defence minister to China. "The final details are still being worked out," an official said on Saturday.

Pakistan defence minister Khawaja Asif is also slated to attend the SCO meet, which is taking place soon after intense cross-border military hostilities between India and Pakistan from May 7 to 10.

Both India and Pakistan in 2017 became full members of the SCO, which also includes Russia, China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Iran and Belarus.

An Army convoy on its way to Ladakh in 2021. De-escalation between the rival armies is yet to take place along the Line of Actual Control

Along the 3,488-km LAC with China, there are as yet no signs of de-escalation and de-induction of troops after disengagement at the two remaining face-off sites at Depsang and Demchok in eastern Ladakh last Oct, which has led to restoration of patrolling by the rival soldiers and grazing by herders as well as reduced the risk of any inadvertent escalation.

China has continued to strengthen its military positions & infrastructure build-up all along LAC, with PLA troops continuing to be forward deployed with heavy weapon systems in large numbers, as earlier reported by **TOI**.

Moreover, the deep military collusiveness between Pakistan and China was quite evident during Operation Sindoor.

Pakistan used several Chinese weapons and platforms, ranging from J-10 fighters firing the PL-15 beyond visual range air-to-air missiles to HQ-9 air defence missile batteries, during the hostilities with India. Pakistan is also set to acquire at least 40 J-35A fifth-generation stealth jets and the HQ-19 long-range air defence missile systems from China.

# *Labourer's mud house turns village's hub of joy after NEET feat*

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**Jaipur:** Shrawan Kumar, 19, of Rajasthan's Balotra who toils in a factory while studying and whose parents wash dishes at village ceremonies to support life in a thatched two-room mud house, has cleared this year's NEET.

Shrawan was at work in his factory in Balotra when he received word that he secured an impressive 4071 rank in OBC category. His score is likely to earn him a seat in three to four govt medical colleges in Rajasthan.

With just over 55,688 MBBS seats in govt colleges nationwide, Shrawan's success is extraordinary.

Shrawan's (R) family's only source of livelihood comes from washing utensils at ceremonies, along with occasional MGNREGS work

His family's only source of livelihood comes from washing utensils at weddings and ceremonies, along with occasional MGNREGS work. Despite severe financial hardship, Shrawan remained focused on his education, completing both Class 10 and 12 from a govt school, securing 97% and 88%, respectively.

Saturday's NEET results put Shrawan's mud house amid sand dunes in Balotra's Khattoo village in the spotlight. Neighbours gathered to celebrate and social media influencers flocked to the spot, hailing the teenager and his parents.

The fanfare was a far cry from the days since his childhood when Shrawan helped his father clean utensils at village ceremonies and rear livestock to support the family. Although a bright student throughout schooling, he never imagined pursuing anything beyond Class 12, until life changed drastically over past three years.

Getting electricity in late 2022 and a free smartphone with three years of internet access, provided to his mother under a previous state govt scheme, completely changed his life. "It extended my study hours & internet exposed me to outside world," he told **TOI**. Shrawan received free NEET coaching from govt doctors in Barmer, who mentor underprivileged kids.

▶NEET topper, P19

# 'Sweeper performs' delivery on pregnant AP woman, baby dies

## Kin Claim Docs' Negligence, Hosp Denies It

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MEDICAL MISERY

**Kakinada:** A sanitary worker allegedly performed a delivery at Tallarevu community health centre in Kakinada in the early hours of Saturday. The baby died after delivery, leading to protests at the hospital by family members who alleged that the newborn died due to negligence of doctors.

Medical and health authorities, however, refuted the allegation, stating that the sanitary worker did not perform the delivery. They said an inquiry has been ordered and stern action will be initiated if anyone at the hospital was found to be negligent.

Relatives of the woman who delivered the baby and villagers gathered outside the hospital demanding action against those responsible.

Health officials said the woman, 22, was admitted at the hospital Friday morning and had been under constant observation. Her kin, however, said she developed pains in the early hours of Saturday and the sanitary worker on duty performed the delivery.

Doctors said the baby died due to meconium aspiration syndrome, a breathing problem that can affect newborns when they inhale a mixture of foetal stool and amniotic fluid into their lungs during or shortly after birth, causing respiratory distress. As the condition of the baby deteriorated, the duty doctor advised the woman's relatives to take the newborn to govt general hospital. The baby died on the way. The condition of the woman is said to be stable.

Dr Swapna, district coordinator for health services, told **STOI** gynaecologists were present at the health centre till 2am. A paediatrician and two staff nurses, along with a sanitary worker, were present at the facility when the incident took place. She said the sanitary worker is a trained birth attendant and took hold of the baby when the woman delivered all of a sudden, and the umbilical cord started to stretch too long.

# IED blast kills CRPF jawan near J'khand border in Odisha

**Rourkela/Ranchi:** A CRPF assistant sub-inspector was killed in an IED explosion during an area domination exercise in Odisha's Sundargarh near the border with Jharkhand early on Saturday, report **Malay Ray** & **Sanjay Sahay**.

Satyaban Kumar Singh (34), from Kishinagar in UP, was critically injured when the IED, suspected to have been planted by Maoists, detonated at Silikuta near Banko Langalakata in Saranda forest. Singh, who was posted with CRPF's 134 Battalion, died while undergoing treatment at a private hospital in Rourkela.

The operation was launched following intelligence inputs about Maoist movement. A joint team of CRPF and special operations group was conducting the operation when the IED detonated.

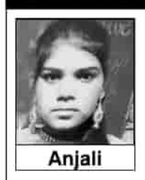
# Breach of privilege proceedings set to begin in Kamra case

**Mumbai:** Maharashtra legislative council chairperson Ram Shinde admitted a breach of privilege motion against stand-up comedian Kunal Kamra over his parody song alluding to deputy CM Eknath Shinde and referred it to privilege committee, reports **Chaitanya Marpakwar**. The motion was moved in March by BJP MLC Pravin Darekar. The committee will review the motion and decide on issuing a notice to Kamra.

"The committee will take a call on further action," Ram Shinde told **TOI**. Officials said the panel will meet ahead of monsoon session of the state legislature starting June 30, and Kamra may receive a notice early next month.

Reacting, Kamra said on X, "The real breach of trust is letting people die in public transport every day." BJP MLC Prasad Lad, who heads the privilege committee, did not respond to calls and text messages on Saturday.


## SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED


Anjali

Roshni

General public is hereby informed that tow **Girl Namely: (1) Anjali (2) Roshni**, **D/o:** Ramanandan, **R/o**: House of Kallu Pratap, near Govt, Primary School Village Palla, **Delhi** has been missing/ kidnapped from her home on 04.06.2025 at Approx 11:00 AM. In this regard, a **FIR No 299/25, Dt. 05.06.2025** has been registered at **P.S.: Alipur, Delhi** The description of the missing Girls as under.

**(1)Name:** Anjali, **Age:** 16 years, **Height:** 5'3" **Complexion:** Fair, **Built:** Medium, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Pink Colour Suit and Black Colur Salwar & Hawai Slipper in feet.

**(2) Name:** Roshni, **Age:** 14 years, **Height:** 5'3" **Complexion:** Shallwo **Built:** Thin, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Chocolaty Colour Suit and Salwar Hawai Slipper in feet. .

Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out them but no clue has come to light so far. Any person is having information or clue about these missing Girsl may kindly inform to the following.

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## SEARCH FOR MISSING

Monkia

General Public is hereby informed that one Girl **Namely: Monkia D/o** Naresh **R/o** H. No. 13 VPO Jhimarpura Juanti Delhi **Sex:** Female, **Age:** 17 Years **Height:** 5'3", **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Long **Built:** Normal **Mentally:** Normal **Wearing:** Brown Colour Suit and Salwar has been missing since 24.05.2025 from H. No. 13 VPO Jhimarpura Juanti Delhi from the Jurisdiction of Police Station Kanjhawala, Delhi.

In this regard **FIR No. 296/25 U/s 137(2) BNS Dated 04.06.2025** has been registered at **PS: Kanjhawala, Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing Girl but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing Girl Please inform to the following.

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## SEARCH FOR MISSING

Beer Kumar

General Public is hereby informed that one Male (depicted in the photo) namely **Beer Kumar, S/o** Ashok Paswan **R/o** H.No - WZ 23, Tihar Gali No-3, New Delhi, **Age: 20 Years** has been reported missing since 26.05.2025 at about 7.00PM from Ganesh Nagar Red Light, vide **DD No. 17A Dated 27.05.2025** registered at **Police Station Tilak Nagar, West District , New Delhi.** His physical description is as under :-

**Gender:** Male, **Height:** 5'1", **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Built:** Medium, **Face:** Oval, **Identification Mark:** Mentally disabled, **Wearing:** Black & Blue lower and Yellow T-shirt.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing male but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing male, please inform to the following.

**Website: http://cbi.nic.in**
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**SHO**
**P.S. Tilak Nagar,**
**Distt. West, New Delhi**
**Mob.: 8750871130**

## SEARCH FOR MISSING

MANISHA

General Public is hereby informed that one woman **Namely:** Manisha, **W/o:** Sh. Rohit Kumar, **R/o:** A-138, Gali No. 1, DCM Colony, Extension Ibrahim Pur, Delhi, **Sex:** Female, **Age:** 21 Years, **Height:** 5'2", **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Normal, **Wearing:** Light Pink Colour Top, Light Gray Colour Jeans and Slippers in Feet has been missing from her residence since 16.05.2025. In this regard **DD No. 43A, Dated: 16.05.2025** has been registered at **P.S.: Swaroop Nagar, Delhi.**

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing woman but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing woman. Please inform to the following.

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**DP/6199/NW/2025**

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**P.S.: Swaroop Nagar, Delhi**
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## SEARCH FOR MISSING

Chanchal Singh

General public is hereby informed that a male namely **Chanchal Singh** S/o Pokhan Singh R/o 1964 Gali No. 2 Kailash Nagar Gandhi Nagar, Delhi has been missing from the area of his house. In this regard **DD No. 87A Dated 26.05.2025 has been Lodged at PS Gandhi Nagar, Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace the Missing Male, but no clue has come to light, so far. The description of the Missing Male is as under:

**Name:** Chanchal Singh, **Gender:** Male, **Age:** 25 years, **Height:** 5"7" ft, **Complexion:** Fair, **Built:** Strong, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Green T Shirt and Blue Jeans and brown leather shoes in feet. If anyone has any information regarding this Missing Male, kindly inform SHO/ Gandhi Nagar, Delhi.

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## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General Public is hereby informed that a male (depicted in the photo) engraved "महेंद्र कुमार" on his right forearm Namely: **Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown was admitted in Hindu Rao Hospital** on **13.06.2025** vide **MLC No.6011/2025,** where the doctor declared him brought dead on **13.06.2025** at **01.33 P.M.** The dead body has been preserved in **HRH Mortuary.** In this regard vide **DD No.35A Dated 13.06.2025** has been registered at **P.S Subzi Mandi, Delhi.**

**The description of the deceased is given as below:**

**Name:** Unknown, **Sex:** Male, **Age:** About 60 Years , **Height :** 5' 5", **Complexion:** Shallow, **Built:** Thin, **Face:** Oval, **Identification Mark:** Engraved "महेंद्र कुमार" on his right forearm, **Wearing:** Half Sleeves Shirt and Cream Color Pant.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to identify the man but no clue has come to light so far. Anyone having information about the person, please inform the undersigned.

**SHO**
**P.S Subzi Mandi, Delhi**
**Ph. : 8750870126**

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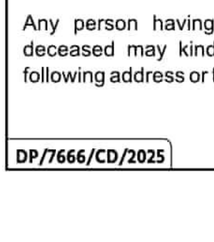

General public is hereby informed that one male namely **Raman Singh** S/o **Narender Singh R/o:** H.No. B-308, Street No. 2, Chatterpur Extension, near Nanda Hospital, New Delhi, **Age:** 29 years, **Height:** 5'10", **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Medium, wearing Blue colour Shirt, Black colour Pant and Formal Leather Shoes in feet, has been missing/kidnapped from his house since 09.06.2025. In this regard a **DD No. 75A, dated 10.06.2025, has been lodged at P.S. Mehrauli, Delhi.**

Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the male but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about him please inform undersigned.

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## SEARCH FOR MISSING

General public is hereby informed that a girl namely **Geetanjali, D/o: Ashok Kumar, R/o: H.No. 226, Gali No. 03A Block, Lakhpat Colony Part II, Badarpur, Delhi has been reported missing since 07.06.2025 at 7:00 PM from her home. In this regard DD No. 124A, dated 07.06.2025, has been registered at P.S. Jaitpur, Delhi.** The description of missing girl is as under:

**Name: Geetanjali, Age: 18 Years 11 Months, Height: 5', Complexion: Fair, Built: Thin, Face: Oval, Wearing: Grey Colour Top & Blue Colour Jeans .**

If anyone have any information about this missing girl please inform P.S. **Jaitpur**, Delhi.

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## SEARCH FOR MISSING

Krishna Sharma

General public is hereby informed that this girl **Name**: Krishna Sharma D/o Lt. Sh. Vijay Kumar **R/o** H.No. 65, Gali No. 03, Prem Vihar, Najafgarh, Delhi **Age :** 18.5 years, **Height :** 5 feet 2 inch, **Face:** Long, **Built:** Thin, **Complexion :** Fair, **Wearing:** Pink colour suit & salwar & Black colour slippers in feet is missing from her house since 16.05.2025. In this regard a DD No. 113A dated 19.05.2025 has been lodged at P.S. Najafgarh, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this missing girl may kindly inform the following.

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**DP/7698/DW/2025**

## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Namely** unknown **S/o** unknown, **R/o** unknown, **Age:** about 40 years, **Height:** 5 feet 9 inch, **Face:** Oval **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Built:** Lean, **Hair:** Brownish & long black beard, **Wearing:** Blue & white check shirt and blue jeans, **Place of Recovery:** Found unconscious near gate no. 4, Lok Nayak Hospital, New Delhi on 12.06.2025. He was admitted to the LNJP Hospital, who was declared brought dead by the doctor. In this regard **DD No. 78A dated 12.06.2025** has been registered at **PS I.P. Estate, Delhi.**

Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone numbers.

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**Ph. : 011-23370928, 8750870426, 8700244713**

**DP/7666/CD/2025**

## SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

General public is hereby informed that one female namely **Seema W/o** Pramod **R/o** H.No. C-87, Gali No. 1, Kh.No. 13/6/1 & 13/6/2, Ankur Enclave, Karawal Nagar Delhi, **Age:** 24 years, **Height:** 5'3", **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Fat, wearing Black colour Frock, Black colour Pajama and Chappal in feet, has been missing/kidnapped from her house in the area of P.S. Karawal Nagar, Delhi since 07.06.2025 at 6:00 AM. In this regard a **DD No. 74-A, dated 09.06.2025 has been lodged at P.S. Karawal Nagar, Delhi.**

Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the female but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about her please inform undersigned.

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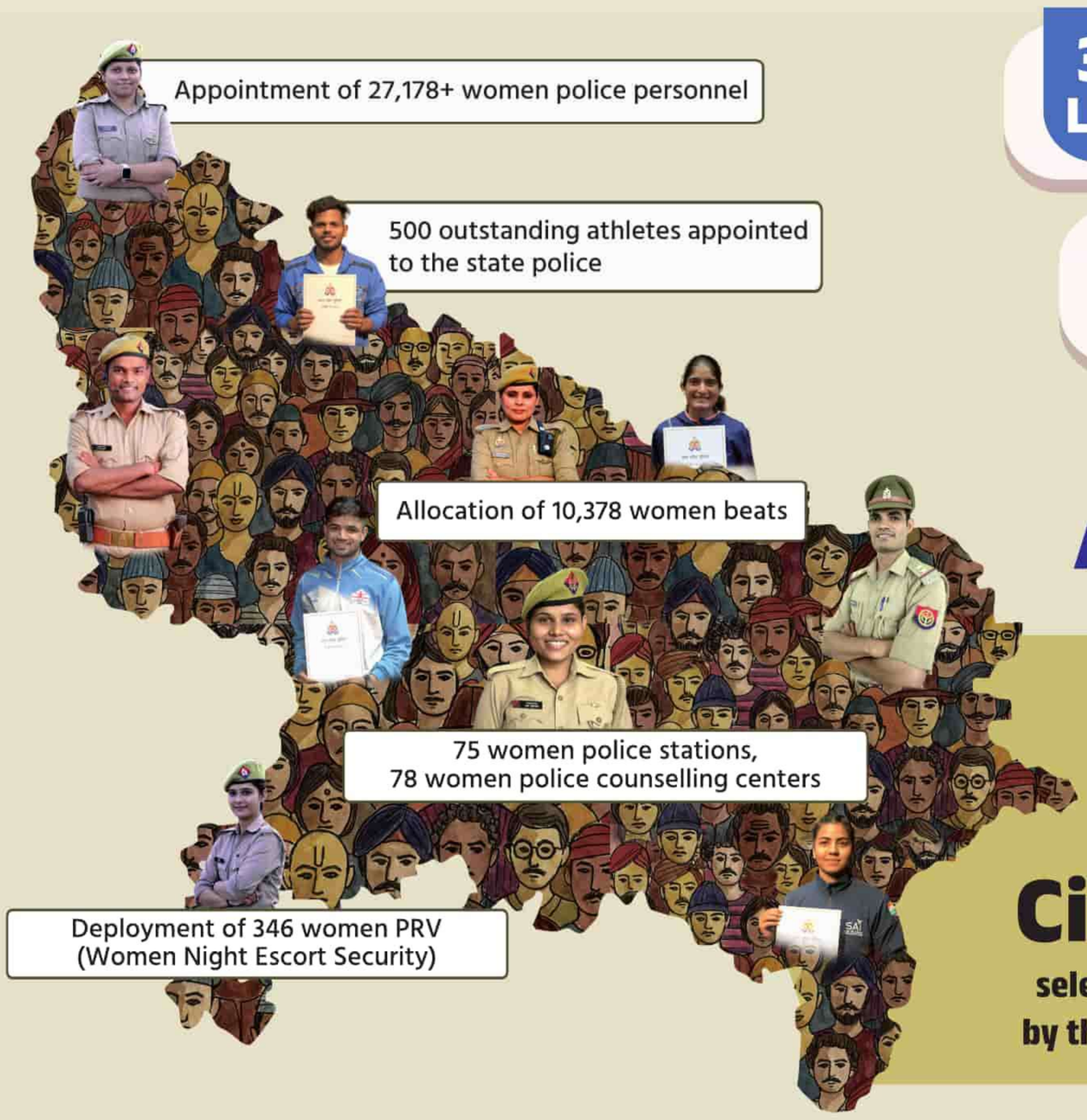


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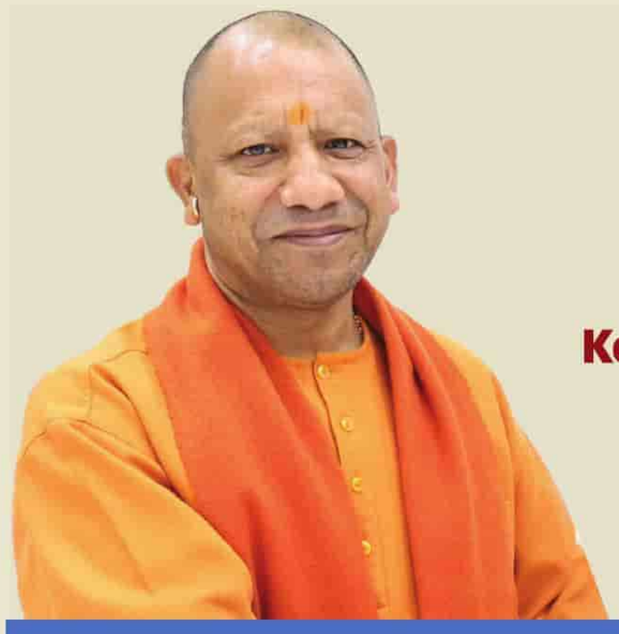

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## Indus waters will be taken to Raj, Pak to yearn for every drop: Shah

**Bhopal:** Indus waters will be taken to Rajasthan's Sri Ganganagar through canals within three years and irrigation facilities will benefit large areas even as Pakistan will crave every drop, Union home minister Amit Shah said Saturday.

"In Pahalgam, they (Pakistan-backed) terrorists attacked (tourists) by asking about religion. Now they will crave food grains. They will have to ask for food from foreign countries," Shah said in Madhya Pradesh's Pachmarhi. His comments came against the backdrop of the Centre putting Indus Waters Treaty with Pakistan "in abeyance" in the aftermath of the April 22 Pahalgam attack.

Addressing a three-day training session organised by Madhya Pradesh BJP for ministers, MPs and MLAs, Shah alluded to the recent controversy over state minister Vijay Shah's offensive remarks against Col Sofiya Qureshi.

Qureshi was one of the faces of the media briefing on Operation Sindoor launched against Pakistan over the Pahalgam attack. "Think before you speak," the home minister cautioned BJP functionaries.

# Family Trifecta: 3 officers in Army, Navy, IAF

### Anmol's Maternal Grandpa Was Also Decorated Officer In Territorial Army

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**Dehradun:** In a proud moment steeped in tradition and service, a Bengaluru-based family with deep roots in India's defence services witnessed its youngest member don the Indian Army uniform at the Indian Military Academy on Saturday. The occasion marked a milestone for Indian Air Force Air Commodore Vasant Navad, currently serving at the Integrated Defence Staff in Delhi, as he watched his younger son, Anmol Navad, join the ranks of the Indian Army as a commissioned officer.

Adding to the joy, Anmol's elder brother, Aryan Navad, an officer (naval aviator) in the Indian Navy, stood proudly beside him, celebrating the continuation of a family legacy dedicated to national service in all three wings of India's armed forces — Army, Navy and Air Force.

"These two individuals constantly inspired me to do something meaningful for the nation — something unique and challenging," said newly commissioned Lieutenant Anmol Navad. "My father is my source of inspiration, and my brother remains a rock-solid guiding pillar. Defence is where I truly belong."

Asked about the unique roles each member of his family will play in safeguarding the nation, Air Commodore Vasant Navad emphasised the critical coordination required among the three armed services to achieve victory, similar to the one during Operation Sindoor.

"Modern warfare has evolved into a multi-domain operation — whether it's space, cyber or psychological warfare, success now hinges on superior information and strategic integration," he said.

All set to join the Infantry Regiment of the Indian Army, Anmol shared his passion for squash and running — the latter, he said, gives him a true adrenaline rush. "Running pushes you beyond your limits, and that's where the sense of achievement lies. It was one of the reasons I was drawn to the National Defence Academy."

Reflecting on his time at the IMA, he recalled the Bhadraj camp in the Mussoorie hills as one of the most challenging parts of his training. Anmol's maternal grandfather, a decorated officer in the Territorial Army and recipient of the President's Medal, also embodied the family's legacy of service.

The 156th passing out parade of IMA, Dehradun, was held on Saturday

## 21-year-old Haryana cadet wins Sword of Honour, 3rd generation to join Army

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**Dehradun:** Twenty-one-year-old Anni Nehra from Rewari, Haryana, was awarded the prestigious Sword of Honour which is presented to the best all-round cadet, during the spring term passing out parade at the Indian Military Academy (IMA) in Dehradun on Saturday.

Commissioned into the Sikh Light Infantry Regiment, Anni belongs to a family with a proud military tradition. His father, Devendra Nehra, served in the 7 Jat Regiment, retiring as Havildar, and his grandfather was part of the 9 Jat Regiment, making him the third generation in his family to wear the uniform.

"This award is not just mine, it belongs to my family, my instructors, and the values passed down to me through generations," said Anni, his eyes gleaming with pride as he received the honour at the iconic Chetwode Drill Square. He was also awarded the silver medal for officer cadet standing second in the order of merit.

His mother, Suman Devi, said, "He grew up watching both his father and grandfather serve in the Army which inspired him to follow in their footsteps."

## Ladakhi farmer's rifleman son now an officer

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**Dehradun:** Tsering Nurdup, son of a farmer from Ladakh and a former rifleman in the Ladakh Scouts, was commissioned as a lieutenant — realising a lifelong dream and bringing pride not just to his family, but to an entire region.

Dressed in traditional Ladakhi attire, the Nurdup family stood out on the grounds of the iconic Chetwode Drill Square. As Lt Nurdup stood tall in his crisp ceremonial uniform, his mother clutched his hand — her eyes welling up with tears of pride and joy. Born into a modest home with a father who tills the tough terrains of Ladakh, a homemaker mother and a sister serving as a clerk in the Sashastra Seema Bal, Nurdup's journey is a story of grit and unshaken resolve. His dream — sparked by the olive green uniforms around him — never flickered, even as he began his career as a rifleman.

"Becoming a Class I officer in this prestigious institution was always my dream," he said, moments after the stars were pinned to his uniform, his voice steady but full of emotion.

## 151 self-loading rifles recovered in Manipur raids

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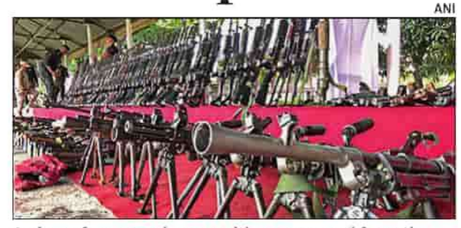

A view of arms and ammunition recovered from the outskirts of the 5 valley districts in Imphal on Saturday

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**New Delhi:** The Manipur police, in joint operations with personnel of central armed police forces (CAPFs), Army and Assam Rifles, have recovered 328 arms, including 151 self-loading rifles, in intelligence-based operations undertaken across five valley districts during the intervening night of June 13 and 14.

The recoveries include 65 INSAS rifles, 6 AK series rifles, 73 rifles, 12 Light Machine Guns (LMGs), 5 carbine guns, 2 MP5 guns, 2 Amogh rifles, 1 mortar, 6 pistols, 2 barrel guns, 1 AR15 and 2 flare guns. A huge cache of ammunition was also seized, including 591 magazines, 3,534 SLR rounds, 2,176 INSAS rounds, 2,252 .303 rounds, 235 AK series rounds, 407 Amogh rounds and 209mm rounds. As many as 10 grenades and 7 detonators were also seized.

"In the intervening night of 13.06.2025 and 14.06.2025, on receipt of intelligence regarding presence of large cache of arms and ammunition stashed in different areas of valley districts, simultaneous search operations were launched at different locations," office of Manipur DGP Rajeev Singh said in a statement.


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**IN THE COURTS**

## 16 get life term for BJP functionary's murder in 2022

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**Varanasi:** Sixteen people were sentenced to life imprisonment on Friday for killing BJP functionary Pashupatinath Singh in Jaiprakash Nagar area of Varanasi in 2022.

Fast Track Court-I Judge Kuldeep Singhal so fined each of them Rs 29,500.

"Those convicted are Vikas Bhardwaj, Mantu Saroj, Rahul Saroj, Manish Pandey, Ganesh Saroj, Abhishek Saroj, Anoop Saroj, Suraj Yadav, Anuj, alias Babu Saroj, Shyam Babu Rajbhar, Vishal Rajbhar, Suresh Saroj, and Arya, alias Akash Saroj, from Chandua Chittupur, Dinesh Pal and his brother Ramesh Pal from Indrapuri Colony, Shivpurwa, and Sandeep Kumar Gupta from Kumharpura Phulwaria," said additional district govt counsel (criminal) Manoj Gupta.

On Oct 12, 2022, Mantu Saroj and Rahul Saroj from Chandua Chittupur, along with two others, made a scene after drinking liquor at Rajkumar Singh's residence. When Rajkumar asked them to calm down, they threatened him and left. Later, the four, , accompanied by accomplices, returned with rods and sticks. Mantu and Rahul incited their friends to attack Rajkumar. Hearing the commotion Rajkumar's father, BJP politician Pashupatinath Singh, rushed to the scene where the assailants struck him on his head. Both father and son were taken to hospital where doctors declared Pashupatinath Singh dead.

"Pashupati's elder son, Rudresh, lodged an FIR with Sigra police station on Oct 13, 2022. Police filed a charge sheet against 18 accused before the court," ADGC Gupta said.

## Retd IAF man with high BP awarded disability pension

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**Chandigarh:** Armed Forces Tribunal (AFT) has questioned a defence ministry (MoD) justification for denying disability pension to a former Indian Air Force officer with hypertension and diabetes by dismissing it as a mere "lifestyle disease". The tribunal described the reasoning as "cryptic and unconvincing."

"The disease of hypertension and diabetes of the applicant is held as aggravated by Air Force service. The applicant is entitled to get disability at the rate of 50% for life from date of retirement," AFT's Lucknow bench held in its recent order on Wing Commander Anik K Nair (retd). Disability pension offers a slightly higher payout than standard pension. MoD had denied disability pension saying the officer's condition was the result of personal lifestyle choices rather than military service.

Nair initially joined as a soldier in 1986, was commissioned into IAF in Dec 1999, and retired on April 30, 2020, in low medical category on attaining the age of superannuation.

Before retirement, an IAF medical board in Jodhpur had in Oct 2019 assessed Nair's disabilities for hypertension and diabetes at 50% for life and opined the disabilities to be neither attributable to nor aggravated by service. His claim for the grant of the disability element was rejected on May 20, 2020. So, were his appeals. In his plea before AFT, Nair contended that the diseases were contracted during IAF service and, hence, were attributable to, and aggravated by, it.

## HC's contempt rule against judicial secy

Subrata Chattoraj | TNN

**Kolkata:** Calcutta high court issued a contempt rule against the state judicial secretary for not releasing a prisoner for over a year, violating a court order on April 18, 2024.

Justice Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya held that "prima facie a contempt case has been made out".

Petitioner Samir Das, a prisoner in custody for the last 21 years, was recommended for premature release by the State Sentence Review Board (SSRB), after completing 20 years, in terms of the court order.

The SSRB recommended his release a year ago. The next hearing on the matter is on June 27.

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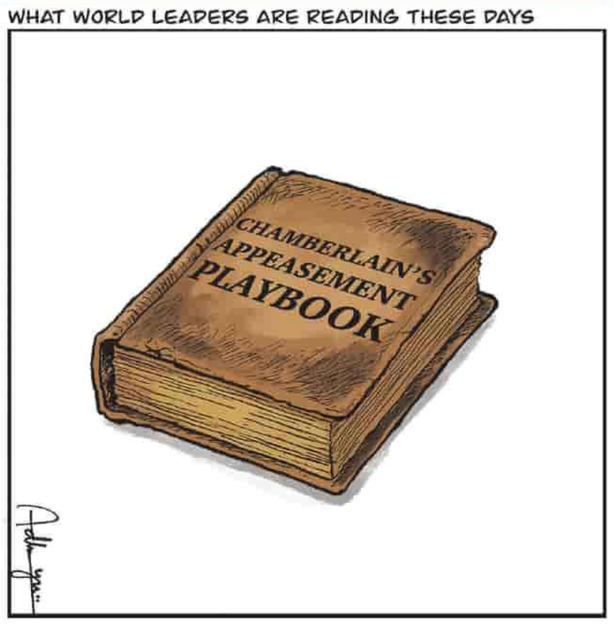


# After April 22 hit, 16 J&K tourist spots reopen

## More Sites To Follow Suit Post Review

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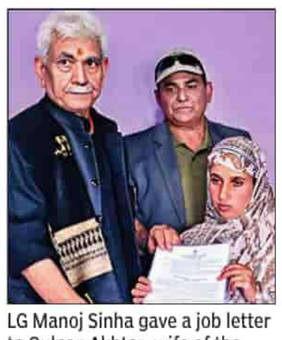
**Srinagar:** J&K lieutenant governor Manoj Sinha announced Saturday reopening of 16 of 48 tourist destinations that had been shut since the Pahalgam terror attack on April 22, taking a significant step towards restoring normalcy.

Eight of the spots to be reopened from June 17 are in the Valley and the rest in Jammu. The move follows appeals from CM Omar Abdullah, PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti and tourism industry stakeholders. "We have decided to open several destinations across J&K, including parks in Pahalgam and Betaab Valley," Sinha said in Pahalgam after meeting tourism operators.

He promised to reopen other sites after security assessments are over. Betaab Valley is so named as the 1983 blockbuster Betaab was shot in this Pahalgam pocket.

The LG announced reopening of Verinag, Kokernag, and Achabal gardens in south Kashmir's Anantnag, and Badamwari, Duck Park, and Taqdeer Park near Hazratbal in Srinagar. But Tulip Garden, a key Srinagar landmark whose prolonged closure CM Omar had protested, is not on the latest reopening list. "If you shut down Tulip Garden, then close all of Kashmir," Omar had said recently, expressing frustration over closures of tourist spots. In Jammu, the list of destinations to be reopened includes Sarthal and Dhaggar in Kathua, Devipindi, Siyad Baba, and Sula Park in Reasi, Guldanda and Jai Valley in Doda, and Pancheri in Udhampur.


LG Manoj Sinha gave a job letter to Gulnaz Akhter, wife of the pony wallah killed in Pahalgam

After the Pahalgam attack, LG Sinha's administration shut down 48 of J&K's 87 tourist spots. On Saturday in Pahalgam, Sinha met a delegation of elected representatives, tour and travel operators, pony owners, and hotel associations. "I have assured them that restrictions on other tourist destinations will be lifted after thorough security assessments," he said. A committee of divisional commissioners and IGs will coordinate with district officials and the tourism department to identify more locations for reopening, Sinha added.

The LG cited increased tourist arrivals due to the recent opening of the Kashmir-Katra railway line and heavy ticket bookings. "The Centre and corporate sector are organising conferences in J&K, which will help us move towards normalcy," Sinha said.

The LG referred to the upcoming Amarnath Yatra from July 3 to Aug 9, saying the annual pilgrimage would help boost the local economy and revive tourism while pointing out that the people of Kashmir had always supported the event.

## Times Network strengthens Canada presence

**Mumbai:** In a move to expand its footprint in international markets, Times Network on Saturday announced the launch of ET NOW and Times Now Navbharat on Rogers Xfinity TV in Canada. The expansion comes through a strategic distribution partnership with Ethnic Channels Group (ECG), the world's largest multicultural broadcaster, Times Network said in a press statement.

"The expansion underscores Times Network's commitment to serving the global Indian diaspora by delivering impactful, relevant, and high-quality news programming that resonates with international audiences," the statement added. TNN

## 'Toxic UP village drain' claims 13 lives in 15 days

**Meerut:** Thirteen people have died in the past 15 days in Budhpur village, Baghpat, with locals blaming toxic waste discharged into a nearby drain for contaminating the groundwater and triggering a health crisis, reports **Krishna Chaudhary**. The deaths, mostly from heart attacks, kidney failure and infections, have caused panic among villagers, who said no administrative action has been taken so far. Former village pradhan Surendra Pal Singh said the drain carries chemical effluents from sugar mills and untreated sewage from nearby colonies.

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Reference notice for filling up the various posts i.e. Deputy Director (Programme, Coordination & Research), Assistant Director (Science) and Officer-in-charge (Photography) on deputation basis in National Bal Bhavan published in the Employment News, Times of India (English) and Dainik Jagran (Hindi) on 28.12.2024. Further, the last date for receipt of applications (complete in all respect duly forwarded through proper channel) is extended upto 26.07.2025.

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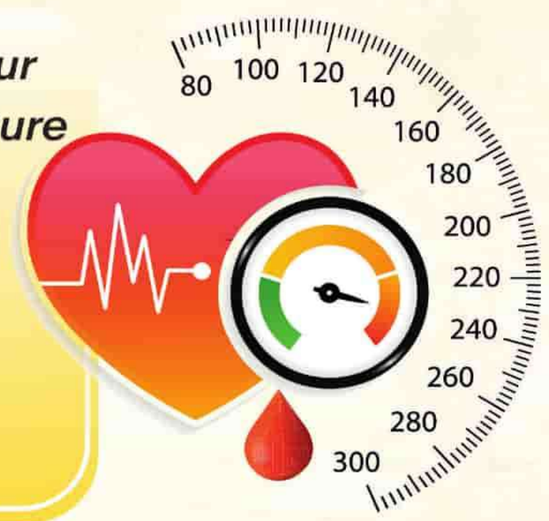


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## NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No.JHS-N-W-22-25 Date: 13.06.2025

**E-Tender Notice**

Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer/ Jhansi, DRM's office, Jhansi, for and on behalf of President of India invite open Tender through on Line **(E-Tendering)** for the following works.

**Description of work** : Provision of S&T work in connection with Yard improvement under ADEN/BNDA (23 Yard).

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| **Approx Cost :** ₹ 18670583.51/- | **Earnest Money**: ₹ 243400/- |
| **Cost of Tender Form :** Nil | **Opening of tender:** 07.07.2025 Time 15.00 |

**Completion period from issue of letter of acceptance:** 12 Months

Tender on line can be submitted upto **15.00 hrs. on 07.07.2025.** For full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in.**
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## NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

No. AGC-EL-C-T-14-2024-25 Date: 12.06.2025

**Tender Notice**

**Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer (Const.), North Central Railway, Agra** for and behalf of President of India invites "Open Tender" through on line only (E-Tendering) for the following works.

**SN.1. Name of work its location:** Design, Supply, erection, testing and commissioning of 2x25 KV, 50Hz, SP/SSP/TSS and Electrification of SSP/SP/TSS buildings in Dholpur-Sirmutra section in connection with GC work of DHO-SRMT project of AGC Division in N.C. Railway.

**2. Approx. Cost of the work: ₹ 26,55,51,734.70/-, 3. Completion Period:** 18 Months from the date of issue of acceptance letter including monsoon period. **4. Bid Security: ₹ 14,77,800/-, Tender Closing date & time: 04.07.2025** upto **15.00** hrs. **6. Validity of offer:** 90 days from the date of tender opening.

Tenderers can only submit their offer through web portal **www.ireps.gov.in** up to **15.00** hrs. on **04.07.2025.** Full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railway website **www.ireps.gov.in** 1025/25 FA

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RO No. 426 **e-TENDER NOTICE** Date: 13.06.2025

office of the Dy. General Manager (civil), UJVN Limited, Munsyari, Pithoragarh, invites online bids for construction of Sirkari Bhyol Rupsiabagar HEP (3X40 MW), Munsyari from interested parties Brief summary of tender given below:-

**Tender No.: 01/DGM(Civil)/SBR/2025-26**
**Name of work :** Construction of Coffer dam, Barrage, intake and its appurtenant works including river diversion works, Hydro mechanical works & associated project roads and bridges etc.
**Estimated Cost :** Rs 119.82 Crore (Plus GST Extra)
**Date of availability of bid document on website:** 17.06.2025 from 17:00 Hrs onwards
**Last date for submission of bid on website:** 14.07.2025 up to 16:00 Hrs
For full & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal **"http://uktenders.gov.in".**

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E-Tender Notice No. : JHS-N-W-21-25 Date :- 13.06.2025

**E-TENDER NOTICE**

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| **E-Tender No. :** JHS-N-W-21-25 | **Approx Cost :** Rs. 15458288.50/- |
| **Earnest Money :** Rs. 227300/- | **Cost of Tender Form :** Nil |

**Description of work :** Provision of S&T work in connection with yard improvement under ADEN/MBA (21 Yards).

**Opening of tender :** 07.07.2025 Time 15:00

**Completion period from issue of letter of acceptance :** 12 Months

- Tender on line can be submitted upto 15:00 hrs on 07.07.2025.
- For full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in**

**(NORTH CENTRAL RLY/JHANSI DIVISION-S AND T)** 1035/25(AS)

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## OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, P.W.D., CIRCLE-JHALAWAR

**Room No. - 158, Ground Floor ( Public Works Department), Mini Secretariat, Jhalawar**

E-mail :- plu_jhalawar@rediffmail.com/sejwar.pwd@rajasthan.gov.in Phone No. :- 07432-233336

**S. No. :- 198** **NIT No. 03/2025-26** **Date :- 27.05.2025**
**Notice Inviting Bid**
**NIB No. PWD2526A0877**

Bids for **"Construction of Non-patchable & Missing link Roads in Dist. Jhalawar in compliance with point number 17 of the Budget Announcement for the year 2025-26"** are invited from interested bidders **upto 6.00 PM, Dated 28.06.2025** Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal **(http://erpoc.rajasthan.gov.in, http://sppp.raj.nic.in)** of the Rajasthan and **http://pwd.rajasthan.gov.in website**. The approximate value of the procurement is **Rs. 3468.37 Lacs**.

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(Mukesh Chand Meena)
Superintending Engineer
Public Works Department Circle-Jhalawar

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**दिनांक 13.06.2025**

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## NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

**E-Tender Notice**

Dy. Chief Engineer/workshop/Jhansi for and behalf of President of India invites **"Open Tender"** through On Line (E-Tendering) for the following work.

**E-Tender No.:** Dy.CE-JHSW-77

**Description of work:** (A) RCNK Jhansi - Improvement of infrastructure facilities at RCNK Jhansi. (B) Provision of Shed for Substation Building (425 m²) and Ladies changing room in RCNK/JHS.

**Approx Cost Rs.:** 68894842.64 (Rs. Six crore eighty eight lakh ninety four thousand eight hundred forty two and sixty four paise only)

**Earnest Money Rs.:** 494500/- | **Cost of Tender Form Rs.:** NIL

**Date of closing of Tender: 10.07.2025** at **15:00 hrs, Date of Completion/period from issue acceptance letter:** 12 Months, For full details and submission of bid please see the Indian Railways website **www.ireps.gov.in.** 1026/25 (ADM)

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No. IADB/ENGG/ETND-EP-22/431/2025-26 Date: 12.06.2025

**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**
**(Through GoK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal only)**

Item Rate Tender under two cover bid system is invited for the work mentioned below as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999 and Rules 2000 through electronic procurement from eligible Contractors who have got adequate financial resources, state of the art technology, suitable construction equipments, technical man power & sufficient past experience for the following works as per the schedule given below:

**Name of the work:** Formation of Industrial Layout, including Construction of Roads, RCC Side Drains, Utility Ducts, Culverts & HDPE Water supply pipeline at Sira Industrial Area Phase 2, Sira Taluk, Tumakuru District.

Applicants may download bidding documents from the e-procurement portal **htpps://kppp.karnataka. gov.in.**

Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders: **18.07.2025 up to 04:00 pm.**

Sd/-
Chief Engineer-1
K.I.A.D.B, Bengaluru

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## NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

**E-Procurement Tender Notice No.:** 25/28 **Date:** 13.06.2025

**E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE**

On behalf of the President of India, **The Principal Chief Materials Manager, North Central Railway, Prayagraj, (An ISO 9001:2015 certified unit)** invites the following E-procurement Tenders.

| S.N. | Tender No. | Short Description | Qty. | Tender Opening Date |
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| 1 | 38252705 | BRAKE HEAD PIN FOR BMBS | 19956 Nos. | 02.07.2025 |
| 2 | 64255146 | POWER PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD | 5475 Nos. | 16.07.2025 |
| 3 | 64255155 | SET OF MODIFIED CARBIDE TAMPING TOOL FOR CSM | 26 Set | 14.07.2025 |
| 4 | 64255148 | Tamping Arm Big/Small Out | 233 Nos. | 10.07.2025 |
| 5 | 64255139 | Clutch, Drive, Variable Cutter, Chain Drive & Hydraulic Pump | 220 Nos. | 11.07.2025 |
| 6 | 64255133 | Caterpillar Engine | 02 Nos. | 09.07.2025 |
| 7 | 30253029 | SPEED SENSOR FS01 | 134 NOS. | 22.07.2025 |

**Note:** The complete information of above tenders can be seen and downloaded from **IREPS** website i.e. **https://www.ireps.gov.in.** For any change/corrigendum in tender, please visit this website regularly. No separate corrigendum/change will be published in news paper. **1029/25 (A)**

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पत्रांक सं. 430 **E-Tender Notice** दिनांक 13.06.2025

Office of the Dy. General Manager (Civil), Arakot-Tiuni & Tiuni Plasu Project, UJVN Limited, Dakpathar, Dehradun invites online bids from interested parties. Brief summary of tender is given below

**Tender No.: 01/UJVNL/ DGM (Civil-AT&TP)/2025-26**

**Name of work:** "Construction of Civil works of barrage, intake, adits, HRT, surge shaft, power house building including appurtenant works along with supply, erection, testing, commissioning of Hydro-Mechanical works like barrage spillway gate, intake gate, surge shaft gate, draft tube gate etc and Electro-Mechanical works like draft tube, spiral casing, stator, rotor, generator, transformer, control room, switchyard etc of Tiuni-Plasu HEP (72 MW) on River Tons in District Dehradun of Uttarakhand".

| | |
|---|---|
| **Estimated cost** | : Rs. 537.56 Cr. at P.L. July, 2021 (GST extra as applicable) |
| **Date of availability of bid document on website** | : 18-06-2025 after 11:00 Hrs. |
| **Last date for submission of bids on website** | : 14-07-2025 Upto 17:00 Hrs. |

For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal http://uktenders.gov.in.

**Dy. General Manager (Civil)**
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**No :- CB/Look Out Notice/2025/38368-85** **DPHQ Udhampur Dated :-13.06.2025**

**LOOK OUT NOTICE**

As requested by Dy. SP PC Udhampur vide letter No. PCU/2025/1635 dated 12.06.2025 that on 08.05.2025 applicant namely Rajo Bibi W/O late Atter Din R/O Kothri Ladda, Tehsil Moungri, District Udhampur lodged a missing report at PP Damnote to the effect that her son namely Ghulam Ali is missing from Ladda since 24.04.2025. Accordingly, a missing report has been entered at PP Damnote (PS Panchari) vide DDR No. 08 dated 08.05.2025. The Photograph with descriptive roll of missing person is as under :-

| Photo | Description |
|---|---|
| | Name = Ghulam Ali |
| | Age = 18 yrs. |
| | Complexion = fair |
| | Hair = Black |
| | Height = 5' 7" |
| | Dress= white t-shirt and blue jean trouser |

It is therefore requested that have a sharp lookout may please be maintained and if traced out or any clue leading to the whereabouts of said missing person is received an information may kindly be shared on the below mentioned Telephone Nos./ Fax/ e-mail address for further course of action.

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**SSP Udhampur**

## NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

Corrigendum Notice No. 2520252026
Dated: 10.06.2025

**Cancellation Notice**

**Sub:-** Tender Notice No. 2520252026- TD-88 dated **27.05.2025**

Following modification of above tender notice is made, may please read as follows:

**Tender Notice No.** : 2520252026; **Tender No.** 88, **Description:** Due to unavoidable circumstances, tender is here by cancelled. 928/25 FA

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## SOUTH EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY

**TENDER NOTICE FOR ANNUAL REPAIR CONTRACT (ARC)**

**(1) Tender No. TRD-BSP-277-25-26. Dtd. 11.06.2025.**

**Work:** Annual Repair Contract (ARC) of Cummins Make Engine of Tower Car/Tower Wagons in Bilaspur Division for 02 years.

**Tender Value :** ₹ **3,27,76,995.90/- . EMD :** ₹ **3,13,900.00/- . Submission of Tender :** Up to **15:00** hrs. on 03/07/2025.

For further details/purchase of Tender document, eligibility criteria & the complete details for the above works, please contact Office of the Sr. DEE/TRD/SECR/ Bilaspur or refer download tender document which is available on our website **https://www.ireps.gov.in.**

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## NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY

**CORRIGENDUM,** Website- www.ner.indianrailway.gov.in, Date: 13.06.2025

Under noted amendment is hereby made against tender no 22250738 due on 18.06.2025 & T.Notice No.30 Date-03.06.2025 (item no. 33), **Item No.:**33, **Item Desc.:** Eligibility, **Existing Entry:** Regular Purchase order(s) for bulk quantity will be placed on ICF/RCF/MCF approved vendors for tendered items as per UVAM ICF Item ID No. 2300014, as per conditions mentioned in clause 2.8.1 to 2.8.4 and 2.8.5.2 of NER bid documents Ver. 44.0,**Amended as:** Regular Purchase order(s) for bulk quantity will be placed on ICF/RCF/MCF approved vendors for tendered items as per UVAM ICF Item ID No. 2300011, as per conditions mentioned in clause 2.8.1 to 2.8.4 and 2.8.5.2 of NER bid documents Ver. 44.0, **Tender opening date: Existing Entry:**18.06.2025,**Amended as:**30.06.2025, **Remarks: Existing Entry:** Existing 04 firms, **Amended as:** Existing 04 firms deleted New 15 firms as per UVAM ICF ID No.-2300011 added, All other terms and condition will be remain unchanged. **Note:** Above information may be seen on NER website **www.ner.indianrailway.gov.in** & Govt of India's website **www.tenders.gov.in**

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**Office of the Executive Engineer, SWD-Yelahanka Zone, 3rd Floor, Mini Vidhanasoudha, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560064.**

**No: EE/SWD/YLK/Tend/05/2025-26** **Date: 13-06-2025**

**INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) - (SHORT TERM)**
**(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)**

The Executive Engineer, SWD - Yelahanka Zone, BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders from eligible Contractors registered in BBMP or equivalent registration with CPWD / KPWD / Railways / MES / National Highway or any State Government Organizations for the Construction of works detailed below.

**(Standard Tender Document - KW-4)**

| Sl. No. | Name of the Work |
|---|---|
| 1 | Expansion / Widening of Narrow Water Vents for Construction of Retaining Walls, 'U' Drains, Box Drains and Culverts / Bridges to Storm Water Drains at Various Locations in Byatarayanapura and Yelahanka Constituency of Yelahanka Zone **"Package YLK-1" (Project No. 06, 07 and 23) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 2268.52 (Excluding GST), EMD Amount (in Rs.): 22,69,000.00 (Rs. 1,00,000.00 through KPP Portal and Rs. 21,69,000.00 through BG in Favour of Executive Engineer, SWD-Yelahanka Zone)** |
| 2 | Expansion / Widening of Narrow Water Vents for Construction of Retaining Walls, 'U' Drains, Box Drains and Culverts / Bridges to Storm Water Drains at Various Locations in Byatarayanapura and Yelahanka Constituency of Yelahanka Zone **"Package YLK-2" (Project No. 03, 04, 22 and 24) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 2189.48 (Excluding GST), EMD Amount (in Rs.): 21,90,000.00 (Rs. 1,00,000.00 through KPP Portal and Rs. 20,90,000.00 through BG in Favour of Executive Engineer, SWD-Yelahanka Zone)** |
| 3 | Expansion / Widening of Narrow Water Vents for Construction of Retaining Walls, 'U' Drains, Box Drains and Culverts / Bridges to Storm Water Drains at Various Locations in Byatarayanapura and Yelahanka Constituency of Yelahanka Zone **"Package YLK-3" (Project No. 05, 08, 09, 25 and 26) - Approximated Amount of Work (Rs. in Lakhs): 2229.25 (Excluding GST), EMD Amount (in Rs.): 22,30,000.00 (Rs. 1,00,000.00 through KPP Portal and Rs. 21,30,000.00 through BG in Favour of Executive Engineer, SWD-Yelahanka Zone)** |

**Calendar of Events: 1)** Tender Documents can be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 16-06-2025. 2)** Last Date for Queries of Tenders is **20-06-2025 upto 17.30 Hours. 3)** Date of Pre Bid Meeting is **21-06-2025 at 15.00 Hours in Office of the Chief Engineer, Storm Water Drain, BBMP, 9th Floor, Jayanagara Shopping Complex, 4th Block, Jayanagara, Bengaluru - 560011. 4)** Last Date for Receipt of Tenders is **05-07-2025 upto 17.30 Hours. 5)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid is **07-07-2025 at 17.30 Hours or next working day. 6)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid: **Will be intimated to Technically Qualified Contractor Successful Bidder in KPP Portal.** Further details can be had from the above office.

**Sd/- Executive Engineer, SWD-Yelahanka Zone, BBMP.**

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| क्र० सं० | ई-निविदा संख्या | कार्य का विवरण | ई-निविदा: बिड ऑनलाईन व ऑफलाइन जमा की अन्तिम तिथि | ई-निविदा: ऑफ लाइन खुलने की तिथि एवं समय | ई-निविदा: ऑन लाइन खुलने की तिथि एवं समय |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | वि.वि.म. (च.)/16/2025-26 | ओ एण्ड एम० मद में विद्युत परीक्षण खण्ड रूद्रपुर के अर्न्तगत विद्युत परीक्षण प्रयोगशाला सितारगंज व लोहाघाट (टनकपुर) हेतु 06 नग जे0एम0टी0 एक वर्ष हेतु बाहय ऐजेन्सी के माध्यम से कार्योन्जित करने का कार्य, निविदा विशिष्टि के अनुसार। निविदा मूल्य रू0 1,180/– एवं धरोहर धनराशि रू0 55,000/– | 30.06.2025 11:00 बजे | 30.06.2025 11:15 बजे | 30.06.2025 12:00 बजे |
| 2. | वि.वि.म. (च.)/17/2025-26 | ओ0 एण्ड एम मद में वि0वि0ख0 सितारगंज के 33/11 के0वी0 विद्युत उपसंस्थान बरा के लाईन व परिवर्तक अनुरक्षण एंव उपभोक्ता शिकायत निवारण का कार्य, निविदा विशिष्टि के अनुसार। निविदा मूल्य रू0 2,360/– एवं धरोहर धनराशि रू0 75,000/– | 30.06.2025 11:00 बजे | 30.06.2025 12:15 बजे | 30.06.2025 12:30 बजे |
| 3. | वि.वि.म. (च.)/18/2025-26 | कैपिटल एस0आई0 मद में वि0वि0ख0 खटीमा के अन्तर्गत 33/11 के0वी0 उपसंस्थान हल्दी से निकलने वाले बग्गा–54 पोषक (बग्गा–54 से सुराई) तक 4.4 कि0मी0 ए0 सी0एस0आर0 वीजल के स्थान पर ए0ए0ए0एसी0 (इन्सुलेटेड कवर्ड कण्डकटर) से बदलने का कार्य, निविदा विशिष्टि के अनुसार। निविदा मूल्य रू0 11,800/– व धरोहर राशि रू0 3,20,000/ | 30.06.2025 11:00 बजे | 30.06.2025 12:45 बजे | 30.06.2025 13:00 बजे |

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## Public Works Department
## Office of The Superintending Engineer, Pwd, Raipur Circle No.-1 Raipur. (C.G.)

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

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| PGT(Economics) | 01 | Assistant Teacher* | 28 |
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## Manipur 6 boys are first in their families to join armed forces

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The pack that once shared classrooms and quiet ambition now stood shoulder to shoulder in uniform, carrying into service a bond forged in brotherhood.

Each is the first in his family to join the armed forces. Their fathers are farmers, grocers, small business owners.

Drawn together by childhood rhythms — morning drills, hostel dorms, schoolyard rivalries — they navigated adolescence and exams always as a group. In 2021, all six had cleared the NDA exam, in a rare alignment of fate each one making the cut.

Inside the auditorium, Lt Angom stood near the plaque commemorating the Battle of Basantar and reflected on where it all began. The auditorium is named after Second Lt Arun Khetarpal, a 21-year-old officer who was posthumously awarded the Param Vir Chakra after he refused to abandon his burning tank

**BAND OF BROTHERS**

during the 1971 Indo-Pak battle, destroying several enemy tanks before being fatally hit. His story — engrained in IMA's tradition — is one every cadet knows. "We learnt life together — not just sports or academics," Angom said. "Now, for the first time in years, we part ways as we join different regiments and are posted to different corners of the country."

Manipur, the state they call home, has seen its share of turbulence. Two years ago, widespread ethnic unrest fractured communities and brought everyday life to a halt. But when asked about it, the newly commissioned officers offered no anger — only clarity. "Good and bad times are part of life," said Lt M Denish. "We must learn from both and focus on building our careers. That's how we can help our society and our state."

Among those watching in silence was A Ingocha, a farmer. His son, Lt Naoton, now stood in uniform beside the five boys who had grown up with him — friends bound not just by memory, but by a promise kept.

## 38 arrested in Assam town after unrest

**Guwahati:** Authorities in Assam's Dhubri town have issued shoot-on-sight orders at night and arrested 38 people since Friday following communal unrest sparked by the discovery of cattle heads outside two temples during Eid and the following day.

Chief minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced the arrests Saturday on X. He visited Dhubri to assess the flare-up and said posters from a secessionist group calling itself Nabin Bangla were found in the area. The group had called for the district's merger with Bangladesh.

Dhubri SSP Navin Singh has been transferred. Leena Doley has taken charge amid escalating tensions in the border town near Bangladesh. Security forces remain on high alert, and officials continue efforts to prevent violence. TNN

# PM leaves for 3-nation tour to Cyprus, Canada & Croatia today

## Expected To Hold Several Bilateral Meets

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Modi's visit to Cyprus — the first by an Indian PM since AB Vajpayee visited the country in 2002 — is significant also as it comes in the middle of India's tensions with Turkiye over the latter's support to Pak**

**New Delhi:** PM Narendra Modi will travel to Cyprus on Sunday for the first leg of his three-nation tour that will see him participating in the G7 Summit in Canada and also visiting Croatia on his way back. Modi is also expected to have several bilateral meetings on the margins of the summit in Kananaskis.

While the PM will have a meeting with his Canadian counterpart Mark Carney, his other bilateral engagements are still being worked out, official sources said. Modi will also come face to face with US President Donald Trump for the first time since their meeting in Feb.

The ministry of external affairs said in a statement that the visit to Cyprus — the first by an Indian PM since AB Vajpayee visited the country in 2002 — will reaffirm the shared commitment of the two countries to deepen bilateral ties and strengthen India's engagement with the Mediterranean region and the European Union.

The visit to Cyprus is significant also as it comes in the middle of India's tensions with Turkiye over the latter's support to Pakistan. Ankara's recognition of the so-called Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus in the northern region that was seized by Turkish forces in 1974 and differences over gas exploration rights in the Eastern Mediterranean remain a constant source of tensions between Turkiye and Cyprus.

Modi is expected to reach Canada on June 16, a day after the opening of the G7 Summit. This would be his sixth consecutive participation in the G7 Summit.

"At the summit, the PM will exchange views with leaders of G7 countries, other invited outreach countries and heads of international organisations on crucial global issues, including energy security, technology and innovation, particularly the AI-energy nexus and Quantum-related issues," said govt in its announcement.

For the final leg of his tour, Modi will visit to Croatia on June 18. This will be the first ever visit by an Indian PM to Croatia. "The visit to Croatia will also underscore India's commitment to further strengthening its engagement with partners in the European Union," said govt.

## Not the first time India has broken ranks with SCO

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The overall position of India as stated above was communicated to other SCO members. Keeping that in mind, India did not participate in the discussions on the above-mentioned SCO statement," said the Indian govt, disowning the SCO condemnation of Israel.

While India has disassociated itself from the SCO condemnation of Israel, last year it did sign on to a Brics statement criticising Israel for its actions in Gaza. Unlike with Brics though, Pakistan is a member of SCO and India would also perhaps not have liked to be seen as joining hands with a traditional foe to condemn a trusted partner in Israel.

This is not the first time India has broken ranks with SCO but any Indian rejection of the grouping's joint statements or initiatives so far had been related to concerns about China. India has never endorsed China's Belt and Road Initiative in SCO joint statements and in the 2023 summit the Indian govt backed out of the organisation's economic development strategy for 2030 that seemed more attuned to Chinese interests and policies.

Rescue personnel work at an impact site following missile attack from Iran on Israel in Rishon LeZion, Israel on Saturday

India otherwise sees SCO as an important platform for promoting trade and investment, connectivity, and for counterterrorism cooperation, prevention of radicalisation and for addressing the situation in Afghanistan with other stakeholders in the grouping. In the case of Iran, India continues to officially cherish its "civilisational ties" with the country, backing cooperation in areas like trade, connectivity and counterterrorism.

India's strong defence and security cooperation with Israel was evident recently in the successful Indian use of Israeli drones and air defence systems in the conflict with Pakistan.

However, while Israel sees Iran as the principal backer of terrorism, India holds that it's Pakistan that is the fountainhead of global terrorism.

India was among 19 countries that abstained from voting on a UN General Assembly resolution on Thursday that sought unconditional and lasting ceasefire, drawing criticism from opposition parties.

## 60k new police recruits to get job letters from Shah, Yogi today

**Lucknow:** Union home minister Amit Shah's presence at a Lucknow event to distribute appointment letters to 60,000 newly recruited police constables on Sunday will have much more than symbolic value, reports **Rajiv Srivastava**.

When Uttar Pradesh chief minister Yogi Adityanath met Shah in Delhi on June 9, pictures of the meeting went viral, becoming a hot topic of discussion in political circles. Although it was officially termed a "courtesy visit", UP govt sources told **TOI** that the CM called on the home minister primarily to invite him to be the chief guest at the ceremony on June 15 for distribution of job letters.

Although it's a police event and the Union home minister is a natural choice for chief guest, it's not as simple as that in this case, say political analysts. "Shah's presence at this UP govt even is significant considering he has not attended many such events in the past in the state," they say. Shah's presence on the dais will quell wild guesses about their relationship, say UP watchers.

## NDA netas accuse Lalu of insulting Ambedkar, demand apology

**Jainarain Pandey** | TNN

**Patna:** NDA functionaries in Bihar demanded a public apology from RJD chief **Lalu Prasad** Saturday after a viral video showed one of his supporters placing a portrait of Dr Bhim Rao Ambedkar near his feet during Lalu's birthday celebration on Wednesday. In the video, Lalu Prasad does not touch the photo frame, and his security guards move it aside.

Bihar deputy chief minister and BJP's neta Samrat Choudhary said, "This video proves that Lalu does not respect Dalits or Ambedkar's ideas. Insulting Dalits and backward castes is part of his style. Showing disrespect to Ambedkar on his birthday is a shameful act."

Union minister and HAM chief Jitan Ram Manjhi added, "Lalu sitting with his feet toward Ambedkar's photo is a big insult. People should take note."

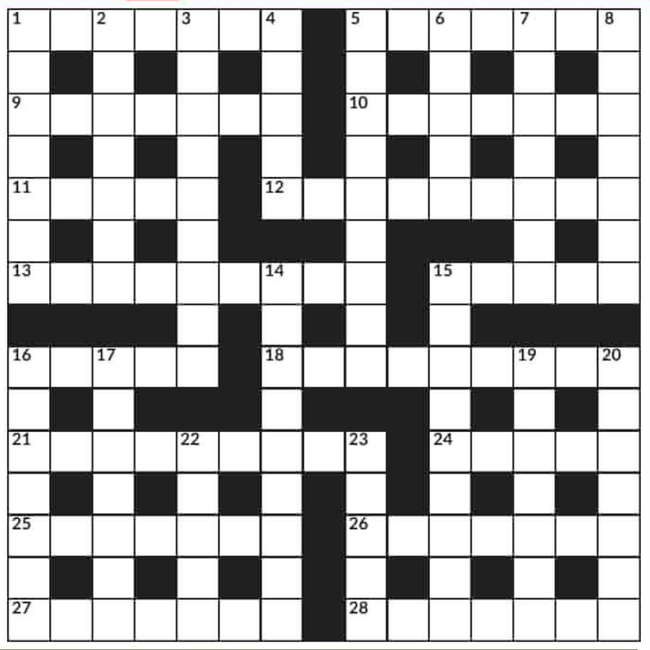
JD(U) Bihar unit chief Umesh Singh Kushwaha said, "These people do politics in Ambedkar's name but insult him. This is what they call socialism. Everyone respects Ambedkar, but he is showing his feet."

However, RJD denied the accusations. Party spokesperson Sarika Paswan said, "Lalu is the only one who truly respects Baba Saheb. BJP will never understand that. People are not understanding the feelings of the party worker." Former Union minister and BJP neta Ravi Shankar Prasad said, "The person who placed the photo may be a follower, but what was Lalu doing? He should have known that Ambedkar is a respected figure in this country."

## THE TOI CROSSWORD

CROSSWORD No. TCC#0224

The **TOI Crossword contest** is on a short break, but the crossword itself will continue to be featured in The Sunday Times of India, so that you can continue to relish the challenge every week. **Stay tuned!**



The Times of India CROSSWORD EVERY SUNDAY

### CRYPTIC CLUES

**Across**
1 Likes better to allude to something in a postscript (7)
5 Offenders dismissed by decrees (7)
9 I earn it as a change from work (7)
10 Some wear a cheerful smile in affliction (7)
11 Tina makes a comeback with a new name (5)
12 Two elements of risk for the reformed alcoholic? (9)
13 Alice pops out of the church (9)
15 Competed in speed with one in the highway (5)
16 Is paid pots, say (5)
18 Not even a soldier (9)
21 Murderous sort of competition? (9)
24 Unusually sober attire (5)
25 Sweet little couple having a row (7)
26 His money may be well-earned (7)
27 New England domains (7)
28 Coloured lights set in glass (7)

**Down**
1 Undisclosed military rank (7)
2 Retired academics, i.e. elevated and retaining worth (7)
3 Casts a spell with appearances on stage (9)
4 Post office workers (5)
5 One who bosses the boss? (9)
6 Cast worth putting into new production (5)
7 It's no fun as a rule for him (7)
8 Cut some grain in an outhouse (7)
14 Restrained people (9)
15 Looking about (9)
16 He's broken out of quarters and disturbs the peace (7)
17 Withdraw both note and pamphlet (7)
19 Bloomer made by shy essayist (7)
20 Arranged rosters for holidays perhaps (7)
22 Give a lift to one in the army (5)
23 Diets must change with the times (5)

### QUICK CLUES

**Across**
1 Bound (7) 5 Large flatfish (7) 9 US car-making city (7) 10 Green salad vegetable (7) 11 Bird notable for plumage (5) 12 Semi-legendary English outlaw (5,4) 13 Promotional pitch (5,4) 15 Extravagant outing (5) 16 Sudden increase of power (5) 18 Lewis Carroll character (3,6) 21 Remote from main thoroughfares (3,3,3) 24 Available (5) 25 Acute annoyance (7) 26 Without requiring evidence (2,5) 27 Cavalrymen (7) 28 Counterfeiting (7)

**Down**
1 Eccentricity (7) 2 Not exaggerated (7) 3 Fine aesthetic perception (4,5) 4 Discourage (5) 5 Incompletely planned (4-5) 6 Language used by Virgil (5) 7 Woman's private room (7) 8 Foot-operated lever (7) 14 Weapons of war (9) 15 Massacre (9) 16 Self-controlled in adversity (7) 17 Forbear (7) 19 Expression of respect (7) 20 Justifiably (7) 22 Multitude (5) 23 Impervious (5)

### SOLUTIONS TO LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD

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**SHORT NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER**
**E-NIT No. JS/PHECD-I/15 of 2025-26**
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For and on behalf of The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jammu, of J&K Union Territory, E-Tender (Item Rate Based-Annual Maintenance) is invited by the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1, Jammu, from approved and eligible contractor of appropriate class registered with UT of Jammu and Kashmir/ other UT's or State Govt./CPWD/MES/Railways, registered firms/contractors under two cover system, Cover 1 comprising of technical bid and cover 2 comprising of financial bid for the following work :-

| S. No. | Name of work | Cost of Tender (In Rs.) | Cost of Tender document Fees (In Rs.) | Earnest Money Deposit | Class of Contractor | Time of Completion |
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1. Date of publishing :- **09/06/2025 (1800 Hrs)**
2. Bid documents can be seen and downloaded from the website www.jktenders.gov.in from **09/06/2025 (1800 Hrs) onwards.**
3. The bids shall be uploaded on the website www.jktenders.gov.in from **09/06/2025 (1800 Hrs)** to **16/06/2025 upto (1200 Hrs).**
4. The complete bidding process shall be online.
5. The technical bids received shall be opened online on **16/06/2025 after (1500 Hrs).** or any other convenient later date in the office of The Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1, Jammu.

No: PHECD-I/1237-42
Dated:-09-06-2025
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Sd\-
Executive Engineer
Jal Shakti (PHE) City Division No-1
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**EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY**

**NOTICE INVITING OPEN TENDER**

**Tender Notice No. 07/TRD/DNR/OT/25-26**

The Divisional Railway Manager, E. C. Railway, Danapur invites sealed open tender on behalf of the President of India for the following works:

**Tender No.: TRD/DNR/OT/07/25-26**

**1. Name of work with its location:** Modification of elementry section for improvement of traffic as well as maintenance facilities in the section of JAJ-KCA and PG line of Danapur division, **2. Approx Cost of the work (NIT value): Rs. 1,32,74,762.38/-, 3. Earnest Money to be deposited: 2,16,400.00/-, 4. Date & time for selling, submission and opening of tenders:** The tender have to be submitted online on www.ireps.gov.in upto 12.00 hrs. on the date of opening i.e. 03.07.2025 and will be opened on the same day at 12.30 hrs, **5. Website particulars, notice board location where complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc:** Detailed tender notice, eligibility criteria & tender documents can be seen from the CRIS website **http://www.ireps.gov.in** & full details of notice can be seen on notice board of Sr. DEE (TRD)/E.C. Railway/ Danapur, All corrigendum will be uploaded on website if required.

**Divinl. Railway Manager, E.C. Rly., Danapur**
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## *Raj boy overcomes self-doubt to script NEET success story*

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**His Hindi medium background — something Mahesh initially feared would be a disadvantage — spurred him to work extra hard, eventually helping him bag AIR-1**

**Jaipur:** Rajasthan boy Mahesh Kumar, who secured the top rank in NEET-UG 2025 with 99.9 percentile score, has scripted a success story that challenges conventional perceptions — that English medium students have a natural advantage in competitive examinations.

Hailing from the small town of Nohar in Hanumangarh district, Mahesh did not even want to take up science in class 11, let alone think of pursuing medicine, as he did not have the confidence that he, being a Hindi medium student, he could crack tough entrance examinations like JEE or NEET. It was destiny, and his determination and hard work, that he finally managed to overcome self-doubt, and cracked the medical entrance exam with all-India top rank in his very first attempt.

His Hindi medium background — something Mahesh initially feared would be a disadvantage — spurred him to work extra hard, eventually helping him bag AIR-1.

Mahesh said in his coaching classes, while solving practice test papers, he learnt how to make a balance between Hindi and English questions, which helped in quick solving.

"A few months before the exam, pressure increases. Given last year's NEET-UG confusion, I was tense. When we got the question paper, it was a different format. So, keeping calm and solving it under pressure was a challenge. After the exam, I knew I won't get a score of 700. Later, when I analysed the answers, I realised that I will get a decent rank, but never thought I would be the topper," said a beaming Mahesh.

His family reveals that medical stream was not his original choice.

"After class 10, when it was time to choose the stream, he was inclined towards Humanities and wanted to crack IAS or RAS. He feared that having studied in Hindi medium throughout, he might not do well in JEE or NEET. Today, Mahesh has done something we never imagined," said his proud mother, Hemlata Bagwani, a schoolteacher.

It was Mahesh's sister Himanshi who encouraged him to pursue medicine. This motivation, combined with unwavering family support, proved crucial to his success.

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**INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)**

File No-B-I-Tourism-07/2025 Lr. No.- 22507 Bhubaneswar, the 6th June, 2025

**Invitation for Bids**
**Bid Identification No. C.E. (B)- 11/2025-26**

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| 5. | Class of Contractor | : | **'A' Special Class** |
| 6. | Availability of Bid Documents in the website | : | **From dt. 20.06.2025 to 17.00 Hours of dt. 05.07.2025.** |
| 7. | Date of Opening of Bid | : | **Dt. 07.07.2025 at 11:30 AM.** |
| 8. | The Bidders have to participate in **ONLINE** bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website: **https://tendersodisha.gov.in.** Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only. | | |

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**Advt. No. DHO-SEC II- MISC-0006-2025-63** **Dt. 12.06.2025**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

The Director of Horticulture-cum-Ex-Officio Additional Secretary to Govt., Odisha invites RFP in sealed cover from eligible bidders (agencies/ organizations) for engagement of professional agencies for setting up of Project Management Unit in Odisha. The sealed application along with all documents mentioned in the RFP should be submitted to this Directorate on or before **17.07.2025 by 5.00 P.M.** through Regd. Post/Speed Post (P&T Deptt.) only. The sealed envelope should be superscribed with **"Application for engagement of professional agencies for setting up of Project Management Unit in Directorate of Horticulture, Odisha"** with proper details of the Bidder as mentioned in the Section-2 of the RFP. The detail along with TOR is available in the website.

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**Ex-officio Addl. Secretary to Govt.**
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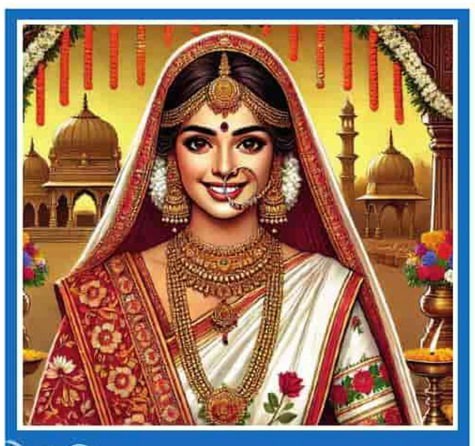

## WANTED BRIDES

### BY CASTE

### AGARWAL-BISA

**MBA** IIM(A) B.Tech 95 born boy 5'4" wkg for US MNC crntly in Jakarta Indonesia Shifting India PKG 2.25CR Ambala business family 9354953700

**PQSM4** 32,5'8", Agrawal,BE, MBA from premier institute , 1Cr PA+benefits, aflunt Delhi NCR bsd CNB # 9811066165. Em:- agrmatri44@gmail.com

**29/5'10** B.Tech- IIT MS wkg with google 1Cr+well estblsd B'ness Fmly caste no bar no dowry rich family-8120991552 bdmatj@gmail.com

**WANTED,** Homely, Below 28 Years Girl, For Bisa Agrawal Engineer Boy From Affluent Family, 65 Lpa, Whatsapp 9868890328

**BRIDE WANTED**
Reputed Agra based , agarwal affluent business family invites alliance for their son, 26 yrs, 5'7 ", B.Tech, MBA, actively involved in flourishing family business. Well-settled, smart, and cultured. Seeking beautiful, well-educated, girl from respectable Agarwal or equivalent family.
Contact:
9259859722
nidhiagarwal411@gmail.com

### BRAHMIN

**PH.D.** Physics, Researcher, Sep'93 boy, well settled in Sweden seeks career-driven brahmin girl. Ph: 9164653201, 9711810239, utksolu@gmail.com

**B.TECH** Gaur Brahmin boy May 95/5'11 wkg MNC GGN 21LPA seeks Prof. Qual girl from reputed family. 95rish.sharma@gmail.com

**BRAHMIN** 30/5'10 B.Tech IIT MS working in Google 80 LPA+ Father Industrialist only child caste no Bar, 8269889223, 9179134562

**BRAHMIN** Vegetarian Boy from UP, Never Married, MBA, 1986, 5'7" from Business Family, Kolkata H.O, with homes at Kolkata, Delhi & Mumbai. Seeks qualified girl to associate with family business. No dowry. Contact: 8981029800

**SM** for 36,5'10". Very handsome & fair, MD, DM, DrNB, FEBN, Never Married, Brahmin Doctor from reputed doctors' family. Contact-9669664560,9131069378.

**VEGETARIAN,** Teetotaller, Brahmin Boy, Nov.92 / 5'10", Fair n H'some, Highly qualified, Corporate Lawyer working in London UK. Looking well educated, beautiful, Vegetarian girl from status family. Cont.: 9560455460

**1994/6'3"** BE wrkg Lead Stanchart GBS Bengaluru, CTC 36+LPA. Father Ex IFS, wrkg country dir NGO. Bro wrkg Amazon London. 7588020450

**HANDSOME** boy,34, 5'11", IIT KGP CS B.Tech + M.Tech, successful entrepreneur with with 5+yr US exp,CEO Indian TechCo9131267139,9993873300

**DELHI** Based Brahmin Engr Boy 29/5'8"/18LPA Wkg in reputed MNC, Non - Mglk, Veg, Pref Delhi NCR Based Wkg Girl, Mob no - 9250147208

**SM4** Kumaoni Br. B.tech premier inst.May93/5'8.5" fair Add GM in MNC Del. 60 LPA Fthr Rtd CEO PSU, Mthr Dr. seeks well bght. up prof. qlfd Br. & upr caste grl. 9810698009

**PQM4** H'some saraswat brahmin 32yrs 5'8" B.tech MBA boy wkg in MNC in metropolitan 18lpa from Himachal/Punjbi Fthr C-1 rtire 8894353172

**SM4** Gaur Brahmin affluent Jaipur bsd fmly 87,5"9' Btech, MBA Bits Pilani Sr.Position MNC looking for well educ. veg. cultured girl. 9521265789.

**PQ** North-Indian Brahmin girl for KKB boy 77 born 6'ft BTech+MBA i'less divorcee veg teetotaller wkg in Toronto kkbganesha@gmail.com

**BRAHMIN** 32/5'11" B.Tech CS Fair, Product Manager 40LPA, Gurgaon, Father Doctor Bareilly, Want slim, fair, tall, serving girl. #9412188907

**GAUD** Brahmin- May 1991/ 5'11", Gotra Bhardwaj (resident of Meerut), for Government Bank Manager, well educated, b'ful bride required. 8076474001

**LL.M** NLU boy Jan 93/6ft V. Fair, 24 LPA/MNC, Wkng Mumbai, seeks tall, B'ful, qualfd & homely girl (Age- blw 27 yrs) send details - 9650316468

**BRAHMIN** '80 Born 5'9" Mglk H'some Eng(H) DU, MBA Own B'ness in Mumbai 40+LPA Del bsd boy seeks Edu. tall, B'ful status fmly wkg girl. 9818812308

**SM4** Non MGLK 30Y GB DEL BSD MBA Boy, wkg in MNC GGN, PREF wkg BR Girl.9891606393/011-47781164.

**ADVOCATE** LLB,LLM (U.K.) H.Some boy, HYD Born, June 93/6'0, Veg, Highly Afflnt Qlfd. family from MP, seeks suitable cultured girl. Ph:9347076300

**29/5'10"** B.Tech IIT,MBA (IIM) Soft Developer MNC 91L+ Tetotaller, Father IAS officer, Elite Family,Caste no bar,no dowry# 8962893692 b23rim@gmail.com

**B'FUL** QLFD M4 for H'some Maithil Brahmin Boy. 32/6' MBA, worked in MNC and now in family business. NCR based reputed family # 9810111684, 9810734526

**SM4** Gaur Brahmin Boy 5'5" 26.8.1994 wrkng in Merchant Navy 2nd Officers B.Sc Nautical Sc. B'ful Bride Req. living in Gurgaon. 9910956611

**PQM4** Gaur Brahmin Boy, Nov 93/5'6",B.Tech, wrkg. MNC Noida, 22Lpa own house seek well edu wkg girl pref. Delhi NCR # 9868843796, 9540952639

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**PQM** Girl for Gaur BR 94 Born Boy, 5"9", Fair, Smart,B.Tech IT PKG 31L WKG in MNC.Contact- 9313583439

### JAIN

**SM** 4 Dig. Jain h'some boy 46/165 B.Com PG Cert. Mgr Rs.11+ LPA. Nvr Married Belongs to Delhi now lives in Mumbai. Prefd Veg. non wkg Jain Girl. Early marriage. WA: 09967652201 Call 022-46037166.

**1995/5'10"** B.Tech IIT, MBA (IIM)GOOGLE wkg 1CR+ Fathr Mfg Ind'lst Aflunt Fmly Only child, Caste no bar, no dowry # 9589393065 jj10anj@gmail.com

**IIT** B.Tech ISB MBA 41/171 Founder Dubai based company. INR 16 Crore per year. Well established jain family from Jaipur. M+919829294900

### JATAV

**MALE/DOB** 13.10.1985 (ROHTAK)/5'ft, 8"in/Divorced/Veterinary Surgeon(class 1)/20 LPA/haryana govt/hisar/place of birth: rohtak/pref. working woman/contact : 9654395351

### KAYASTHA

**WANTED** Beautiful Bride for Kayastha Indian Forest Serv. officer 34/170cm,B.Tech M.Tech from IIT Kanpur. Father Rnowned Neurologist Owning a hospital.7985670572 drspradhan@rediffmail.com

**WANTED** a bride for a 27 years old 6'1" handsome Delhi NCR based Kayastha graduate boy. Owner of a Nursing College. Income in six figures. M: 7003907742/7003907525

**SRIV,** 35/5'7", LKO Based, H'Some, BTech, MBA, Chief Mgr(IT) in Govt Bank Delhi, seeks B'ful bride (pref wrkg). # 9005372750, 7651820652

**SHRIVASTAVA,** 6'0", DOB:28/08/1993, B.Tech (CS), smart talented hearing impaired boy working in NPCIL(Govt), Tarapur MH, seeks caring girl. 9324811988/9326987878

**MATHUR** N Veg Hsome 44/5'11"/BE CSc/MS App Fin Sg Univ Self Employed Well Settled Blr WA 7618711156.

**SRIV.** unmrd. Boy 40/5'8"'/ 1.5 CrPA, PhD. (Phys.) Sr. Scientist working California (USA) Seeks Girl. CNB, No dowry, Rptd. fmly. 9450661548

**LOOKING** Suitable Match for Smart fair Boy B.Tech. MBA, Manager in Reputed firm May 95 / 5'6" Contact No. 9412118316

**89/5'11"** Manglik Fair Bhatnagar MBA Boy in MNC noida based 12.50 LPA. sbpb1953@gmail.com 9997179501

**SAXENA,** Handsome Boy 30/5.6",Par Manglik Working MNC Pune 16 LPA, seeks working girl, 9450659860, 9450461164

**MATHUR** boy Jan86/5'11" Canadian citizen IT Prof wkg Mnc Toronto seeks edu girl stld or willing to settle Canada,Parents Delhi #9958486195

**SRIV** Feb86 5'8" Smart BTech MBA Director MNC seeks Qlfd B'ful NM Girl UC No Bar Wapp 9412768319

**SEEK** b'ful tall decent fmly PQ girl for h'som Srivstav boy 33/5'11" B'Tech MBA Fin/Asso Dir MNC G'gram 51 LPA+ Father UP Gov Cl-1 Lko # 9935028968

**KAYASTHA** boy, March 1991, 5'11, Senior Account Coordinator at EY, Delhi/NCR, 14 LPA, B.Tech (IT), prefers working girl. Mob: 9811336808

**GROOM** Dec '86 B'Tech E&C 6'3 Sr Specialist Telecom MNC. Nvr Marrd CTC 23 LPA, Well-setteld Seeks Prof.qual bride Call 9532478634

### KHATRI

**PUNJABI/KHATRI** Boy 6', 32, B.Tech, MBA from US, working in US. WA 9582212166, mmkhullar@gmail.com

**SM4** Fair H'some 6'/ 83 Nvr Married, Teetotaler Non Smoker UP Khatri Boy Wkg HDFC Noida. Fthr Retd Class 1 Offr.No Dowry Cont: 9953625785

**PUNJABI** Boy, 30 , 5'9 , CA, Working in MNC gurugram, seeks educated B'ful bride. Contact 9953574805

**BEAUTIFUL,** Qualified Girl (age below 35) for Handsome Slim Boy,1985,5ft10in,BTech MBA,Working Pune,70 Lac. 9517986017

**PUNJABI** Khatri A.Mnglik Boy 30/6'1"/ Working in London, Seeks Edu, B'ful Bride. Preference to London based girl. # 9999880901

**WELL** settled never married boy 1981 5'5-1/2" MBA LLM Director Partner Finance Consultancy Noida Upper caste Welcome 9816023656

**SM4** UP Khatri Smart H'some Slim Manglik Unmarried Boy 84 Born 5'8" MBA Wkg U.P. & NCR Delhi M: 7572042155. Email: pnmehra10@gmail.com

### KSHATRIYA

**MBA** B.Tech EPGP(IIT) Dec'92 boy working in MNC seeks prof. qual. girl Father retd. govt officer resident Lucknow 9651108888

**M4** Bisen Kshatriya 42/ 5'7.5"/LLM/ Practicing Advocate Kanpur. Never Married Prosperous Upper Caste no bar. Mob: 6307425010

### VAISH

**GUPTA,** Aug 89/5'4"/60 kg UG & PG IIT Gold Med, Officer Maharatna PSU Settled Divorce No Child Father Rtd Uni Prof. # 9450057484

### YADAV

**SM4** handsome Yadav (Khosya / dehiya ) boy / 36yrs/ 6 ft commercial pilot works in US 5 cr+ Contact :- 8278252051

## BY COMMUNITY

### AGARWAL

**VARSHNEY** boy, 43/5'7" PhD Mech., fair, handsome, unmarried, HoD Engg. College, Bhopal, Income Rs. 20 LPA. 9826545114

**27/5'9"** Agarwal 12th Pass Boy (use hearing machine) Own house in Delhi, Factory in Faridabad/ 4L P.M. Seeks Homely girl # 9910867774

**SMART** Gupta (Vaishy) Boy 34/5'8" MBA 50LPA Associate Director Analytics working in Banglore UP Based family seeks Bride MBA, B.Tech 9415558354, 7897279751.

**SM4,** Jain 29/5'9", M. Tech, Engineer in govt Delhi, seeks a professional or well-educated girl, contact: 9810547558

**MBA** Gupta boy jul 89/5'10" Wkg MNC Gurugram 18+ LPA A.I. Digital ops Head in MS only whatsapp 8178694738 or cutestyyle.com@gmail.com

**JAIN** 5'6" born 1996 Fair, B.Tech from DTU, Delhi. Prev employed 60 LPA; currently running IT-related startup past 3 yrs. Based Delhi. 9711141546.

**JAIN** Boy,Veg,VFair,26/5'10" B.Tech,MS,wkg in US (F1 Visa) in Alpha, GA, Noida based family. Veg, Seeks PQ b'ful cultured girl. W. App # 9910040573

**LOOKING** for a well educated girl for Baniya Boy 32/5'9"/IIT, IIM Educated wrkg in MNC Bengaluru, Lko basd fmly. M : 7518153742.

**H'SOME** Jain/Goel 5'7"/68kg, BE (E&C) Engg Director/1Cr PA US MNC, Lives in Noida, 21.5.74/4pm/Pnp W: 9958606647, Email: jain1974s@gmail.com

**NRI** Match for Bansal, 29/5'10"/ Manglik, MS Mechanical Engineer Boy in USA. 1Cr PA. Family Settled in Delhi. Send BHP - 9891547668.

**NCR** based IIT/ MBA premier Institute girl for Garg HNI boy May 92/5'8"/ 55L CA, CFA & MBA Oxford. Working India. Father CA. Call: 9911586345

**PQ,** beautiful girl for 39/ 5'10"/h'some/ B.Tech.(IIT), MS(USA), never married, Agarwal boy, living in London. Email: aksharvinayak@gmail.com

**AGARWAL** 79 Born, 5'6" unmarried, B.E. Business Moradabad Seeks Unmarried Girl from Decent Family. BHP achca9@gmail.com

**H'SOME** Goyal boy 5'8" Sept. 92, B.Tech short term divorcee, Income-tax Inspector, promotion due for ITO, Resi. Faridabad # 9810606519

**SM4 Agarwal/Gupta, fair,Slim,5'7"/37,Teetotaler, MBA, Reputed Own Business, Delhi, # 9871211711**

### AGRAWAL

**SM4** 32 5'8"Agrawal boy Mathura B.Tech./MBA ISB Hyd. wkg in a rptd co. at Mumbai -50 LPA. Reqd wkg girl. M-9571195560

### ARORA

**SM4** Handsome Arora Boy 37/6' Canada Citizenship. MBA, Bank Manager Upto 2018. Presently Owns 6 Gyms & 2 Houses in Vancouver Surrey. Caste No-Bar. 9460640331

**SM4** Punjabi Boy 28/5'11" B.TECH.IIT Delhi,Master STANFORD USA,Working In USA,Income 1.25 CR. & Family In Faridabad ,M.9812001400

### JAT

**SM4** S.Delhi bsd boy 38/ 5'10" MBA(Symb) working as VP in Int'l Bank in Canada seek wkg professional of rptd/edu fmly. Avoid Panwar, Kadyan, Dalal. Contact: 9810280462

**SM4** JAT Boy 39, 5'7", MNC NCR Wrk, 32 LPA, Pref well edu girl, 7877926243, Upper cast invited, No Divorcees, jatmaitri@gmail.com

**JAT** V'HANDSOME BOY 28/180, B.Tech From DELHI, MBA (MDI). JOB IN MNC. Phone No: 0124-4075510. Own House in Delhi & Gurgaon

**SM4** Jaat Boy, H'some, Tall, 36/6' Working in Corporate Co. Legally Divorced (No Issue), stld in New Delhi. Seeks for an Educated Girl. Pl. send CV & Photo. What's app:. 9891285754

### RAJPUT

**SM4** h'some Panwar Rajput boy 27/178 Army Officer 4th Gen seeks Prof Qual working Rajput girl from good family mob 9906930155

**PQM** 4 Handsome Rajput Boy 1990/5'9" (A. Manglik) B.Tech/ MBA - 12 LPA, working GGN. Seeks Qualified beautiful girl. Call: 7007996293

**RAJPUT** Parmar 31/ 6'3", Officer in Merchant Navy from Lucknow seeks alliance with compatible eductd girl Rajput preferd. #7376999777

**PQM4** Rajput boy 30/6'1", Civil Engr. 'A'A' class Contractor seeks b'full, 5'6" unmarried Rajput/Gen Girl, West UP UK b'sd #8009276565

**SM** preferably unmarried Girl for Engineer graduate Labana Rajput boy, 5'-7", 1983 born (looking younger), divorcee, own Business, well settled in Chandigarh. upper caste no bar, marriage bureau excuse. 9815947377

**B.TECH** Associate Consultant TCS Noida, Jul 88/179, NM, TT Nagvanshi, Vats, Eastern UP Rajput gora, smart boy seek PQ b'ful girl. 9557864045, 6395875397

**Noida / New Delhi Based Affluent Rajput family inviting a worthy match**
for their only Son, 28 Yrs./ 5'11"/ LLM from UC Berkeley, Working in a Top Global Law firm posted in London (Anchor investor in a Tech- Law firm in India also) Parents senior professionals with GOVT/MNC.
**Preferred girl below 26 Yrs. of age, Height 5'4"/ Educated from Premium Global/ National Institutions, Non-legal field also preferred. Belonging to cultured family / Upper Caste no Bar.**
Contact/ WhatsApp)
9810622966

## BY PROFESSION

### DOCTORS

**HANDSOME** kayastha boyJun96/5'11from western UP 'doingMS surgery father grand parents doctors Rich family seeks B'full fair mbbs MS gynec girl cast no bar mob 9897690800

**PG** Medico Tall match for 96/6'2" Agarwal boy persuing DM (Cardio) 4m Safdurjung Hospital Delhi Family of Doctors owing Hospitals in Faridabad, CNB # 9811340289

**MEDICO** PG Hindu girl for 30 punjabi Khatri MS ENT Fellow Head & Neck Oncology boy,SR, parents medico 8755441164 sd648492@gmail.com

**SM4** handsome 6'/1992 Fair MD Doctor from Hindu Doctors Family. Only Whatsapp Full Biodata- 9414290313, 9414078122

**DOCTOR/MBBS/MS** (opthal)/1990/5- 10/working in Dubai hospital/Hindu/Sunar (Jewellers)/Delhi based/ ph 9871949199

**MDS** (Orthodontist), Hindu Kayastha, Bengali boy currently based in Chandigarh, height 5'6"/Nov-95, from a cultured family seeks well educated match. Ctc. 7986922252

### GOVERNMENT/ DEFENCE

**PQM4** for a Punjabi Khatri Corporate Lawyer. 26.08.1994, 9.35AM, Ferozpur(PB). Family at Noida. Defence background. 8368221784, 9818993868 (W.App)

### MBA/CA

**PROFESSIONALLY** Qlfd Match for Hindu Nai(NP) boy 5'5" Nov.95, Veg Non Manglik BCom, MBA Wkg with Big4 at Gurugram Contact. 9417328055

## BY RELIGION

### CHRISTIAN

**36/174,** M.Sc,B.Ed & MBA, Christian Marthoma boy, legally divorced, no liabilities, no issues, proposals invited from Christian families from all denominations. Ph 8593978581, 7594016174

### HINDU

**MS(CS),** Pb.Saraswat Brahmin boy, veg, fair, Apr/93, 6'1", wkng in USA as S/W Prof. on H1B seeks PQ bride. W/A only 9968160706.

**GOEL** 47/170, Gurugram resident, lawyer, self-practice, financially sound. Alliance from fmly-oriented educated girls. lagnmatri@yahoo.com

**SAINI** (Hindu) B.tech Boy June 96/5-8" Delhi Wkg MNC NCR, CTC 25L. Father Sr. Ex. Seeks prof. Qual. girl. Phone/Whatsapp. 9350261130

**DUTCH** citizen MS/MBA, Dec 89 5'11" seeks girl working in data/IT/consulting. Pref. girl based in Netherlands/EU. ramr7777@gmail.com

**MBA-IIMA,** B.Tech- IITD, Arora 31/5'6"/80Lpa, Delhi NCR bsd boy, Resp. Family. Seeks Well Edu., Prof. match (IIT/ IIM/ ISB/ Top Tier). Caste no bar. # 9968282098

**REMARRIAGE** 49/171, Goel, UAE resident, CA, employed, financially sound. Alliance from fmly-oriented educated girls. shubhmatri@yahoo.com

### MUSLIM

**SUNNI** Muslim Doctor PG, 48, 5'7", (2nd marriage), respected educated family,seeks well educated bride, contact 7080881095

**ALLIANCE** Invited: SM Sheikh Syed North Indian parents settled in Hyderabad of NRI Eng. Saudi-born Boy B.E. CBIT MBA UK, 5'10" seek convent-educated, very fair good looking, headscarf-wearing MBA/M.Tech girl born 1997 + 5' 3"+ Ph: 6309563906.

**B.TECH/** CS SM4 Pathan boy 35/5'6"/13 LPA Asst Const. Noida seeks Prof qlfd wkg/ non working match. Call: 9335252561,9889804984

**SHIA** SYED BOY, British Citizen, 26, 6', M.Tech, Raised in UK. Family from UP/Delhi, Seeks Conv. Edu. Relig. B'ful Shia Girl Aged Max 21, +44 788 1020 415 Syed.Naqvi@live.co.uk

**32/** 5'8" Sunni Syed well educated/settled in Dubai from Lucknow seeks well educated beautiful match below 27 yrs Call/W.App : 7054544291

### SIKH

**PQM** for Kashyup Rajput Divorced Sikh boy 5'10'/ July, 92 from Panchkula.Working in Gurgaon(pkg- 30+LPA). 9501248739

**PQ** working match for Sikh Arora boy, 1986/5'4" (issueless divorcee), MBA (IIM), Wkg in reputed company in Gurgaon, 55 LPA+ salary, 7417572525

**SIKH** H'some boy 5'5"/26.05.91, BA(H) H.M. from Taj Group, Own Business, Hotel Industry, 22 LPA, Own House, Settle in Delhi. Contact: 9810111244

**SM4 B Tech Jatt Sikh boy July 93/5'11" wkg MNC Gurugram / Scotland. 25 LPA . Father retd Army Offr. Contact 9654364048 / 9654364049**

## GENERAL

### CASTE NO BAR

**SM4** Ravidasia Punjabi Boy, 1983 / 5'9", Graduate, working in Barclays Bank Noida seeks working girl in Delhi NCR. Call / Wapp: 9891424345

**SIKH** khatri boy Aug88/5'8" wkg MNC Mumbai 40LPA seeks prof qual girl #9968704099 or h.lamson@gmail.com

**PQM** 4 handsome Delhi-born; 27/02/95; 8:22 AM; 174 cm; 40+ LPA; B-Tech, Brahmin-Yadav IT-Specialist working in top MNC@Bangalore. 9811315644

**BRAHMIN** 34 /5'10 B.Tech IIT MBA IIM working in MNC 1 Cr LPA, Father Industrialist. Caste No Bar # 9893202325, 8269934966

**SM4** 32y/5'10", Delhi bsd Gupta Boy, wkng Family Business, @60Lpa, Own House in Delhi, seek B'ful, Edu. Girl pref. delhi ncr bsd fmly w'/call 9818749625

**81** Bhmn boy, media prof, 6 figure salary, tall, h'some, slim, veg, never married seeks b'ful girl upto 38 age. Call 8920336550

**AGARWAL** 39/5.9ft MCA 12 LPA Delhi unmarid boy own 2home&shop seeks nonworking goodlook unmarried girl 7678450530 NoBudget marriage

**PB** Khatri 1977 boy Widower 5'10" CA MBA Wkng in top MNC as Senior Director pkg 92LPA looking Good Life Partner caste no bar 9818227342

**B'FUL** edu.wkg girl for h'some boy B.Tech 5'8"/27/Delhi 45Lpa,only son,wkg MNC,cast no bar,well stld fmly 845944-2423, p.tandon2014@gmail.com

✔ **SIKH** NRI Match Sought for Handsome Clean Shaven Boy, USA Citizen 1994 Born 5'-10", M.Tech, Software Engineer. Share Details/Photo Via Whatsapp: +919266745325

**MBA** Punjabi khatri boy Aug '79 5.8" unmarried working in MNC 5 LPA own house South Delhi based seeks girl pref. working 9899509262, 9811111789

**SM** 4 Prof'ly Qlfd Punjabi boy 31Yrs./5'7"/B.E MBA/wkg as Sr.Analyst in Foreign bank /11 LPA, Father Retd. GM, Mother teacher # 9953780076

**SIKH** (non turbaned) h'some Boy, 30/ 5'11", Intl MBA from prestigious univ. Europe, well stld edu. reputed fmly, 8+ yrs exp. pvt sector current salary 30LPA. Brief illness many yrs ago, complete permanent recovery. Seeks professionally inclined well educated girl from good family. Call/ W'App +91 8400097723

**M4** Mathur boy 30 year 5'10" B.Tech, IIM MBA finance wkg Infosys GGN 7.5 LPA Own House preference Delhi NCR Wrkg Girls # 9911263166

**SM4** NCR-Based Khatri Boy Aug-87/5'6", B.Tech. WKG MNC Noida, 40 LPA, Father Retd. frm IAF & BEL. Seeks Qual. Girl. (8860475766, 9873725005)

**PQ** boy, 36/ 6' tall wrkg MNC. Wears a hearing aid (well-managed). Bride reqd. Never married/ issue- less divorcee Caste no bar M: 9663699400

**SM4** 89 born, 5'11" punjabi boy, working MNC, well settled family. Wanted a educated girl. Caste no bar. Marriage bureau excused. Contact 9729056772

**27/176** Architect Kshatriya (Kurmi) handsome, fair in Goa educated family from Delhi/UP settled in Goa son of Army officer seeks Hindu professionally qualified preferably Architect/Internal Designer bride. Caste no bar. 9873859760 samirkumar.verma@aol.com

**B.TECH** / MBA boy of age 33/6 feet,working in semi govt.looking for suitable working bride.Caste no bar! contact 9969003148

**RAJPUT** Hindu edu fmly seeks SM4 Advocate son from NLU 27/5'11", fair, practicing in Mumbai HC, Parents retd Sr Ofcr PSU. 941039-1647/7116

**SUITABLE** Match for handsome Engg boy MBA(IIM)/88/5'10". Affluent family of doctors and bearuecrats from Jaipur.Boy has some hypopigmentation otherwise healthy. Contact-9829056869

**PQM** for 29 / 5'5" / BTech + MS (USA) / CTC 36 LPA based in Mumbai. Looking for a like-minded working professional. Call 9967514280

**SM4** Del NCR based Nov 87/ 5'7", BA, LLB, LLM In-house Counsel in top MNC 22 plus lpa seeks b'ful well educated. W'app profile with pics 7838416665

**H'SOME** 42/5'10" B.Tech, MBA Kshatriya boy, Sr. Post in ofic, Status fmly, seeks B'Ful match frm decent fmly. No dowry # 9582699564

**MBA** BBA H'some Kayasth boy Nov93/5'10", Mgr in Std Chtd Bank Noida, 22LPA seeks Bfl wkg girl. 9810519283 jaideeplakhtakia@gmail.com

**USA** bsd S/w Engr in top MNC Srivastava, Nov'87/5'10", Iless Divorce seeks prof Qlfd NRI or willing to relocate girl. Caste no bar. Call/W'app 8840295630.

**BRIDE WANTED**
Reputed Mumbai based Yadav family invites Alliance for their Handsome son 34 years 6 feet merchant Navy officer holding Master (F.G.) Certificate well settled smart and cultured seeking beautiful well educated girl from respectable Family
9821240215/9819663137
shivam_red@yahoo.co.in

### COSMOPOLITAN

**SMART,** SUCCESSFUL 30, 179cm, top-tier BE (US) & MBA. Multicultural family. Seeks compatible partner. Caste no bar. Call/WA 9345634365.

**SIMPLE VEGETARIAN, NORTH INDIAN BRAHMIN EDUCATED FAMILY SEEKS**
Vegetarian educated match below 39 age for their never married, teetotaller son 48/5'9/ BA.LLB, having own house in Delhi and decent income.
Respond whatsapp
7838387034

### MANGLIK

**PROPOSAL** invited frm prof'lly q'fied Manglik Kayastha girl for for 29/5'3" B.Tech/ MBA boy working in MNC 15 LPA Bengaluru / Gurugram 9872133655

### SC/ST

**PQM** pref. Govt /Bank from decent family for 1993/5' 9" B.Tech-MBA handsome Delhi-Based Hindu boy, Deputy Mgr. at NHB,GOI. Caste no bar. Agencies excuse. WP-9310889214/ 25.mprofile@gmail.com

**MSW** H'some boy 34/5'9" working in Birmingham UK Father Govt Doctor Mom HW Need educated fair girl willing to relocate Mob 9354264612

### SECOND MARRIAGE

**SM4** Delhi based Khatri boy 5'10"/ 3.10.89 (7:55 pm, New Delhi) Short Marriage, MBA working in a reputed Hospital. # 8810247462, responsematri89@gmail.com

**B'FUL** prof/self emp., wrkg match from cultured B'ground fr highly qual., h'some, 6'2" 1989 issues less, corp. lawyer of aflunt pnjb fmly,ggn.9873637717

✔ **SM4** Delhi based issueless divorcee Pb Arora Dec 89, 5'9" MBA 60 LPA, prev marriage never consummated, seeks PQ girl WA 7065085000

**SM** for Divorcee Pb Brahmin Boy, 40, 6 feet, MBA, wkg MNC, 11 LPA, own house Delhi. Caste NO BAR. Contact : 9810844347, 9999789970

**PUNE** family seeks suitable match for well-settled, educated Punjabi boy Nov 91, 5'.8", family biz, short marriage, caste no bar +919967357443.

**PB** Khatri 1987/5'6", N.Veg, Issueless Divorcee, Working in Mumbai at a high post, Parents settled in Gurgaon. Seeks edu homely girl. # 9810341706.

### RELIGION NO BAR

**DEFENCE** officer gupta 64 yr living alone rich seeks lady partner preferably around vasant vihar delhi age no bar 8431154749/9986202924

## BY LANGUAGE

### BENGALI

**SM4** Bengali Br MCA MBA i'less div groom Oct 79, 5'7" MNC Gurgaon 50lpa WA 8178239670 Email: mrg2586@gmail.com

**WANTED** bride willing to settle in USA for only son EB Till. 5'3" Nov' 95. Fair BE/JU SAMSUNG R&D Bengaluru now pursuing Ph.D Electronics from USA Georgia tech to be completed in 2026 to be settled in USA. Parents both are retired & central Govt. Pensioner own house & Flat in Kolkata. Contact - 9163606721, 8900388774.

**BENGALI** Brahmin B'lore working Girl reqd. for a boy 30/6'2" M.tech software engg. 15.00 lakh PA at B'lore MNC - w'ap/call 9868145355

**BENGALI** Kayashta Boy B.Tech Oct.87/5'6.5 .W'king in MNC Gurgaon.12 LPA. seeks profs qlfd prefbly w'king Girl. 8081701525, 9415759800

### GUJARATI

**GUJ** fam SM4 son 31/ 6ft Aus citizen businessman Edu intelligent kind girl Traditions & modern. CNB kashshah67@gmail.com

### PUNJABI

**WELL-** established punjabi fmly seeks a suitable match for their 1987 born, 5'5", fair. Graduate, currently working with a reputed MNC Delhi. 8588999173

**AFFLUENT** Punjabi Business Family, H'some Boy, 96/5'7",Delhi Based,Own Event Bussiness/Singer. M/W'app: 9899568822/ 9868126475

**SM4** PB Boy 5'5" Mar'84 NVR Mrd smart lks much yngr MTM degree & Working MNC GGN 11 LPA Owns 3 storey house in NE Delhi Seeks edu'td girl pref working Delhi/NCR 9717883998.

**H'SOME** Punjabi Khatri Non Manglik Delhi B'sd Boy Feb, 1997/5'9" B.Tech, MBA WKG Banglore 18 LPA Seeks Qlfd B'ful Wkg Girl M. 9871713656

**WANTED** Punjabi unmarried Boy 31/5'10" B.Tech-IIT MBA- IIM wrkg with MNC 50+ Lakh cast no bar No dowry afflnt family: 7647813159

**B'FUL** well edu girl 4 nvr mrd Pbi h'some boy 9.3.78,5'6" MBA, 95LPA, wkg Mumbai, upp-mid cl edu Fbd bsd fmly, 8178423326 Send BP: matrisud@gmail.com

**SEEKING** alliance for very H'some Mech Engg. Boy 28/6' PR Canada A/P Brampton. Looking for well educated fair Hindu Punjabi Girl 5.5'. Punjabi Hindu family settled in Baroda Cont: 9879777528

**PBI** B'ful W/NW girl below 44 for Pb. Khatri never married 48/177/90 LPA status Delhi fmly, Photo must. 9899477131 Email: sach4098@gmail.com

**SM4** Punjabi Prajapati Boy, Fair 14.02.1989 (11.37 pm) 5'10" IHM Head Baker, Wkg in Five Star Hotel in Dubai Pkg 50 L Delhi Based Family 9999198321

**WRKG/** N.wrkg Match Under 40 for PB BR B.tech, MBA 45 Self emp 15L. no bar short term issue less, Div. Ok. No call only W'App with photo - 9899503180

**SUITABLE** match for punjabi boy 93 born/5'9 Qualification B.Tech in E.C, 40 LPA work place gurgaon marriage bureau no call # 9837270704

**PQM** 4 Delhi bsd Veg, Bahl H'some boy, 28/5'9"/ B.Tech (C.Sc.), MBA (NMIMS) Wrkg Rputd Co. Bhopal/32LPA BHP 9899112611 (Brokers excuse)

**SM4** Punjabi H'some Non Mglk never married Boy Res. Ghaziabad Feb'80, 5'6" BA (DU) wkg. Pvt. Bank 12 LPA, seeks wkg. girl. # 9810186020

### SINDHI

*A well settled Sindhi Family, DLF City-Gurgaon based, with traditional values, seeks soulmate for their son, 32Y, 5'7 1/2", fair, athletic, non-veg, studied abroad, own Business and also in Family Real Estate Business from a beautiful, compassionate and charming girl. Caste No Bar. Email BHP on*
deepaahuja89@gmail.com
WhatsApp: 9810274346

## BY NATIONALITY

### NRI/ GREEN CARD

**MATCH** for H'some Canada based Doctor, Punjabi Khatri Boy aged 39. Height 5 feet 7 in. Never married. Parents professionally qualified. Family well settled in Canada. Preference to Canada based girls. Contact Mob 9893266869.

**BE(HON)** & Msc IS -UK, boy/Jan92/6ft, wkg Accenture Mauritius, affluent fly, father IIT Kanpur alumni, seek B'fl PQ girl. Ph 9654388570

**SM4** H'some Arora 33/ 5'7", Master (USA) Data Analysts in Seattle (US). Preferred NRI / wrking or Studying. M: 9812523832, 9812323832, sunitamunjal53@gmail.com

**PQM4** Vaish Gupta boy March 90 5' 8", MBA (USA) MCA Wkg in MNC at USA seeks US bsd bride. PH 9830873701.

**CANADIAN** Citizen, Arora Boy, 37/5'6", Finance Mgr, owns house in Ontario, seeks beautiful educated girl in India or Canada. Whatsapp No +1-516-749-0164

## WANTED GROOMS

### BY CASTE

### AGARWAL - BISA

**AGGARWAL** Bisa, Non Manglik, Delhi based 97 born very fair 5'4" girl, doing MD, Micro from Delhi, Seeks medico match. Call: 9810042115

### BRAHMIN

**PQM** unmrd Aug81/5'3",MBA CFM, CFA L2(ICFAI), Invst. Mngr, 14.5 LPA.M:9650833611, 9650939012.Div. Excse. E: Indreshsharma1957@gmail.com

**UP** Gaur Br 34 165 cm 70 kg Ast Mgr United India Insurance, transfer all over India15 l pa D/o Rtd LWC, vrs.cls80@gmail.com

**BRAHMIN** beautiful physiotherapist 31/5/5 settled in UK requires brahmin veg boy settled in UK #8979218607

**M4** Brhmn girl,31/5'7",MBBS, MD Medicine,Persuing DM, at CMC, B'ful from well-placed fmly, S'king (Dr,IIT,IIM,IAS, IPS) India only. WA 9835166609

**KKB** girl '84 born 5'7" wkg in S'pore i'less divorcee seeks veg teetotaller S'pore-based PQ North-Indian Brahmin boy kkbvishakha@gmail.com

**SUITABLE** MATCH FOR 36 YRS MBA WORKING GIRL SALARY 18 LAC P.A. DELHI BASE. contact- 9571555999/ 9829735046

**SM4** Brahmin Girl Kashyap Gotra 34/5'2" LLM,LLB (NLU) wkg in Law Firm Delhi, Seeks well qlfd & well stld. Boy only whatsapp message # 7068952233, 9415218851

**PRAYAGRAJ** 1999 born, 5'8" tall, B'ful Brahmin girl wkg at Bangalore seeks Army Air Force, Navy officer or Similar field. # 8318731693

**KANYAKUBH** Brahmin Nov. 84/5'5"/Rs. 20 LPA BDS/ MBA, Lucknow Fair Manglik girl Marketing Head. Upper caste pref. Call: 9838882535

**SM4,** Tyagi Brahmin medico fair girl 5'-5"/ 91 Mrt Born Wkg NHS UK Seek medico, Engrs; CA Pref UK b'sd. 9719 373239, 9837 074078

**BRAHMIN** girl DOB: Sep. 1990/165cm fair well stld

# Gut feeling, gridlock & a mom's plea: How fate stopped 7 from taking AI 171

## Their Bags Were Packed & They Were Ready To Go. They're Now Thanking Their Stars They Didn't

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A mother's voice breaking. A clogged road. A last-minute paperwork snag. A change of mind that defied reason.

For seven passengers booked on Air India Flight 171, these ordinary obstacles became extraordinary lifelines. Each missed that Boeing Dreamliner's takeoff from Ahmedabad on June 12 — each watched in disbelief as it vanished into flames.

Bhoomi Chauhan & Jayesh Thakkar

Yaman Vyas, a warehouse worker with a United Kingdom work permit, had his return to London plotted down to the last detail. After two years abroad, he had flown home to Vadodara for a brief visit. Passport? Check. Bags? Packed. His final stop was to seek his parents' blessings.

But when he bent to touch his mother's feet, she broke down. "*Thhoda divas rokai jaa ne, beta*," she pleaded — stay a few more days. Vyas didn't ask questions. He simply cancelled.

"Later that afternoon, when messages about the crash started flooding my mobile, I realised how my mother's instinct had saved my life," Vyas said.

Jaimin Patel, 29, and Priya Patel, 25, from Ahmedabad had landed at the airport that morning with wide smiles and tourist visas in hand. Their friend Rohit Yadav had invited them to London for a vacation, and they had everything booked.

They reached the check-in counter full of excitement. But officials raised questions about their paperwork. "We pleaded, told them it was impossible to fix the problem at such short notice," Jaimin said. Denied boarding, they returned home — only to get a frantic call moments later. "Switch on the TV right now!" a friend said.

"I was shocked," Jaimin said. "I have never been so grateful to the almighty. I thank the Air India staff for putting their foot down."

Savji Timbadia, seat 1A. Ready to fly to visit his son. Bags packed. Then, hours before take-off, he called and said: "I told my son I did not feel like flying and would postpone until Monday." No explanation. Just a churn in the gut he couldn't shake.

Hours later, a friend urged him to watch the news. "I got the answer to what made me feel uneasy. Lord Swaminarayan saved my life."

Bhoomi Chauhan, a Bharuch native, had completed her vacation and was headed back to London, to her husband. Her son was staying behind with family. As she tried to get to the airport, Ahmedabad's traffic turned hostile. Diversions, jams, and missed turns. She arrived at the terminal — 10 minutes too late. The gates had closed at 12.10pm. "I pleaded with the staff to let me board. They didn't budge," she said.

She turned back to Bharuch, furious. Then, the crash. Her phone buzzed with alerts. "I was leaving my son in India. This was nothing but Ganpati Bappa's miracle."

Jayesh Thakkar of Vadodara, a Garba organiser, had a business trip to London mapped out. He was scheduled to be on Flight 171. But work in Kolkata dragged on. "I was delayed and realised I wouldn't make it to Ahmedabad in time," he said. He changed his itinerary. Later, it became clear it was a life-saving delay.

Ravji Patel stayed back by choice. His son-in-law Arjun begged him to accompany him to London to meet his granddaughters, aged 8 and 4. Arjun had just finished performing last rites for his wife Bharti, who died of cancer in May. "I told him I had work to finish and promised to join later," Ravji said. He now mourns both Arjun and Bharti — lost within 20 days of each other.

Getty Images

A crane retrieves parts of the fuselage of the Air India Boeing 787 Saturday

## IRDAI directs insurers to fast-track crash claim payouts

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Mumbai:** Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has directed all insurers to expedite settlement of claims related to the June 12 crash of Air India Flight 171 in Ahmedabad. The toll now stands at 241 passengers and 33 others, including those on the ground.

In a circular issued Friday, IRDAI said since overseas medical insurance was mandatory for the London-bound flight, insurers must ensure no claims are delayed or denied due to procedural formalities. The regulator advised insurers to rely on official lists of the deceased and waive requirements such as FIRs or post-mortem reports where govt confirmation is available.

Many life insurers have said they will settle life claims without insisting on a death certificate. The crash of Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner caused collateral damage to buildings, including BJ Medical College hostel. IRDAI asked life and general insurance councils to set up a joint help desk at the hospital, where many victims are being treated, to assist with life and health policy claims. Insurers have been told to appoint senior-level nodal officers to coordinate with the joint cell and ensure quick settlements.

IRDAI directed the insurers to begin submitting their weekly reports from June 16 and asked the two councils to publish insurer-wise claim settlement data on their websites. "This is a moment that calls for compassion, responsiveness and utmost efficiency in supporting affected families," the regulator said.

# Urgent checks on AI 787 fleet, says aviation minister

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** Air India's Boeing 787 Dreamliner fleet is undergoing urgent safety checks following the June 12 crash, civil aviation minister Ram Mohan Naidu said Saturday, while promising "all necessary steps" to strengthen aviation safety.

Air India posted on X that checks directed by DGCA are underway across its 787s. "Checks have been completed on nine aircraft. We are on track to complete the remaining 24 within the regulator's timeline," the airline said.

AI warned of possible delays on long-haul routes due to extended turnaround times. "Customers will be duly notified about any delays. They are advised to check the status of their flights before heading to the airport," the airline said.

Addressing his first presser since the tragedy, Naidu said Modi govt had set up a high-level committee led by Union home secretary Govind Mohan to examine the crash and recommend long-term aviation safety reforms. The committee was announced after Modi visited the crash site Friday. Naidu said the panel will not interfere with ongoing investigations but will focus on systemic reforms to prevent future disasters.

Airports Accident Investigation Bureau is conducting the primary probe. The committee will work in parallel, identifying the root cause and contributing factors, including mechanical failure, human error, and regulatory lapses. The panel will also draft updated SOPs, benchmarked to international practices. Its report is due by Sept 13.

Civil aviation mantri Naidu said a high-level panel has been formed to recommend safety reforms

"The black box has been recovered," Naidu said, adding that decoding the data will clarify what went wrong.

Union aviation secretary Samir Sinha said the same aircraft had arrived uneventfully from Paris to Ahmedabad. "On Ahmedabad-London flight, pilot gave a Mayday call to ATC just after take-off. ATC responded, but there was no reply from the cockpit. It crashed 2km from airport," he added.

Meanwhile, Air India CEO Campbell Wilson announced, "Air India will be making an interim payment of Rs 25 lakh to each of the families of the deceased and also to the survivor. This is in addition to Rs 1 crore already committed by Tata Sons."

# 2 days on, 2 bodies pulled out from plane's tail, debris

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Ahmedabad:** Two more bodies were pulled from the wreckage Saturday at BJ Medical College and Civil Hospital near Ahmedabad airport, where Air India Flight 171 crashed two days ago and killed over 270, including people on board and on ground.

One body, believed to be that of an air hostess, was located around 9am as rescuers cut through the Boeing Dreamliner's tail section lodged atop the hostel mess building. Ahmedabad fire and emergency services officials said the corpse was badly burnt and decomposed, bloated from the water used to douse the blaze from the crash.

"Fragments of the clothing suggest the body may be that of an air hostess," a fire official said. The remains were sent for autopsy and identification.

Later in the day, teams found another body from the debris of the hostel mess, which suffered major damage when the plane's rear fuselage slammed into the structure. That body was also severely decomposed. Officials suspect it may belong to a student or staffer present in the mess at the time of the crash.

Emergency crews continued the painstaking operation to remove debris, with officials saying the tail section had to be dismantled using gas cutters and brought down using heavy cranes. The fire's intensity and the amount of water used complicated the retrieval efforts.

Fire officials said clearing of the debris will take time. Once the aircraft's wreckage is removed, a detailed search of the hostel mess rubble will follow to ensure that no victim is left undiscovered.

Authorities deployed 35 ambulances to send bodies to their families after completing necessary procedures to issue death certificates based on DNA reports and required evidence. Adequate arrangements were made in all crematoriums for last rites.

## Bodies of 3 victims handed over to kin, DNA of 19 matched

The bodies of three AI-171 crash victims were handed over to their relatives by Ahmedabad Civil Hospital authorities Saturday after due process of DNA sampling and document verification. The first body was handed over around 5pm to the relatives of a woman who was a Kheda resident, authorities said.

State home minister Harsh Sanghavi said on X that agencies had confirmed 19 DNA matches till 9pm on Saturday. "Yesterday, eight bodies were identified. They were not of the airplane passengers but of other victims at the crash site. After due legal procedure, these bodies were handed over to relatives. Today, the bodies of 11 more victims have been identified. Of these, bodies of nine have been handed over and the process of handing over two more has been initiated," read the bulletin.

State relief commissioner Alok Pandey and additional medical superintendent of Civil Hospital Dr Rajnish Patel said DNA profiling is being carried out with utmost diligence. "The victims are from 18 districts in Gujarat. For every victim, a team comprising a health department official, a police officer and a counsellor is deployed. This team will assist the kin in collecting the body and drop them off at their residences," Pandey said.

Hospital officials appealed to the kin of victims to turn up to collect bodies only after getting a call from the Civil Hospital. TNN

## FOR THE FINAL JOURNEY

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Empty coffins are brought to the mortuary of Civil Hospital in Ahmedabad on Saturday

# Strange bedfellows gather to serve crash victims' kin at Ahmd hospital

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Ahmedabad:** Many faces, not expected to be on the same platform otherwise, were seen together outside the Civil Hospital in Ahmedabad distributing food and beverages to relatives waiting for the bodies of the AI-171 crash victims after identification through DNA sampling.

The wait was expected to be long due to certain formalities, and not all the DNA sampling results were out. So, organisations pitched a tent near the new post-mortem room and began giving out food and beverages. Police were also involved in the distribution along with RSS, its sister organisations, and Jamiat-e-Ulema Hind.

As the distribution continued under one roof, one could see a former accused in the Akshardham temple terror attack. He was condemned to death by Gujarat courts but later acquitted by the Supreme Court. A few metres from him was a convict of the 2002 Gulbarg Society massacre case. One of the leaders of the groups was a former BJP corporator, who was accused in the Gulbarg case but acquitted by the SIT court.

## Duo linked to Sardar Patel family perish

Among the victims of the tragic Air India flight 171 crash were Sunny Patel (39) and Monali Patel (38) — a young couple from London with deep roots in Gujarat, reports **Prashant Rupera.**

Monali belonged to a family directly related to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Her great-grandfather Naranbhai Motibhai Patel was the brother of Jhaverba, Sardar Patel's wife, who hailed from Gana village adjoining Anand city. "We broke the news to Monali's mother only on Saturday morning," said Monali's cousin Jignesh Patel, who is the great-grandson of Chaturbhai Motibhai Patel, another brother of Sardar Patel's wife.

## Tatas to bear med costs of injured too

Tata Group Friday reiterated its commitment to provide Rs 1 crore as compensation to families of each person killed in the AI-171 crash — including not only passengers and crew but also doctors and individuals on ground at the time of the crash. The conglomerate will also bear the full medical expenses of those injured, it said.

"As stated earlier, Tata Group will provide Rs 1 crore to the families of each person who lost their lives — including passengers, crew members and individuals on the premises. Medical expenses of all those injured will also be covered while ensuring necessary care and support," a Tata Sons spokesperson said. TNN

## Cops question teen over viral AI plane crash video

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Ahmedabad:** A 17-year-old boy, Aryan Asari, a native of Gujarat's Aravalli district, was questioned by the police on Saturday in connection with a viral video showing AI-171 crashing on Thursday afternoon near Ahmedabad airport.

Aryan stays with his father in Laxminagar, a neighbourhood located about a kilometre from the runway where the flight took off. His father works with Gujarat Metro Rail Corporation Ltd.

The video, which showed the aircraft going down and bursting into flames, was the first visual that went viral after the crash. Aryan's name surfaced three days later when a media interview identified him as the source of the viral clip.

### THE FIRST VISUALS

Following this, a city crime branch team visited his residence and took him in for questioning. Aryan reportedly told cops that he did not shoot the video himself. He claimed that a friend had taken the video, and he had only screen-recorded it. He shared the clip with his father, who may have forwarded it further.

After his questioning, Aryan was handed over to his mother. Repeated attempts by **TOI** to contact him were unsuccessful, as his phone was switched off and his house in Laxminagar was found locked.

# Double engine failure or human error? Pilots explain likely causes

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**Kolkata:** Experienced pilots, awaiting investigation results of the Air India Dreamliner crash, suggest two possible causes: an extremely rare simultaneous engine failure or incorrect cockpit response during an emergency, after eliminating other scenarios.

"What is clear from visuals of the crash, especially the airport CCTV footage, is the aircraft took off normally before experiencing a loss of lift, possibly due to loss of thrust on both engines. This can happen only if both engines stall," said an Air India captain, adding the sound of the plane from an amateur video suggested the whine of a Ram Air Turbine, a backup power source that is deployed automatically in the B-787 aircraft when it detects loss of both engines.

The captain explained that the B-787's sophisticated systems made engine stalling due to electrical or software issues unlikely, given its multiple backup systems. Fuel contamination is unlikely during take-off when fuel flow is maximum.

An IndiGo veteran dismissed incorrect flap and slat deployment or landing gear retraction issues as causes. "Any of this would have caused a drag, but not caused the aircraft to fall off the sky. In any case, there will be alerts if there is an incorrect setting for pilots to take corrective measures," the pilot said.

A retired AI pilot dismissed bird strikes as a cause, noting no visible large bird flocks or smoke trail in CCTV footage. Dismissing sabotage theories, pilots proposed a scenario, where one engine's failure during take-off led to incorrect cockpit actions, resulting in thrust loss in both engines.

"A pilot of an IndiGo flight, which was next to the Ahmedabad runway, reported a loud bang to ATC around V1. The V1 is the take-off decision speed after which a pilot can no longer stop the aircraft but must continue with take-off. A compressor stall could have taken out one engine. After take-off, the plane climbed on the second engine. The pilot usually then reports the engine loss to ATC, turns around and lands. From the visuals, we know the plane encountered a sudden loss of lift during initial climb-out and then started to descend rapidly. This could have been due to the thrust lever of the live engine being pulled back that left the plane without any thrust," the pilot reasoned, adding this mistake is not uncommon during simulator training.

### FROM THE COCKPIT

Another pilot explained engine failure procedures during take-off required pilots to take action to secure the failed engine from further damage. If thrust is pulled back from the live engine, the plane will stall. Quick thrust restoration attempts might be manageable at higher altitudes but could be fatal at 600ft-800ft.

# *Rupani's hometown Rajkot prepares to bid its beloved neta a final farewell*

## State Set For Day-Long Mourning

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**Rajkot/Gandhinagar:** The Gujarat govt is likely to announce a day-long state mourning in memory of former chief minister, Vijay Rupani, who died in the Air India Ahmedabad-London Dreamliner crash on Thursday.

Rupani's son, Rushabh, who arrived from the US early on Saturday, provided DNA samples to assist authorities in identifying his father's mortal remains.

Earlier, Rupani's sister submitted samples, but those did not match. "We are awaiting confirmation from the DNA results," a BJP member close to the family said.

In Rupani's hometown, Rajkot, preparations are underway for his last rites, with BJP and local authorities organising a grand funeral procession to allow citizens to bid a final farewell to their beloved neta. The procession will begin at his residence in Prakash Society.

**A hoarding put up to pay tribute to former CM Vijay Rupani in Rajkot. Rupani's son, Rushabh, who arrived from US Saturday, provided DNA samples to assist authorities in identifying his father's mortal remains**

A prayer meeting is also being planned at Racecourse, although the final decision rests with the Rupani family.

Rajkot police issued a notification restricting vehicle movement and parking on the funeral route, anticipating heavy turnout from across the city and nearby villages. "A huge number of BJP workers, traders, and citizens are expected to join the procession," police stated.

BJP said the last rites are planned for Sunday, depending on the timely release of the mortal remains by Ahmedabad Civil Hospital.

Several markets in Rajkot remained closed on Saturday, as a mark of respect to the departed former CM. Around 600 self-financed schools across Rajkot district also shut down.

Throughout Saturday, senior politicians and well-wishers gathered at the Rupani residence in Gandhinagar to express their condolences.

BJP said members approached officials multiple times over the last two days, suggesting that Rupani's remains could be identified through a distinctive wristwatch he was known to wear. However, at least two attempts to identify a victim wearing such a watch proved unsuccessful, sources said.

# 'Hostel flat I called home is gone': Duty at trauma centre OT saved young doc

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**Kolkata:** Call of duty on Thursday afternoon saved the life of Dr Akash Karan, a third-year senior resident plastic surgeon at BJ Medical College in Ahmedabad.

The doctor from Bengal was in the operation theatre at the time of the disaster. The next day, when he was allowed to go to his accommodation — a 2BHK fourth-floor apartment in the Atulyam-4 hostel — he was aghast to see the structure, his home until 24 hours ago, reduced to rubble.

Karan can't stop thanking his lucky stars that he was away on duty when the disaster took place. Ever since the crash, Karan has been camping in a ward at the hospital. "I have been living in the hospital ward since Thursday," Karan told **TOI**, adding: "The hostel flat I called home is gone. Authorities have promised temporary accommodation in a nearby guest house."

Originally from East Midnapore, Karan grew up in Chhattisgarh and studied at Calcutta National Medical College and Hospital for his MBBS. For the last two-and-a-half years, he has been living at Atulyam-4 accommodation.

"Our heads of departments asked us to report to the trauma centre immediately after the crash. I finished the procedure at the OT and hurried off there. That's when I heard that four buildings of Atulyam hostel were severely damaged. I had a feeling that I had lost my home. But when the injured started pouring in, I had no time to think about it — I had to focus on saving lives," he recounts.

It wasn't until all patients had been attended to that Karan tried to check on his apartment. Security restrictions kept him away from the crash site Thursday night. It was only on Friday evening, almost 24 hours after the tragedy, that he was allowed to go to the site.

"When I stepped inside, there was hardly anything left. Just the skeleton of the building stood there. I didn't know what to retrieve. I could only salvage some documents," Karan says.

Members of a local NGO rescue dogs trapped in the crash site area

## I don't feel right: Woman's last words to husband

**Ahmedabad:** "Just before take-off, Yasmin called me expressing anxiety about the non-functioning AC and a strange feeling. I reassured her that it would start," said Yasin, the husband of Yasmin Vora, 51, who perished in the AI-171 crash, reports **Ashish Chauhan.** Her nephew Pervez Vora, 30, and his daughter Zuveriya, 4, were also among those killed.

"Yasmin, originally scheduled to fly on June 9, extended her ticket to 12th to travel with Pervez and Zuveriya," Yasin said.

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## WANTED GROOMS

### BY CASTE

### KAYASTHA

**SAX.'90** 5'7" btech NTU Sing. Commu inch. NGO fund house,gurg based,res south delhi. parents well placed doctors dehradun watsapp 9412054982 (6-9pm) and Sundays

**CA** Inter, M.Com good looking 35/ 5'7"/ Wrkg NCR. Reputed Kayasth family, Seeks Profly. Qlfd. Kayasth Groom, # 8700098383, 8800355655

**B.DES,** NIFT(Del), Fmly bsd in Gurgaon, fair girl, 27Yr/ 172 cm, wkg with leading fashion Co. Seeks PQM below 30, Civil Services/ IIM/ IIT Pref. BHP: ssriv1996@gmail.com

**SM4,** C.A. Kayastha Girl, Aug.1989/5'5", Anshik Manglik, Seeks well placed Professional / Working Boy of educated family. Upper Cast no bar. 98140-23203

**BE,** MS Shrivastava girl frm Reptd Bihar family, Sept'93/ 5'4", Sr. Conslt in reptd MNC at Sydney.Ready to reallocate Seeks PQM Cont: 9871586663

**SEEKING** Kayastha groom for 27/5'3" BE, MBA girl, Gurugram job. Srivastava, parents settled in Vadodara. 9 4 0 9 0 6 8 6 5 5 / tarun3u@rediffmail.com

**B.TECH(CS)** MATHUR girl Feb 91/5'7" wrkg as Data Engi -ner in American MNC Ggn seeks well settled suitable prof. qlfd. boy. Whp:9958486195

**ALLIANCE** invited for 1995-born 5'3" Doctor Girl from reputed Kayastha family. Schooling from DPS RKP. MBBS, MD General Medicine, working as Senior Resident at RML Hospital Delhi. Looking for a well settled, qualified boy from reputed family residing in Delhi/NCR. All Upper Caste No Bar. Contact: 7011778928 simmer0890@gmail.com

**SM4** 5'4" /30 BA LLB practicing at supreme court. Parents are doctors. Seeks IAS , IPS, IRS. IES or practising lawyer at Delhi.# 9425114882

**SAX** /Nov' 88/ 5'3/ V.Bful Fair Slim/ B.Pharm, MBA Fin/ Wrkg US MNC NCR/ Seeks Prof Qfd Wrkg Match Upper Cast no Bar. 9520040189

**KAYASTHA,** 28, 5'5", MBA, Govt. Officer, Mumbai. Seeks well-settled groom in Mumbai. Contact: 6398943454 (W.App). RSAPPP@GMAIL.COM

**MS** (SURGERY) b'ful smart girl 5'2" Aug 1995 seeks PG doctor/IAS/PCS pref. UP and nearby states Parents doctors stld in prayagraj # 9389600932

**SUITABLE** Cl-1 Govt/PSU/ Reptd Org. match 4 Mohali bsd Ambashth girl, Feb-95, 5'-2", smart, articulate, MSc (PU), PGDM (London Univ), wkng US Tech Firm Ind office Father retd Prof. #9064293315

**SEEKING** Groom (govt. /semi-govt.) For Non Mangalik Kayastha. working girl 30/5'2" M.B.A., NET Qualified, Ph.D. & skilled in housework. Mo. 7905324016, 9415323595

**SM4,GZB** based Kayastha girl, June'94/5'4. Bachelor of Design, NIFT. Work-Interior Stylist, Noida. Upper Caste No Bar. #9891247296,9997142005

**MA** in Journalism from Columbia University, NY, b'ful 5'4" 93 born girl from a Doctors family UP. Contact: 9837025925

### KHATRI

**COMPATIBLE** match for 45 never married Khatri girl, wrkg as director in IT company, 5'-2" please whatsapp biodata with pic at 74045-37244.

**SUITABLE** match for Punjabi Khatri beautiful girl 34/5'/B.Tech/MBA/Data Science. Contact on 9868162727, ghsr1952@gmail.com

**SUITABLE** Boy for V.B'ful PB. Arora Unmarried Delhi Girl born 1972 /5'.4" looks very younger B.SC (maths) B.ed,Prof. Qlfd, Associates in Family Education Business WhatsApp # 99998 74275

**PUNJABI** Khatri B'ful Girl, March 1997/5'2" M.Sc (Psychology), Seeking Well Settled. Punjabi Khatri Boy. Mob 9839041207

### KSHATRIYA

UK educated Khastriya girl, Economist,ODI scholar. Age-31 years, height 5 feet 4 inches,wheatish colour,non-smoker, respects Indian culture. Father and uncle retd IAS and IPS. Seeks grooms working in Govt. Sectors/ IAS/ Foreign service/ IPS/ Central Services / IIT/IIM graduates working in private sectors. Caste no bar.

**Contact: 9425606030**

**KSHATRIYA** bais 1993/5'4" Gotra Bhardwaj, from Lucknow based family. Working as Manager HDFC Bank seeks suitable match. # 8953921093

### SAINI

**SAINI** Girl 5"1 20.2.92 MA (Eng) B.Ed Special Education Wkg in DOE Govt NCT Delhi Seeking in Delhi NCR well Edu. & Employed Boy. 9910218771

### YADAV

**SM4** 1986/5'4" tall fair slim smart n.mglk nvr marid Ph.D Astt Prof renowned Govt Univ Lko Pref Cl- I Govt Job/ MNC Caste no bar 8765585628

### BY COMMUNITY

### AGARWAL

**MEDICO/NON** medico, QM4 Oct. 92/5'5" MD Anaesthesia Consultant Agarwal Gril, Dr. family Agra. Mob. 9897222524, 9837006922

**SM4** b'ful, fair, mittal girl 6.7 1990/157cm B.Tech. wkg MNC Noida,30lpa,fthr Rtd.Ch.Er. & Advsr.Sci.C.Govt. 9818844694 (12 to 7pm), 9990581234

**MEDICO** PG, vb'ful, slim, fair, Agarwal girl, 27/5'4" frm affluent Dr fmly seeks upper caste IAS/ Doctor/ Bzness hi status lko boy. WA 9415755536

**PQM4** a Smart & Attractive Garg girl 30/ 5'3", Ph.D in Biotech for a Lucknow based Affluent Family Contact: 6387639657

**B.TECH** Chem. Engg & P.HD in Chem. Engg from IIT Delhi B'Ful. Fair N.Mgnlk. girl Sept'96/ 5'8"/ Wrkg in MNC/ 16 LPA. Contact: 9278626117

**PQSM** for B'ful, never married Bansal girl, Nov 88 born, 5'8", MBA, slim, Manager in SBI Bank (Mumbai), Jaipur bsd family, W'app/call - 7032774052

**LOOKING** suitable match for Toronto Canada Based PR holder, Buisness Analyst MBA Girl,30/162,1994, Delhi Based Buisness Fmly, Call: 9810125613

**South Delhi-based well-established Aggarwal business family invites proposals for their daughter, 28 yrs, 5'3", highly educated & MBA from top international university. Currently working in Delhi. Seeking a well-settled, professionally qualified, compatible match.**

**Contact / WhatsApp: 9810884776**

### AGRAWAL

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Mathura Based Business Class Family Bisa Agrawal Girl DOB 1st June 97, Non Manglik, Decent Marriage. Only business class grooms should contact

PLEASE SEND YOUR BIODATA & Photo on 9897951767

**PQM** for NCR based never married Veg b'ful girl '82/5'2"/ M.Sc. C.Sc./Mgr/30 LPA , h'ly edu fmly. w/a : 8743964164 / bctechno46@gmail.com

### ARORA

**PUNJABI** ARORA Girl June 2002/5'7", Slim, Fair, BA(H), graphic designer, non veg, residing in South Delhi seeks a suitable partner, 9818868322

### JAT

**SM4** Jat Girl 30/5'5" Grad Eng Hnrs DU, TGT Eng. Delhi Govt (Perm.) B'ness/Farming Pref Delhi Gotra Not Siwach/Malik 9412100185

**SM4** Jat girl, fair, b'full Born 1995/165cm. MBA, 5 LPA, seeks well Q'fied & stld boy, #9528988475, Rashmichaudhary62972@gmail.com

**JAAT** slim B'ful girl 5.3.95/ 5'-1", B.Tech CSE wkg 8 LPA. Prf. Govt. Emp. / IT Sec. Tricity, Delhi, NCR. Upper caste welcome. W.App 9876944845, 9899294943

### NORTH INDIAN

**MBA** HR girl Aug 83/5'4" wkg MNC pune 12LPA father B/sman seeks cultured & good family values man # 9372463160 rajatchadha87@gmail.com

### RAJPUT

**BHADAURIA** Rajput 35/5'6" Fair Well-Edu Girl. Own B'ness Well-Cultured and Family-oriented. L'kng for a professionally Qlfd well-stld Rajput groom. 9999576957, 9810198822

**RAJPUT** (pundeer)V'fair b'-fulgirl 25yrs 5'4" B.tech (Ece) 25.5lpa Wkg in repu.MNC (NCR)seeks W'stld & prof.qlfd boy repu. rajput fmly 9717369001

**SM4** ,27/5'7"Rajput girl,based in Netherlands(Security Lead),looking 4NLbasedboy,Father retd army offr.9599489253

**B'FUL** Manglik 1988/5'4" Wrkg. MNC Gurgaon, PQM from Higher Caste, Early Decent Marriage. M: 9115110507,9536089994

### BY PROFESSION

### DOCTORS

**BEAUTIFUL** Brahmin MBBS MD(PATH) Final Yr 26/5'3" From High Status Family 7380200029

**DR.** Girl (MBBS, MD), PR Canada, 29-year-old, 5'4", 66 kgs Beautiful, Estb. Dr. Boys in Canada / willing to settle in Canada Con. 9599162543

**MDS** (orthodontics/cleft) ,Delhi 30/5'7"/fair/B'ful girl Guj Brahmin (Defence Offr family ) seeks MD/MS/Oral Surgeon. Caste no bar . M-9650495289

**MEDICO** invited for Jaat girl, born 1994, 5'4", MBBS, pursuing final year M.D. Radiology, looking for a well-settled qualified groom, preferably from medical or allied profession Mob. # 8448849906, 9318477585.

**DNB** (Radiology) Kayastha Girl 27/5'1, NEET PG Rank 1016/MD/ MS/ DNB/ DM/ MCh from Clinical. All Upper Caste wlcm. # 7044659582

**LOOKING** for MBBS, MD, MS, Doctor boy for Sharma 31/162 MBBS, MS Gynaecology girl. Lucknow based family. Mobile: 9452759165

**SM4** Goel girl, Dr., MD Pediatrics reglar medicl ofcr UPSC Govt Hosp Del 5'5"/11am/1993 pref Dr MD/MS/DM/Mch M. Tech/MBA Del-NCR 9711567850

**SM4** Brahmin b'ful tall fair Doctor girl, June 94, purs. DM Cardio in Delhi. IITian/IAS/ IPS/IRS/super specilst prf. Cnb jojokokodelhi2022@gmail.com

**M4** medico PG (Dermtlgist) fair punjbi arora (Thukral) girl.32/5'2"MBBS,FCPS(Derma) qlfd & uper midle fmly.W'ap 9415301951,thukral2@gmail.com

**FAIR,** Slim, Beautiful Jain Girl, 1996 / 5'3", MD (PED), respectable Business Family seeks well qlfd Jain Medico/ Govt. Officer Match in Delhi NCR. Contact: 9811400980

**MEDICO** Match 4 slim/ b'ful/ very fair, Aug. 1995 / 5' 4" M.D Derma Gold Medalist, Agrawal Girl. Pref. from Delhi / NCR.Call 9818226484, 9410014946

**MBBS** MS Gyne 2nd Yr from Indore, Kayastha Girl 30/5'2"fair & b'ful, cultured, modern & traditional values. Parents wkg Mob# 8288012425

### IAS/ ALLIED SERVICES

**NCR/LKO** Based Reputed GUPTA Family Looking For Civil Serv./Doctor for 30/5'4", Slim, Fair, B'Ful, MBBS/Asst Comdt/CRPF Girl. Wats app : 6394372818

### LECTURER

**PH.D** NLU Delhi/ LLM NLSIU B'lore/ LLB Law Faculty DU/ Convent Edu. 5'4" / Oct'90 born/ Gori/ Extremely B'ful/ Wrkg as Asst Prof. Rep Law College, Delhi. Father Retd. Univ. Prof. Affluent hi-status Agwl Delhi based family. Alliance Invited from high class professionals/ educated B'nessmen. Upper Caste no bar. # 9818632910

### BY RELIGION

### CHRISTIAN

**MEDICO** Match MD/MS for b'ful Christian Girl 1992, 5'-7", MBBS, MS (Ophthal) working Delhi. W'app- 94178-69451

### HINDU

**BEAUTIFUL** Brahmin Girl from Jalandhar 24.02.1995/ 5'.4" MA from Delhi University, Father S P CRPF, Status Family preferred,M:8414939711

**BRAHMIN** Dentist girl , 32, PR Canada,seeks well settled boy in Canada or USA. # 9797850684

**SM** for MA Qual Punjabi girl Jan 88/4'11 Nvr Married Wkg Admin ALGH. seeks Prof. Qual boy. #9219772488, khannashashi50@gmail.com

### MUSLIM

**SUNNI,** Muslim, Sheikh, Siddiqui Fair Girl 34/5'5" M.Sc, B.Ed pref. job oriented well settled Boy. Mo. 7388083533, 8423283533.

**SUNNI** Syed girl, 28/5'6", fair, Practicing Advocate (LL.M.), upper-middle-class, qualified Central Government officer, South Delhi family.Seeking educated,well-settled Sunni boy, age 28–34years, preferably Syed/ Sheikh/Siddiqui/Khan. Mob : 9899737458 / 9958692674

**SUNNI** b'ful girl 30 Div (No child) M.S.Comp Science T.U. Munich wkg Germany seeks boy Pref Germany/Europe bsd Liberal family 7275904751

**SUNNI** Match MBBS MD b'ful girl 29/5'2" Dr. parent seeks MS MD or pursuing PG boy from resp family willing to settled abroad # 9335768485

**MUSLIM** sunni 30 ,5.4,khula taken beautiful, MA,BEd from Miranda House(DU). Well cultured NCR based family seeks Busnesman or Working, teetotaller 7505375288

**SHEIKH** Siddiqui BUMS working Girl, 94/5", Slim, Own Clinic house Nuclear Educated Background family Delhi NCR # 9355221715

**BTECH** Journalist girl 32 yrs 5'8 slim Noida based Sunni Syed religious educated family father rtd. Gov Officer 9833310176

**SUNNI** Syed VARANASI Girl V.Pretty PhD(Com) 1997/ 5'3 will work, reqd setld boy Biz /Pro/Ind-Ovs 9868020646 myniecejrf@gmail.com

**SUNNI** Ansari Kanpur Girl 28 5'4" Data Engineer Job United Kingdom seeks qualified well settled match cast No bar. 8564939685

**MBBS/MD** 27 yrs beautiful doctor girl, REPUTED Sunni Muslim family. Ongoing PGMD from Indore. Contact : 9425608403, 934032796

**We are seeking a suitable alliance for a 30-years 5'6" tall, Sunni Muslim Pathan girl from a reputed, Delhi-based business family. convent-educated,MBA, and Canada PR holder. Looking for well educated,cultured, and professionally qualified settled abroad.**

**Please send biodata & details at Mother's WhatsApp no 91 9315573494**

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**JAT** Sikh match for beautiful doctor girl 5'5"/93 born, working as hospitalist in USA after fellowship. Graduated from India. Respectable doctor family. Contact 9872611441

**GURSIKH,** Well educated, Well Stld Professional match from an affluent family for a cultured, well travelled, B'ful MBA girl 28/5'5", Working in a managerial position in MNC, South Delhi Family. Call/W'App: 9891709642

**GURSIKH** match for Doctor Arora girl Dec 93 / 5'4". MBBS MD DM seeking equally well qualified match. Preferably Mumbai/Delhi. Send biodata: savneetmps@gmail.com or Whatsapp on 9324805353

### GENERAL

### CASTE NO BAR

**SM4** well educated Sept'84/ 160cm Sr Manager, Punjabi Khatri, never married b'ful girl edu n cultured fmly pref India based professional boy. drhemantanand@gmail.com

**DELHI** / Ggn / Noida 32 yrs/ 5'3" b'ful, Intelligent, graceful Pjb girl.Only child. Runs fmly biz. Convent edu, B.Com (H) KMC, DU. WA: 9717712062

**MEVAFAROSH** (Khatik), M.Com, Fair, B'ful, Girl 1991, 5'6' well Educated Family. Seeks educated, good looking boy. Contact: 7905703906

**MATCH** 4, 81-born, 5', Nvr marriade Dlhi bsd girl, wrkng in Pune, 25LPA. Seek qulfied well stled groom frm decent famly. Caste no bar. 9650990988

**PQM4** Fair 5'3" Slim PG March 87 girl wkg MNC 60.00 LACS pkg.Well Settled professional family .#9158004217

**HYDERABAD** based, MNC working, beautiful, independent, educated abroad, divorcee with minor child, 45, 5'3" seeks suitable life partner. Pls contact adresponse1111@yahoo.com

**DEL** bsd,b'ful grl,5'4"/Aug'85 (Manager in Ltd.Com)/Arch. fmly/Seek wel stld edu boy frm Upr cls fmly/NRI. Girl ready to stld abrd 9910130730/ 9971555369

**B'FUL,** Fair girl, 2001/5'8", MSc Finance with CFA Level 2. Daughter of an interreligious couple (Hindu mother, Muslim father). Seeking well-settled, affectionate, caring and a good family background. sahil1207001@gmail.com M: 9352708888

**B.TECH** (DCE) Fair, B'ful, Garhwali Brhmn girl, 32/ 5'5"/ MBA Wrkg as Strategy Consltn/ 30LPA+ Well Settled family in Delhi # 9910266276

**BRAHMIN** 26/5,4 B'ful,fair Slim Girl B.Tech IIT MBA Wrkg in MNC 25 Lpa Father Industrialist only Child caste no Bar:8269934966,9893202325

**B.TECH/MBA** girl Oct 91/5'4" Wkg MNC Ggn 45LPA. Father Retd Army Offr seeks Prof Qual boy. Upper Caste only. Mob 9675964505(WA)

**MS(CE)TAXES** USA wkg Kansas fair b'ful girl, Rajput pundlr 5'4"23oct86, cast no bar 9098877733,9238486814 rakeshsinghndri@rediffmail.com

**SM4** July 1995 / 5'4" b'ful Rajput Highly Qlfd divorcee girl wkg in Banking sector Bhilai city bsd affluent fmly pref. upper caste only. # 7067997224

**M4** Pb Oct 88, b'ful girl, 5-4", MS (CS) USA. Now wrkg B'glore MNC. Seeks well edu match India-Abroad.divorcee excuse:9818578668,9953737728

**RAJPUT** CA girl 5'3" Never Married, Noida Resident, Working at Gurgaon, 30LPA, DOB 25/03/87 09:40AM Delhi Early Marriage 9818629991

**HINDU** Beautiful, fair, Prof. Qual. girl Dec 97/5.5" from Mumbai, looking for a well-settled Qualf. match. Cont. 9869009419

**S/C** Balmiki pjbi B'ful girl 5'5"/1991 MBA(DU) 15 Lpa own B'ness seeks H'sm qlfd boy & W'stld fmly Del NCR 9811049905/9899687263

**WELL** QUALIFIED DELHI BASED boy for bengali girl 94/5'-5" BA LLB from NaionalLawSchool, parents doctors. 8412860985

**MATCH** for daughter, Hindu MBA, born Oct 92/5'4", Delhi Employed, Mother MNC Manager, Father Mktg. Consultant. W/App: 9667753488

**SM4** Fair, Slim, Beautiful Girl, 5'4"/17-04-1990, 18:40 Divorcee, Issue- less, Non-Manglik, Wkng in MNC- Gurugram. Radha Soami preferred. # 8968123821

**ENT** Surgeon Wkg Govt Hosp as SR Jun 93/5'4" South Delhi Well Settled Family Father MNC Chairman Mother Sr. Govt Officer. Seeks Medico/Non Medico Alliance. 9811557595 holycause22@gmail.com

**CA,** Fair,Young looking Sikh Girl,38/5'3"unmarried B.com (H)DU,Chief Mgr in bank. Father Rtd. SBI,Mother MA Eng Sis in US, Bro IIT grad. Seeks well stld PQ boy.# 9779078259

**BRAHMIN** 29/160 Ph.D Eco Ivy League,Economist at BOFA NY. Looking for highly edu NY bsd professional or who can relocate to NY. Wapp 9910449669

**NCR** based working Hindu girl.Interior Designer. Slim, beautiful 34 yrs 5'1. Decent earning. No dowry. Contact 7208464029

**ALLIANCE** for fair,1992 Born / 5'4", Kayastha Girl, B.E., MBA (IIM), 30+ LPA, Caste No Bar, Ph. 9082095513

**SM** for Jan'1990/ 5'3"Agra fair, smart, B'ful,Arora Girl Qualf. Post Gradu.in corporate law wkng in a corprate co. at Mumbai W'ap/call 9897524289

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**RAJPUT,** 33, 178 cms, Sr Product Manager in MNC, MBA. Lives in Bangalore. Parents are working professional. Family is affluent and lives in Delhi. Looking for a like minded match from Rajput match only in India. Contact: 6366448342

**SIKH, CASTE NO BAR,** 26, 183 cms, BE, Software Engineer, USA. Father is a Co Founder of IT company. Family is financially well off. Looking for a like minded match from good educated match, USA/ India/ Canada. Contact: 6366448342

**BANIYA GUPTA, CASTE NO BAR,** 30, 178 cms, MBA/ MS/ B.Tech, Product Manager. Live in USA. Father is Businessman. Family is financially well off. Looking for a like minded match from USA/ India/ Canada. Contact: 6366448342

**BANIYA AGARWAL,** CASTE NO BAR, 29, 178 cms, BS in Electrical Engineer, Businessman. Live in USA with citizenship. Family is affluent. Looking for a like minded match, located from anywhere. Contact: 6366448342

### ELITE GROOMS WANTED

**BRAHMIN,** 29, 175 cms, Management Professional. Masters from Premium Institute. Lives in UK. Father is a working professional with a high net worth. Looking for a compatible match from India and Abroad. Contact: 6366530294

**BRAHMIN,** 35, 158 cms, Masters, First Generation, Entrepreneur. Lives in Delhi NCR. Father is a Businessman. Family is financially well off. Looking for a suitable match from India/Abroad. Contact: 6366530294

**SIKH ARORA,** 28, 150 cms, PhD in Clinical Genetics. Lives in USA. Belongs to well known business class family with a high net worth. Looking for a compatible match from USA. Contact: 6366530294

**AGARWAL,** 35, 163 cms, Consultant, Masters in Healthcare. Lives in Canada. Family is from affluent background. Looking for a suitable match from Canada. Contact: 6366530294

**AGARWAL,** 25, 163 cms, Masters, Management Professional. Lives in Delhi. Father is a Businessman. Family is financially well off. Looking for a compatible match from India. Contact: 6366530294

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Email at: mittra.niti@gmail.com

Call on: 9810398675

### SECOND MARRIAGE

**SM4** Jain(Dig.)/fair/B'ful/age 45/5'6"/widow (with one daughter) w'edu./wkg/w'stld/ looking suitable boy. BHP: Jain1009family@gmail.com

**SM4** Beautiful Bhatnagar Girl Divorcee I'less 34/ 5'2" MBA working in MNC at Gurgaon. Preference will be in Delhi/ NCR. Caste no bar # 9818202059

**SM** for Agarwal 48 / 5ft well educated, B'ful issueless divorced Girl. Brokers please excuse. # 9259193784 E: ramesh1950fb@gmail.com

**DIVORCEE** Anshik Mangli 36 LLM, 5'2" Brahmin, v.fair,v short marriage, issueless, practicing in HC Lucknow. V respectable family. Caste no bar. Boy should well settled. No Marriage Bureau. # 7753877777

**SUITABLE** Match For Punjabi Khatri, Beautiful Divorce, Girl 37/5'3" Working as Manager MNC U.S.A Contact : 9818406400, 9718261092.

**SM4** Gupta Sahu Girl, Divorcee, Issueless, 34Yrs, 5'3", B.Tech. Working for MNC in PUNE. From educated family. Contact 9335627267, 9336775068

**SEEKS** alliance for beautiful 33 issueless legally divorced girl working with MNC in Mumbai. Package 40 lakhs. Email: adlakhakund anlal@gmail.com

**WANTED** 'gharjamai', who can live with us at Delhi NCR For divorcee 35/5'2". any Hindu cast upto 40 years. Not edicted. # 9838202167

**PQM** 4 Delhi based I'less Dvrcd Saxena girl from well edu fmly Jan 87/5'6"/25lpa MBA (Fin) Mgr in Big 4. Contact: 9873982922.

**MBA,** MCA B'ful, Fair Slim I'less Div. 46/5'4" Wrkg MNC 20 LPA, Seeks well Stld boy NCR Pref., Caste no bar. Send BHP # 9582699564

**SM4** 36, 5'2'' Khatri I'less divorce girl grad Rptd public Schl Teacher 68K Well Stld Del Pb Boy own home pref 9811 225562, 9871594477, 01142838066

**SEEKS** Well Settled B'lore Based Match for 1988 Born/ 5'1"/Beautiful Widow Working Girl/ 40 LPA # 9971095656 E-Mail: bbgulati@gmail.com

**RAJPUT** Girl B'ful, fair, 82-born, 5'6", MBBS, MD, DM (Cardiology), I'less div., from a resp. Rajput fmly Seeks well stld,Q.fied groom.9634025880

### BY LANGUAGE

### BENGALI

**KAYASTHA** 43-5-2" BSc MCA Sr Manager IT MNC Blore Never Married Seeks Prof. Qual Never Married Groom (Age 45 -48) # 7338091333

**PQM4** Bengali Shah (Vaishya) Gotra Alimman Girl, height 5'5", 26 yrs, MVSc Doctor (Veterinary), Caste no bar # Mob:9012700996,7834877775

**SEEKING** Bengali Brahmin groom, must be working in UK, 29 to 33 years, having or pursuing PhD or similar, never married, for our daughter, 28 yrs.,5'6', doing PhD in U K . E m a i l : subhendughatak123@gmail.com

### ORIYA

**FAIR** Beautiful Delhi based working Odia Girl (MA) First Divn 1997 born 5.5" seeks well settled Delhi/ NCR based boy# csdillip@gmail.com

### PUNJABI

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# How India's Coffee-cionados Are Chasing The Perfect Cup

## From pour-over purists to espresso obsessives, a growing tribe of city dwellers is bringing café culture into their kitchens — one bean, one brew, one machine at a time

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Coffee", wrote Gertrude Stein, "is a lot more than just a drink; it's something happening." To a growing tribe of young (and not-so-young) Indians, coffee is what's happening at home; it is a way of life, the reason to wake up every morning. Across the country — in Bengaluru, Mumbai, Delhi and Kolkata — this passionate band of home baristas is brewing up small storms in coffee cups, chasing café-style perfection in the comfort of their homes.

This revolution smells of freshly ground coffee beans, and sounds like the soft hiss of milk being frothed. Increasingly, across kitchens, the ubiquitous toaster is finding company in an espresso machine, even as precision scales and burr grinders sit next to the spice boxes.

### Bean To Cup

For the typical "home-brewed" barista, coffee is not just a hobby. It's a ritual, a craft and a small slice of joy.

"I bought this German machine called Profitec," says Arpan Ramtek, 35, product manager at a Bengaluru-based tech firm. "It's the most capable home setup out there. And no, I'm not changing it anytime soon. It's the best thing," he adds, with the gleeful energy of someone who's found his perfect cup.

His gateway moment was a simple pour-over served at Hyderabad's Roastery Coffee House in 2017. "For the first time, I had a bean-to-cup, freshly brewed coffee. Everything changed after that," he says. These days, he brews up to four cups a day, for himself, his wife, or anyone willing to try something other than their usual filter kaapi.

Ramtek has poured nearly Rs 10 lakh into his home setup — from dual boilers to calibrated tampers. But one needs only a fraction of that budget to set up a simple, yet highly effective "coffee delivery system", as enthusiasts call it: a pour-over setup can be arranged for as little as a few thousand rupees.

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Ramtek is part of a growing cohort of urban millennials and Gen Z-ers reshaping India's relationship with coffee — not just as a drink, but as a hands-on experience.

"People nowadays want to go on a romantic journey," says Sunalini Menon, a coffee quality expert. "They want to understand the depth and dimension of a cup. They're changing grind sizes, experimenting with machines — things they never did before. And it all started with the realisation, during the Covid pandemic, that coffee brewing isn't difficult."

**Rs 450 Crore**
Approximate value currently of annual sales of coffee equipment, industry sources told **TOI**. Sales are growing 35% year-on-year. The coffee machine market in India is seeing robust growth, thanks to disposable incomes, urbanisation, and a growing cafe culture

### The Pandemic Trifecta

That pandemic spark ignited something enduring. Mehul Ved, founder of India Coffee Brewing Club (CBC), says his community has grown fourfold since 2020, from around 700 members pre-Covid to over 3,000 today. "People had time, no access to café coffee, and a little extra money to spend. That trifecta really pushed home brewing forward," he explains.

Launched in 2018, CBC has since become a hotspot for weekend workshops, gear talk, and brewing competitions. Its members range from moka pot loyalists to those dropping lakhs on semi-automatics. The goal? Not just caffeine, but connection with the cup, the bean, the craft.

That evolution has also sparked interest in specialty coffee beans. From fruity Ethiopian naturals to chocolatey Colombian varietals, India's home brewers are exploring origins, roast profiles, and flavour notes with the same zeal once reserved for wine. "I used to think coffee was just bitter," Ramtek says. "Now, I'm tasting acidity, floral notes, mouthfeel. It's a whole new world once you start paying attention."

**91,000 Tonnes**
Domestic consumption of coffee in India in 2023, up from 84,000 tonnes in 2012. According to a report, over 3 lakh coffee machines are expected to be sold by 2030. It was the Covid pandemic that dramatically drove up sales of home coffee appliances, experts say

### A Whiff Of Change

Abhinav Mathur, CEO of Kaapi Machines, witnessed the shift from the other side of the counter. Traditionally, a B2B supplier to cafés and hotel chains, Kaapi pivoted during the pandemic to launch Something's Brewing, its consumer-facing brand. "We had people, including entrepreneurs and investors, coming to us, requesting help to get serious coffee gear. That's when we realised there was a whole new audience forming," he says. Mathur notes a clear upward curve in demand, particularly for entry-level brewers, manual pour-over kits, and prosumer-grade espresso machines. "We started with just a few hundred monthly orders in 2020. Now, we're doing over 2,500 orders a month, and it's not seasonal. The demand is consistent," he adds.

Bengaluru, unsurprisingly, leads the way. "We see people now buying coffee gear the way they used to buy audio equipment. It's part of a lifestyle," Mathur says.

One of the earliest to sense this shift was Suhas Dwarakanath, founder of Benki Brewing Tools, who began designing and manufacturing coffee accessories out of Bengaluru in 2017.

"It was too early back then, but I had seen the pattern in global markets. During Covid, we went fully online and saw our B2C sales jump," he says. Today, 30-40% of Benki's business comes from individual customers, and the company runs its own stores in Delhi, Bengaluru and Hyderabad.

### The Daily Grind

Still, for some, brewing at home isn't about gear upgrades or latte art. Manik Choudhary, an entrepreneur who runs a digital advertising agency, has been brewing coffee at home for over 16 years, and recently gave away his espresso machine. "Espresso was great, good coffee without the wait. But it also ruined coffee for me," he says. "Travel became frustrating because no cup elsewhere could match what I made at home," he says.

That changed when he discovered the Aeropress, a portable manual brewer that allowed him to make a decent cup anywhere, hotel room or hillside. His home collection now includes multiple Aeropresses, V60s, Kalita Waves, and even a custom pour-over. "Compared to espresso, I find manual brewers far more forgiving. It's relaxing. You still get great coffee, but without obsessing over every decimal," he says.

Choudhary is also wary of the "arms race" in coffee gear. "Coffee is not a cheap hobby. You can spend lakhs. But at some point, you have to pause and ask yourself whether these marginal gains really change your day?" After years of chasing the perfect cup, he says he's come full circle. "Now I just want a cup that tastes good. That's enough."

Even Paras Chopra, founder of SaaS firm Wingify, who was drawn into the world of home brewing thanks to a gift from his wife, feels the same. "I've learned a bit, but I'm doing this for fun, not trying to nerd it out so much that it kills the joy."

That sentiment echoes across the community. For many, home brewing has become a way to slow down, experiment, and find personal meaning in a morning ritual. "It's not just about drinking coffee," Ramtek says. "It's about crafting something with your hands, your attention, your intent. Once you start, it's hard to go back."

### COFFEE GRIND SIZE CHART

Graphic: **Karthic R Iyer**

### TYPES OF COFFEE DRINKS

# Why a small Jharkhand town still adores the writer of Pather Panchali

## It's been 75 years since he passed away. But Bibhutibhushan Bandyopadhyay, the celebrated writer of Pather Panchali, continues to be revered in Ghatsila, a quiet town on Jharkhand-Bengal border

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Flanked by a restless Subarnarekha river and an unassuming railway line that runs through the small town, Ghatsila reminds you of idyllic Nischindipur, where Satyajit Ray's iconic Pather Panchali (Song of the Road) unfolds. It's a drowsy, almost diffident, place that seems to have been bypassed by time.

Maybe the resemblance is not entirely coincidental. This is where celebrated writer Bibhutibhushan Bandyopadhyay, who penned the unforgettable Bengali novel, spent many creative years of his life and breathed his last at the age of 56 in 1950.

The finest works of Bibhuti babu, as everyone refers to him in Ghatsila, include 'Aparajito (Undefeated)', 'Aranyak (Of The Forest)', and 'Chander Pahar (Mountain Of The Moon)'. Director Shakti Samanta's 'Amar Prem' (1972), a melancholic story of unrealised love, starring Rajesh Khanna and Sharmila Tagore, was based on a Bandyopadhyay short story, Hinger Kochuri.

It has been 75 years since he passed away. But Bibhuti babu remains Ghatsila's calling card. Hotels are named after him. So are sightseeing spots, libraries and grammar schools. He is present even on restaurant menus. In fact, the writer is everywhere.

Ghatsila is nestled in the lap of Dalma hills in Jharkhand's East Singhbhum district, which shares a border with West Bengal's Jhargram and Purulia districts on the east and north and Odisha's Mayurbhanj to the south.

At the spot where NH 33 turns towards Ghatsila, Jharkhand tourism department has built a hotel called Bibhuti Vihar. The town also has a Bibhuti Inn, owned by a businessman. A popular hotel on the banks of the Subarnarekha is named after a spot where the writer used to sit on moonlit nights and that he had named 'Ratmohana' (charmer of the night).

The house where Bibhuti babu lived is located in Dahigora, now the poshest part of town. The residence is called Gourikunj, after his first wife, who died during childbirth. The road leading to Gourikunj is called Apur Path — the road of Apu, the protagonist of the semi-autobiographical Pather Panchali.

There's more. A local society for the preservation of Bandyopadhyay's house and his legacy is called the Gourikunj Unnayan Samiti. According to its president, Tapas Chatterjee, "Nobody commands more respect than Bibhuti babu in Ghatsila."

"Not an inch of his house was encroached upon even though nobody lived there for 57 years. In 1950, when Bibhuti babu died, his second wife, Rama Chattopadhyay, and son Taradas Bandyopadhyay, who was three then, left the town. Taradas-ji gave us the NoC to construct this memorial in 2007, three years before his death. In between, the house lay in utter neglect and ruins," Chatterjee said.

The Samiti also runs a Bengali language grammar school on Sundays, called Apur Pathshala, and a library called Bibhuti Smriti Sansthagar in Ghatshila.

A cultural festival is hosted every year on Sept 12 to mark the writer's birth anniversary.

The story of how Bibhuti babu came to live in Ghatsila is fascinating.

According to Chatterjee, a contractor from Ghatsila called Ashok Gupta had taken a loan from the writer when the latter was working as a teacher in Calcutta. Unable to pay him back in cash, Gupta decided to register the house in Ghatsila in Bibhuti babu's name.

"Bibhuti babu wanted his younger brother, Nutbihari Bandyopadhyay, who was a doctor, to settle in this town and had visited Ghatsila in 1938. He fell in love with this house and the town and never returned," Chatterjee said.

Since he was already an established name in Bengali literature, many other Calcutta writers, including Sahitya Akademi Awardee Gajendra Kumar Mitra (1908-1994), Pramatha Nath Bishi (1901-1985) and Subodh Ghosh (1909-1980), also built homes in Ghatsila. Bimal Roy's 'Sujata' (1960) and Gulzar's 'Ijaazat' (1989) were based on stories written by Ghosh.

However, all left in due course. Except Bibhuti babu, who stayed on and wrote some of his most famous works in this town.

As a writer, Bibhuti babu shared a special bond with the quiet jungles on the town's edge, the free-flowing river and forest dwellers. He had witnessed the exploitation of natural resources in the name of development when he went to Bhagalpur in Bihar as the assistant manager of a forest estate in Jan 1924. That assignment left a lasting impression on the writer and finds mention in works such as 'Aranyak' and the essay, 'Hey Aranya Katha Kao (Oh Forest, Speak)'.

Ghatsila is full of such natural spots, like Burudi dam, Phuldungri Pahar and the banks of the Subarnarekha, where Bibhuti babu would sit with a pen and notebook for hours.

Situated 54km from Jamshedpur and 240km away from Kolkata, Ghatsila is a favourite of tourists from Bengal. Nearly 80% of the population here, including tribals, now speak the Bengali language. The locals, however, rue how some things are no longer the same. "Earlier, tourists came for longer durations, a month or, at times, even longer. They would rent out homes and stay like locals. Since they came here for a change of air, we called them 'changers'," said Rohit Kumar, manager of a private lodge in Ghatsila's Phuldungri.

The new-age tourists come for a day or two. The neighbouring hill town of Belpahari in Jhargram district of West Bengal offers better amenities and takes away a major chunk of tourists.

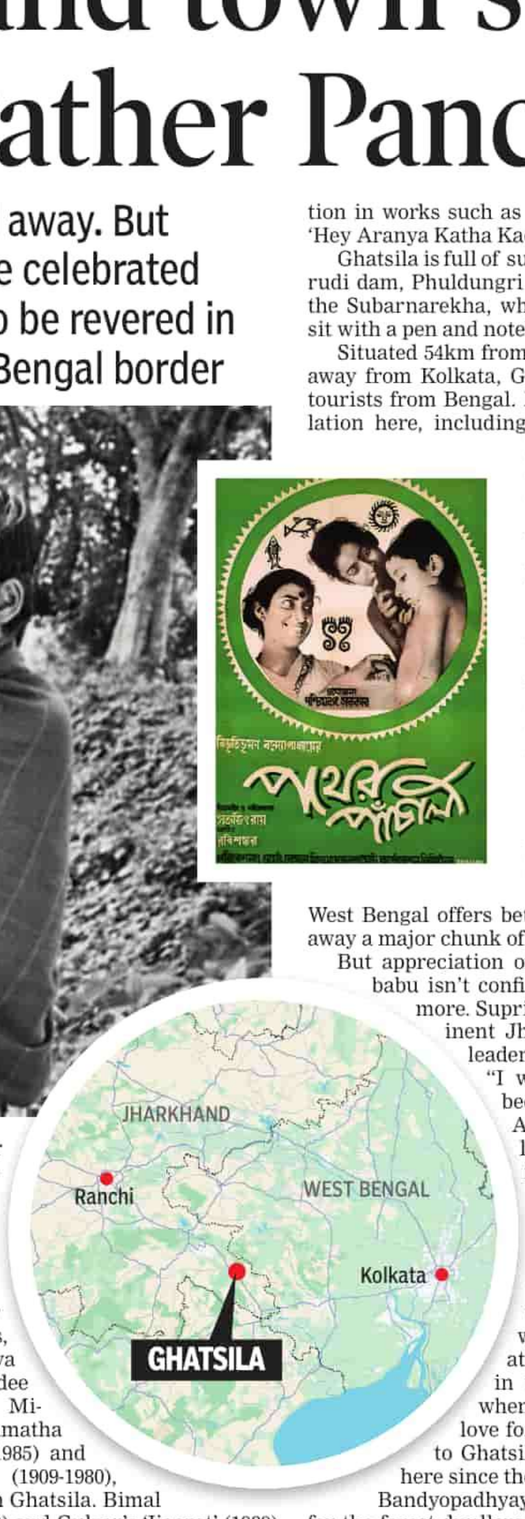
But appreciation of the legacy of Bibhuti babu isn't confined to just visitors anymore. Supriti Murmu, wife of prominent Jharkhand state agitation leader Bablu Murmu, says, "I was drawn to this town because of Bibhuti babu. As a student of Bangla literature, we were influenced by his writings and wanted to experience the rural life he portrayed in his books."

Supriti Murmu used to be a prominent left-wing student leader and was pursuing her graduation in Bangla literature in neighbouring Jhargram when her activism and her love for the writer brought her to Ghatsila in 1987. "I have been here since then," she said.

Bandyopadhyay's works and his love for the forest dwellers resonates with the local tribal population as much as his books appeal to the Bengali intelligentsia.

At Gourikunj, his real legacy is the bond shared by everyone. An artist from Bengal recently painted scenes from Bandyopadhyay's daily life in Ghatsila on the boundary walls of the house. On his birth anniversary, girls from tribal communities decorated Apur Path, the lane leading to the house, with beautiful Santhal patterns in the form of rangolis. Everyone and everything coming together to celebrate their one and only Bibhuti babu.

A scene from, and a poster (right) of Pather Panchali, Satyajit Ray's iconic debut film that was based on the semi-autobiographical novel of the same name by Bibhutibhushan Bandyopadhyay (below), who spent long years in Ghatsila




## INQUIZITIVE

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1. On the flag of which country would you see a bird known as caracara perched on top of a cactus?
2. If its army fights on land, and air force in the skies, what is the name of the branch of the US military trained to carry out expeditionary and amphibious operations?
3. What connects Admiral Horatio Nelson, Maharaja Ranjit Singh, Carthaginian general Hannibal, Mansur Ali Khan Pataudi, UFC fighter Michael Bisping, and actor Johnny Depp?
4. If the Indian President stays at Rashtrapati Bhavan and the US president at the White House, which head of state stays at the Quirinal Palace, an estate on the Quirinal Hill?
5. Which dish, popular in eastern India as a breakfast or snack item, is often eaten with bread or puri/luchi, but is usually served with dhuska (a fermented rice-lentil dish) in Bihar and UP, and with bara or singada in Odisha?
6. A 'perfect number' is one where the sum of its divisors equals the number itself. For example, 28 is a perfect number because its divisors — 14, 7, 4, 2, and 1 — add up to 28. Which single-digit number is the first 'perfect' number?
7. Which 20th century European head of state survived 31 assassination attempts, most of them orchestrated by the OAS (Secret Army Organisation) — an outfit belonging to his own country? A very popular work of fiction written in the 1970s was based on an attempt on his life.
8. If Grok is an AI belonging to X, and Google has created Gemini, which tech giant has developed an artificial intelligence chatbot named Copilot?
9. In which Indian state is the state animal the Chinkara deer and the state bird the Indian bustard?
10. For which Disney film, remade 25 years after the original, was the main character voiced by Matthew Broderick in the original and by Donald Glover in the new version — while his father's character was voiced by James Earl Jones in both versions?

### ANSWERS

1 | The flag of Mexico
2 | The US Marine Corps or simply the Marines
3 | All overcame the loss of one eye while having successful careers
4 | The president of Italy (it was also formerly the residence of the Pope)
5 | Ghugni, made of peas or chickpeas
6 | 6, a perfect number because its divisors (1, 2, 3) add up to 6
7 | Charles de Gaulle of France
8 | Microsoft
9 | Rajasthan
10 | The Lion King, Simba and Mufasa

# Israel warns 'Tehran will burn' after Iran retaliates with drones, missiles

## ● Iranian Attacks Kill Three, Injure 76 ● US Air Def Systems Help Israel Shoot Down Missiles ● Iran Tally 78 ● Tehran Calls Off Sunday's N-Talks With US

**Dubai:** Israel's defence minister warned Saturday that "Tehran will burn" if Iran continues firing missiles, as the countries traded blows a day after Israel launched a blistering surprise attack on Iranian nuclear and military sites, killing several top generals.

The attacks have left Iran's surviving leadership with the difficult decision of plunging deeper into conflict with Israel's more powerful forces or seeking a diplomatic route. Israel — which is widely believed to have a nuclear weapons programme — said its hundreds of strikes on Iran over the past two days also killed nine senior scientists and experts involved in Iran's nuclear programme.

Iran's UN ambassador said 78 people were killed and more than 320 wounded.

Iran retaliated by launching waves of drones and ballistic missiles at Israel, where explosions lit the night skies over Jerusalem and Tel Aviv and shook buildings. The Israeli military urged civilians, already rattled by the war in Gaza sparked by Hamas' Oct 7 attack, to head to shelter for hours. Health officials said three people were killed and dozens wounded. Defence minister Israel Katz said Iran will pay a heavy price for harming Israeli citizens. "If (Iran Supreme leader) Khamenei continues to fire missiles at the Israeli home front — Tehran will burn," Katz said.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Friday that his objective was to eliminate any Iranian threat to Israel, but he also urged Iranians to rise up against their leaders.

The US and Iran were scheduled to be in Oman on Sunday for their sixth round of indirect talks over Iran's nuclear programme. Iran's top diplomat said Saturday the talks were "unjustifiable" after the Israeli strikes, likely signalling no negotiations this weekend. But he stopped short of saying the talks were cancelled.

Iran launched waves of missiles at Israel late Friday and early Saturday, and Iranians awoke to state television airing repeated clips of strikes on Israel, as well as videos of people cheering and handing out sweets. The Iranian attacks killed at least three people and wounded 76, mostly in and around Tel Aviv, according to two local hospitals. One missile severely damaged at least four homes in the nearby city of Rishon Lezion, according to first responders. The Israeli military said seven soldiers were lightly wounded when a missile hit central Israel, without specifying where. It was the first report of Israeli military casualties since the initial Israeli strikes.

US ground-based air defence systems in the region were helping to shoot down Iranian missiles, said a US official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

In Ramat Gan, east of Tel Aviv, an Associated Press journalist saw burned-out cars and at least three damaged houses, including one whose front was nearly entirely torn away. Residents of a central Israeli city that was hit Friday night told the AP the explosion was so powerful it shook their shelter door open.

Israeli police said debris from the interception of drones and missiles fell in dozens of locations in northern Israel, causing damage and fires but no injuries. Israel's main international airport said Saturday it will remain closed until further notice. AP

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1 Eli Bachar, 40, holds his dog Tess after it was rescued from a building that was hit, in Ramat Gan
2 **An explosion during a missile attack in Tel Aviv**
3 People take cover in public shelter
4 **Remnants of a missile fallen on a field between Najaf and Karbala, Iraq**
5 A drone image of Friday night's destruction
6 **Rescue ops at** Ramat Gan
7 A heavily damaged building in Tel Aviv after overnight strikes from Iran

### Refinery at Iran's giant gas field struck

Israel attacked an onshore refinery at Phase 14 of Iran's giant South Pars gas field in the Persian Gulf on Saturday, as it expanded its assault on the Islamic Republic to targeting its critical energy sector. The hit on the onshore Phase 14 processing plant forced the shut down of a production platform at the field, according to a report from the semi-official Tasnim news agency. A separate fire also broke out at the Fajr Jam gas refinery, which processes gas from South Pars as well as the Nar and Kangan fields and is one of Iran's largest refineries. An official cause has not been given for the Fajr Jam refinery blaze but initial assessments suggest hostile drones may have been involved, Tasnim reported without giving a source. BLOOMBERG

### UK moves warplanes to Middle East

Britain is deploying fighter jets and other "assets" to the Middle East amid an escalating conflict between Iran and Israel, UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer said Saturday. "We are moving assets to the region, including jets, and that is for contingency support," Starmer told reporters travelling with him on his plane to Canada for G7 talks. The UK leader said he had spoken with both US President Donald Trump and Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu since Israel launched attacks on Iranian military and nuclear sites early Friday. AFP

# MAGA base splits over Trump's backing of Israel

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**Washington:** MAGA isolationists are up in arms against US involvement in the Middle East even as President Donald Trump has ostensibly bowed to pressure from the powerful pro-Israel lobby to throw Washington's support behind the Jewish state.

Several Trump-supporting MAGA surrogates, including conservative commentator Tucker Carlson, former Trump aide Steve Bannon, and Republican lawmaker Marjorie Taylor-Greene, have broken ranks to oppose American involvement, saying it is a betrayal of Trump's pledge to keep the US out of foreign wars.

Carlson has been vocal in his criticism, accusing Trump of being "complicit" in Israel's attack on Iran and arguing that US funding and weapons supplied to Israel, which Trump boasted about on Truth Social, has placed Washington at the centre of the conflict.

"The real divide isn't between people who support Israel and people who support Iran or the Palestinians. The real divide is between warmongers and peacemakers," Carlson said on Friday, bluntly naming former Fox News colleague Sean Hannity, commentator Mark Levin, media baron Rupert Murdoch, and Jewish billionaires Ike Perlmutter and Miriam Adelson, among the provocateurs.

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Hardcore white Christian nationalists in MAGA are typically anti-Jew, the broader MAGA base is anti-war

Steve Bannon, a former Trump White House aide, also urged Trump to keep the US out of the war, while Congresswoman Green questioned if Iran and its proxies are a danger to US national interests, saying, "I don't think we should be fighting wars on behalf of Israel… I have never seen a Houthi, or however you pronounce it, in my life…"

However, many MAGA Trump acolytes, including Hannity, Senator Lindsey Graham, conservative radio host Mark Levin, and social media gadabout Laura Loomer, backed the president's support for Israel because of Iran's pursuit of nuclear weapons, although Trump's intelligence czar Tulsi Gabbard, another anti-war figure, testified in March that Iran is not building a nuclear weapon.

"The IC [Intelligence Community] continues to assess that Iran is not building a nuclear weapon and Supreme Leader Khamenei has not authorised the nuclear weapons programme he suspended in 2003," Gabbard had said, while noting, however, that Iran's enriched uranium stockpile is at its highest levels, unprecedented for a state without nuclear weapons.

While hardcore white Christian nationalists in MAGA are typically anti-Jew ("Jews will not replace us" is one of the chants heard in their rallies), the broader MAGA base is distinctly anti-war, blaming US involvement in foreign wars under both Republican and Democratic administrations among reasons the country has racked up a massive $36 trillion debt. Polling by some MAGA principals shows isolationist sentiment is still strong in the MAGA base, and President Trump's support for Israel is not shared among the rank and file.

## Israeli firing kills 45 in Gaza, many at aid site

**Cairo:** Israeli firing and airstrikes killed at least 45 Palestinians across the Gaza Strip, many of them near an aid distribution site operated by the US-backed Gaza Humanitarian Foundation on Saturday, local health authorities said.

Medics at Al-Awda and Al-Aqsa Hospitals in central Gaza areas, where most of the casualties were moved to, said at least 15 people were killed as they tried to approach the GHF aid distribution site.

The Israeli army said in a statement an aircraft had opened fire on a person "to neutralise the threat" after he advanced towards troops and ignored warning shots fired near a group. REUTERS

# Netanyahu thanks Trump for support

**Jerusalem:** Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu sent effusive birthday wishes to US President Donald Trump on Saturday, praising him as a staunch ally as Israel continued to bombard its arch foe Iran.

There had been reports in the Israeli press of friction between the two in recent weeks. "Happy Birthday to you, President Donald J. Trump," Netanyahu said in a statement.

"You've been an extraordinary leader, decisive, courageous, with a clear vision and clear action. You have done great things for Israel."

He also extended wishes to the US military on its 250th anniversary. REUTERS

### Putin, Trump discuss Middle East crisis

**Moscow:** Russian President Vladimir Putin and US President Donald Trump held a 50-minute phone call Saturday to discuss the escalating situation in the Middle East and Ukraine peace talks, Putin's foreign affairs adviser Yuri Ushakov said. Putin briefed Trump on his recent talks with the leaders of Iran and Israel and reiterated Russia's proposal to seek mutually acceptable solutions . Trump described the regional situation as "very alarming," Ushakov said, but acknowledged the "effectiveness" of Israel's strikes on targets in Iran. AP

# Trump is pausing ICE raids on farms, hotels and eateries

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**Washington:** The Trump administration has abruptly shifted the focus of its mass deportation campaign, telling Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials to largely pause raids and arrests in the agricultural industry, hotels and restaurants, according to an internal email and three US officials with knowledge of the guidance.

**US MARINES MAKE FIRST DETENTION:** US Marines deployed (above) to Los Angeles made their first detention of a civilian on Friday — Marcos Leao, 27, a US Army veteran and an immigrant who obtained US citizenship. He was released later. LA demonstrations continued for an eighth straight day after they were sparked last Friday by a series of immigrations raids.

The decision suggested that the scale of President Donald Trump's mass deportation campaign — an issue that is at the heart of his presidency — is hurting industries and constituencies that he does not want to lose.

The new guidance comes after protests in Los Angeles against the Trump administration's immigration raids, including at farms and businesses. It also came as Trump made a rare concession this week that his crackdown was hurting American farmers and hospitality businesses.

The guidance was sent Thursday in an email by a senior ICE official, Tatum King, to regional leaders of the ICE department that generally carries out criminal investigations, including worksite operations, known as Homeland Security Investigations.

"Effective today, please hold on all worksite enforcement investigations/operations on agriculture (including aquaculture and meat packing plants), restaurants and operating hotels," he wrote in the message.

The email explained that investigations involving "human trafficking, money laundering, drug smuggling into these industries are OK."

The department of homeland security confirmed the guidance. "We will follow the president's direction and continue to work to get the worst of the worst criminal illegal aliens off of US streets," a spokesperson said. NYT

# California senator was cuffed for trying to pose question to Noem

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Such horrific violence will not be tolerated in the USA," he asserted, adding that attorney-general Pam Bondi and the FBI are investigating the situation, and they will be prosecuting anyone involved.

Minnesota authorities said the vehicle used by the gunman contained fliers for the 'No Kings' events and advised people to stay away from the protests as a precaution. A hunt is on for the gunman.

Even before the deadly shooting, America was careening towards political violence, with physical confrontations and scuffles that also involved lawmakers. California senator Alex Padilla was tackled, brought down and handcuffed by security agents when he sought to question Trump's homeland security secretary Kristi Noem on the incidents in Los Angeles, including the rounding up of documented immigrants and even US citizens. Videos of heavy-handed US law-enforcement officials corralling US citizens on account of their looks and accent are surfacing with increasing frequency on social media.

Trump, who earlier misspelled parade as "perade" in a post, insisted before the assassinations in Minnesota that the event would go on in "rain or shine" amid forecast of dodgy weather. Critics, California governor Gavin Newsom among them, excoriated the president for the extravaganza, saying it is nothing more than a "vulgar demonstration" of how weak he is.

"Only the narcissistic man child who was a 5-time draft dodger during Vietnam would hold a military parade, basically in his own honour," another critic wrote on X where sentiments on the events were divided, reflecting the growing fissures across America. There was heavy security presence all around the White House, the US Capitol and the National Mall to keep out demonstrators, with heavy-handed cops even cuffing and marching out an 80-year old veteran who was protesting — after confiscating his walker.

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People participate in the 'No Kings' protest in Philadelphia Saturday

### Trump reports more than $600 million in income from crypto, golf, licensing fees

Donald Trump reported over $600 million in income from crypto, golf clubs, licensing and other ventures in a public financial disclosure report released on Friday. The annual financial disclosure form, which appeared to cover the 2024 calendar year, shows the President's push into crypto added substantially to his wealth but he also reported large fees from developments and revenues from his other businesses. Overall, the President reported assets worth at least $1.6 billion. While Trump has said he has put his businesses into a trust managed by his children, the disclosures show how income from those sources still ultimately accrue to the President. REUTERS

## Yunus accused of 'spl affection' for a party after meet with BNP

**Ahsan Tasnim**

**Dhaka:** Hardline Jamaat-e-Islami and the newly formed NCP, which had backed Bangladesh chief adviser Muhammad Yunus's decision to hold the national election in April, on Saturday accused him of partiality, a day after he and BNP reached a "preliminary understanding" to hold the poll in Feb.

"The chief adviser has expressed special affection for a party, which has undermined his impartiality," the Jamaat said in a statement.

In a meeting London on Friday, Yunus conveyed to BNP acting chairperson in-exile Tarique Rahman that the election could be held in the week before the start of Ramadan in 2026 if all preparations are completed.

The BNP-led coalition of around 50 parties was demanding early poll in Dec, JeI and National Citizen Party (NCP) had backed Yunus over the April time frame.

JeI said it believes that holding a joint press conference and issuing a statement abroad on domestic matters is a "violation of the country's political culture". He should have held discussions with other parties after returning and then expressed his opinion, JeI said. The NCP called the issue "extremely disappointing".

# Yale is rushing to sell billions in PE funds

**Maureen Farrell & Lauren Hirsch**

Yale University's famed endowment has been trying to offload one of the largest portfolios of private equity investments ever in a single sale, a move that reflects the pressures on both Wall Street and higher education under the Trump administration.

The Ivy League school has sought buyers for up to $6 billion in stakes in private equity and venture funds, according to three people briefed on the sales process, amid uncertainty about its federal funding and the reality that many of these investments have not delivered the outsize returns that Yale expected.

Yale is close to completing a sale of roughly $3 billion of the portfolio and is selling the assets at a slight discount, one of the people said.

"This is a big deal," said Sandeep Dahiya, a professor of finance at Georgetown University, who has conducted research on the performance of endowments. "The investor that was the lead architect of investing in the private equity markets is pulling in its horns."

For decades, Yale has been regarded as a pioneer for shifting its investments away from stocks and bonds into longer-term holdings managed by private equity and VC firms. But last year, Yale's $41 billion endowment generated returns of just 5.7%, underperforming the S&P 500 and other major indexes. Yale said its 10-year return averaged 9.5% annually.

Private equity investments typically generate cash for endowments and other investors after they sell or take public the companies in which they have invested. NYT

## DAILY PLANET

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**MARCH ON:** Supporters of LGBTQIA+ movement participate in the Seoul Queer Culture Festival on Saturday. While the community has made some advances towards broader acceptance in Korean society, conservative religious groups still mount resistance to efforts to pass laws against discrimination, and there is no legal acknowledgement of LGBTQIA+ partnerships. REUTERS

### Starmer to probe 'grooming gangs'

British Prime Minister Keir Starmer said on Saturday he would accept a recommendation for a national inquiry into grooming gangs who sexually abused thousands of girls, having previously resisted calls for a statutory review. Interior minister Yvette Cooper in Jan asked Louise Casey, a former senior official, to undertake a "rapid audit" of the current scale and nature of gang-based exploitation in Britain. "(Casey's) position when she started the audit was that there was not a real need for a national inquiry," Starmer said. "She has looked at the material and come to the view that there should be a national inquiry. I have read every word of her report and I am going to accept her recommendation."

# *Billionaire island of Bezos & Kushner fights over sewage*

**Mike Baker**

**Indian Creek Village, Florida:** On a man-made island north of Miami, the titans of various industries have found their refuge. Jeff Bezos, the Amazon founder, has collected a trio of properties along the same shoreline as the football legend Tom Brady and President Trump's daughter and son-in-law, Ivanka Trump and Jared Kushner.

A community of only a few dozen homes, the latest of which sold for $110 million as a vacant lot, Indian Creek Village has emerged as the US' premier enclave for billionaires willing to pay any price to achieve the pinnacle of privacy, security and luxury.

A gated bridge blocks the public from access, and a police force uses cameras and radar to monitor anyone who approaches. But one amenity of modern life has remained surprisingly elusive. In a place where many of the estates have more than 10 toilets, nobody has quite figured out how to dispose of what comes out of them.

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Surfside in the foreground, and homes and a golf course on the island of Indian Creek Village. Water testing often detects signs of fecal contamination in the turquoise waters of Miami region that officials advise swimmers to stay out

Septic systems along the shores of Biscayne Bay have for decades been a source of pollution. Indian Creek, known as the "Billionaire Bunker," finally came up with a plan to get rid of the septic tanks and export the island's waste through the sewer pipes of the neighbouring town, Surfside. But to Indian Creek's surprise, Surfside wanted $10 million for the privilege.

Officials there contended the fee was a contribution to the historical cost of a system that Surfside created and maintained. Indian Creek leaders called it extortion. Quietly, they went to the state Capitol. In the battle between the island billionaires and the neighbouring millionaires, Indian Creek is on the cusp of prevailing. Buried deep in a large transportation bill approved by the state legislature is a new legal measure prohibiting municipalities from blocking or charging for the installation of certain sewer lines — like the one Indian Creek wants to build.

The bill, which would force Surfside to accept its neighbour's sewage, is now headed to the state's Republican governor, Ron DeSantis.

Indian Creek's village council is filled with major Republican political allies. One of them is Kushner, who was quietly appointed to the council last year. In his earlier political life, Kushner played a critical White House role. His agenda now features discussions about municipal contracts and mutual aid agreements. NYT

## B'desh: Vandalism at Tagore's home a 'personal dispute'

The interim govt in Dhaka has said the vandalism at Rabindranath Tagore's ancestral home in Bangladesh's Sirajganj was "not driven by communal or political motives" but stemmed from a "personal dispute", reports **Ahsan Tasnim**. The Bangladesh cultural affairs ministry claimed that on June 8, a "conflict arose from a misunderstanding that escalated into a verbal and physical confrontation between an on-duty employee of 'Rabindra Kachharibari' and a visitor, Shahnewaz".

# In battle of the delegations, real story lies in what went unsaid

BY INVITATION

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In the aftermath of their recent military clash, rival delegations from Delhi and Islamabad converged on various global capitals, each aiming to shape elite opinion, win sympathy, and control the post-crisis narrative. Having witnessed some of the exchanges in London firsthand, the diplomatic duel across briefing rooms, think tanks, and diaspora events was as revealing for what was unsaid as for what was spoken.

## MESSAGING STARTS WITH MESSENGERS

The difference in delegation profiles was notable. India's all-party parliamentary mission carried symbolic weight and cross-party legitimacy, including senior figures like Ravi Shankar Prasad and Pankaj Saran. Pakistan's team leaned more on technocrats and veteran advocates of global engagement, such as Sherry Rehman and Bilawal Bhutto Zardari. India's group projected cohesion and resolve; Pakistan's aimed to influence narratives and broaden appeal.

## INDIA'S CAUTIOUS CASE

India's delegation framed Operation Sindoor as part of a broader shift: limited cross-border retaliation to terrorist acts as policy, not aberration. They emphasized terrorism as a global threat whose response merits international understanding—not moral equivalence. The delegation linked India's counterterrorism struggle to challenges faced by Western democracies, with Pakistan as a common denominator.

In my observation, Indian representatives appeared quietly frustrated that while many countries expressed sympathy after Pahalgam and tacitly accepted India's right to act, few explicitly condemned Pakistan. Though confident in their message, their delivery often felt restrained. In think tanks, the tone was formal, even stiff; diaspora engagements were reportedly more fiery.

Though most accepted the delegation's basic premise, some observers noted the irony in Delhi resisting calls to frame Russia's invasion of Ukraine as a shared threat but now seeking solidarity on Pakistani-based terrorism.

Crucially, the delegation faltered when pressed on domestic radicalization. Two of the Pahalgam suspects were reportedly Indian nationals. Asked how New Delhi planned to prevent disillusionment turning to violence, the only response was that "things today are better than in the 1990s." This was a missed chance to demonstrate nuanced understanding of the challenge.

Other inconsistencies emerged. India's representatives rejected "re-hyphenation" with Pakistan, yet much of their messaging focused on Islamabad. While stressing the quarrel was with Pakistan's military, not its people, questions about suspending the Indus Waters Treaty complicated that distinction.Many briefings took place inside the High Commission, with diaspora members complaining to me that they thought too much political outreach was aimed at UK politicians of Indian heritage. Playing it safe has a certain logic, but may have limited engagement with new or skeptical audiences.

## PAK'S POLISHED—BUT PROBLEMATIC—PITCH

If India played it safe, Pakistan opted for smooth. Their delegation turned up at major think tanks eager to engage and keen to appear misunderstood. With assistance from lobbying professionals, their narrative was tightly crafted for European audiences: Pakistan sought peace through dialogue, emphasising Kashmir as the "unfinished legacy of Partition," terrorism, and water. Pakistan said it wanted talks, a neutral investigation into Pahalgam, and accused India of refusing cooperation or prove culpability.

This narrative of peace sat uneasily beside claims of military success and personal attacks on Indian leaders. Critique of Indian media spin might have bolstered believability had it not been accompanied by other factual distortions: legal sleight-of-hand over Kashmir, misreadings of UN resolutions, and claims that India admitted culpability for terrorism in Balochistan.The most convincing moment came on the Indus Waters Treaty, where the stark picture painted of the consequences struck a chord, even if significant action has yet to follow.

A key question remains: what was the objective? If persuasion abroad was the objective, the reliance on longstanding misrepresentations made it a difficult sell to informed audiences. If the goal was domestic signaling, that focus likely came at the expense of deeper foreign engagement.

**MAKING A CASE:** The Indian delegation emphasised terrorism as a global threat whose response merited international understanding—not moral equivalence

## SIMPLER SELL, HARDER ASK

Ultimately, the Indian delegation framed all terrorism as emanating from Pakistan; Pakistan framed it as emerging from Kashmir. The narratives didn't just clash—they barely shared the same terms of reference. As performative exercises providing content for domestic media, both probably succeeded on their own terms.

In the battle to move international opinion, outcomes were uneven. India may have achieved more, but it also had the easier task — framing terrorism as a universal threat aligns with European security narratives. Pakistan, by contrast, asked outside actors to invest political capital in corralling New Delhi back to the negotiating table — a much harder sell. Yet neither side escaped contradiction. India's claim to strategic clarity was weakened by deflection on domestic aspects of terrorism in Kashmir. Pakistan's message of peace was blunted by triumphalism and tired tropes.

In diplomacy, silence often speaks louder than words. In London last week, the most telling signals were what each side omitted, ignored, or performed for the audience they believed mattered most. ■

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# Pataudi was crucial for Indian cricket. Not in favour of trophy being renamed

***Tim Wigmore's*** *'Test Cricket: A History' — the journey of red-ball cricket since its inception in 1877 — has become a much talked-about book on the cricket circuit in recent times. And with the thrilling WTC final between Australia and South Africa at Lord's being followed by Shubman Gill's new-look team taking on England in a five-Test series,* ***Dwaipayan Datta*** *caught up with Wigmore, discussing the future of the purest format of the game, India's chances and a lot more. Excerpts:*

**There is a lot of talk about T20 killing Test cricket. But after the format became popular, the number of long-winding draws have come down in Tests. What's your opinion — are T20s a boon or bane for Tests?**

I think Test cricket is more exciting than it's ever been. We're seeing higher run-rates, more games getting over in four days and very few draws nowadays. Scoops, ramps, and reverse ramps are all now quite standard shots in Test cricket. Defensive batting probably has got a little bit worse, but I think almost everything else has got better. Even on the bowling front, you can see Jasprit Bumrah taking wickets with slower balls, yorkers etc, which are T20 tools. So, yes, probably something has been lost, but a lot more has been gained which is actually adding to the spectacle.

**What is your take on the proposed two-tier system in Test cricket to make it more competitive? Won't it make Test cricket an exclusive club, which is essentially against the essence of sport?**

I think, firstly, we are forgetting that last year there were quite a few Test upsets — the biggest being West Indies beating Australia in Brisbane. Then Bangladesh beat Pakistan, we saw Sri Lanka winning in England and then New Zealand beating India 3-0. Having said that, I don't mind the two-tier idea itself, but the worry is that this specific proposal seemed to be about getting the big three (India, England and Australia) playing each other even more, which I do not think Test cricket needs. Rather, I do think four-day Tests are worth exploring now with the World Test Championship series having three games each per series — three points for a win, one point for a draw. Of course, when Australia, England and India play each other, they can just have extra matches outside the Test Championship structure.

FOR THE RECORD

**There has been a recent report saying the WTC Final will lose a lot of money because India aren't there. What is your take on India becoming the economic superpower in cricket and calling all the shots?**

If you look at the history of cricket, England and Australia had far too much power historically and they didn't use that power well. So, what you don't want to see is a bad system of England and Australia having too much power replaced by a system of India having too much power. You need to have a balance. Clearly, the Indian market is at the heart of cricket, but we also need to diversify the sport.

**Recently, the Pataudi Trophy for the India-England Test series was renamed the Tendulkar-Anderson Trophy. How do you see the development and given the fact that a chapter of your book is devoted to Pataudi, how important do you think he was in the context of Indian cricket?**

I am not particularly in favour of the name change and I think he was crucial for Indian cricket. The fact that he was quite a good Test match player playing with one eye is in itself a remarkable story. His decision to play with the famous spin quartet, the importance that he gave to fielding and making India a very difficult team to beat at home were all significant. There's a kind of irony that he was deposed as captain before India got their twin successes in West Indies and England in 1971 — the ultimate triumph for a team that he developed.

**Do you see shades of Pataudi in Virat Kohli's captaincy?The way he brought in the four-spinner theory to Indian cricket, Kohli showed the courage to play with four pacers which in a way changed the course of Indian Test cricket.**

It's a very interesting question — when Pataudi chose four spinners for the first time (Edgbaston 1967), he knew that wasn't the best option, but he did that because those were the best bowlers he had. But he was always clear that the most important thing was to get more fast bowlers and develop them — so his strategy was more pragmatic than ideological. By the time of Kohli, actually there's been this revolution in fast bowling in India, which has a lot of factors behind it, including the Board's initiative to make pitches for domestic cricket conducive for pacemen.

**Who do you think has been the most influential figure in Indian cricket? Gavaskar, Tendulkar, Kohli...?**

No, if you ask me to pick one, I'll go for Kapil Dev. You zoom all the way back and here is Kapil Dev, all of 15-16, in an Indian camp. And he's just been given some chapati for lunch. And he says, 'You know, that's not enough to bowl fast', and the Board official just laughs at him saying, "We don't have any fast bowlers in India". That was the kind of Indian fast-bowling culture then. Within 18 months of his Test debut in 1978, Kapil became the first Indian fast bowler to get 100 Test wickets. He made batters across the world acknowledge that India can produce fast bowlers and more importantly, he changed the character of Indian cricket.

**Bazball has been a gamechanger for English cricket and it's going to be the topic of discussion through the summer with India touring. Can it stand up to the skill of the Indian bowling attack led by Bumrah?**

Bazball is a real phenomenon; it has helped England go from No. 8 to No. 3-4 in the world, which is quite an improvement, but it isn't a revolutionary record like the Australians of early 2000s had. I think England have slightly refined their method in the last 18 months or so. During this India series, it will be interesting to see how England batters deal with wrist-spin. I think Kuldeep Yadav can be a very big factor for India. I hope Bumrah will play at least four Tests, but my prediction is 3-2 in favour of England.

**And finally, if you have to make an all-time best Test XI, from 1877 to now, what would it look like?**

Well, this isn't exactly going by records, it's what I feel is the best. I will open with Jack Hobbs and Sunil Gavaskar, followed by Don Bradman, Sachin Tendulkar, Garry Sobers, Imran Khan, Adam Gilchrist, Wasim Akram, Shane Warne, Glenn McGrath and Muralitharan.

# *US trade dragon or chicken? Why India should strike a tough bargain with Trump*

SWAMINOMICS

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When US President Trump announced high 'reciprocal tariffs' against all trade partners on April 2, the world panicked. Most countries — including India to some extent — opted to pacify a rampaging Trump with soft tones and concessions. That now looks like a mistake.

China stood up and raised its tariffs by 125% when Trump did so. This trumped Trump. US treasury secretary Scott Bessent soon admitted that ultra-high tariffs were unsustainable. Trump waived these for negotiations to start. Apart from raising tariffs, China countered with restrictions on exports of rare earths and permanent magnets needed by top US industries including autos. After last week's London talks, it appeared that China had agreed to license exports of rare earths and magnets for no more than six months in return for US easing curbs on tech exports and chips. This left China with strong future levers. The fact that Trump claimed victory despite getting so little shows his negotiating position is far from crushing.

Stock and bond markets crashed when Trump announced reciprocal tariffs. Worried about the fall in the dollar's credibility, Trump ordered a tariff pause for 90 days to negotiate trade deals. On foreign policy as well as trade and internal issues, he has backed away from initial truculent positions.

On foreign policy, he claimed to have brokered a peace plan between Israel and Hamas, but that soon turned into a fiasco. He promised to forge a peace pact between Ukraine and Russia in one day. That remains an idle fantasy. So does his attempted peace deal with Iran, which Israel's attack has ruined.

Wall Street has nicknamed Trump TACO (Trump Always Chickens Out). The fiery dragon has been replaced by cartoons showing him as a chicken. Trump tried to counter his unwanted nickname by doubling his tariffs on steel and aluminium to prove his toughness. The markets remained unmoved. They believe — for now anyway — that the final outcome will be a manageable adjustment, not a trade disaster.

Trump's 90-day pause will end on July 9. He is keen on announcing deals with as many countries as possible by then to claim victory. But that means his trade partners have every incentive to demand more in return for meeting the 90-day deadline, and indeed to drag on after the deadline.

Remember, US courts may abort Trump's tariff war. The 1974 Trade Act authorises the President to retaliate against countries that violate prior agreements or unfairly hit the US. This was used in the past against China. But can it justify a 10% tariff on the rest of the world, including long-time partners following hallowed WTO rules? Trump can impose tariffs on steel or aluminium on the grounds of national security, but not 'reciprocal tariffs' (which are anyway not reciprocal), or his omnibus 10% import duty.

He claims the 1977 International Emergency Economic Powers Act empowers him to levy tariffs on any country. This has been challenged in several courts. In one case, the US Court of International Trade struck down most tariffs based on emergency economic powers. Trump has appealed, and the case will finally end in the Supreme Court.

State govts, NGOs, and other parties have filed no less than 220 suits in 100 days against Trump's various measures for exceeding his legal authority. Lower courts have struck down or stayed many of his measures, with the verdicts being appealed. Even if Trump wins most of these cases in the Supreme Court, he will surely lose some.

Corollary: India and others should stay tough in negotiations, not just till the 90-day deadline but beyond too. Any trade concessions India makes must be provisional and reversible if the courts deny Trump authority.

It was a mistake for the govt to abolish the so-called Google Tax to appease Trump in advance of talks. Many global companies, including Google, have their headquarters in tax havens to evade profits made in user countries like India and the EU. The EU has proposed taxing these companies on their turnover and not profits to check evasion. India did the same through its Google Tax. But instead of joining hands with the EU, India unilaterally abolished its Google Tax to mollify Trump. It got nothing in return. This must be reversed. The biggest global companies are evading taxes on services they provide in user countries. India and the EU have every reason to check this evasion. China has used curbs on rare earth exports as a lever. The EU and India should use the Google Tax as a lever. ■

# Trump's unpredictable second inning has made Delhi reset its expectations

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It would not be an exaggeration to suggest that apart from the day-to-day business of upholding national interests, the gaze of the global strategic community has shifted to the more daunting challenge of trying to understand President Donald Trump. It is now becoming clearer by the day that many of the assumptions that governed the first Trump presidency are no longer valid for his second innings. The President's sheer unpredictability, not to mention his erratic personal conduct, has generated a cottage industry of pundits trying to either assemble his policies into a clear pattern or predict his future moves. As of now, it is all work in progress.

For India, the experience has been bewildering. At the time of the US presidential election in Nov last year, there were three distinct groups outside the US that reposed their hopes on a Trump victory.

The first, quite predictably, was Israel which had felt needlessly constricted by the Biden administration in the conduct of its war against Hamas. There was an expectation that the unfinished business of the Abraham Accords would be resumed with the likes of Saudi Arabia. This would also ensure the final burial of the two-state solution in Palestine.

The second group can loosely be described as the European Right that saw commonalities with the national conservatism movement that had actively championed the Trump campaign. The MAGA movement's assertion of national sovereignty, its critique of globalisation, its disavowal of mass immigration and its assertion of Christian identity struck a chord among parties out to break the Brussels consensus. US Vice President J D Vance's controversial Munich speech of Feb 14 was music to the ears of the likes of Hungary's Viktor Orban, Italy's Giorgia Meloni and France's Marine Le Pen, even as it had the Eurocrats tearing their hair in anger.



**RETHINK TIME:** While his post-Pahalgam stand has soured mood, we shouldn't fall back on the comfort of non-alignment

India was among the foremost of the Asian powers that expected huge returns from Trump's entry to the White House. Apart from the fervour, he would bring to the larger fight against China's hegemonic impulses, Trump was expected to take a no-nonsense stand against Islamist terrorism. The Democratic Party's sanctimonious attitude to human rights and its disruptive democratic evangelism were also expected to find their way to the dustbin.

It would be wrong to suggest that Trump has proved universally disappointing. After a few weeks of uncertainty, Israel appears to have returned as the flavour of the season, Trump having run out of patience with the regime in Teheran. On its part, the European Right has quite dramatically lowered its expectations from the White House, having seen the devastation he has caused for conservatives in Canada and Australia. And in India, the position of equivalence taken by the Trump administration in the aftermath of the April 22 massacre in Pahalgam and his boast about having negotiated a cease-fire has definitely soured the mood. It is not that US-India relations have entered a steep downhill slope — although that could happen if the tariff negotiations falter — but that New Delhi has sharply discounted its expectations from Trump. At the same time, there are pointers that the US State Department is reviving its traditional proximity with Pakistan's military.

Since there is a large measure of impermanence attached to moves made by Trump, it would be hasty for policymakers in Delhi to fall back on the comfort levels of the old non-alignment. The advice to view Trump as a day trader in the stock markets is worth considering. Also worth considering is the observation that India has not invested at all in some of the crucial verticals of the Trump dispensation.

A likely reason for despatching multiple all-party parliamentary teams to various countries, including the US, was a recognition that India's bitter experience with terrorism had been insufficiently grasped. This isn't an indictment of India's diplomatic service. It merely suggests that the complex project of building an international profile is not accomplished merely by schmoozing govts and foreign ministries. There are other verticals, notably political relations, that have been unaddressed. What is the political relationship that the Indian Right has developed with conservative movements in Europe and North America? The contrast with how Israel has developed its political links is revealing.

Finally, the post-Pahalgam face-off with Pakistan revealed some of India's soft power shortcomings. It was noticeable that the tribe of Indian academics in western campuses whose inputs matter in the formulation of policies on South Asia, chose to either remain neutral or play a distinctively non-supportive role.

This disengagement of the intellectual world from the nation has to be addressed, along with the enlargement of what we have known as the strategic community. There is still some distance to travel for India acquiring great power status. It must not shy away from the challenges. ■

# Yes, JEE! IITs are closing the gender gap, but there's still a long road ahead

BY INVITATION

RAVINDER KAUR

IITs continue to remain at the centre of the middle-class dream of pride and prosperity. But for many years, female students were left on the margins of this aspiration. While the 2025 results underline the continued dominance of males in engineering (82.7% of the total qualifying students in 2025), the record pass percentage of girls this year shows that a lot has changed since 2018 when IITs introduced an affirmative action scheme by adding extra seats for girls.

Seven years ago, the situation was dire with women constituting a shockingly low 8% in the BTech degree, a number that had stayed stagnant over the nearly 60+ years of the existence of first-generation IITs. Nobody found anything odd about this since engineering was coded 'male' until Prof Timothy Gonsalves, former director of IIT Mandi, took matters in hand and piloted the scheme known as the 'Supernumerary Seats Scheme' (SSS). The evidence to convince the IITs Council that the scheme was necessary and would not lead to a "dilution" in the quality of students, came from two sources: JEE data showing that many women who qualified did not join IITs for varying reasons such as getting admission to 'male' branches like civil and mechanical, and parental concerns about safety and distance from home. Girls had little choice in their admission, as we found out in the first open house held in 2018 at IIT Delhi for JEE Advanced qualified girls and their parents. The second source was a 2016 IIT Delhi study that showed that irrespective of the JEE rank they entered with, female students outperformed their male peers.

It is intriguing that only the IITs have been plagued by the extremely low percentage of female students in engineering; the national average is around 30%. Southern states had already initiated a 33% reservation for girls in the 2000s. So, ironically, it's the so-called Institutes of National Importance (INIs), the IITs, that barred women from their portals, reifying the image of elite engineering as a male preserve, in the process depriving not only STEM of diverse perspectives on research and innovation but also women of stellar role models and networks that the IITs generate. Female faculty numbers in these institutions also remain low – a story for another time.

The SSS scheme has been successful on several fronts. It has met its stated target of raising the percentage of girls to 20% by 2020, which improved to 22% in 2024. There are important wins to be noted here. A perusal of JEE data shows that the number of women appearing for JEE Advanced has risen by 33% between 2018 and 2025. More critical indicators of the scheme's success are the percentages of those who qualify and those who get a seat allotted. Prior to SSS, females represented 12% of all (males and females) who qualified and 9% of those who were allotted seats. Post-SSS, the percentage of women allotted seats had more than doubled to 19.8 % in 2024. The rate of growth of seats allotted increased from -1.4 % per year between 2011-17 to 4.1 % between 2018-24.

**FULL STEM AHEAD:** Not only are more girls qualifying for IITs and getting seats, even those who come at lower JEE ranks catch up with male peers at graduation

The rising percentage of women allotted seats since 2018 is a function of the extra seats as well as girls being able to meet their preferred choices of institute and department, resulting in rising acceptance rates. This stemmed the drift away to an NIT or an engineering college near home. Further good news, as recent work by STEMtheGap, a research project housed at IIT Delhi, shows, is that even if some supernumerary girls enter IITs at somewhat lower JEE scores and ranks, they catch up with their male peers and perform similarly while exiting the program.

How successful has the scheme been in opening the doors to engineering as an educational and career choice for young women? Our qualitative studies with girls who entered IIT Delhi post-SSS show that families across caste categories are factoring in women's higher chances of getting into an IIT, as are schoolteachers and coaching centres. The additional girls have changed the feel of IIT campuses, resulting in a more welcoming environment and less isolation. Since the scheme also ensures that every department reaches 20% representation, it prevents the bias caused by the clustering of women in 'lower-ranked' departments. The scheme also follows mandated caste reservations, thereby addressing gender imbalances *within* caste categories. The scheme has thus increased both gender and caste diversity in IITs, apart from breaking disciplinary stereotypes within engineering.

To further increase the female pipeline for IITs, it is important to initiate measures that address deep-rooted biases about girls' and women's inherent STEM abilities and remove structural barriers built into entrance exams; such steps can help reshape the environment for inclusion. Further, initiatives like open houses and mentorship programs, which bring schoolgirls to IIT campuses for an immersive experience, are also key to changing the mindset that women are unsuited to engineering. ■

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# Honeymoon to homicide: What drives a wife to murder?

*There has been a media frenzy over 'bloodthirsty' bahus, but closer scrutiny of such cases reveals a far more complex web of factors*

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The murder of Raja Raghuvanshi has all the ingredients for an OTT show: a romantic and rainy honeymoon backdrop, illicit affairs, contract killers, mangalsutra and tattoos that helped crack the case. And the biggest kahani mein twist: a new bahu turned (alleged) killer. Not that the 'alleged' mattered to all those who lapped up every lurid detail of the case, and wondered how the 24-year-old Sonam Raghuvanshi had gone from MBA dreams to plotting a not-so-clever murder. Not that Sonam is the first woman to murder a spouse. The list of wives who have poisoned, bludgeoned, slit throats and pushed spouses over bridges in recent times seems to be getting longer. Some did it days after the wedding — like in Sangli, where Radhika Lokhande reportedly took an axe to her fortnight-old husband because she didn't want to consummate the marriage. And some years later, like Sangeeta Devi who allegedly fed her husband of 18 years poisoned prasad and then teamed up with her lover to shove him off a bridge.

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So, are Indian bahus suddenly turning blood-thirsty, is it more reportage of these cases or is it just that these women going against the 'nurturing, empathetic, caregiving' stereotype has more shock value? Since there is no specific data on spousal murders by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), all we know is that more people in India are murdered over love, marriage and dowry than property disputes. A **TOI** analysis of news reports from March 1-June 12, 2025 revealed that 66 spousal murders have taken place. Of these, husbands killed their wives in 47 of the cases: stabbings, decapitations, beheadings and thrashings are common causes of death, with everything from rolling pins to pressure cookers used as weapons. Their motives tend to be related to domestic disputes, domestic violence and alcoholism and, most commonly, infidelity, both suspected and real. Of the 19 reports of women killing their husbands, the vast majority included a third-party, most commonly the wife's lover who was also involved in the crime. While most of the murders committed by men seem to be crimes of passion, the women seem more likely to pre-meditate killing.

Psychiatrist Jyoti Kapoor says common motives for pre-meditated spousal homicides tend to be either financial, for survival or because of another relationship. "When you're in a relationship and feel there is no alternative, there is a certain degree of helplessness. But this is a bad, irrational, unjustifiable coping mechanism. You use extreme methods to get something which you consider more important than someone's life," she says. "There's an unhealthy dependence on this other person, like we saw in the Blue Drum case," adds Kapoor. The case she is referring to is that of Meerut's Muskan Rastogi who, along with her partner, dismembered her husband's body, stuffed it in a blue dream and poured cement over it. Muskan now plans to study law in jail.

B G Shekhar, a retired IPS officer who has worked in both Mumbai and Nashik, says that the 'third party' (lover) often assures the spouse that everything will be fine, or that the law won't catch up with them. This false sense of security, he says, prevents individuals from considering the long-term consequences of their actions.

Meeran Chadha Borwankar, former Commissioner of Police, Pune, says the most common murder motive in marriages is infidelity. "But in live-in relationships, many times the inability to handle the situation leads to murder. For example, one partner insisting on marriage while the other is either married with spouse and family or is just not willing to formalise the live-in relationship," she says. When asked about whether female killers are rising, she says, "In fact, they are still quite rare, thus getting media attention."

## WHY NOT LEAVE?

Paromita Vohra, filmmaker and founder of Agents of Ishq, brings up the question that everyone is asking — "One wonders why go to such lengths, why not run away? Why not elope or marry against parents' wishes? What makes people unable to make a choice openly? Is it that you fear violence or excommunication?" The abuse in natal families, she points out, is a factor in how women approach personal choices, especially ones to do with love. "We do not live in a world where too many people make choices in intimate life which don't fit into some or the other norm. What is the degree of precarity we experience if we step out of that norm? That's the question."

Sonam, too, might not have had much of a choice when it came to choosing her spouse. A source says she was reluctant to marry Raja and issued a warning to her family: "You will see what I do to that person. You all will have to bear the consequences.'

Audrey DMello, director of Majlis which gives legal support to survivors of domestic violence, says that while women who kill must face the legal consequences of their actions, it's also important to examine the broader context around their decision to do so. "Even in the Meghalaya case, the question to be asked is, why does a woman think committing murder is easier than saying no to her family? That's such a sad state of affairs," she says.

Anand Pawar, executive director of SAMYAK, Pune, which works on combating gender-based violence, says that for men, murder is usually about egos, loss of control etc. "When women kill their spouses, it is often because they believe their partners will not consent to separation, leaving them feeling that violence is the only option," says Pawar.

The stigma around divorce, wanting to hold onto the institution of marriage and the suspension of rationality also play a role, adds matrimonial advocate Sarika Jetley Kochar. "If women ask for a divorce, it can either be through mutual consent or be contested. A contested divorce can take time, so maybe that plays a role."

## VICTIM TO VAMP

The reactions to these murders are telling, often fuelling pre-existing anxieties about changing gender roles and the institution of marriage. The Raghuvanshi case sparked off a predictable meme fest about 'bewafa Sonam' and laments about "pro-women laws", while some men expressed fear about marrying. Such responses play to a script. As Laxmi Murthy, Bengaluru-based researcher and journalist, puts it: "Media depiction of women/wives often oscillates between victims and vamps, and a husband-killer fits neatly into the vamp mode." But the societal reaction to such incidents is unlikely to change. "Society has become desensitised to male violence, but when a woman commits such an act, it generates significant curiosity and scrutiny, as if such behaviour is unheard of in women," says Pawar.

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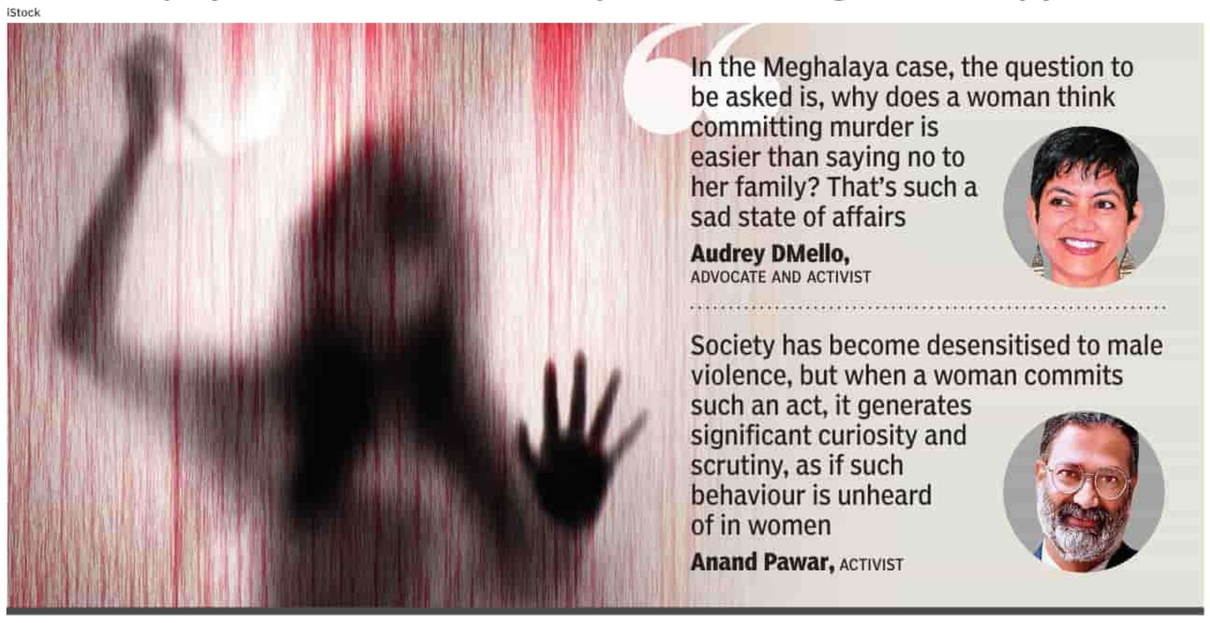

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**LOVE IS DEADLY**

**Murders in 2022, by motive:**

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|---|---|
| Illicit/ love affairs | 2,776 |
| Property disputes | 2,290 |
| Dowry | 951 |
| Honour killings | 18 |

Source: NCRB

# Fired by AI, hired by AI: Meet the humans who tutor chatbots

*While some Indians are losing jobs to AI, there is also a growing, invisible workforce getting paid to interact with machines*

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Alekhya Upadhyaya lost her job as a Hindi language translator three years ago when the news website she worked with decided to replace her with a new artificial intelligence software. Ironically, the same AI that took her job has led to her finding a new one. She now freelances as an AI trainer with different companies, earning a lot more than she used to as a translator.

Even as young jobseekers worry about the coming AI job apocalypse, especially at the entry level, there is also an army of people involved in improving the very LLM (large language models) that are eventually going to replace humans.

So, what do these AI trainers or data annotators do? Initially, most annotation was very basic work such as labelling text and images. But now the tech industry is paying people to interact with the chatbot so that the machine's responses are less machine-like and more accurate. Chatbots have a tendency to 'hallucinate' (tell lies) and unless it has examples to learn from and emulate, it can't improve.

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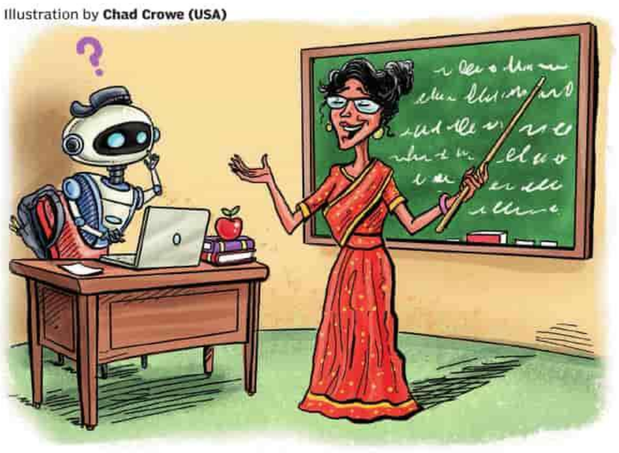

Sample this job listing for AI trainers posted by software company DataAnnotation: "We are looking for a bilingual professional (Hindi/English) to join our team and teach AI chatbots. You will have conversations in both Hindi and English with chatbots to measure their progress, as well as write novel conversations in order to teach them what to say." Their website says trainers make $20/hour (Rs 1,700) at minimum.

Khalid Latief, a journalism graduate based in Delhi, is also an AI trainer. After his failed attempts to get a job with a news publication, he chose this route to earn money — he makes between Rs 50,000-60,000 monthly. "Anyone with average intelligence will be able to do this job," says Latief. Explaining his work, Latief said that he and other AI trainers improve the performance of chatbots. For example, one of the prompts that he gave recently to a chatbot was to 'give the recipe for a carrot cake'. Once the recipe is generated, it is the job of the trainer to give feedback on the accuracy of the response. Then, he asks questions like, 'Are tomatoes needed for a carrot cake?' When the bot picks from the yes/no option, the human trainer ensures it made the right choice. Such AI tutoring is called reinforcement-learning from human feedback, or RLHF, in which the AI learns from how humans evaluate their responses.

Upadhyaya chanced upon the AI opportunity on a job portal. "I was asked to write a test. Once I passed, I started getting projects that I could finish on my own timeline," she says. She is paid between $10 and $22 (Rs 835-1,880) per hour depending on the quality of projects assigned.

Apurv Agrawal, CEO & co-founder Squadstack, an Indian company that provides AI-based telecalling services to companies, says, "We build Agentic AI systems for customer experience. These systems don't just respond to queries, they hold conversations, ask the right questions and drive outcomes. To do this well, especially in a linguistically complex country like India, we rely heavily on skilled human trainers."

Many opt for it because of the flexible, remote working option. Ekta Marwah, a new mother who had to quit her job to take care of her two-year-old son, is now a full-time AI trainer. "I work according to my baby's sleep schedule — in the afternoon and after she goes to bed at night. Some days, I manage to clock in five hours and on some it drops to two hours," she says.

Now that researchers are trying to make AI more multilingual, the scope has widened. Last year, Elon Musk's AI company, xAI, advertised for AI tutors with pay ranging from $35-65 (Rs 3,000-5,600) per hour. Companies like LingoTribe employ people to talk in their mother tongue so that they can voice train their AI model. The company asks for access to people's personal call recordings for this purpose. "Voice call with friends or family in your native language and start earning. No special skills required, just be yourself and talk naturally," the company's website reads.

Delhi-based startup Tech At Play aims to harness the power of AI to enhance the performance of athletes by providing advanced data analytics to coaches. For cricket, this means analysing each ball bowled in real time and editing it into a 3-second video with animated data analytics like speed, trajectory and batsman's response.

Founder Siddhartha Dutta says, "There is a lot of demand for such analytics all over the world, including in India. We are also constantly training our own AI model to give better results for which we have hired people," he says.

India's IT industry body, Nasscom, estimates that annotation revenues could reach $7bn a year and employ 1m people there by 2030.

But AI models are already self-training, so what happens to such jobs? There's a reason why AI needs humans. Research has shown that when generative AI is trained on a lot of its own output, it can get a lot worse. "The model becomes poisoned with its own projection of reality," researchers wrote in the journal Nature.

Agrawal, too, is confident that AI tutoring jobs won't disappear but keep evolving as the technology does.

# *Why young Indians are paying to meet strangers*

*From potlucks to themed house parties, a new wave of offline meetups is helping people forge real connections*

**Labanya Dey**

Aziz walked into a restaurant in Mumbai unsure of what was on the menu — or who he'd be dining with. Fresh off a breakup and weighed down by exams, he had signed up for a dinner with five strangers through Timeleft, a Paris-based company curating meetups in cities across India and abroad, just to try something unfamiliar.

That evening, Yukti, Parth, and Atit joined him — strangers from different backgrounds, each drawn by the same desire for a "real, meaningful connection." Over two hours, their conversation flowed from the polite "What brings you here?" to tales of childhood mischief, travel disasters, and one near-kidnapping. "It felt less like meeting strangers and more like rediscovering the joy of simply being human, offline," they agreed.

In a world of swipes and scrolls, stranger meetups like dinners, house parties, and mixers facilitated by platforms like Timeleft, Playace.co, Xcited, Let's Socialise, and Social Vibes are creating spaces where people meet not through apps, but in person.

"People are moving from tier 2 and tier 3 cities into metros and finding it hard to connect," says Vikas Mehta, founder of Social Vibes. "We wanted to create an environment where communication feels natural. What we strive to provide is the start of a friendship."

Each platform brings a distinct flavour to socialising. Timeleft hosts small group dinners at upscale restaurants, featuring guided games like '20 Questions' and light-hearted rounds of truth or dare. "We keep groups small to maximise connection," says Tu Han Vincent, general manager for Asia-Pacific. "Our venues are high-end, safe, and well-lit. We ensure a balanced gender ratio and take feedback seriously. The slightly high subscription fee helps ensure participants are committed."

Xcited, launched in October 2023 by Suhani Bothra, takes a more community-focused approach, organising weekly events in Delhi — from potlucks and picnics to social drives and drama-themed meetups. Hosted in cafés and parks, the format fosters deeper bonds. "It's a platform where strangers meet, share stories, make bonds, and cherish them for a lifetime," she says. For Sumit, who moved to Delhi from Rajasthan, the experience was transformative. "I met my best friend Pulkit through this, and we've been there for each other ever since." He adds, "We were also Dumb Charades champions — it reminded me of childhood."

**MEETING POINT:** Events, from karaoke to game nights, bring people together not to date but to socialise

Social Vibes adds a twist of interactivity to its events — three-hour sessions at restaurants that start with a blindfold round, encouraging participants to talk without preconceptions. From 'Guess the Person' to trust falls and team games, the format nudges people to open up and build trust.

Playace.co, known for its themed house parties across six major cities, brings together larger groups in private settings. Karaoke, beer pong, charades — the vibe is lively, slightly chaotic, and intentionally unfiltered. "A theme gives people something to look forward to," says founder Shrinivas Shinde. While house parties may conjure images of unstructured chaos, Playace.co enforces strict verification protocols. "Safety is non-negotiable. Every guest and host must pass a multi-layered verification process, including ID uploads," Shinde adds.

Let's Socialise, founded by author Ravinder Singh, hosts events at bars, cafés, and pubs. Their singles' mixers aren't about matchmaking but mingling. Games like Bingo and Chinese Whispers break the ice. "You can walk away with a friend, and that's more than enough," says Singh.

The trend gained momentum post-Covid, as people sought social connection beyond screens. While dating apps linked people digitally, these platforms brought them face to face — without pressure to flirt or perform. "These are not dating platforms," Mehta says firmly. "Just social spaces where people can meet and experience something new."

The appeal is broad — and you don't need a specific reason to show up. Of course, you do need to pay up. Price range starts from Rs 500 and can go upto Rs 3,000 depending on the platform and the package. Mandeep Kaur from Delhi joined Social Vibes after a breakup. "I used to think I was an introvert," she says, "but the games and interactions made me realise I could be extroverted too. I even won a prize at one of the events," she adds, beaming.

Despite challenges — like maintaining gender balance or clarifying that these aren't dating events — the platforms are expanding rapidly, fuelled by Instagram reels, word of mouth, and that universal human need to belong.

Aziz and Atit met again at another Timeleft dinner. "I got to share the most interesting stories of my life with people who actually wanted to listen," Atit says. As Vincent puts it: "You don't need to bring an agenda — but at the dinner table, you always walk away with more than expected."

And really, that's the heart of it. In fast cities where people get ghosted and conversations rarely leave the chat, these spaces offer a rare pause — and the quiet thrill of not knowing who might just become a friend.

# Prayers and panic playlists: When flying becomes a phobia

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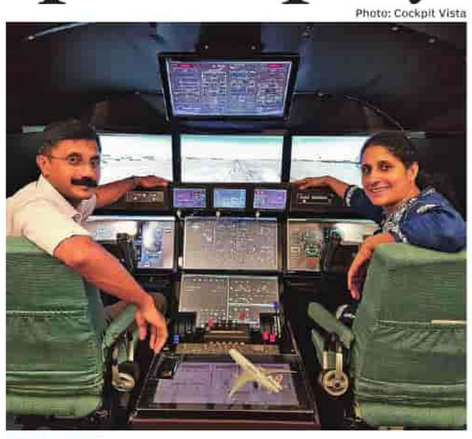
When the pilot comes on the PA system and says, "Sit back, relax and enjoy the flight," some folks go yeah, right! They mutter their prayers, maintain a deathly grip on the arm rests or the arm of a fellow passenger, and just wait for the torture to end. While the Air India crash in Ahmedabad has made even some seasoned fliers rethink their travel plans, those who suffer from aviophobia or fear of flying have even more reason to panic.

Bengaluru-based consultant Dona Baby is one of them. She finds herself shutting her eyes tightly every time a plane takes off, and rattling off prayers under her breath. She also tries to distract herself during the journey by watching movies on her phone. Yet, the unease doesn't fade. "I think what scares me is how serious things can get if something goes wrong," she says.

In the aftermath of the news of the crash, many others posted about their fears and anxiety on social media. In a LinkedIn post, entrepreneur Jyoti Bharadwaj wrote about how she always flies in a terrified state: heart racing, palms sweating, scanning the faces of the flight attendants for the slightest change in expression. "Ever since I became a mother, that fear has deepened, it's almost primal. It's no longer just about me," she adds.

Photo: Cockpit Vista



**FACE FEARS:** Retd air force officer K Dinesh (left) runs simulator-based courses to help people

Even though flying is statistically considered the safest way to travel today, close to 40% of people experience some form of anxiety regarding air travel, as per the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). A number of factors combine to give rise to this aviophobia, says clinical psychologist Mehul Pandey. "The fear of the unknown increases while travelling in the air, as there's little possibility of surviving or calling for immediate help in times of emergency, or even contacting loved ones. In-flight turbulence often adds to their anxieties. There's a feeling of being suspended between fate and faith," Pandey says.

She adds that she sees many patients who take anxiety pills or therapy sessions before taking flights, despite being frequent fliers. "It worsens for people who already have OCD or general anxiety issues, as they're not in control of the vehicle, unlike a car," she adds.

However, there are also interesting ways that people have found to overcome this phobia. A Bengaluru-based firm Cockpit Vista, founded by retired Indian Air Force Wing Commander K Dinesh, conducts courses that help people face their fears. Since being set up in 2016, Kargil veteran Dinesh says he has trained over 2,000 people. For the personalised courses that cost up to Rs 5,000 an hour, the team uses a real-size cockpit simulator. The simulator-based session exposes the participants to various technical aspects of aviation and the psychology surrounding it. This is followed by a real flight with an expert that drives home the message.

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"What this involves is basically telling the course-takers about what happens on the flight, how it happens, how pilots control the airplane, and the role that the air traffic control plays," Dinesh says. They are also allowed to sit in the cockpit and virtually fly a plane, in order to feel more confident about the process.

Whenever there's a plane crash anywhere in the world, the number of queries increases manifold, he says. Those who sign up are not just first-time fliers, but also passengers who've travelled anxiety-free in the past, and had been triggered due to news or bad personal experiences. A few of them experience the fear to such an extent that they're unable to board a flight, even in times of family or health emergencies.

Pandey says reframing the fear and using deep breathing techniques can help ease the anxiety and regulate the nervous system. Creating a 'comfort toolkit' for the flight, a calming playlist or podcast, a favourite book, and chewing gum or snacks can be of aid too.

Abhishek with Rudra

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# Papa do preach: Lessons, laughs & life hacks from famous fathers

*Gone are the days of clueless dads. Today's fathers know their children's class, teacher's name, the school project due date and even their bub's favourite dabba dish. This Father's Day, **Sunday Times** asked some well-known dads to share their best lessons on fatherhood*

## My aim: My baby kindest

**Indraneil Sengupta,** actor

My kid Meira is 13 going on 14, and I always tell her, never leave your personhood for anything. You may be someone's girlfriend, wife or mother someday, but most importantly, you have to be Meira. A relationship shouldn't be an entitlement for anyone. I want her to hold her ground as an individual in this world.

Kindness and gratitude are the buzzwords today. My parents never told me to be kind or show gratitude. I learned by seeing these qualities in them. Children learn from what they see. Teaching reduces these to a mere exercise; it doesn't become your inherent behaviour. Everyone is well behaved with people of equal power or those stronger. But if I'm well behaved with those of lesser social standing (my helpers, my chauffeur, the sabziwala), that's what my child sees and picks up. A lot of people are good parochially, towards their own people. But your goodness should touch everyone. Meira's too young to understand the depth of it, but she will eventually learn.

I am also aware of the influence of social media, so I make it a point to not let everything be an Insta-story for me. I don't try to project a certain kind of lifestyle online. And she sees that. At a dinner outing last month, I asked her to tell me something she likes about me, she said: "I like the fact that you don't care about validation." I asked her if she cared. She said: "Yeah Papa, very much." I told her, "Beta, you should not. It doesn't matter, it's all momentary. Do things you like. Don't do stuff to make others happy at the cost of your own happiness." That's one step in the right direction.

## Be their friend, not a feared figure

**Atul Khatri,** stand up comic

I have two daughters and one wife who looks like my daughter. So technically, I am a dad of three. My biggest learning? When it comes to fun things like partying and shopping, they don't need me but when it comes to tough things in life like filling up immigration forms or linking your PAN to AADHAR, I become the most important person in the house. Nowadays, kids are very smart and you have to respect them, their thoughts and their opinions. You have to evolve with them if you want to survive.

Earlier the dad typically was a strict, disciplined person who you got scared of, who was there to continuously scold you

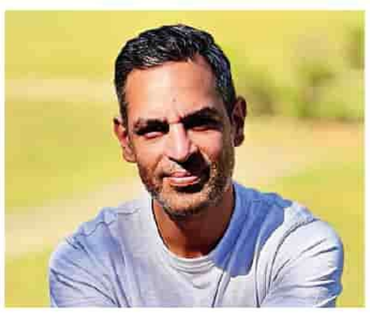
over small things. He was the parent who came and switched off the fan in your room at 7 am to wake you up. These days, a father has to be a friend, a guide, not someone you are scared or embarrassed of, someone you can share a drink with but still the guy who will switch off the fan in your room at 7am. Every Diwali evening — I come out of my room and scream "ITNI LIGHTS KYUN ON HAIN?? AAJ DIWALI HAI KYA?". My family hates this joke but I think it is the best Dad joke ever told.

Some of the recently married comics are so scared of fatherhood. They think it will curb their freedom, the expenses related to raising a child, schooling etc. I tell them they have survived a mother-in-law and that they can handle anything in this world.

My advice to all dads out there? Don't give your kids 'traas' (meaning 'unnecessary stress' in Marathi). They have a lot of things going on anyways. Trust them and respect them.

## Show, don't tell

**Ankur Warikoo,** entrepreneur and author



Kids don't learn by doing.

They learn by observing.

So my role as a father is not to become their father.

My role as a father is to become the person I wish my kids to become.

In doing so, I not just become a better version of myself, I also remove the need to parent my kids.

## Never trade peace for applause

**Roshan Abbas,** TV and radio host

I've always told my kids that the world may reward loud success — but remember, the quiet choices define you. Show up. Stay kind. Stay curious.

Here's what I know now as a father: showing up matters more than showing off. It's important to remind our children to find their tribe, honour their craft, and never trade peace for applause. I tell them to go ahead knowing I am always there, and live boldly. But don't forget to pause, to feel, to call home.

Especially as a father to older children, it's important to remind them that they may be too big for our laps, but never too big for our hearts.

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## Give wings, they will fly

**Manish Mehrotra,** chef

As a father and a chef, I've seen both at home and at work how crucial decision-making is for young people today. My daughter is in college now, training to be a chef. She knew she wanted this from the 8th standard. I made sure she understood both the glamour and the grit — the long hours, the pressure, the physical work. Today, she's doing her externship at a Michelin-starred restaurant in New York, working 10 to 12 hours a day. When she calls me at 1 am after finishing her shift and taking out the trash, I remind her: You chose this.

My advice to young people? Don't rush decisions. Take your time. Don't get influenced by trends or what looks glamorous on Instagram. I've seen too many kids spend four years in hotel management or engineering only to realise later it wasn't for them.

Those are years you won't get back. It's okay to take a break, figure things out and then move forward with clarity.

Challenges will come in any path. But if your heart is in it, you'll be able to face them. That's what I want my daughter — and others — to know.

## Gift your kids your time

**Vatsal Sheth,** actor & model

Becoming a father is an amazing feeling....one that you can't really articulate or put in words. Our son Vaayu is two and our daughter was born just earlier this week.

I don't know if I can offer advice, but what I do try to do is be there for Vaayu. I make sure that I take out time to play with him. I try to wake up with him and I have done it all, including changing diapers and cleaning his potty, making him shower. I feel that these tasks are very important for bonding with your kids. So, I think we should just go with the flow, be there for your kids. Make sure you make them your priority. Other things will keep happening in life, but your kids will not be little any more.

In fact, when we were expecting our second, Ishita was not allowed to get out of the house. So, I would take Vaayu to his mother-toddler classes. I was the only dad in class but I did not mind. A lot of people talk about moms taking time out for their kids. But we dads also do the same. I consciously stopped taking assignments when I knew I was needed at home. I think it is very important to be there for your family, as a father and as a husband.

*— As told to **Neha Bhayana, Shruti Sonal, Sneha Bhura, Sharmila Ganesan Ram***

# *Summer bummer: Vacations spell trouble for parents as siblings battle it out*

*Experts say parents' favouritism and demand for maturity from older siblings worsen the fights between kids. But equality is not the best policy if you want peace to prevail*

**Neha Bhayana**

Juhu mom Krishna Modi dreads the annual summer vacation from school. Apart from the fact that her kids are "too free", it is also the busiest season for her home-based business. Whenever Modi, who makes freeze dried food packets for travellers, is talking to clients, a fight inevitably breaks out between her six-year-old daughter Mishka and three-year-old son Mahir leading to a lot of screaming. Modi has no choice but to hang up and run to the kids' room to quieten them. "It is so embarrassing," says the 36-year-old. "Sometimes, their fights disrupt my work two-three times a day. I long for school to reopen."

Modi's struggle is similar to that of many parents with two or more kids. As schools close for the summer break in May-June, testing times begin for moms

> Many parents feel overwhelmed by the pressure to constantly mediate and keep the home peaceful. Some even suffer extreme exhaustion and burnout as they also have to carry on with business as usual despite the volatile situation at home

and dads who have to deal with constant bickering ('Don't touch my iPad' or 'He broke my pencil') and even physical fights (hair pulling, pinching and punching). Many parents feel overwhelmed by the pressure to constantly mediate and keep the home peaceful. Some even suffer extreme exhaustion and burnout as they also have to carry on with business as usual despite the volatile situation at home, say psychologists. "I can't tell my boss that my kids are home for the next 45 days and at each other's throats, so I can't turn in my reports on time," says content writer Akansha Sinha.

Hrishaan and Naisha with parents

Delhi-based counselling psychologist Upasana Chaddha Vij often comes across families that are struggling because of sibling rivalry without even realising it. More often than not, she says, the parents come to her to seek counselling for one child's behavioural issues. "Many parents approach me because they feel one of their kids is very aggressive or emotionally bullies the sibling. On probing, we figure that the underlying problem is sibling rivalry," she says.

Mahir and Mishka

### TRY THESE HACKS TO DEAL WITH THE DRAMA

**The 10-minute hack**

Gen Muir, parent educator and author of 'Little People, Big Feelings' suggests parents should give the kid who started the fight or did the 'wrong' thing, at least 10 minutes of focussed one-on-one time. "Completely join them in their world and make them feel really special," she said on parenting podcast 'The Glorious Mess'. This may seem counterintuitive because you are comforting the 'bad kid', but it works wonders as kids act up when they want to connect. When we meet the child with compassion and kindness, the child feels seen and is much less likely to lash out at a sibling. Muir says this hack can stop upto 90% of sibling fights.

**The Hugging Cure**

When your kids are fighting, ask them to hug each other before they come running to you with their grievances, says psychologist Upasana Chaddha Vij. This may sound hard to achieve especially as the kids will be in no mood to listen, let alone hug, but Vij says it works wonders. You may even hear them giggle the moment they embrace each other. "When one is feeling angry, agitated or in pain, a 20-second hug actually soothes and calms down their nervous system."

### FAVOURITISM AT FAULT

Parent coach Piya Marker believes that sibling rivalry is, to a great extent, caused by parents. "A rival is somebody with whom you're fighting for the same prize or the same thing. And in the case of kids, it is usually validation or approval of the parents. If a child feels that my dad prefers my sibling to me, then that sibling becomes your competitor," she says.

While parents like to believe and claim that they love all their kids equally, that is rarely the case, say experts. A recent study published in the journal Psychological Bulletin found that parents tend to give preferential treatment to daughters, older children and kids who are more conscientious or agreeable. The researchers, from Brigham Young University in the US and Western University in Canada, analysed data from studies of nearly 20,000 participants and revealed that the less favoured siblings ended up with lower self-worth and more problematic behaviours.

Mental health professionals say parents also have a tendency to favour the child whose personality and interests match with theirs. "Often one of our kids is just like us and gets us, so the parent unconsciously has a soft spot for that child. This is very dangerous because it makes the other child feel left out and wronged," says Marker.

Experts say that parents need to be self-aware and accept their biases (it is natural for humans to have biases). But they must be mindful and not let it affect how they treat their children. "If you are hanging out with three friends and one is your bestie, you still don't let the other two feel left out. Apply the same policy at home," says Marker.

### EQUALITY WITH A DIFFERENCE

While it is wrong to play favourites, it is also not advisable to try to make everything equal thinking that it will lead to zero rivalry. "Parents should love each child uniquely and not equally, as every child is unique. Even identical twins have different personalities. Your child wants you to see them for who they are," says Vij. She believes the desire for equality is problematic as it leads to comparisons which furthers sibling rivalry. "When we say 'Look, your sister writes so neatly' or 'Your brother is so good at math, why can't you calculate faster?', we are going wrong. While our intent may be simply to encourage the child to be neater or quicker, it creates resentment and makes the child feel that you have a favourite," says Vij. Marker advises parents to have "equal rules, equal love and equal respect for their kids but in other aspects, equality is not necessary".

Parenting coaches say if parents work to identify the strengths of both or all kids, the comparisons will naturally end. Then, both kids can shine in their own ways. If a child is confident that she is an athlete, she will not be threatened by the fact that her sister is a pro ballet dancer. She will be clapping when the sister is on stage, knowing very well that tomorrow when she is competing in a race, the sibling will be cheering for her. "Once they are sure of their position in the house, then they are not threatened by each other. Then the fights that take place are more at a superficial level — it is not a deep-rooted fight where they are trying to hurt each other's feelings or hit below the belt," says Marker.

### AGE IS JUST A NUMBER

Another common mistake that all parents make is that they ask the older sibling to give in, forgetting that he or she is a child too. Modi made this mistake too. "Sometimes, you just want the younger one to stop crying, so you ask the elder one to let go. I used to tell Mishka 'You adjust, he is small,' not realising how she felt. One day, she had an outburst and said 'So what if he is smaller? He will be smaller than me for the rest of my life. How much can I adjust?' I was dumbstruck. I realised how unfair I was being," she says.

Modi now tries her best to be fair, even if it means it will take longer and be harder to end the fight. "Eventually, my younger one also realised that mamma is not going to come to his rescue if he troubles didi, so his tantrums have reduced."

### DISTANCE WORKS WONDERS

Experts say sometimes simply separating the kids for a while helps resolve the conflict for the time being. This is exactly what Parul Garg has started doing.

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Her six-year-old daughter Naisha used to get very restless when her 11-year-old brother Hrishaan was busy with the iPad — he is allowed to play games for 30 minutes occasionally. She would pester him to play with her instead and he would get annoyed. Both would end up shouting and even hitting each other.

After all attempts to end these fights failed, Garg started taking Naisha down to play at the same time. "Now she cycles or runs around while her brother is using the iPad at home. I am happy she is getting some exercise and it is also more peaceful for me," says the Mumbai mom.

While the iPad situation has been solved, there are still a couple of fights between Hrishaan and Naisha daily and the situation is especially bad during garmi ki chutti as they insist on playing with each other. "They are inseparable during the holidays, but they also end up fighting more. Sometimes when they are fighting, I question my own capabilities as a parent and wonder if I have made the right decision to have two kids. But the next moment, they are playing together and laughing, bringing a smile to my face and making my heart full," says Garg.

### HOW TO BREAK UP A FIGHT

- **Stay calm:** Take a few deep breaths before you rush to try to end your kids' fight. You can't be the third one screaming.
- **Don't take sides:** As tempting as it may be to decide and declare who is right and who is wrong, stay neutral.
- **Set boundaries:** Understand that some amount of fighting is natural. Tell your kids they are allowed to disagree with each other but they must not be disrespectful ('You are dumb'), use each other's weaknesses ('You are such a loser, you can't even swim') or employ words that are hurtful ('No wonder you don't have friends').
- **Let the storm pass:** Remember, no one listens in the heat of the moment. Talk to the kids when they calm down.
- **Empower them with tools:** Share tips on how they could have handled the situation better. For instance, if the younger child is disturbing the elder one's studies, you can give the little one a drawing book and tell her that she can sit with the sister if she colours quietly.
- **Put the ball in their court:** Sometimes, you need to let the kids solve their own matters. After you have soothed them, ask them to brainstorm ('Let's think of a solution' rather than 'This is what you should have done'). You may be surprised by their wise answers.



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### HOW TO BUILD A HEALTHY BOND WITH, AND BETWEEN, YOUR KIDS

- **Give solo time to each child:** The moment the second child is born, the first one stops getting one-on-one time with the parents and the resentment begins. The second child does not get alone time with the parent from day one. So, don't always spend time with the kids as a pair. Take out at least 10 minutes for each one daily.
- **Reinforce their bond:** Consistently remind your kids that they are and will always be a team and best friends. Share examples of you and your siblings. Tell them that friends may come and go but they will always have each other's backs. Constant reinforcement mitigates rivalry and also helps children inculcate their bond.
- **Model good conflict resolution:** Kids seldom learn from what we instruct them but more from observing. So, handle your own conflicts better.

Sources: Parent coach Piya Marker and child psychologist Dr Upasana Chaddha Vij

## GALLERY

### Maria stuns Keys to book Queen's final vs Anisimova

**London:** German Tatjana Maria produced a stunning 6-3, 7-6 (7/3) win over Australian Open champion Madison Keys on Saturday to earn a Queen's Club final clash vs American Amanda Anisimova, who won 6-2, 4-6, 6-4 against Chinese top seed Zheng Qinwen in the second semifinal.

**Thunder level NBA Finals with late rally:** Shai Gilgeous-Alexander scored 35 points, helping the Oklahoma City Thunder come back from a late deficit to beat the Indiana Pacers 111-104 in Game 4 and even the NBA Finals.

**Norris fastest in final practice:** Lando Norris lapped fastest in final Canadian GP practice as F1 leader and McLaren teammate Oscar Piastri hit the wall in Montreal.

**Mannat's historic run ends:** Mannat Brar shone at the 122nd Women's Amateur Golf before losing a narrow match in the pre-quarterfinals, the best-ever effort by an Indian. Mannat was 16th in strokeplay and then won two matches to reach the last 16.

**U Mumba enter UTT final:** U Mumba staged a comeback to defeat reigning champions Dempo Goa Challengers in the 2nd semifinal and reach their maiden Ultimate Table Tennis final. U Mumba will play Jaipur Patriots in final.

**Abhijeet wins fourth Delhi Open title:** Indian Grandmaster Abhijeet Gupta clinched his fourth Delhi GM Open title, scoring 8.5 points out of 10 at Asia's prestigious event. AGENCIES

## ACTION TODAY

**AUTO:** F1, Canadian GP, Race, 11.30 pm (Fancode); **CRICKET:** MLC, 6.30 am (Star, JioHotstar); Ire vs WI, 3rd T20I, 7.30 pm (Fancode); **GOLF:** US Open, Day 4, 9.30 pm (Fancode); **HOCKEY:** Pro League, India men vs Aus, 2 pm; India women vs Aus, 3 pm (Star, JioHotstar)

# Can Messi magic lift Inter Miami?

**Miami:** The Club World Cup will take Inter Miami from start-up to the global stage.

Just five years after its MLS debut, the team co-owned by David Beckham and starring Lionel Messi will have the eyes of the world on it as it kicks off soccer's newest competition with the chance to be crowned world champion. It's been a wild ride. "This is a competition that will let us see where we are standing as a team," coach Javier Mascherano said as Miami enters the unknown in a

**CLUB WC**

competition featuring 32 of the best teams from around the globe. "No one expects us to go far, but this should be an advantage. We don't have that in our national league when people expect Miami to be the winning team."

Up first for Miami at the Hard Rock Stadium on Saturday is Africa's most successful team — Al Ahly from Egypt, which has won a record 12 African championships. Al Ahly, founded in 1907, has won a record 45 national league titles and 39 domestic cups — another record. It qualified for the Club World Cup three times over by winning three of the last four African Champions League.

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**TALISMANIC FIGURE:** Lionel Messi at an Inter Miami training session ahead of their FIFA Club World Cup match against Al Ahly

Miami, meanwhile, is taking part in the tournament by more questionable means. Its place was secured as a result of winning the MLS Supporters' Shield, a decision that was greeted with some surprise when announced by FIFA president Gianni Infantino last year, and looked even more curious when Miami failed to go on and lift the MLS Cup that season. A tournament devised to determine the best team in the world by largely bringing together continental champions managed to shoehorn in a team that hadn't even managed to win its own national title.

No wonder questions were raised. Miami, however, has made a habit of pulling off the unlikely. "Our club has a global vision," managing owner and CEO Jorge Mas said when Miami was launched in 2018 — at that time without a team or even a name. Miami has lived up to that billing—luring star players like former Real Madrid forward Gonzalo Higuain and eventually landing the biggest of them all two years ago when signing Messi. AP

## Immigration's sharp suits add to anxiety of visitors

**New York:** US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has promised to be "suited and booted" at the first round of Club World Cup matches, as the curtain-raiser event for next year's World Cup kicks off amidst anxiety from some fans in the United States.

The tournament starts in Miami on Saturday as Lionel Messi and his MLS team Inter Miami play Egypt's Al Ahly, as protests over US president Donald Trump's immigration policies continue across the country. "CBP will be suited and booted, ready to provide security for the first round of games," the department wrote in a widely reported social media post that added to some fans' concerns over attending the CWC.

The Department of Homeland Security did not respond to a request for comment over the now-deleted post. Trump deployed the Marines in Los Angeles in response to civilians protesting against his immigration policies. REUTERS

## Denied, then approved: Costa's visa turnaround

**Buenos Aires:** Boca Juniors defender **Ayrton Costa** will be able to take part in the Club World Cup in the United States following a u-turn by US immigration officials who had previously rejected his visa application, the Argentine club said on Friday.

Costa's visa application was subject to a criminal complaint in Argentina, relating to an aggravated robbery in 2018, which he avoided trial for by accepting a probationary sentence in 2023. However, US officials previously ruled that he could not enter the country as he was still serving his sentence. REUTERS

# TEXAS EDGE MI NEW YORK IN A THRILLER

Sportzpics

**9** The number of runs allrounder **Daryl Mitchell** defended in the last over to give Texas Super Kings a narrow three-run win against MI New York at Oakland Coliseum, California on Saturday

Texas Super Kings secured a thrilling three-run victory over MI New York in a last-ball finish at Oakland Coliseum, California. Daryl Mitchell emerged as the hero despite earlier struggles, defending nine runs in the final over after executing two crucial run-outs. Devon Conway's 65 and Calvin Savage's unbeaten half-century helped Texas post 185/6 — a total that proved just enough as MI New York fell short at 182/9.

The match began with MI New York captain Nicholas Pooran winning the toss and choosing to bowl. Texas lost early wickets, including captain Faf du Plessis for 18 and Daryl Mitchell to Michael Bracewell. Conway anchored the innings, reaching his fifty off 35 balls.

Calvin Savage provided crucial support, particularly after the team lost Milind Kumar and Donovan Ferreira in quick succession. Conway's 65 off 44 balls included two fours and five sixes before being run out in the final over. Savage reached his second T20 fifty in 32 balls, while Mohammad Mohsin added a boundary to set a target of 186.

MI New York's chase began poorly, losing three quick wickets — debutant Agni Chopra and Quinton de Kock to Adam Milne, and captain Pooran to Noor Ahmad. Bracewell and Monank Patel stabilized the innings, with Monank reaching his half-century in 33 balls.

The turning point came in the latter stages when poor running between wickets cost MI New York dearly. Kieron Pollard's 32 off 16 ended with a run-out, followed immediately by Monank's dismissal for 62. Mitchell's precise throws effected both run-outs, swinging the match in Texas' favour.

In the final over, with nine needed, Mitchell held his nerve. The allrounder, who had earlier struggled, restricted the opposition to just five runs, sealing the narrow win.

Strong partnerships — Conway-Savage for Texas and Bracewell-Monank for MI New York — kept the contest tight. But it was fielding brilliance and death bowling that decided the outcome. TNN

**BRIEF SCORES**

**Texas Super Kings** 185/6 in 20 overs (Devon Conway 65, Calvin Savage 53*; Michael Bracewell 2-34) beat **MI New York** 182/8 in 20 overs (Monank Patel 62; Adam Milne 3-22) by 3 runs

## India concede late, lose 2-3 to Australia

**Antwerp (Belgium):** There was no end to the Indian men's hockey team's woes in the FIH Pro League as the side slumped to its fifth straight defeat, losing 2-3 to Australia despite leading the contest by two goals after Abhishek's brace, here on

**PRO LEAGUE**

Saturday. The Indian team has already lost twice to the Netherlands and Argentina in the tournament.

Starting strong, India took a 2-0 lead by the 35th minute through Abhishek's (8th, 35th minutes) brace.

But the Kookaburras came out all attacking after the change of ends, scoring through Nathan Ephraums (42nd), and two penalty corner conversions by Joel Rintala (56th) and Tom Craig (60th) to secure the win.

After suffering four close defeats against Netherlands and Argentina in their first four matches of the European leg of the Pro League, the Indians looked a motivated lot against Australia and dominated the share of exchanges in the first two quarters. The Indians were without skipper and ace drag-flicker Harmanpreet Singh as he has been rested due to a injury suffered in the last match against Argentina.

The Indians showed intent from the word go and took lead in the eighth minute through Abhishek, who flicked from top of the circle after receiving a pass from Manpreet Singh PTI.

## Burns takes lead, stars struggle

**Oakmont:** Sam Burns matched the third-best US Open round ever fired at Oakmont, shooting a five-under par 65 to seize a one-stroke lead after Friday's second round as big names struggled. The 28-year-old American made six birdies against a lone bogey to stand on three-under 137 after 36 holes on the punishing layout.

**US OPEN**

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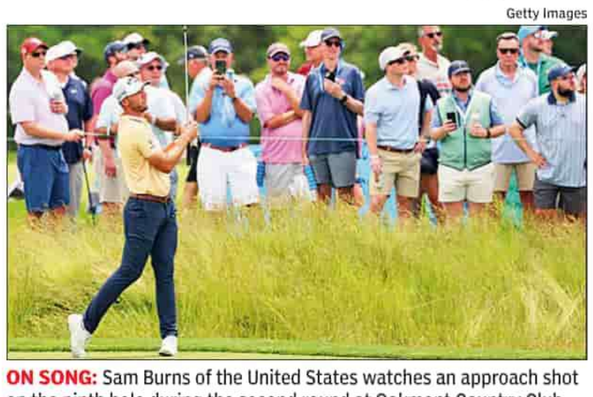

**ON SONG:** Sam Burns of the United States watches an approach shot on the ninth hole during the second round at Oakmont Country Club

"It felt like I played really well. Today was really nice," Burns said. "There's obviously a lot of golf left on a very tough course."

The only two US Open rounds at Oakmont lower than Burns's 65 were Johnny Miller's final-round 63 to win in 1973 and a 64 by Loren Roberts in the 1994 third round.

American JJ Spaun made bogeys on three of the last four holes to shoot 72 and stand second on 138 with Norway's Viktor Hovland third on 139 after a 68 – the top trio being the only players under par after 36 holes. "I was definitely anxious to get back out here and see how the game would pan out, and it ended up being a pretty good day," Spaun said. "It was more of a true US Open round, a lot of back and forth, a lot of grinding, bogeys. It was still an overall good day. I'm still right there."

World number 14 Hovland marveled at 22nd-ranked Burns and his stunning round. "Super impressive," Hovland called it. AFP

## TIMES NATION

# Out of 22L who appeared for NEET-UG, over 12k qualified

### 405 NRIs & 606 OCI Card Holders Also Clear Test

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Having doctor parents didn't pressure me—it prepared me. They warned me about how demanding this path is, but I still chose it for myself. I knew what I was walking into, and I worked hard to earn it," said Avika Aggarwal.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) released the results on Saturday. Out of 22.09 lakh candidates who appeared for the exam held on May 4, 12,36,531 have qualified. This is a drop from last year's 13.15 lakh qualifiers though the number of test takers also was higher at 23.33 lakh. Among the successful candidates, 7.22 lakh are women and 5.14 lakh are men. Additionally, 529 foreign nationals, 405 NRIs, and 606 OCI cardholders qualified, reflecting the exam's international reach.

Rounding out the top ranks are Utkarsh Awadhiya from Madhya Pradesh (Rank 2), Krishang Joshi from Maharashtra (Rank 3), and Mrinal Kishore Jha from Delhi (Rank 4). All top 10 candidates belong to the general category. In other categories, the highest-ranked OBC-NCL candidate, Tanay from Rajasthan, secured 13th position. Haryana's Kavish led the EWS category with a 35th rank. Among SC candidates, Ayush Gautam from UP topped with a 53rd rank, while Rajasthan's Nishant Kumar Meena topped the ST category at 197th position. Notably, 7 of the top 10 ST rankers are from Rajasthan.

The qualifying cut-off range for the general and EWS categories dropped from 720–162 last year to 686–144 this year. For OBC, SC, and ST candidates, the cut-off fell from 161–127 to 143–113. A total of 5,64,611 OBC, 3,38,728 General, 1,68,873 SC, and 67,234 ST candidates have qualified.

Only 73 candidates scored between 651 and 686 marks. Another 1,259 scored between 601 and 650. The majority of candidates fell in the 301–550 mark range, with more than 1.26 lakh scoring between 301 and 350, and over 3 lakh between 144 and 200—the minimum qualifying range.

UP had the highest number of qualifying candidates at over 1.7 lakh, followed by Maharashtra (over 1.2 lakh) and Rajasthan (over 1.19 lakh). States like Karnataka, Bihar, Tamil Nadu, and Kerala also recorded over 70,000 qualifiers each, while Delhi saw over 40,000 students qualify

NEET-UG is the sole entrance examination for undergraduate medical and dental courses in India. It is also used for admission to courses in Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani and Homeopathy. Conducted in 13 languages across 5,468 centres in 552 cities—including 14 overseas locations—the exam remains one of India's largest and most competitive entrance tests. This year's exam was held in pen-and-paper mode, with 1.08 lakh MBBS seats on offer across govt and private institutions.

**REPORT CARD**

| NEET-UG 2025 | Registered | Appeared | Qualified |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 22,76,069 | 22,09,318 | 12,36,531 |

**STATE-WISE AMONG TOP 100**

| | |
|---|---|
| Delhi | 17 |
| Rajasthan | 14 |
| Maharashtra | 11 |
| Punjab/ Gujarat | 9 (each) |
| Karnataka | 7 |
| Andhra Pradesh/ Tamil Nadu | 6 (each) |
| Telangana | 5 |
| Uttar Pradesh/ Madhya Pradesh | 4 (each) |
| West Bengal | 3 |
| Haryana | 2 |
| Chandigarh/ Uttarakhand/ Odisha | 1 (each) |

**TOP 5 STATES** (Qualifiers)

**QUALIFYING CUTOFF**

| Category | 2024 mark range | 2024 candidates | 2025 mark range | 2025 candidates |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UR/EWS | 720-162 | 11,65,334 | 686-144 | 11,01,151 |
| OBC | 161-127 | 1,00,876 | 143-113 | 88,692 |
| SC | 161-127 | 34,420 | 143-113 | 31,995 |
| ST | 161-127 | 14,414 | 143-114 | 13,940 |
| UR/ EWS & PH | 161-144 | 473 | 143-127 | 472 |
| OBC & PH | 143-127 | 269 | 126-113 | 216 |
| SC & PH | 143-127 | 54 | 126-114 | 48 |
| ST & PH | 142-127 | 13 | 126-115 | 14 |

| Marks range | Number of candidates |
|---|---|
| 651-686 | 73 |
| 601-650 | 10,658 |
| 551-600 | 39,521 |
| 451-500 | 69,503 |
| 401-450 | 88,239 |
| 351-400 | 1,05,578 |

**The marks obtained at a few selected ranks are as follows**

Rank 50,000 | Marks 502
1,00,000 | 464
1,50,000 | 433
2,00,000 | 405
2,50,000 | 380
3,00,000 | 357

**Top 10 in descending order**

- Mahesh Kumar
- Utkarsh Awadhiya
- Krishang Joshi
- Mrinal Kishore Jha
- Avika Aggarwal
- Jenil Vinodbhai Bhayani
- Keshav Mittal
- Jha Bhavya Chirag
- Harsh Kedawat
- Aarav Agrawal

## THE SPEAKING TREE

# 'WHY AM I A HINDU?'

There are simply no binding requirements to being a Hindu—not even a belief in God, says politician, author, and former diplomat SHASHI THAROOR. Here is an excerpt from his speech that went viral on the internet

The obvious answer to this question is, of course, that it's because i was born one. Most people had little choice about the faith they grew up with. It was selected for them at birth by the accident of geography and their parents' cultural moorings. But what does being a Hindu mean?

Many of us began having to interrogate ourselves in the late 1980s, when the world media first began to speak and write of Hindu fundamentalism. This was odd, because we knew of Hinduism as a religion without fundamentals. No founder or prophets, no organised church, no compulsory beliefs or rites of worship, no uniform conception of the good life, no single sacred book. My Hinduism was a lived faith. It was a Hinduism of experience and upbringing, a Hinduism of observation and conversation, not one anchored in deep religious study, though of course the two are not mutually exclusive. But none of these constitutes an obligatory credo for a Hindu. There are none.

We have no compulsory dogmas. This is, of course, rather unusual. A Catholic is a Catholic because he believes Jesus was the son of God who sacrificed himself for men. A Catholic believes in the Immaculate Conception and the virgin birth, offers confession, genuflects in church and is guided by the Pope and a celibate priesthood. A Muslim must believe that there is no God but *Allah* and that Muhammad is his prophet. A Jew cherishes his *Torah* or Pentateuch and his *Talmud*. A Parsi worships at a fire temple. A Sikh honours teachings of the *Guru Granth Sahib* above all else. There is no Hindu equivalent to any of these beliefs. There are simply no binding requirements to being a Hindu, not even a belief in God. But another reason for my belief in Hinduism is, for lack of a better phrase, its intellectual fit. I'm more comfortable with the tenets of Hinduism than I would be with those of the other faiths of which I know. I've long thought of myself as liberal, not merely in the political sense of the term or even in relation to principles of economics, but as an attitude to life.

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To accept people as one finds them, to allow them to be and become what they choose, and to encourage them to do whatever they like, so long as it does no harm to others, is my natural instinct. As a Hindu, i can claim adherence to a religion without an established church or priestly papacy, a religion as rituals and customs i'm free to reject; a religion that does not oblige me, to demonstrate my faith by any visible sign, by subsuming my identity in any collectivity, not even by a specific day or time or frequency of worship. There is no Hindu Pope, no Hindu Vatican, no Hindu catechism, not even a Hindu Sunday. As a Hindu, i follow a faith that offers a veritable smorgasbord of options to the worshipper of divinities to adore and to pray to, of rituals to observe or not, of customs and practices to honour or not, or fast to keep or not. Its capacity to express wonder at creation and simultaneously scepticism about the omniscience of the Creator are unique to Hinduism. Both are captured beautifully in this verse from the 3,500-year-old *Rig Veda*, *Nasadiya Sukta*, or the Creation hymn: "Who knows whence this creation had its origin, He, whether He fashioned it or whether He did not, He, who surveys it all from the highest heaven, He knows, or maybe even He does not know."

I love a faith that raises such a fundamental question about no less a Supreme Being than the Creator of the universe Himself. ■

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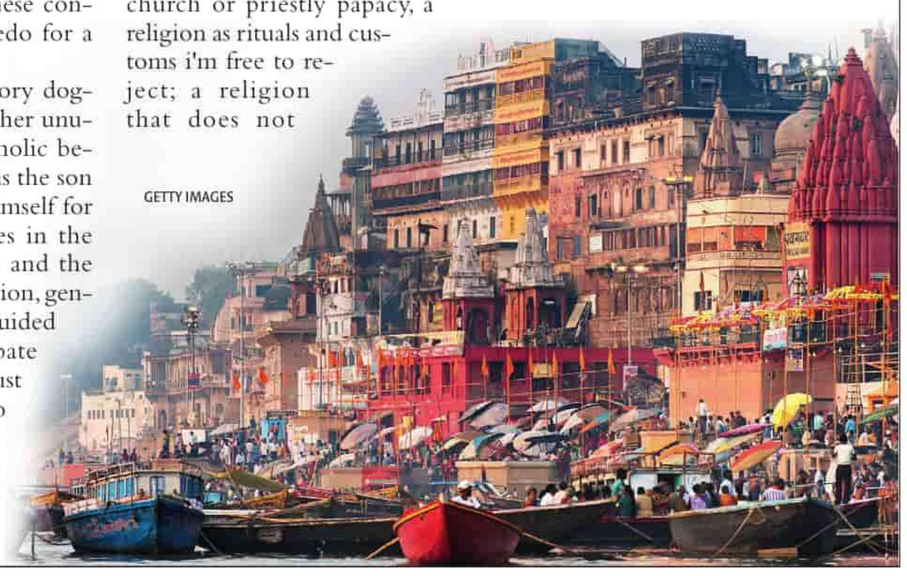

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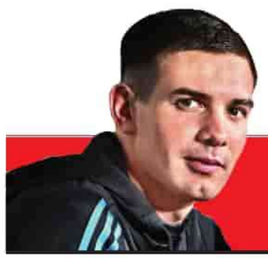

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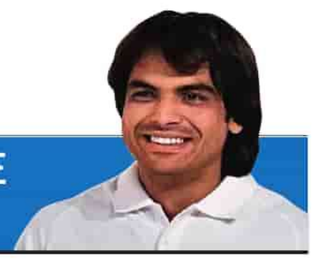

Day Of Destiny For Temba Bavuma's Men As They Beat Fancied Australia In WTC Final; Team Wins First Major Cricket Trophy In 27 Years

# SOUTH AFRICA. FINALLY

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**27** Years between South Africa's twin ICC event wins. Their first was the Champions Trophy title victory in Dhaka in 1998.

**UPLIFTING FOR A NATION:** Captain Temba Bavuma lifts the ICC WTC mace at Lord's cricket ground

**London:** 'Chokers' no more. The South Africans consigned the word to history when they ripped the World Test Championship mace from Australia's callused grip inside four days of a riveting World Test Championship (WTC) final at Lord's. South Africa wore a new label on Saturday — 'champion' — by claiming their first major cricket trophy in 27 years when they wrapped up a five-wicket win.

The last 69 runs required on Day Four were confidently knocked off by the Proteas in just over two hours — they hit only three boundaries — with Australia typically fighting all the way to the inevitable end. South Africa moved from a portentous 213-2 overnight to a winning 285-5, the second-highest successful run chase in the 141-year Test history at the home of cricket.

Victory laid to rest ghosts of heartbreaking losses on big ICC stages that have haunted South Africa for decades. The venues and dates are infamous in South Africa cricket, among them Birmingham 1999, Dhaka 2011, Auckland 2015, Kolkata 2023 and Bridgetown 2024.

But London 2025 will go down as one of the greatest days in South African sports. "While we were batting, we could hear the Aussies using that dreaded word, 'choke'," Proteas captain Temba Bavuma said. "It's been years since we've overcome a final. We've been etched in history. Also, it's a chance for South Africa to be united. We've got a cause where we can put aside our differences and enjoy.."

The stunning result also bodes well for South Africa's preparations for their home ODI World Cup in 2027. It's a different format, but their mindsets won't be burdened by not having won a global trophy since the Champions Trophy's precursor in 1998.

Serial champions Australia lost an ICC final for only a fourth time in 14 chances. "They were fantastic in that fourth innings," Australia captain Pat Cummins said. "There wasn't a lot in the wicket but they didn't give us a chance."

### Markram the colossus

The South Africans were staunch, losing only three wickets on Saturday. One of them was Aiden Markram, the colossus Australia could not topple until it was too late. He resumed the day on 102 and was out for 136 when only six runs from victory. He spent six hours, 23 minutes in the middle. Australia didn't celebrate his wicket. Instead, players slapped Markram on the back and congratulated him on his match-winning knock as the Lord's crowd stood and applauded. AP

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**WINNING RUN:** Kyle Verreynne (right) sprints towards David Bedingham after the triumph

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**GARDEN OF AIDEN:** Markram, with his knock of 136, was player of the match

### SCOREBOARD

**Australia (1st innings): 212** (B Webster 72, S Smith 66; K Rabada 5-51, M Jansen 3-49) **South Africa (1st innings): 138** (D Bedingham 45; P Cummins 6-28)**Australia (2nd innings): 207** (M Starc 58*; K Rabada 4-59, L Ngidi 3-38) **South Africa (2nd innings /target 282, overnight 213-2):** A Markram c Head b Hazlewood 136, R Rickelton c Carey b Starc 6, W Mulder c Labuschagne b Starc 27, T Bavuma c Carey b Cummins 66, T Stubbs b Starc 8, D Bedingham not out 21, K Verreynne not out 4; **Extras** (b8, lb4, nb2)**: 14; Total (5 wkts, 83.4 overs): 282; FoW:** 1-9, 2-70, 3-217, 4-241, 5-276. **Bowling:** Starc 14.4-1-66-3, Hazlewood 19-2-58-1, Cummins 17-0-59-1, Lyon 26-4-66-0, Webster 5-0-13-0, Head 2-0-8-0. **Result: SA won by 5 wkts.**

### SA'S PERFORMANCE IN ICC TOURNAMENT FINALS

| Year | Trophy | Venue | Opponent | Result |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1998 | Knockout Trophy | Dhaka | WI | Won by 4 wkts |
| 2024 | T20 WC | Bridgetown | India | Lost by 7 runs |
| 2025 | WTC | Lord's | Australia | Won by 5 wkts |

**5** **Aiden Markram has become the fifth SA batter to post a hundred in a successful chase in the fourth innings of a Test.** He joins Graeme Smith, Herschelle Gibbs, AB de Villiers & Hashim Amla.

**136** Markram's match-winning knock is the second highest in a successful chase for South Africa in the fourth innings behind Graeme Smith's unbeaten 154 vs England in Birmingham in 2008.

**3** SA are the **third team to become the WTC champions,** joining New Zealand (2021) & Australia (2023) — three winners in three successive editions.

**8** Successive Tests won by SA between Aug 2024 & June 2025, their second-best winning streak behind the 9 Test wins between 2002-2003.

**90** **Bavuma's success % in 10 Tests as captain, winning nine, drawing one. He is the first captain in Test history to win 9 Tests without losing a match out of his first 10 Tests as captain.** England's Percy Chapman had won the first 9 Tests before losing his 10th game as captain. —**Stats:** Rajesh Kumar

### 'A STEPPING STONE TO GREATER THINGS'

**South Africa players couldn't contain their emotions after the landmark win...**

**"Here's an opportunity for us as a nation, divided as we are, to unite. You can be rest assured we'll celebrate as one. It's been a special couple of days. At some points it felt like we were in SA. We prepared hard, we came in with a lot of belief. It's a special moment for us and people back home. We've been relentless, getting to the doorstep consistently and experiencing heartaches. The sun's been with us. Hopefully, this win is one of many."—Temba Bavuma,** CAPTAIN

"Haven't scored more important runs. Weird how things worked out after a duck in the first innings. Lord's is the place every Test cricketer wants to play. To play a final here is incredibly special. It's one of the most special days. To be honest, a lot of it came from Temba (Bavuma, captain). He's led us from the front for the last two-three years. He didn't want to walk off the field yesterday, played an innings lot of people will remember." **— Aiden Markram,** PLAYER OF THE MATCH

**"People said we haven't faced strong opposition, which is rubbish. We beat Australia this time, had to be on our 'A' game. Last four days felt like a home game."— Kagiso Rabada**

"It's an honour to lift the cup for everyone out here and back home (crying). It's what the country's about, the unity among everyone in the last five days. We're very grateful, as a team, as a nation, as a proud country. We honour those who've come before us. May this be a stepping stone to greater things to come." **— Keshav Maharaj**

**"I said Temba shouldn't bat after the injury but the partnership was critical, and they know better than the coaches." — Shukri Conrad,** COACH

"This is the stuff dreams are made of. I was sitting there praying. Lot of nerves in the changeroom."**— Marco Jansen**

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**MY CAPTAIN:** Bavuma with his son during the lap of honour


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# MCC outlaws 'bunny hop' boundary catches

## Altered rule to be enforced this month

**London:** Boundary catches involving 'bunny hops', or multiple airborne touches outside the rope, have been deemed illegal by the game's custodians the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC), with the new ruling set to be integrated into ICC's playing conditions this month and the MCC's laws from Oct next year. Spectacular catches like the ones pulled off by Michael Neser during BBL 2023 and Tom Banton, with Matt Renshaw's help in 2020, will not be considered legal once the updated rule comes into force.

According to an MCC note circulated to member boards by the ICC, while the existing law "led to some spectacular" fielding efforts, it also allowed "some unusual-looking catches that, to the majority of the cricketing public, feel unfair". Describing Neser's catch for Brisbane Heat to dismiss Jordan Silk, the MCC said the fielder "bunny hopped" before completing the catch inside the boundary. While the act complied with the law at the time, the note added it "felt like the fielder had — quite literally — gone too far".

Both instances triggered widespread debate, prompting the ICC and MCC to review Law 19.5.2, which was last updated in 2010. As part of its revision, the MCC clarified that any fielder making a second contact with the ball after jumping from beyond the boundary must land inside the field of play, or else a boundary will be awarded. "MCC has devised a new wording where the 'bunny hop' wholly beyond the boundary is removed, but these catches where the fielder pushes the ball up from inside the boundary, steps outside and then dives back in to catch the ball, are permitted," the note said. "Our solution has been to limit any fielder who has gone outside the boundary to touching the ball while airborne only once, and then, having done so, to be wholly grounded within the boundary for the rest of the duration of that delivery."

The rule will also apply to relay catches.

The revised rule will be enforced starting June 17, when the new WTC cycle begins anew. The change in the laws will officially take effect from Oct. PTI

# Curse lifted, SA can afford to forget history of near misses

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As the cameras panned to the Lord's balcony, the entire South African team was celebrating, barring one man — Temba Bavuma. The Black captain of the South African Test team — a team once regarded as a prized possession of the whites, in a nation divided by colour — had his face in his palms. He was trying to soak in the moment. He may not have visualised this in his wildest dreams when he was growing up as a cricketer on the outskirts of Cape Town.

The skipper could easily have walked out of the field on Friday evening with a hamstring pull, but he didn't. Years down the line, when this victory will be discussed, Aiden Markram's name will keep cropping up for what he did with the bat in a difficult chase. But all those who endured the roller-coaster of the WTC final for four days will remember Bavuma's 134-ball vigil on virtually one leg.

Remember, Bavuma probably wasn't everyone's No. 1 choice as South Africa captain, just as Siya Kolisi wasn't when the Springboks — the pride of white South Africa in those years of Apartheid — won the 2019 Rugby World Cup. Kolisi didn't stop there, he went on to join a select group of rugby captains to win the World Cup back-to-back in 2023.

These triumphs, the first being the 1995 Rugby World Cup — immortalized by the 2009 Clint Eastwood film *Invictus*, in which Morgan Freeman played Nelson Mandela — have meant way more than just a win on the sports field. While Mandela used rugby as a unification tool in a country torn by racism, success on the cricket pitch was always considered a given for a nation blessed with incredible talent.

Just before they got banned from international cricket, an all-white South African team consisting of the likes of Mike Procter, Barry Richards and Peter Pollock had whitewashed a powerful Australia 4-0. On their return on Nov 10, 1991 at Eden Gardens Kolkata in an ODI against India, the world was wowed by the magnificent Allan Donald. Come every World Cup, South Africa start as one of the favourites, till something other-wordly struck.

While in 1992 it was the rain-rule that turned a chase of 22 runs off 13 balls to a bizarre 22 runs off one ball due to a five-minute spell of rain, in 1996 it was a brilliant Brian Lara innings in the quarters.

In 1999, Hansie Cronje's South Africa were the best team for most parts of the tournament till the magic of Shane Warne and a last-over choke by Lance Klusener and Donald finished a dream.

The choker's tag fell firmly on the South Africans and India were the beneficiaries just about a year ago in Barbados. Needing 30 off 30 in the T20 World Cup final, a South African team that hadn't put a foot wrong till then in the tournament, messed it up as Suryakumar Yadav's catch of the century in the last over won Rohit Sharma's boys the title.

Long after that game was over, as India celebrated, the South Africans didn't leave the ground. One could see them sitting in their balcony, staring at India's moment of triumph. Probably they were internalizing the hurt — promising themselves that there will be a rainbow at the end of the tunnel.

At a sun-soaked Lord's on Saturday, however, they did keep their tryst with destiny.

# Stampede fallout: BCCI to frame safety rules

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**Mumbai:** The BCCI has decided to form a three-member committee to formulate guidelines aimed at preventing a repeat of the tragic stampede at Bengaluru's Chinnaswamy Stadium. The committee will comprise BCCI secretary Devajit Saikia (chairperson), treasurer Prabhtej Singh Bhatia and VP Rajeev Shukla. The decision was taken at the BCCI's 28th apex council meeting held virtually on Saturday. The committee will submit its recommendations in 15 days.

### New relegation format in Ranji Trophy, other tourneys

In all senior and junior one-day and T20 tournaments (men, women), the bottom six from 2024-25 will form the plate group. One team will be promoted to the elite group and one relegated to the plate for the 2026-27 season, including in the Ranji Trophy, which starts Oct 15. Staged in two phases, the first five rounds from Oct 15-Nov 19 will be followed by the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy (T20s; in Dec) and Vijay Hazare Trophy (ODIs; in Jan). The Ranji Trophy's second phase will resume on Jan 22 and end on Feb 1. The season will open with the Duleep Trophy, which will return to the zonal format. The SMA Trophy and senior women's T20 Trophy knockouts will have a super league format.

Meanwhile, Baroda, Rajkot, Indore, Nagpur, Raipur (ODIs) and Guwahati, Vizag and Trivandrum (T20Is) will host the eight India-New Zealand matches in Jan next year.

# Arjun-Arya pair wins 10m rifle mixed gold in WC

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**Pune:** Paris Games participant Arjun Babuta and Arya Borse gave India one more gold at the ISSF World Cup in Munich on Saturday. The Indian pair won the top medal in the 10m air rifle mixed event. The gold was special as it came against Paris Games gold medallist Sheng Lihao and Zifei Wang of China.

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Arjun Babuta (R) and Arya Borse

The Indian team qualified second with a combined score of 635.2, while the Chinese shooters were first with a new qualifying World Record of 635.9. The Indians won 17-7 in the gold medal match.

In the final, the Chinese took the lead by winning the first two points, but the Indian duo sprang into action and won four consecutive shots to take a lead of six points (8-2). Throughout the final, Arjun and Arya never looked under pressure and sailed smoothly by hitting high 10s.

In the mixed event, the total of both players' shots is compared with the opponents. The pair with the highest total wins two points. In case of a draw, both teams get one point each.

Arjun, who had finished fourth in Paris, shot with Lihao, the eventual champion. However, the Indian said he never took the pressure of playing against his old nemesis.

"I have played so many finals against Sheng, and he has won all of them. He is a strong player, and I was aware of it during the match, but I didn't let it affect my game. We tried to focus on our technique without getting bothered by the scores," Arjun told **TOI**.

Arjun couldn't enter the final in the individual category in Munich. "I have got a new jacket and trousers and was having trouble adjusting with it during the individual match. I got it repaired, and I found it better today," he said.

Another Indian pair in the category, Elavenil Valarivan and Kiran Jadhav finished sixth with 631.8.

Other Indian shooters fired a blank in the 10m air pistol mixed team event. Paris Games double medallist Manu Bhaker and Aditya Malra were sixth with 577 on board, while Suruchi Phogat's 100 per cent record was dented with a 10th place finish with Varun Tomar (576).

# In a first, Indian team wins World Rapid Team Chess Championship

**London:** Grandmasters Arjun Erigaisi and Pranav registered crucial wins on the final day as Team MGD1 became the first Indian team to clinch the FIDE World Rapid Team Championship title.

Seeded sixth, Team MGD1 posted 10 wins from 12 rounds over three days to emerge champions after a closely-fought battle with Team Hexamind on Friday.

Having won silver and bronze in the last two editions, MGD1 began their campaign with a perfect day one. But a draw against Team Freedom and a loss to Team Hexamind on day two left them needing a flawless finish to stay in the hunt. The side responded in style, winning all four rounds on the final day to seal the title.

Comprising GMs Arjun Erigaisi, Pentala Harikrishna, Leon Mendonca, David Anton Guijarro, Tsolakidou Stovroula, Pranav, Atharva Tayade, and captain Srinath Narayanan, MGD1 secured the championship with key victories in the final round.

Wins by Arjun and Pranav against Malcom's Mates proved decisive.

"This is very special! With the Indian team in the Olympiad we were the favourites to win and out here with Team MGD1 we were the underdogs. And yet we won gold again," Narayanan in a release. Team MGD1 finished with 21 points, one ahead of Team Hexamind. Team Freedom, featuring Viswanathan Anand, finished third with 17 points.

World No. 3 Arjun was the star of the final day for Team MGD1 as he scored 3.5 points out of 4, bouncing back from a disastrous day 2 in which he had managed just half a point.

On the final day, Arjun began with a victory over GM Richard Rapport of KazChess and then fought back in what looked like a lost endgame to draw against Tashkent Open 2025 champion GM Nihal Sarin. PTI

# Pranati vaults to third bronze at Asian C'ships

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Pranati Nayak on Saturday won her third medal at the Women's Artistic Gymnastics Asian Championships in vault in Jecheon, South Korea.

Nayak, who had earlier won the bronze twice — in 2019 Ulaanbaatar and 2022 Doha — finished third once again in the standings with a score of 13.466. The gold medal was won by China's Zhang Yihan with a score of 13.650 and the silver went to Vietnam's Nguyen Thi Quynh Nhu, who got a score of 13.583.

India's Protistha Samanta also impressed in the same event and finished fourth with a score of 13.016.

For Nayak, who struggled with injuries last year, 2025 has been a remarkable year so far. Not only did she win a bronze in the vault final at the FIG World Cup in Antalya, Turkey, in March, she also won the gold in the All-Around final in artistic gymnastics at the National Games, besides a silver and two bronze medals.

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Pranati Nayak

On Saturday, Nayak, who trains at the Gymnastics High-Performance Centre in Bhubaneswar, made the finals after qualifying in fourth place with a score of 13.083. As her coach Ashok Mishra had said earlier, she was confident of a good showing and she did exactly that when it mattered.

During the first vault — Tsukahara 720 Twist with fixed landing — Nayak took a couple of steps during her landing that resulted in a 0.3 deduction, something that might have ruined her chances of bagging a silver. Her second vault — Handspring Pike Salto with a 360-degree turn — was what impressed the coach the most and she got a score of 12.866.

"The score for the second vault during the final was even higher than that in the qualifying round. She will just have to fix her pre-flight and she will be all set. The next big target is to make it to the finals of the World Championships to be held in Jakarta in Oct. She has all the time now to perfect the executions," coach Mishra told **TOI** during an interaction from Jecheon on Saturday.

While that will be quite a challenging task, the coach is confident of Nayak putting up a big show at the Asian Games and the Commonwealth Games next year.

Mishra, meanwhile, was also pleased with Samanta's performance, "She has a lot of power and reached very good height during her vaults. She is a medal prospect for the future. In order to achieve that, she will need to perform vaults with more difficulties."

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