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TPCC chief alleges Harish Rao performed 'occult rituals' to prevent rainfall

Hyderabad, Aug 4 : Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president B Mahesh Kumar Goud on Tuesday levelled serious allegations against BRS leader and former minister T Harish Rao, claiming that the latter had performed "occult rituals" (kshudra pujas) to prevent rainfall and crop prosperity in Telangana. Addressing the media here, the TPCC chief alleged that Harish Rao visited temples associated with occult practices in Tiruchirappalli (Tamil Nadu) and Shivamogga (Karnataka) on specific dates and challenged him to disclose his whereabouts on May 31, June 1 and July 23. He claimed the Congress possessed evidence of these visits and questioned why Harish Rao did not publicize them on social media. In fact, the BRS party has been organizing Aghora and Tantric rituals since its inception.

Madras HC orders Udhayanidhi Stalin's release after questioning

Chennai, Aug 4 : The Madras High Court on Tuesday ordered the police to release Leader of the Opposition and DMK Youth Wing Secretary Udhayanidhi Stalin after questioning him in connection with a case registered over his alleged derogatory remarks against Chief Minister C. Joseph Vijay. The court directed that Udhayanidhi Stalin, who was arrested by the Thanjavur police earlier in the day, should be questioned and released on Tuesday itself. It also ordered the police not to continue the interrogation until Wednesday and directed the DMK leader to cooperate with the investigation. The case stems from a protest led by Udhayanidhi Stalin in front of the Panagal Building in Thanjavur on Monday over the Mokedatu dam dispute. The demonstration condemned the Centre and the State govern-



ment over the Cauvery water issue and demanded that the delta districts be declared drought-affected. During his address, Udhayanidhi Stalin allegedly made derogatory remarks targeting Chief Minister Vijay, triggering criticism from ministers in the ruling party. Following the speech, Bhairavi, an executive of the ruling TVK's women's wing in Thanjavur, lodged a complaint with the police. Acting on the complaint, the Thanjavur police registered a case against Udhayanidhi Stalin under nine provisions. A police team subsequently arrived at his Neelangarai residence in Chennai on Tuesday.

Kharge demands PM Modi's accountability over Ram Temple donation allegations

New Delhi, Aug 4 : Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge on Tuesday launched a sharp attack on Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the Rajya Sabha, insisting that he must answer allegations of mismanagement and theft linked to offerings and donations made to the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust. Kharge demanded a full-fledged Parliamentary debate on what he de-



scribed as a "matter of faith for millions of devotees". Addressing the Upper House, Kharge said serious charges had surfaced regarding the handling of valuable offerings.

25 tonnes of adulterated spices seized in Hyderabad, 3 held

Hyderabad, Aug 4 : The Hyderabad Food Adulteration Surveillance Team (H-FAST) of the (Police) Commissioner's Task Force seized 25 tonnes of spices containing dangerous chemicals and arrested three accused. Police Commissioner V. C. Sajjanar said on Tuesday that H-FAST, in joint coordination with the Food Safety Department of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC), conducted a major enforcement drive against certain spice trading and processing establishments across the Hyderabad Commissionerate limits. The special crackdown was aimed to curb use of harmful-to-human chemicals as adulterants,



eliminating misbranding, ensuring strict adherence to food safety standards, and protecting public health. During the operation, carried out based on credible information from the public, enforcement teams inspected 13 business establishments and independent business locations which were actively engaged in the procurement, processing.

Telangana orders decade-long audit of custom milling rice operations

Hyderabad, Aug 4 : The Telangana government has initiated its most extensive review of the Custom Milling Rice (CMR) system since the State's formation.



Silent Revolution among the people and unexpected victory in 2024 : CM Chandra Babu

Amaravati, Aug 4 : Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu said that no one expected success in 2024. On Tuesday, the CM released a white paper on the economic situation of AP. The CM, who released facts on the conditions of 2024 and the current conditions, said that this presentation is a report given by a responsible government. He said that if the governments work efficiently and governance is good, it will have an impact on the people. He said that a silent revolution

came among the people in 2024. He said that similar results were seen in 1982, 1994, and most recently in 2024. He said that a 94 percent strike rate was achieved in 2024... it was an unexpected revolution. He said that after the division of the state, AP became an agricultural state. He said that 58 percent of the people got only 46 percent of the resources. He said that both the states were developed jointly. Chandrababu said that NITI Aayog had said that AP would have zero debt sustainability in 2023-24. The reason for this was not making capital investment. He was angry that government assets were mortgaged. The future income of liquor was pledged. He accused central schemes of diverting funds as the debt was not incurred. He said that Rs.48616 crore pending bills were reduced to Rs.29,259 crore. He said that 86 centrally sponsored schemes were revived. He said that Rs.45,138 crore



was spent under centrally sponsored schemes. The CM said that even though local bodies received Finance Commission grants, they were diverted. They have also been corrected. He said that Rs.49,401 crore has been spent on welfare so far. He was angry that people are picking feathers on chicken eggs in the case of Mega DSC. They said that priority has been given to the allocation of liquor shops and mines.



AP High Court refuses to intervene in Mega DSC PIL

Amaravati, Aug 4 : The Andhra Pradesh High Court has refused to intervene in the PIL filed by YSRCP MLC Parvathareddy Chandrasekhar Reddy seeking a CBI probe into Mega DSC 2025. It questioned why the candidates who lost due to sports quota are not appearing in court directly. It said it could not agree with the argument that the aggrieved candidates are afraid to approach the court directly.

Andhra Pradesh secured Rs 19,619 crore under SASCI in 2.5 years

Amaravati, Aug 4 : Andhra Pradesh has secured Rs 19,619 crore under the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) scheme in two-and-a-half years, the Centre told the Lok Sabha on Tuesday. According to the state government, this is 72 per cent higher than the Rs 11,386 crore

received by the previous YSRCP government under the same scheme between 2020 to 2024. The figures were officially placed before Parliament by the Union Ministry of Finance in a response to a question by YSRCP MP PV Midhun Reddy. The achievement reflects the present Telugu Desam Party

(TDP)-led coalition government's emphasis on fiscal discipline, timely project preparation and efficient implementation. Andhra Pradesh has consistently secured higher allocations by submitting eligible capital investment proposals and ensuring faster execution, enabling the state to access significantly greater financial



resources for infrastructure development within a much shorter period, an official statement said here on Tuesday. According to the Union government's reply in Parliament, Andhra Pradesh has received Rs 31,005.47 crore under the SASCI scheme since 2020-21. Of this, Rs 19,619 crore has been released during the tenure of the present TDP-led state government, including Rs 7,901.56 crore in 2024-25.

Employment opportunities
to improve with ATCs : Minister Vivek Venkataswamy

■ Modern training to be provided to the youth.

■ Training to be offered to facilitate overseas employment.

■ Minister Vivek Venkataswamy and Government Whip Adi Srinivas perform the groundbreaking ceremony for the ATC center and CC road works in Rudrangi.

■ Attendees included A. Nirmala Kranthi Wesley (Director, Department of Employment and Training), Garima Agarwal (District Collector), and Mahesh B. Githe (SP).



Rajanna Sircilla (Rudrangi), Aug 4 : Minister for Labour, Employment, Training, Factories, Mines, and Geology, Vivek Venkataswamy, stated that Advanced Technology Centers (ATCs) would enhance employment opportunities. On Tuesday, the Minister participated in various development programs at the Rudrangi mandal headquarters in Rajanna Sircilla district. Together with Government Whip

and Vemulawada MLA Adi Srinivas, he performed the groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of an Advanced Technology Center (ATC) building, a project costing ₹ 45 crore. Subsequently, A. Nirmala Kranthi Wesley (IAS), Director of Employment and Training, along with District Collector Garima Agrawal and SP Mahesh B. Githe, laid the foundation stone for the construction of a CC road, a project costing ₹ 40 lakh and

funded by the SC Sub-Plan. Minister Vivek Venkataswamy was accorded a grand welcome by District Collector Garima Agrawal, SP Mahesh B. Githe, public representatives, and officials. The event commenced with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp and the playing of the Telangana state anthem, “Jaya Jaya He Telangana.” Speaking on the occasion, Minister Vivek Venkataswamy commended Government Whip Adi Srinivas for his continuous efforts to resolve public grievances. He revealed that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy is set to make a key announcement regarding new pensions on the 15th of this month. He stated that 65 Advanced Technology Centers (ATCs) are being established in Telangana at a cost of ₹ 4,000 crore and that the state government is modernizing ITIs. He noted that one lakh job opportunities have been created over the past two and a half years and mentioned that ATC students receive a monthly stipend of ₹ 2,000. He further stated that training in foreign languages is being provided to tap into employment opportunities in countries like Germany and Japan, and assured that a German language instructor would be sent to Rudrangi to facilitate job opportunities for 100 youths. It was announced that new courses utilizing drone technology in agriculture would be introduced at Advanced Technology Centers (ATCs). The people’s government is prioritizing education, healthcare, employment, and welfare. The hope was expressed that students would pursue higher education and rise to positions such as District Collectors and Superintendents of Police (SPs). Speaking on the occasion, Government Whip Adi Srinivas noted that the Government Junior College established in Rudrangi in 1986 has contributed significantly to educational development. He mentioned that a ‘Young India Integrated Residential School’.



CAN FIN HOMES LTD.
Branch Address: # 1-7/96/2, 1st Floor, Mahesh Nagar, ECIL Post, A.S.Rao Nagar, Hyderabad-500062, Mobile No.7625079248, E-mail: asraonagar@canfinhomes.com, CIN: L85110KA1987PLC008699

DEMAND NOTICE
Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (SARFAESI Act) read with Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (Rules)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., under SARFAESI Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3, issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrowers / guarantors listed hereunder (hereinafter referred to as the "said Borrowers"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the Notice, within 60 days from the date of receipt of Notice, as per details given below.

The said Notices have been returned undelivered by the postal authorities / have not been duly acknowledged by the borrowers. Hence the Company by way of abundant caution is effecting this publication of the demand notice (as per the provisions of Rule 3 (1)). The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrowers, as per the said Act. As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to the Company by the respective parties as detailed below.

S. No.	Name of Borrowers/ Guarantors with address	Amount claimed as per Demand Notice*	Date of NPA
1	Borrower: Mr. Basapuram Jangaiah, S/o Mr. Basapuram Salu, R/o H.No. Flat No.002, Ground Floor, Shashu Enclave, Vasanthapur Colony, Malkajgiri (M), Hyderabad-500047. Co-Borrower: Mrs. Basapuram Janaki, W/o Mr. Basapuram Jangaiah, R/o H.No. Flat No.002, Ground Floor, Shashu Enclave, Vasanthapur Colony, Malkajgiri (M), Hyderabad-500047.	Rs.25,79,963/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Seventy Nine Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Three Only) as per Demand Notice: 31-07-2026	29-07-2026
Schedule of the Mortgaged Property: All that the part and parcel of the Residential Flat No.002, PTIN No. 1170304527, in the Ground Floor of "Shashu Enclave", Municipal Bearing No.10-330/5/1/G1 (Old No.10-330/5 and H.No.10-330/5/1), on Plot No.39 and 46, Sy No.635, with a Plinth area of 885 Sq. feet, with undivided share of land Admeasuring 35.00 Sq.Yards or 29.26 Sq.Mtrs, out of total land admeasuring 426.00 Sq.Yards or 356 Sq.Mtrs, situated at Basapuram Colony, within the limits of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Malkajgiri Circle and Medchal-Malkajgiri Dist., Telangana, and bounded by:- Total Flat Bounded by: North: Approach Passage, South: Open Place of the Building, East: Part of the Building, West: Flat No.001. Complex Bounded by: North: 20 ft Wide Road, South: H.No.10-330/4, East: H.No.10-330/4, West: Municipal Drainage.			
2	Borrower: Mr. Basavani Sunil, S/o Mr. B.Chandrayya, R/o Plot No.5/9 (Western Part), Marva Township-B, Narsingi (V), Gandipet (M), Hyderabad-500075. Co-Borrower: Mrs. Basavani Baghya Laxmi, W/o Mr. Basavani Sunil, R/o Plot No.5/9 (Western Part), Marva Township-B, Narsingi (V), Gandipet (M), Hyderabad-500075.	Rs.34,52,573/- (Rupees Thirty Four Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy Three Only) as per Demand Notice: 31-07-2026	29-07-2026
Schedule of the Mortgaged Property: All that the part of Plot bearing No.5/P (Western part) (Old No.523/P and 524/P), in part of Sy Nos.300 to 303,306 to 311 and 313 to 315, admeasuring 100.00 Sq.Yards equivalent to 83.6 Sq Mtrs (Out Of 200 Sq.Yards or 167.20 Sq.Mtrs), Situated at "Marva Township-B", Narsingi Village, under Narsingi Municipality, Gandipet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana State, and bounded by:- North: Neighbour's land, South: 30 Ft. Wide Road, East: Plot No.5/P (Eastern part) Old No.523/P and 524/P, West: Part of Plot No.5/P (WP) Old No.523/P and 524/P.			
3	Borrower: Mr. Basavani Ravi Kumar, S/o Mr. B.Chandrayya, R/o Plot No.5/P (Eastern Part), Marva Township-B, Narsingi (V), Gandipet (M), Hyderabad-500075. Co-Borrower: Mrs. Basavani Veena, W/o Mr. Basavani Ravi Kumar, R/o Plot No.5/P (Eastern part), Marva Township-B, Narsingi(V), Gandipet (M), Hyderabad-500075.	Rs.26,14,571/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy One Only) as per Demand Notice: 31-07-2026	29-07-2026
Schedule of the Mortgaged Property: All that the part of Plot bearing No.5/P (Eastern part) (Old No.523/P and 524/P), in part of Sy Nos.300 to 303, 306 to 311 and 313 to 315, admeasuring 100.00 Sq.Yards equivalent to 83.6 Sq Mtrs (Out of 200 Sq.Yards or 167.20 Sq.Mtrs), situated at "Marva Township-B", Narsingi Village, under Narsingi Municipality, Gandipet Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana State and bounded by:- North: Neighbour's Land, South: 30 Ft Wide Road, East: Plot No.5/P (Western Part) Old No.523/P and 524/P.			

* Payable with further interest at contractual rates as agreed from the date mentioned above till date of payment.

You are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to initiate action under SARFAESI Act to enforce the aforesaid security. Further, the attention of borrowers / guarantors is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Date: 04-08-2026, Place: A.S.Rao Nagar, Hyderabad Sd/- Authorised Officer, Can Fin Homes Ltd.

ALCHEMIST ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY LTD
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POSSESSION NOTICE
(Under Section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of Alchemist Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd (assignee of SBFC Finance Limited vide assignment agreement dated 24.12.2025) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice dated 21st March 2026 calling upon the borrower Mr. Gajji Ramakrishna And Mr. Gajji Nagamani having loan account no. PR01227415 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice Rs. 7,07,991/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety One Only), within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002) on this 31st day of July of the Year 2026;

The borrower(s)/guarantor(s) and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property shall be subject to the charge of Alchemist Asset Reconstruction Company Limited for an amount Rs. 7,07,991/- and interest thereon The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Borrower (s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Amount Due	Date of Notice (13/4)	Description of Secured Asset	Due Date
1	PR0122 7415	1.Mr. Gajji Ramakrishna 2.Mrs. Gajji Nagamani	Rs. 7,07,991/- (Rupees Seven Lakhs Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety One Only)	31st July, 2026	House No. 2-27, Block No. 02, Situated At Rayinipalem Village, Miryalaguda Mandal, Nalgonda District 508207. East - Gram Panchayat Road, West - Gram Panchayat Road, North - Gram Panchayat Road, South - The place of Gajjikirshna in the south.	24th December 2025

The borrower(s)/guarantor(s) are hereby cautioned not to deal with or dispose of, by way of sale, lease, mortgage, charge, or otherwise, the secured asset(s) described above without the prior written consent of the Secured Creditor.

This publication is made in compliance with the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for the information of the borrower(s), guarantor(s), and the general public.

In case of any queries, please contact the undersigned at the following contact details:
Phone: 011-46562584 Email: admin@alchemistarc.com, ashutosh@alchemistarc.com

Date: 03/08/2026 Sd/- (Authorised Officer)
Place: Telangana Alchemist Asset Reconstruction Company Limited
(acting in its capacity as Trustee of Alchemist XLVII Trust) Secured Creditor



SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED
Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032
Administrative office: 6th Floor (level 2), Building No.Q2, Arium Q parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400710.

DEMAND NOTICE

Whereas the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors/ mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD, (Formerly known as Shriram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shriram Transport Company Limited name Changed as Shriram Finance Limited) We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the borrowers/guarantors have committed various defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the Authorized Officer of SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD. under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon the following borrowers /guarantors /mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices.

The notices issued to them on their last known addresses have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors
1) Sunitha Manda W/O Shankaralaih, Age: 39 years, Occ: Civil Contract Works Business, # 3-169/1, Peddakodepaka, Shayampet, Warangal. 2) Shankaraiah Manda S/O Cheralau, Age: 50 years Occ: Civil Contractor, # 3-169/1, Peddakodepaka, Shayampet, Warangal. 3) Raju Bellampalli S/O Uppalamma, Age: 38 years, Occ: Khalasi In Electrical Dept Ment At Secunderabad South Central Railway, # 2-116, Elkathurthy, Baopet, Warangal. (Died) (Raju Bellampalli S/O Uppalamma, Age: 38 years, Occ: Khalasi In Electrical Dept Ment At Secunderabad South Central Railway, # 2-116, Elkathurthy, Baopet, Warangal) Was Died Intestate, So Far, Her Surviving Legal Heirs I.E. Wife Are Added As A Parties To The Notices) 4) Bellampalli Swapna W/O Raju Bellampalli (Late), Age : 40 years, Occ: Railway EMP, Ramagundam, R/O. 2-116, Elkathurthy, Baopet, Warangal. (Legal Heirs Of Guarantor)

NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
30.04.2017	22.07.2026	Rs. 33,47,704.64/-	Rs. 8,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: (Property holder Name is Manda Sunitha Mortgage deed dated 30.06.2016 Registered as Document No.2601/2016 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at WARANGAL (RURAL) CDPKRTF1606280006- Description Of The Immovable Property Open plot bearing No.80 out of Sy.No.168 admeasuring to an extent of 240.00 Sq.Yards or 200.66 SQ.Mtrs situated at Hasanparthy village and Mandal of warangal District within the Grampanchayat Board Hasanparthy and within the registration district, warangal and sub-registrar warangal rural, is bounded by: East : Plot No.79, West : 33 Ft Wide Road, North : Plot No.81 , South: 33 Ft wide Road.

In the circumstances as aforesaid, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/ or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.

Please note that under Section 13 (13) of the said Act, no Borrower shall, transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

Date: 03-08-2026, Place: Parkal. Sd/- Authorised Officer, Shriram Finance Limited

SCR collects Rs.30.53 lakh in mega ticket checking drive

Hyderabad, Aug 4 : The South Central Railway conducted a zone-wide ticket checking drive on August 3, deploying 186 ticket checking staff across 169 trains in the Secunderabad, Hydera bad and Nanded divisions. The drive detected 4,121 cases of ticketless travel, irregular travel and unbooked luggage.



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CORRIGENDUM
Please refer to our "Possession Notice" dated 24-07-2026, pertaining to "Mr.Mr. Tallapally Ramu (Borrower)" was published in this newspaper on 28-07-2026. Type of Possession should be read as "Physical" instead of "Symbolic". All other details in the notice remain same.
Dated: 05-08-2026 Sd/- Authorized Officer, Place: Karimnagar PNB Housing Finance Limited



BAJAJ FINANCE LIMITED
Corporate office at: 3rd Floor, Bajaj Finserv Panchsheel Tech Park Viman Nagar, Pune
Maharashtra, India- 411014. Branch Office at: 1-10-39 to 44, 1st Floor, Gumidelli Towers, Prakash Nagar, Begumpet, Hyderabad-500016.

POSSESSION NOTICE
Under Section 13(4) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 & Rule 8-(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002. (Appendix -IV)
The undersigned acting as the Authorized Officer of M/s Bajaj Finance Limited (BFL), under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, had issued a Demand Notice dated 29-05-2026 through India post on 29-05-2026 calling upon the Borrower(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) 1. Shree Shyam Petroleums (Borrower) 2. Vinay Agarwal (Co-Borrower) 3. Balmukund Agarwal (Co-Borrower) 4. Preeti Agarwal (Co-Borrower) having Loan Account Number P400PLA11016695 to repay the amounts mentioned in the notice being Rs.3,20,38,389/- (Rupees Three Crore Twenty Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Nine Only) along with future interest and other charges accrued there-on, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Whereas, the Borrower(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) named above having failed to repay the demanded amount(s), now this notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of this property further described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said rules on this 4th day of August 2026.

The Borrower's attention is invited to the provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property possession of which has been taken over: Schedule of property: All that appurtenant land of Premises No.3-10-6, On Plot no.12, In Survey No.27, admeasuring Area of 250 Sq.yards or 209.00 sq.mtrs. in the sanctioned layout of C.G. Gopal Rao Colony Situated at Tirumalgherry Village, Secunderabad Cantonment and Bounded As: East: House on Plot No.5 & 6, West: General Chaudhary Road, Dist. Telangana-508207 / H.No.1-2-509/Shop No.10,17/18,1st Floor,VSL Complex,Near Kaman,Karimnagar Town & Dist,Karimnagar / Door No. 10-4-39/C, Second Floor, Opposite Svs Hospital, Yenuguda, Mahabubnagar, Telangana-509001 / No. 19-119, 1st Floor, Thanappa Chetty Street, Opposite To Thakuli Office, Revenue Ward No. 19, Mittoor, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh-517002 will be sold on "As is Where is" "As is What is" and "Whatever there is" basis on the dates mentioned below for realization of the amount due to the Secured Creditor from the borrowers, co borrowers and guarantors. The sale will be done by the Authorized Officer at the place mentioned below.

Date: 4th August 2026, Place: Hyderabad Sd/- Authorised Officer, Bajaj Finance Limited



INDIA SHELTER FINANCE CORPORATION LTD.
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") read with Rule 8(b) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as "the Rules")

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s), Co Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) or their legal heir(s) or representative(s) that the below described immovable property(s) mortgaged/charged to India Shelter Finance Corporation Limited (hereinafter referred to the Secured Creditor), the possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Secured Creditor having its Registered Office at Plot-15, 6th Floor, Sec-44, Institutional Area, Gurugram, Haryana-122002. Branch Offices: Door No.2-5-148/5/A, First Floor, New Ramnagar, Nalgonda Road, Bhuvanagiri Town and Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District, Telangana- 508285 / Chaitanya Nilayam, Door no. 19-8-90/A5, Near Palani Theater, R. C. Road, Tirupati. PIN : 517501 / D.No.5-4-134/A, 2nd Floor, B Plaza, Bagh Payara Street, Above Axis bank, Prakasham Bazar, Nalgonda / Door No.18/1814, Second Floor, above Bata showroom, Hanumanpet, Miryalaguda town, Dist. Telangana-508207 / H.No.1-2-509/Shop No.10,17/18,1st Floor,VSL Complex,Near Kaman,Karimnagar Town & Dist,Karimnagar / Door No. 10-4-39/C, Second Floor, Opposite Svs Hospital, Yenuguda, Mahabubnagar, Telangana-509001 / No. 19-119, 1st Floor, Thanappa Chetty Street, Opposite To Thakuli Office, Revenue Ward No. 19, Mittoor, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh-517002 will be sold on "As is Where is" "As is What is" and "Whatever there is" basis on the dates mentioned below for realization of the amount due to the Secured Creditor from the borrowers, co borrowers and guarantors. The sale will be done by the Authorized Officer at the place mentioned below.

Sl. No.	Loan Account No./AP No. and Name of Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice u/s 13(2) Date and Amount	Date and Type of Possession	Reserve Price
1	HLHY-CHLONS0000056954 / AP-10133192, Akkenapally Renuka, Akkenapally Ravi	11-Apr-2025 / Rs.21,40,904/- (Twenty One Lakhs Forty Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Seven Only) Bid Increase Amount: Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)	19-Feb-26 & Symbolic Possession Total Outstanding as On Date: 30-Jul-26, Rs.24,20,795/- with further interest and cost.	Rs.28,42,000/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): Rs.1,47,000/-
Description of the Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: Plot No.36 Part, S.No.75 Part, Shankar Nagar Peerzadiguda Village and Municipality, Medipally Mandal Medchal-Malkajgiri District, Telangana-500039, Telangana.				
Place of EMD Deposition:- Mr. Korimerla Venkata Panchala Kalyan Kumar, 8885557405, Door No.2-5-148/5/A, First Floor, New Ramnagar, Nalgonda Road, Bhuvanagiri Town and Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District, Telangana- 508285. Place of Auction: Door No.2-5-148/5/A, First Floor, New Ramnagar, Nalgonda Road, Bhuvanagiri Town and Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District, Telangana-508285.				
2	LAV11VLLONS00000507 0076 / AP-10164517, A.S.Pandurangam	12-Jan-2026 / Rs.9,34,927/- (Rupees Nine Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Seven Only) Bid Increase Amount: Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)	26-May-26 & Symbolic Possession Total Outstanding as On Date: 30-Jul-26, Rs.10,63,646/- with further interest and cost.	Rs.14,70,000/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): Rs.1,47,000/-
Description of the Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: Andhra Pradesh-Chittoor District- Sri Balaji Registration District- Nagri sub district, Nagri Mandal, Nagri Municipal Area No.84, Satravada, survey no:141/2B, Residential area, Satravada Village, Mitta Veedhi, Door No.8-4-35 sheet house and bounded on: North: House of A.S. Shankaran, South: Street towards East to West, East: Path way, West: Venga Raja Rathnam Modall House				
Place of EMD Deposition:- Mr. Korimerla Venkata Panchala Kalyan Kumar, 8885557405, Chaitanya Nilayam, Door No. 19-8-90/A5, Near Palani Theater, R.C.Road, Tirupati, PIN: 517501.				
3	LANGVL- LONS000005097307 / AP-10232494, Balagotti Thirupathamma, Mr./ Mrs. Balagotti Shankar Goud	11-Nov-2025/ Rs.13,22,424/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Four Only) Bid Increase Amount: Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)	12-Jun-26 & Symbolic Possession Total Outstanding as On Date: 30-Jul-26, Rs.14,50,819/- with further interest and cost.	Rs.18,58,402/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.1,85,840/-
Description of the Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: H No 3 3 126 Duggabelli Village Thripuram Mandal Nalgonda District, Telangana-508278 Nalgonda Telangana, East: Open Place, West: Road, North: House of Neighbour, South: Open Land.				
Place of EMD Deposition:- Mr.Korimerla Venkata Panchala Kalyan Kumar, 8885557405, D.No.5-4-134/A, 2nd Floor, B Plaza, Bagh Payara Street, Above Axis bank, Prakasham Bazar, Nalgonda. Place of Auction: D.No.5-4-134/A, 2nd Floor, J B Plaza, Bagh Payara Street, Above Axis bank, Prakasham Bazar, Nalgonda.				
4	LAMGVL- LONS000005125726 / AP-10290924, Harika Ramavath, Ramavath Siva, Mr./ Mrs. Ramavath Javahar	11-Feb-2026 / Rs.10,26,662 (Rupees Ten Lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Two Only) Bid Increase Amount: Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)	16-Jun-26 & Symbolic Possession Total Outstanding as On Date: 30-Jul-26, Rs.10,72,668/- with further interest and cost.	Rs.15,46,577/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.1,54,657/-
Description of the Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: All that the Part and Parcel of The Grampanchayath House bearing House No.2-35, total admeasuring an extent of 395.55 Sq.Yards is equals to 332 Sq.Meters having RCC Roofing 563.75sq, covered in Block No.2, Situated at Chalukurthi Grama shivaru, Neernamak Grampanchayath, Peddavarla Mandal, Nalgonda District SRO-Nidamand, and the afore said property bounded by: North: 12 Feet Road, South: House of Ramavath Rangam East: 12 Feet Road and Open Place of Ramavath Krishan, West: Houses of Ramavath Bala & Ramavath Shanksh.				
Place of EMD Deposition:- Mr. Korimerla Venkata Panchala Kalyan Kumar, 8885557405, Door No.18/1814, Second Floor, above Bata showroom, Hanumanpet, Miryalaguda town, Dist. Telangana-508207. Place of Auction: Door No.18/1814, Second Floor, above Bata showroom, Hanumanpet, Miryalaguda town, Dist. Telangana-508207.				
5	LAMHVL- LONS000005135176 / AP-10315813, M Madhuri, W/o Sampath Kumar, Mr./ Mrs. Doshi Sampath Kumar	10-Oct-25 / Rs.11,68,341/- (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Sixty Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Forty One Only) Bid Increase Amount: Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)	26-Mar-2026, Symbolic Possession Total Outstanding as On Date: 30-Jul-2026, Rs.13,19,274/- with further interest and cost.	Rs.16,24,420/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.1,62,442/-
Description of the Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: House No.2-171, Block No.2, Assessment No.347, in Gramakantam, situated at Annasagar Village and Grampanchayat, Bhoopathur Mandal, Mahabubnagar District 505382, Telangana.				
Place of EMD Deposition:- Mr. Korimerla Venkata Panchala Kalyan Kumar, 8885557405, Door No.10-4-39/C, Second Floor, Opposite Svs Hospital, Yenuguda, Mahabubnagar, Telangana-509001. Place of Auction: Door No.10-4-39/C, Second Floor, Opposite Svs Hospital, Yenuguda, Mahabubnagar, Telangana-509001.				
6	HLCHSVLNS000005149 744 / AP-10340507, G.Anitha, W/o G.Harikrishna, G.Harikrishna	10-Oct-25 / Rs.14,50,527/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Seven Only) Bid Increase Amount: Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)	20-Feb-2026, Symbolic Possession Total Outstanding as On Date: 30-Jul-2026, Rs.6,95,701/- with further interest and cost.	Rs.17,55,250/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.1,75,525/-
Description of the Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: old D.No.3-233 New D.No.1-00,5 No.235/2 of Palamalakupalli Gram Karimnagar Village, Mogiliverripalli Gram Panchayat, Bangarupally Mandal, Chittoor District, AP. 517416, Andhra Pradesh.				
Place of EMD Depositions:- Mr.Korimerla Venkata Panchala Kalyan Kumar, 8885557405, No.19-119, 1st Floor, Thanappa Chetty Street, Opposite To Thakuli Office, Revenue Ward No. 19, Mittoor, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh-517002. Place of Auction: No.19-119, 1st Floor, Thanappa Chetty Street, Opposite To Thakuli Office, Revenue Ward No. 19, Mittoor, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh-517002.				
7	HLKGSVLNS0000051 32433 / AP-10306912, Adelli Sulochana, Adelli Harish, Adelli Anjaiah	11-Feb-26 / Rs.18,13,061/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Six Only) Bid Increase Amount: Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)	12-Jun-2026, Symbolic Possession Total Outstanding as On Date: 30-Jul-26, Rs.6,95,701/- with further interest and cost.	Rs.20,02,913/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.2,00,291/-
Description of the Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: All that the House bearing Door No: 6-20 along with open place with an area measuring 232.91 Sq.Yds Or 194.80 Sq. Mts, RCC Plinth Area:331.65 Sq.Feet, Situated at Manakondur Village and mandal of Karimnagar Dist. within the limits of Gp Manakondur, bounded by: East: Open land of Ammigalla Rajah, West: Way, North: R & B Road leading from Manakondur to Jamminukula, South: House of Adelli Chinnna Rajiah.				
8	LAKGSVLNS000005160 857 / AP-10374227, Kommarajula Lalitha, Kommarajula Sampath	12-Jan-26 / Rs.6,74,650/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Only) Bid Increase Amount: Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only)	12-Jun-2026, Symbolic Possession Total Outstanding as On Date: 30-Jul-2026, Rs.7,67,045/- with further interest and cost.	Rs.9,71,336/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.97,133/-
Description of the Immovable Property/ Secured Asset: All Piece And Parcel of house number 3-47, situated at Polampalle Village, Polampalle Gram Panchayat, Thimmapur Mandal, District Paridihad Karimnagar, Karimnagar Rural Sub Registration (Thimmapur) Karimnagar District Registration, Hyderabad, Telangana-50481.				
Place of EMD Deposition:- Mr.Korimerla Venkata Panchala Kalyan Kumar, 8885557405, H.No.1-2-509/Shop No.10,17/18,1st Floor,VSL Complex,Near Kaman,Karimnagar Town & Dist,Karimnagar. Place of Auction: H.No.1-2-509/Shop No.10,17/18,1st Floor,VSL Complex, Near Kaman,Karimnagar Town & Dist, Karimnagar				

Sajjala should come and apologize: Borugadda Anil protests at Jagan’s residence

Amaravati, Aug 4: Borugadda Anil protested at the residence of former Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy. Speaking on the occasion, he demanded that senior YSRCP leader Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy himself come and apologize in front of the people for the comments made against him and the developments that took place. After receiving information about the protest, the police reached the spot and monitored the situation. Necessary security measures were taken to ensure that the protest continued peacefully. Although there was a tense atmosphere there for some time, the police brought the situation under control.





SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED
(Formerly Known as Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited)
Registered Office: Sri. Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032
Administrative office: 6th Floor(level 2), Building No.Q2, Aurum Q parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400710.
AuthorizedOfficerAddress: , Shriram Finance Limited, Wyra Road, SBI Building, Khammam- 507001

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE
Where as, the undersigned being the authorised officer of Shriram Finance Limited, (Formerly know as Shriram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shriram Transport Company Limited name Changed as **Shriram Finance Limited**, by it's Incorporation dt.30-11-2022) under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (said Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (said Rules) issued demand notices to the Borrowers details of which are mentioned in the table below to repay the amount mentioned in the said demand notices. The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken Symbolic Possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules, on this **25th day of July 2026.**

Borrower Name and Address
1) Bhukya Yelasya, S/O Bhukya John , Age:43yrs , Occu:Raghava Commission Merchants , R/O: H.No. 2-4-99, Dabala Bazar , Khammam . (Borrower No.1) 2) Banoth Lakshma, S/O Ramakoti , Age:35yrs, Occu:Commission Business, R/O:H.No.2-125/1, V Venkatapalem, Khammam (Coborrower/Guarantor No.1.) Amount due as per Demand Notice : Rs. 87,79,387/- (Rupees Eighty Seven Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Seven Only)
Description of Property
KHMMATF1608270002- Description Of The Immovable Property Property Holder Name: Bhukya Yelasya With Document No: 9061/2016 The Vacant Site Plot No 1A,2,3 And 4 Admeasuring To An Extent Of 1372.18 Sq. In And Out Of Sy . No. 220/*B 221/*A Situated At Bhurhanpuram Revenue Village And Khammam Municiple Corporation Khammam Khammam Rural, And Mandal Of Khammam District, Under The Limits Of SRO Khammam, Khammam District, Bounded By: North: 40 Feet Road, South: Land Of Ponnam Chandra Shekar, East: Plot No 1, West: 20 Feet Road
This notice is also hereby to caution the general public at large that the authorized officer of SFL is in the lawful Symbolic Possession of the immovable property mentioned herein above and the Borrowers or any person shall not after receipt of this notice transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate any of the above mentioned secured assets referred to in this notice, without prior written consent of SFL.
Date: 25-07-2026, Place: Khammam
Sd/- Authorised Officer, Shriram Finance Limited



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DEMAND NOTICE
Whereas the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors/ mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from **M/s. Shriram Finance Limited** (Shriram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shriram Transport Company Limited name Changed as **Shriram Finance Limited**, by it's Incorporation Certificate dt.13-11-2022), is a company registered under the Companies Act, 2013 and also registered with RBI to do Non-Banking Finance business having its registered office at Sri Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai- 600032 and branch office at **Karimnagar II**, (hereinafter referred as Company/ Lender). We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the borrowers/ guarantors have committed various defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as Non Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/ guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorized Officer of **SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD.** under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon the following borrowers / guarantors /mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices. The notices issued to them on their last known addresses have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors			
1. Rajashekar Reddy Madusu S/O. Sambi Reddy , Age:46 Years, Occ: PRO Pritor (Seetha Rama Traders And Vijayalaxmi Cotton Ginning Mill), H.No:1-3-42, Shanthi Nagar, Pedda Pali, Karimnagar, Pincode:505172. 2. Mudusu Sambi Reddy S/O. Rag Hava Reddy , Age:68 Years, Occ: Busi Ness (Vijayalaxmi Ginning & Pressing Industry),H.No:1-3-42/B, Shanthi Nagar, Peddapalli, Karimnagar, Pin code: 505172. And Also At Mudusu Sambi Reddy S/O.Raghava Reddy , Age:68 Years, Occ: Business (Vijayalaxmi Ginning &Pressing Industry), Open Plot Admeasuring To An Extent Of 200.00 Sq. Yards Or 167.28 Sq. Meters In Sy. No. 519 & 521, Situated At Shanthi Nagar Locality Of Peddapally Mandal Dist Karimnagar Within The Limits Of Registration Dist Karimnagar Sub Dist Peddapally. 3. Mudusu Ram Reddy S/O.Raghava Reddy , Age:61 Years, Occ: Business (Sidda Ritha Traders),H.No:1-3-42/A, Shanthi Nagar, Peddapalli, Karim Nagar, Pincode: 505172.			
NPADATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
31.01.2014	06.07.2026	Rs. 69,97,591/-	Rs. 15,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: KMNGZTF1309300003-Description of the Immovable Property (Property holder Name is **MUDUSU SAMBI REDDY Mortgage deed dated 24.09.2013 Registered as Document No 6168/2013** on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at Peddapally. Open Plot admeasuring to an extent of 200.00 Sq. Yards or 167.28 Sq. Meters in Sy. No. 519 & 521, Situated at Shanthi Nagar Locality of Peddapally Revenue Village Code No. 2016012 of Peddapally Nagara Panchayat of Peddapally Mandal Dist Karimnagar within the limits of Registration Dist Karimnagar Sub Dist Peddapally Bounded on:- **East:** Open land of Padmabai, **West:** Open land of Madusu Sami Reddy, Ram Reddy, Chinnna Sambi Reddy, **North :** 18 Feet Wide Road, **South:** Open land of Thakur Ganesh Singh

In the circumstances as aforesaid, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/ or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.
Please note that under Section 13 (13) of the said Act, no Borrower shall, transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

Date: 04-08-2026, Place: Husnabad.

Sd/- Authorised Officer, Shriram Finance Limited



SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED
Head Office: Level-3, Wockhardt Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, BandraKurla Complex, (Bandra East), Mumbai 400 051; Tel: 022 4241 0400, 022 4060 3100; Website: <http://www.shriramfinance.in/auction>
Branch Office Address:H No:6-1-627, Plot No: 23, Phase - 2, 1st Floor, Vanasthalipuram, Hyderabad..

Notice to the Borrower Informing about Sale (30 days' notice) 8 (6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002

To:

S.no	Particulars of Borrowers / Guarantors
1.	Bojja Lingam, S/O:Bojja Ramulu , Age: 35 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O:H No: 2-5-147/3, Seetha Nagar, Bhongiri, Bhongir -Yadadri -508116, B/O: Proprietor Of "Mallikarjuna Swamy Coconut Oil Supply" At # Same As Residency Address.
2.	Neelavathi Bojja @ Alias P Neelavathi, W/O:Bojja Lingam, D/O: Late Jangaiah , Age: 38 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O: Address-I: H No:2-1-37, Khila Nagar, Bhuvanagiri, Nalgonda Dist, Bhongir Post, Nalgonda-508116, Address-II: 18-8-401/ 27/5, Uppuguda, Narahari Nagar, Falaknauma, Charaminar-500053.
3.	Bojja Swamy, S/O: Bojja Ramulu , Age: 39 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O:H No: 2-5-147/3, Seetha Nagar, Bhongiri, Bhongir -Yadadri -508116, B/O: Proprietor Of "Mallikarjuna Swamy Whole Sale For Coconut & Oil Mil " At # 2-1-37, Kummariwada, Khila Nagar, Bhuvanagiri.
4.	Mallesham Siripanga, S/O:Maisaiah Siripanga , Age: 29 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H No:- 2-5-136/3, Sita Nagar, Bhuvanagiri, Bhongir, Turkapalli, Nalgonda-508116.

Sub: Sale of property belonging to **SRI BOJJA LINGAM (Borrower/Guarantor)** in the account of **VANASTF2303280006** for realization of amount due to **Shriram Finance Limited** under The Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. **Shriram Finance Limited, Vanasthalipuram - Branch**, the secured creditor caused a demand notice dated **19.12.2024** under section 13(2) of The Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, calling upon you to pay **Rs. 40,63,386/- (Forty Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred And Eighty Six Rupees only)** within the time stipulated period therein. Since you failed to comply the said notice within the stipulated period, the Authorized Officer, has taken **symbolic possession** of the immovable secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rule 8 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on **13.03.2025**. And After the Authorized Officer of **Shriram Finance Limited** received Physical possession of the property on **05.01.2026**. Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Shriram Finance Limited. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction along with the Reserve Price of the property and the details of the service provider, in which the e-auction to be conducted, shall be informed to you separately.
Therefore, if you pay the amount due to Shriram Finance Limited along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by Shriram Finance Limited before the date of publication of sale notice, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as stipulated in sec.13(8) of the Act.
Schedule of Property: (Mortgaged under the Name of Sri Bojja Lingam Mortgage deed dated 29.03.2023 Registered as Document No.2563/2023 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at Bhongiri.) All That The House Bearing No.2-1-37/North Part, Consisting Of Two Rooms And Open Yard, Admeasuring 125 Sq.Yards Or 104.51 Sq.Mtrs, With A.C.C. Sheet Roof Area 470.81 Sft, Situated At Nalgonda Road To Police Station, (Kummariwada), Bhongir Town And Mandal, Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District, Under Bhongir Municipality And Bounded As Follows: Towards East: Bhongir Fort, Towards West: Bhongir To Nalgonda Road, (Actual: 100' Wide Road), Towards North: House Of Dakuri Krishna,(Actual: Neighbours House), Towards South: H.No:2-1-37/South Part (Actual: Owner's Brother's House).

Note "It is informed that "SHRIRAM CITY UNION FINANCE LIMITED" has been amalgamated with "SHRIRAM TRANSPORT FINANCE LIMITED" as per order of NCLT, Chennai. Subsequently the name of "SHRIRAM TRANSPORT FINANCE LIMITED" was changed as "SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED" with effect from 30.11.2022 vide Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to change of name dated 30-11-2022."

Date: 31-07-2026, Place: Yadadri-Bhuvanagiri.

Sd/- Authorized Officer, SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD

Breast Milk Contains All Essential Nutrients : District Collector Garima Agarwal



Rajanna Sircilla, Aug 4 : District Collector Garima Agarwal stated that breast milk contains all the nutrients a baby needs. As part of the World Breastfeeding Week celebrations (observed from August 1 to 7), the District Collector inaugurated a program for new mothers organized by the Medical and Health Department at the Government General Hospital in the Rajanna Sircilla district headquarters on Tuesday. During the event, students from the Sircilla Nursing

College raised awareness through a skit about the importance of breastfeeding, proper nursing techniques, the diet new mothers should follow, and how to dispel common doubts and misconceptions. Afterward, the District Collector distributed fruits to several new mothers and unveiled posters created for the Breastfeeding Week celebrations. Speaking on the occasion, District Collector Garima Agarwal emphasized the impor-

- Baby should be placed with the mother within an hour of delivery
- World Breastfeeding Week celebrations at the District Government General Hospital

tance of placing the baby with the mother immediately after birth. She explained that breastfeeding benefits the health of both the mother and the baby. She advised that the baby should be breastfed within the first hour of delivery and stressed that the

baby should be exclusively breastfed for the first six months. She noted that breast milk aids in a child's growth and weight gain and mentioned that breastfeeding can also protect new mothers against certain types of cancer.





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NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors			
1) M/S.United Motors Rep., By Its Managing Partner Shaik Gouse H.No:10-252/B, Opp: Petrol Pump, Yellareddypt, Rajanna Sircilla, Karimnagar, Pincode:505303. And Also At Shaik Gouse S/O. Shaik Nannesab , Age:55 Years, Occ: Business (M/S.United Motors), The Open Place Admeasuring To An Extent Of 245 Sq. Yards Or 204.84 Sq. Meters, Out Of Survey No. 380, Situated At Nearest H.No. 10-236, Beedi Worker Colony Yellareddy Pat Mandal, Rajanna Sircilla District And Within The Limits Of G.P. Yellareddypt. Regn. Sub-Dist. Rajanna Sircilla & Regn. Dist: Karimnagar. 2) Shaik Gouse S/O Shaik Nannesab , Age:55 Years, Occ: Business (M/S. United Motors), H.No:6-60/ I, Naraya Napur, Yellareddypt, Karimnagar, Pincode:505303. 3) Shaik Yousof S/O.Nannesab , Age: 48 Years, Occ:Business, H.No:6-60K, Nara Yanapur, Yellareddypt, Karl Mnagar, Pincode: 505303. 4) Shaik Baba S/O.Yakub , Age:54 Years, Occ: Business, H.No:2-56, Narayanapur, Yellareddypt, Karimnagar, Pin Code:505303.			
NPADATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
30.12.2020	09.07.2026	Rs. 69,19,180/-	Rs. 15,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: SIRCITF2002060001-Description of the Immovable Property (Property holder Name is **M/S.UNITED MOTORS REP., by Its Managing partner SHAIK GOUSE Mortgage deed dated 07.02.2020 Registered as Document No 1363/2020** on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at Sircilla. The Open place admeasuring to an extent of 245 Sq. Yards or 204.84 Sq. Meters, out of Survey No. 380, Situated at Nearest H.No.10-236, Beedi worker colony Yellareddypt Mandal, Rajanna Sircilla District and within the limits of G.P. Yellareddypt. Regn. Sub-Dist. Rajanna Sircilla & Regn. Dist: Karimnagar. **East:** Open Place of Vendor, **West:** Open Place of Bakli Narsaiah, **North:** Open place of Bakli Narsaiah, **South:** Road

In the circumstances as aforesaid, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/ or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.
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Date: 04-08-2026, Place: Sircilla.

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NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors			
1) Gollapally Balakrishna S/O. Maisaiah , Age:31 Years, Occ: Propri Tor(Sri Siddi Vinayaka Traders), H.No:2-63, Gollapally, Jagadevpur, Medak, Pincode: 502281. And Also At Gollapally Balak Rishna S/O.Maisaiah , Age:31 Years, Occ: PRO Pritor(Sri Siddi Vinayaka Traders), That The Open Place Comprised Under Sy No. 7/C/2/C/2 Admeasuring 605.00 Sq. Yards Equal To 505.85 Sq. Meters Situated At Komuravelli Village Of Komuravelli Mandal, Siddipet District, Within The Limits Of Gram Panchayat Komuravelli, Mandal Parishad Komuravelli, Under The Jurisdiction Of Regn. Sub Dist Cherial, Regn Dist Medak At Sanga Reddy. 2) Banda Shirisha D/O.Banda Veeraswami , Age:26 Years, Occ: House Wife, H.No:2-63, Gollapally, Jagadevpur, Medak, Pincode: 502281. lnd Add H.No:00, Kodava TUR, Bachannapet, Warangal, Pincode:506221. 3) Gollapally Maisaiah S/O. Dhar Maiah , Age:61 Years, Occ:Self Employed, H.No:2-63, Gollapally, Jagade VPUR, Medak, Pin Code:502281. 4) Gajje Ashok S/O.Bixapathi , Age:34 Years, Occ:Business, H.No:3-11/A, Komu Ravelly, Cherial, Warangal, Pincode:506355.			
NPADATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
07.01.2026	10.07.2026	Rs. 25,25,604/-	Rs. 20,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: SIDP2TF2505230001-Description of the Immovable Property (Property holder Name is **GOLLAPALLY BALAKRISHNA Mortgage deed dated 24.05.2025 Registered as Document No 2045/2025** on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at Cherial. That the Open Place comprised under Sy No. 7/C/2/C/2 admeasuring 605.00 Sq. yards equal to 505.85 Sq. meters situated at Komuravelli Village of Komuravelli Mandal, Siddipet District, within the limits of Gram Panchayat Komuravelli, Mandal Parishad Komuravelly, under the jurisdiction of Regn. Sub Dist Cherial, Regn Dist Medak at Sangareddy Bounded by: **East:** Road, **West:** Open Place of Gajje Ashok (Vendor), **North :** Open place of Gajje Maisaiah, **South:** Open place of Gajje Ashok (Vendor)

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Date: 04-08-2026, Place: Cherial.

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T-Fiber net mandatory for all Telangana govt offices from Sept 1: Sridhar Babu



Hyderabad, Aug 4 : Minister for IT and Industries D. Sridhar Babu has directed state officials to ensure that all government offices across Telangana receive internet services exclusively through T-Fiber starting September 1. The initiative aims to centralise digital infrastructure, strengthen data security, and eliminate reliance on third-party service providers across state, district, and mandal-level administrative offices. Sridhar Babu held a key review meeting on T-Fiber at the Secretariat on Tuesday.

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FSSAI bans sale of 'FOLINEURO' syrup, 'Neuherbs TRUE VITAMIN' over misleading claims

The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) on Thursday said it has taken strict enforcement action against multiple food business operators (FBOs) for misleading claims, non-compliant labelling, food safety violations and serious hygiene lapses to safeguard consumer interests. In a post on social media platform X, the food regulator said the action includes prohibition orders, licence suspension and prohibition of sale against erring businesses. Among the key actions, FSSAI issued a prohibition order against Vatave Health Care over the manufacture, storage, distribution and sale of its 'FOLINEURO Syrup - Folinic Acid Syrup'. According to the regulator, the product name 'FOLINEURO' along with a brain image on the front of the pack created a misleading impression that the product was intended to support or improve brain and neurological functions. FSSAI also found that the product was classified as a 'Nutritional Food Supplement', a category that does not exist under the Food Safety and Standards (Health Supplements and Nutraceuticals) Regulations, 2016. Based on the complaint, product label, licence details and available records, the regulator said the product prima facie failed to comply with provisions of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006. In addition, it has prohibited the manufacture, processing, packaging, storage, transportation, distribution, marketing and sale of the product with immediate effect, warning that any violation would attract strict legal and penal action. In a separate action, FSSAI prohibited the sale of 'Neuherbs TRUE VITAMIN', marketed by Global Healthfit Retail India Private Limited, over the use of the trade name 'TRUE VITAMIN', which it described as misleading and not recognised under existing regulations. The regulator said the branding violated provisions of the Food Safety and Standards (Advertising and Claims) Regulations, 2018, and the Food Safety and Standards (Labelling and Display) Regulations, 2020, as it could mislead consumers. Additionally, FSSAI directed the company to immediately stop the sale of the product, remove the misleading claims from product labels and advertisements, and submit an Action Taken Report within 30 days, failing which further regulatory action would be initiated.

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EAM Jaishankar, Australian counterpart Penny Wong discuss West Asia conflict

New Delhi, Aug 4 : External Affairs Minister (EAM) S Jaishankar spoke to his Australian counterpart Penny Wong on Tuesday, discussing the ongoing West Asia conflict. Following their conversation, EAM Jaishankar wrote on X: "Appreciated the exchange of views today with Senator Penny Wong of Australia on the West Asia conflict." The phone call between two ministers took place amid tense security situation in the region after negotiations between the US and Iranian officials failed to produce an agreement. On April 8, the US and Iran agreed to a two-

week ceasefire in the war, which erupted on February 28, following joint US-Israel joint strikes in Iran which killed Iran's former Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and top military officials. In response, Iran launched missile and drone strikes against Israel, US bases and US-allied countries in the West Asia. Over the past few weeks, EAM Jaishankar has spoken with his counterparts from several nations as India remains in touch with the governments of the region, as well as other key partners, over the conflict in West Asia. Earlier in the day, EAM Jaishankar held a telephonic conversation with his Israeli counterpart Gideon Sa'ar, discussing West Asia situation and



the Strait of Hormuz. "Had a telecon this afternoon with Israel FM Gideon Sa'ar. Our discussion covered different aspects of the West Asia situation," EAM Jaishankar posted on X. Sa'ar stated that he told EAM Jaishankar that the US' stance in the negotiations that would prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons is important for the international community. "A good conversation, as always, with my

friend, India's Minister of External Affairs S Jaishankar. We discussed Iran, the Strait of Hormuz, and Lebanon. I said that the firm American stance in the negotiations on conditions that would prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons (no enrichment in Iran, removal of enriched material from Iran) is critical for the entire international community."

US Democrats push votes to end 'illegal war'



Washington, Aug 4 : Senate Democrats escalated pressure on President Donald Trump over the conflict with Iran, announcing plans to force repeated votes to end what they called an "illegal war of choice", as Republicans defended the administration's strategy and actions. Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer said Democrats would "force that choice week after week after week", accusing Republicans of creating "chaos abroad".

US-India trade deal boosts Kansas farms, Kentucky bourbon

Washington, Aug 4 : A new US-India trade framework announced last week is drawing strong backing from US lawmakers, with Kansas agricultural exporters and Kentucky's bourbon industry emerging as early beneficiaries of provisions expanding access to the Indian market. Congressman Derek Schmidt of Kansas said the agreement reflects priorities he pushed with US trade officials last year, including market access for grain sorghum, dried distillers' grains and soybean products. "The Indian market potential is enormous and is vital to Kansas agriculture exporters as the dynamics with China continue to evolve," Schmidt

said. "I am grateful to the Trump administration for prioritizing Kansas agricultural exports in this new framework and will continue to work closely with our trade officials to make sure Kansas producers and agribusinesses see the benefits." Schmidt said he raised the issue with the US Trade Representative in May, urging negotiators to focus on farm exports critical to Kansas. The final framework includes all three commodities he highlighted. Kansas produces more grain sorghum than any other US state and is also a major producer of dried distillers' grains, a byproduct widely used in animal feed. The state's Second Congressional District includes soybean oil facilities in Cherryvale and Emporia.



"The economy in farm country is challenging," Schmidt said. "So, this good news is particularly welcome. I'll keep fighting to open markets and to support Kansas farmers, ranchers, and our rural economy." In Kentucky, Congressman Andy Barr said the agreement's tariff provisions for US spirits could be a turning point for the state's signature bourbon industry. Barr is co-chair of the Congressional Bourbon Caucus and vice-chair of the Congressional India Caucus.



Gujarat: Ahmedabad completes over 21,000 affordable homes under PMAY

Ahmedabad, Aug 4 : The Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) has completed and allotted more than 21,000 affordable homes to economically weaker families and has submitted proposals for nearly 24,000 additional housing units under the second phase of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), as the civic body scales up its efforts to address urban housing demand in Gujarat's largest city. According to details released by AMC on Tuesday, a total of 21,056 houses have been completed and allotted under the Economically Weaker Section (EWS-I) category of PMAY 1.0, while construction of another 10,431 units is currently in progress. The EWS-I homes, built with a carpet area of 28 square metres, comprise a bedroom, hall, kitchen, toilet-bathroom, and wash area. The

projects have been equipped with facilities including parking, stainless steel sinks with Kota stone kitchen platforms, aluminium glass windows, round-the-clock water supply, centralised drainage systems, common plots, solar panels, fire-fighting systems, percolation wells, lifts, and PNG gas connections. AMC said the beneficiary contribution for these homes has been fixed at Rs 3.30 lakh. Under the EWS-II category, the corporation has completed 1,217 housing units with a carpet area of 38 square metres. The civic body has also undertaken large-scale housing development under the In-Situ Slum Rehabilitation and Redevelopment Scheme (ISSR)-2013. AMC said 9,662 houses with a carpet area of 30 square metres have been completed, while work on another 16,744 units is under way. The houses include one bed-

room, hall, kitchen, toilet-bathroom, courtyard and open parking space. Amenities provided under the scheme include vitrified tile flooring, Kota stone kitchen platforms, earthquake-resistant construction, glass windows with MS grills, wooden flush doors, standard fittings, water and drainage networks, mini sewage treatment plants, RCC roads, paver block paving, lifts, and PNG gas connections. Under the Beneficiary-Led Construction (BLC) component of PMAY, 274 beneficiaries have received housing assistance. AMC also reported that 2,501 homes have been included under the LIG 2BHK category with a carpet area of 48 square metres. Separately, under the Urban Housing Scheme-2016 and the Public Housing Redevelopment Policy.

Lucknow auto driver accused of assaulting exam-bound girls injured in police encounter

Lucknow, Aug 4 : An auto-rickshaw driver, accused of harassing and assaulting two young women who were travelling to appear for an examination in Uttar Pradesh's Lucknow, was injured in a police encounter during the intervening night of Monday and Wednesday, officials said. According to police, the incident took place in Lucknow's Para area on Tuesday when the two girls, who had arrived from Charbagh and were on their way to take an examination in Raebareli, allegedly became victims of the accused auto driver's actions. Providing details of the case, Deputy Commissioner of Police (West) Kamlesh Dixit said the two students had begun their journey from their home district and were heading towards the examination centre when the incident occurred. "Two girls from the district were going to appear for an examination in Raebareli. They boarded a train from Charbagh and then took an auto-rickshaw.

Europe eyes NATO fallback plan amid US doubts

Washington, Aug 4 : Amidst growing concerns over Donald Trump's stance on the alliance and tensions linked to the Iran war, Europe is drawing up a contingency plan to defend the continent using NATO's existing military structures if the United States reduces its role, a media report said. Officials are working on proposals some have referred to as a "European NATO", seeking to place more Europeans in the alliance's command-and-control roles and supplement US military assets with their own, according to a report by The Wall Street Journal. The discussions are advancing informally within NATO circles. Participants say the effort is not meant to replace the alliance. Instead, it is aimed at preserving deterrence against Russia, maintaining operational continuity and sustaining nuclear credibility if Washington pulls



back forces or support. The plan has gained traction after securing backing from Germany, long a sceptic of a Europe-led defence model. A shift in Berlin under Chancellor Friedrich Merz reflects growing concern about US dependability. The push comes amid mounting unease over Trump's rhetoric on NATO. He has criticised European allies, calling them "cowards" and describing the alliance as a "paper tiger". He has also threatened to withdraw support if allies do not align with US priorities, including on Iran.

Global leaders urged to boost trust with transparent public spending

Washington, Aug 4 : Governments across the world must prioritise efficient, targeted and transparent spending to sustain public trust and economic stability, policymakers and experts said, highlighting lessons from recent fiscal crises and reform efforts across countries. At a high-level panel discussion, officials from the International Monetary Fund and finance leaders from Ecuador and Ethiopia underscored that “spending well is probably one of the cornerstones of the social pact in countries,” noting that taxpayers expect accountability in how public money is

used. Michael Faulkender, former acting commissioner of the US Internal Revenue Service, during the discussion pointed to structural weaknesses in government systems exposed during the pandemic. “Government does not engage in technological innovation... many of our basic government systems are still built on 1960s and 70s software,” he said, stressing the need to adopt private-sector efficiencies. He added that crisis spending must remain disciplined. “We needed to do so in a way that targeted the benefits towards those that were essentially in need... not use it as an excuse to enact reforms that people had been looking for any excuse in order to implement.” Ecuador’s Finance Minister Saria Moya described politically difficult subsidy reforms, saying leadership and communication were decisive. “We were able to understand the real



needs of our citizenship and... design policies to reallocate resources that were not used properly,” she said. She noted that immediate rollout of compensatory programmes helped build trust. “If we were saying, we are reallocating these resources... the implementation of those programs was immediate.”

824 incidents of violence against minorities across Bangladesh in first six months: Rights body

Dhaka, Aug 4 : As attacks on minority communities continue unabated in Bangladesh, a leading minority rights organisation on Tuesday documented 824 incidents of human-rights violations targeting religious and ethnic minority communities across 63 of the country’s 64 districts during the first half of this year. In its latest report titled ‘The Persecution Continues: Minority Communities Under Sustained Attack in Bangladesh’, the Human Rights Congress for Bangladesh Minorities (HRCBM) said that the 824 in-



cidents recorded between January and June include murders and mysterious deaths, kidnappings and physical assaults, rape and other forms of sexual violence, attacks on temples and religious institutions, land grabbing, arson, looting, attacks on minority-owned property.



Pakistan using lethal force against civilians in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa : Report

Islamabad, Aug 4 : Pakistani forces, while conducting counter-terrorism campaigns in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, have many times been accused of using lethal force in ways that have repeatedly killed several innocent civilians, including women and children, a report has revealed. “International human-rights organizations and independent reporting point to airstrikes, drone attacks and ground operations that blur the line between lawful targetting of armed groups.



Nepali PM urges calm as communal violence spreads across southern districts

Kathmandu, Aug 4 : Nepal's Prime Minister Balen Shah on Tuesday appealed for calm following deadly violence in several districts of the southeastern Madhesh Province, triggered by communal clashes between Hindu and Muslim communities that began in Sunsari district on Tuesday. In a televised address to the nation, Shah said the government was treating the situation with the utmost seriousness and expressed condolences over the deaths of three people—Jay Prakash Mehta, Om Prakash Mehta, and Ganesh Yadav—during the clashes with police. Prime Minister Shah assured the public that those responsible for the recent incidents in Sunsari, Siraha, and other affected districts would face legal action following a fair and transparent investigation. "I want to assure everyone that the investigation will be conducted in a completely fair and transparent manner," the prime minister said. "The government is committed to bringing all those responsible, whoever they may be, within the ambit of the law." He said the Ministry of Home Affairs had already formed an investigation committee to probe the incidents and instructed health authorities to ensure prompt treatment for those injured. Calling on the public to act responsibly, Prime Minister Shah urged people not to spread rumours, unverified information, or content that could incite communal hostility through social media or other platforms. Shah's address came amid mounting criticism over his government's alleged inaction as communal violence spread across several Tarai districts. Opposition leaders accused him of failing to provide national leadership during the crisis. They also criticised his decision not to convene an all-party meeting and pointed to the absence of both the prime minister and the home minister from an all-party meeting called.

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The notices issued to them on their last known addresses have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Name Of The Borrower(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors	NPA DATE 07.11.2025 Outstanding Amount Rs.	Date Of Demand Notice 08.07.2026 Loan Amount Rs.
1) Koduri Devireddy C/O.Koduri Ram Reddy, Age:45 Years, Occ: Business (Mahankali Sheep Farm),H.No:18-14-54/1, Opp Bc Hostel, Gandhi Nagar, Prashanth Nagar, Siddipet, Medak, Cell:9666792415, Pincode:502103. 2) Varukolu Krishna Manohar S/O. Thirupathi, Age:23 Years, Occ: Chicken Center, H.No:1-98, Bejjanki, Karimnagar, Cell:8008136085, Pin Code:505528. And Also At Varukolu Krishna Manohar S/O.Thirupathi, Age:23 Years, Occ: Chicken Center, Open Land Admeasuring To An Extent Of 116 Sq. Yards, Out Of Sy. No. 1906 Situated At Old G.P Prashanth Nagar (Now Merged In Siddipet Municipality), Siddipet Town & District, Registration District: Medak, Sub-District: Siddipet. 2) Koduri Bhagyalakshi W/O. Devi Reddy, Age:44 Years, Occ:Business, H.No:1-46, Chervapur, Dubbak, Medak, Pincode:502108 lmd Add H.No:18-14-54/1, Opp Bc Hostel, Gandhi Nagar, Prashanth Nagar, Siddipet, Medak, Cell:7036114941, Pincode:502103. 3) Modern Sambaiah Goud S/O. Pocha Goud, Age:56 Years, Occ: Business, H.No:4-48/29/1, Mitta Pally, Siddipet, Medak, Cell: 9866615656, Pincode:502375.	35,57,004/-	35,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: SIDP2FT240429009-Description of the Immoveable Property (Property holder Name is KODURI DEVIREDDY Mortgage deed dated 02.05.2024 Registered as Document No 4001/2024 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at Siddipet.

House bearing H.No. 18-14-54/1, admeasuring to an extent of 116 Sq. yards, out of Sy. No. 1906 Situated at old G.P Prashanth Nagar (Now Merged in Siddipet Municipality), Siddipet Town & District, Registration District: Medak, Sub-District: Siddipet, bounded as under: EAST: House of Saleem, WEST: Road, NORTH: Open Place of others, SOUTH: House of Anasuya.

In the circumstances as aforesaid, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/ or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.

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Date: 04.08.2026
Place: Siddipet

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Shriram Finance Limited

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The notices issued to them on their last known addresses have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

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Schools reopening in flood-hit Assam
to be decided by district administrations: Education Minister



Guwahati, Aug 4 : Assam Education Minister Ranaj Pegu said on Tuesday that the decision on reopening schools after the summer vacation on August 1 in flood-affected districts will be taken by the respective district administrations based on the prevailing ground situation. Speaking to reporters, Pegu added that the Education Department has already held consultations with Deputy Commissioners (DCs) of all districts and sought reports on the condition of educational institutions following the recent floods that severely affected several districts of Upper Assam.

"The Deputy Commissioners will take the decision according to the prevailing situation in their respective districts. The Education Department has already discussed the matter with them," the Minister said. He added that preliminary reports indicate that, except for a limited number of schools, most educational institutions, including colleges, are currently not in a position to resume academic activities. However, the final decision will rest with the district administrations after assessing local conditions. "Initial reports suggest that barring a few schools, the majority of schools and even colleges are not in a position to restart classes. Nevertheless, I have left the matter to the district level for an appropriate decision," Pegu said. The Minister stressed that the issue falls under the jurisdiction of district administrations as it concerns the management of a natural disaster. "This is a decision-making matter related to a natural calamity. In such situations, the highest authority to take decisions rests with the district administration.

Therefore, the Deputy Commissioners will decide whether schools can reopen in their districts," he added. Assam is scheduled to reopen schools after the summer vacation on August 1. However, widespread flooding over the past few weeks has disrupted normal life in several Upper Assam districts, damaging public infrastructure, including educational institutions, and affecting thousands of families. The state government has been reviewing the flood situation and coordinating relief and restoration efforts, while district administrations continue to assess the safety and readiness of schools before allowing regular classes to resume.

TN: BJP condemns arrest
of YouTuber Maridhas,
alleges attack on free speech

Chennai, Aug 4 : Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) National Women's Wing president and former Coimbatore South MLA Vanathi Srinivasan on Tuesday strongly condemned the arrest of YouTuber Maridhas, accusing the Tamil Nadu government of the Tamilaga Vetti Kazhagam (TVK) of attempting to silence criticism and suppress democratic dissent. Maridhas was arrested by police at his residence in Madurai following complaints over a series of videos he had posted targeting Chief Minister C. Joseph Vijay, several TVK ministers, and ruling party MLAs. Members of the ruling party alleged that the YouTuber used artificial intelligence (AI)-generated content and made defamatory remarks against government leaders through



Meghalaya CM reviews
urban development, mobility, eco-tourism

Shillong, Aug 4 : Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma on Tuesday chaired a series of high-level review meetings with multiple departments to assess ongoing development initiatives, with a strong focus on urban infrastructure, mobility, and sustainable growth in Shillong, officials said. The meetings, held at the State Guest House in Taraghar, were attended by Deputy Chief Minister Sniawbhalang Dhar, Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Wailadmiki Shylla, Chief Secretary Shakil P. Ahammed, Tourism Commissioner and Secretary Vijay Kumar D., along with senior officials. Urban redevelopment emerged as a key priority, with the Chief Minister stressing

that projects must maximise public value, boost economic activity, and ensure long-term sustainability. He called for innovative models, including public-private partnerships, and directed departments to evaluate concession options carefully before deploying public funds. He also underscored the importance of efficient land use, advocating for transforming prime urban spaces into vibrant commercial and public hubs. Connectivity and mobility were highlighted as critical enablers. Sangma reviewed the functioning of the Meghalaya Transport Corporation, emphasising improved last-mile connectivity and suggesting initial support measures to encourage public transport usage.

Sikkim MP meets PM Modi,
seeks center's intervention on key issues

New Delhi, Aug 4 : Sikkim's lone Lok Sabha MP, Indra Hang Subba, on Tuesday met Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Parliament House and submitted a memorandum seeking the Centre's intervention on a series of long-pending developmental, constitutional, and strategic issues concerning the Himalayan state. During the meeting, Subba conveyed greetings and gratitude to the Prime Minister on behalf of the people of Sikkim and Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang (Golay), thanking the NDA government for its continued support to the state's develop-

ment. Prime Minister Narendra Modi also enquired about the recent tunnel mishap in Sikkim. Briefing him on the situation, the MP informed the Prime Minister about the state government's response to the incident and thanked him for his concern and support for the affected families.



Centre releases report on
datasets for State Finance Commissions

New Delhi, Aug 4 : In a significant step towards advancing data-driven fiscal decentralisation and strengthening grassroots governance, the Centre on Tuesday released the report of the Committee on Datasets for State Finance Commissions prepared by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj. While releasing the report, Chief Economic Advisor to the Government V. Anantha Nageswaran said that citizens experience governance through the availability of basic services such as drinking water, roads, street light-

ing and Anganwadi services, making empowered Panchayats central to effective governance. He noted that fiscal decentralisation is ultimately about bringing governance close enough to people that it actually touches their lives, and that State Finance Commissions can only make sound recommendations when they have access to reliable, timely and granular data, adding that better data leads to better governance. Nageswaran emphasised that the quality of decisions on resource allocation is directly determined by the quality of data and analysis available, and described the



report as an important step towards strengthening the information architecture for local governance. He also highlighted the report's recommendation that the Comptroller and Auditor General undertake a performance audit of the implementation of the 73rd Constitutional Amendment across States to assess the extent of functional, financial and administrative devolution to Panchayati Raj Institutions, an initiative that will further reinforce accountability

and deepen the gains of constitutional decentralisation. Commending the Ministry of Panchayati Raj for preparing the report, he expressed confidence that its recommendations would contribute significantly to strengthening fiscal decentralisation, enhancing local public finance, and supporting informed decision-making for sustainable development in rural areas. Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR), Vivek Bharadwaj, emphasised the need for greater coordination between the State Finance Commissions and Central Finance Commissions. He stated that reliable and accessible data is fundamental to improving the quality and timeliness of SFC recommendations.

Odisha floods
trigger political row over relief efforts

Bhubaneswar, Aug 4 : The Opposition Biju Janata Dal (BJD) and Congress on Tuesday criticised the state government, alleging that while people are reeling under severe floods, senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leaders, including

Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi, are in New Delhi instead of overseeing relief and rescue operations. Taking to his X handle, Leader of Opposition (LoP) and BJD president Naveen Patnaik said floods have wreaked havoc in Odisha, yet

BJP leaders from the state are "feasting in Delhi." He stated that despite incessant rainfall triggering flood-like conditions across the state, the leadership remains absent. Patnaik noted that people in districts including Mayurbhanj,



Baleswar, Bhadrak, Jajpur, Jharsuguda, Dhenkanal, and Sambalpur are facing immense hardships. Reports of multiple deaths have deeply pained the people of Odisha, he said, adding that allegations of government negligence are emerging. The BJD supremo recalled that Odisha has always followed the principle that "Every Life is Precious," earning global recognition for disaster management.

Arunachal Guv urges 'whole-of-society' push for drug-free youth

Itanagar, Aug 4 : Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lt. Gen. K.T. Parnaik (Retd) on Tuesday called for a "Whole-of-Society" approach to build a Nasha Mukti Yuva (drug-free youth) as a key pillar of Viksit Bharat @2047, stressing that eliminating substance abuse requires collective efforts by governments, educational institutions, families, communities and civil society. Addressing a virtual conference on Nasha Mukti Yuva for Viksit Bharat, he said substance abuse threatens not only individual health but also educational attainment, productivity, social harmony and national development.

Vice Chancellors of government and private universities, senior officers of Health, Education, Sports and Youth Affairs, Social Justice & Empowerment and Tribal Affairs Departments, Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police and Red Cross volunteers attended the conference, organised by Lok Bhavan, Itanagar in collaboration with the National Informatics Centre (NIC). The Governor said a Nasha Mukti Bharat is not merely about the absence of drugs, but about promoting healthy choices, supportive families and resilient communities. "When drugs take control of the mind, one loses control



over life itself, which destroys not only the person but also his family," he remarked. Advocating a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach, Parnaik said youth are the nation's greatest strength and most valuable asset. He emphasised prevention, awareness, technology-driven monitoring, outreach, and skill develop-

ment opportunities for recovered individuals to reintegrate into society. He proposed five key interventions: establishing Anti-Drug Cells and counselling mechanisms in every university; setting up district-level Anti-Drug Task Forces and early warning systems; promoting sports and youth engagement.

Gurugram: Personal Banker
of DBS bank arrested for cyber fraud

Gurugram, Aug 4 : A personal banker of DBS bank was arrested for allegedly changing the bank details of the victim and selling to the cyber fraudsters for Rs 5 lakh, police said. Priyanshu Diwan, Assistant Commissioner of Police (cybercrime), said that the arrested accused had been identified as Tipu Sultan, a native of Muzaffarnagar, Uttar Pradesh.

According to the police, a man filed a complaint at the Cyber Crime Police Station East on Tuesday that an employee of DBS Bank located on DLF Phase-2.





Tata Steel Q1 profit falls 21 pc sequentially to Rs 2,318 crore on one-time loss; revenue slips 4 pc

New Delhi, Aug 4 : Tata Steel on Tuesday reported a 20.8 per cent sequential decline in consolidated net profit for the quarter ended June 30, 2026 (Q1 FY27), as a one-time loss weighed on its bottom line, although the company's revenue and operating performance remained relatively resilient. The steelmaker posted a consolidated net profit of Rs 2,318 crore in the June quarter, compared with Rs 2,926 crore in the preceding March quarter (Q4 FY26), according to the stock exchange filing. Revenue from operations declined 3.9 per cent quarter-on-quarter to Rs 60,794 crore from Rs 63,270 crore.

Union Bank Of India's Board approves debt issuance of nearly Rs 19,000 crore

New Delhi, Aug 4: Union Bank of India's board of directors on Tuesday approved raising up to \$2 billion or nearly Rs 19,145.93 crore in foreign currency funds, according to an exchange filing. The proposed fundraiser will be executed through the Medium Term Note Programme in tranche(s) by issuing of debt instruments via the bank's Dubai and/or Sydney branches, the state-owned lender said. The move follows an earlier approval of Rs 8,000 crore capital raising in May through a mix of equity and debt to strengthen the lender's capital base. In a regulatory filing, the bank said its board had cleared a proposal to raise up to Rs 3,000 crore through equity issuance in one or more tranches. The board also approved raising up to Rs 5,000 crore

through Basel III-compliant Additional Tier-I and Tier-II bonds, including instruments denominated in foreign currencies. Union Bank reported a net profit of Rs 5,332 crore for Q1 FY27, up 29.6 per cent from Rs 4,116 crore in previous year. Net interest income climbed nearly 10 per cent year-on-year to Rs 10,037 crore, while operating profit rose 15.8 per cent to Rs 8,003 crore.



Apple delivers another record revenue quarter in India: Tim Cook

New Delhi, Aug 4 : Apple CEO Tim Cook said that the company saw June-quarter revenue records in every geographic segment, including India, and results came despite "very significant constraints" in the supply chain and forex headwinds. Apple Company posted quarterly revenue of \$109.4 billion, up 16 per cent year over year. Company gross margin was 50.1 per cent, including a favourable impact of approximately 2 percentage points from tariff refunds. Diluted earnings

per share was \$2.02, up 29 per cent year over year, and included a favourable impact of \$0.11 from tariff refunds. "We achieved June quarter revenue records in every geographic segment. We were pleased to see strength across the board with June quarter records in the U.S., Latin America, Western Europe, India, China Mainland, Japan, and South-east Asia," said Cook. Mac revenue was \$10.4 billion globally, up 29 per cent year-over-year, a new June quarter record.

Telecom manufacturing zone: Will help create a robust skills ecosystem, says industry

New Delhi, Aug 4 : Industry bodies on Tuesday welcomed the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Centre and the Madhya Pradesh government to establish India's first Telecom Manufacturing Zone (TMZ) in Gwalior, a project expected to attract investments of up to Rs 9,000 crore and generate more than 10,000 jobs. The project would be developed over nearly 350 acres under a plug-and-play model, with the Centre providing Rs

500 crore as 100 per cent financial assistance for infrastructure development in the first phase. Pankaj Mohindroo, Chairman, ICEA, said that "recognising that a globally competitive manufacturing ecosystem requires a highly skilled workforce, ICEA has assumed the responsibility of building the talent and innovation backbone of the TMZ by establishing a Centre of Excellence and Centre for Skilling." "This will develop a pipeline of industry-ready engineers, technicians, and professionals while also strengthening

the design and R&D capabilities of the zone. By creating a robust skills ecosystem aligned with industry requirements, ICEA will help build a sustainable talent pool for Madhya Pradesh, enabling the state to emerge as a leading destination for telecom manufacturing and innovation while reinforcing India's ambition to become a global telecom manufacturing hub," he mentioned. The MoU was signed between the Union Department of Telecommunications (DoT), and the Madhya Pradesh Department of Industries in the



presence of Union Communications Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia and Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav. Scindia said the Telecom Manufacturing Zone would strengthen the Centre's vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat, Make in India, Digital India and Viksit Bharat 2047, while positioning Madhya Pradesh as a key telecom manufacturing hub. He said the integrated manufacturing hub would include facilities for research, design, testing and production of mobile phones, telecom network equipment, fibre optics, semiconductors.

Vedanta Q1 profit falls 18 pc sequentially; board approves property business demerger

Mumbai, Aug 4 : Vedanta Limited on Tuesday reported an 18 per cent sequential decline in consolidated net profit to Rs 5,473 crore for the quarter ended June 30 (Q1 FY27), as higher input costs weighed on earnings despite strong performance across its zinc, copper and silver businesses. The company had posted a net profit of Rs 6,698 crore in the January-March quarter, according to its stock exchange filing. Revenue from operations also slipped marginally by 1 per cent on a sequential basis to Rs 23,456 crore from Rs 23,731 crore in the preceding quarter. The mining and metals major, however, delivered improved

profitability on a year-on-year basis, with net profit margins expanding to 22 per cent from 12 per cent in the corresponding period last financial year. The improvement came even as the cost of raw materials consumed rose 37 per cent, pushing total expenses up 33 per cent to Rs 17,558 crore, as per its filing. Vedanta's operational performance remained robust across key business segments. Revenue from its combined India zinc and lead business increased nearly 50 per cent, while the copper segment recorded a 34 per cent rise in revenue. Revenue from the India silver business more than doubled during the quarter. The results come after a strong earnings season for Vedanta Group companies.



E20 ethanol blending is the way forward, aligns with global clean energy goals: Expert

Bengaluru, Aug 4 : India's E20 ethanol blending programme represents a significant step towards cleaner energy, energy security and sustainable development, and is well aligned with global climate goals, Sanjay Kumar Kar, Professor of Management and former Head of the Department of Management Studies and former Dean of Faculty Affairs at the Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Petroleum Technology, said on Tuesday. Speaking to IANS on India's Ethanol Blending Programme, Kar

said the country's biofuel policy has been developed through a structured and consultative process involving multiple stakeholders, rather than being introduced abruptly. "I think this is an interesting area where our government, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has taken significant steps. The ethanol blending programme is the way forward," he said. "If you look at the United Nations' clean energy and clean fuel development initiatives under Sustainable Development Goal 7, this programme is well aligned with that goal. The ambitious targets set under the National Policy on Biofuels in 2018, followed by the amendments in 2022, have led to what I would describe as an excellent and extraordinary achievement," Kar told IANS. He said the progress made in achieving the ambitious E20 target reflects sustained policy support, scientific advancements and long-term planning. "Achieving 20 per cent ethanol blending has been a gradual process, supported by scientific progress and consistent policy incentives from governments over the years," he stated.

NSE's Q1 revenue declines 8.2 pc sequentially to Rs 4,560 crore ahead of IPO

Mumbai, Aug 4 : The National Stock Exchange of India (NSE) on Tuesday reported an 8.2 per cent sequential decrease in consolidated revenue from operations for the quarter ended June 30 (Q1 FY27) amid its ongoing preparations for a long-awaited initial public offering (IPO). The exchange's topline fell to Rs 4,560 crore from Rs 4,968 crore in the preceding quarter (Q4 FY26), according to its stock exchange filing. However, its net profit increased 8.7 per cent quarter-on-quarter (QoQ) to Rs 3,120 crore during the quarter, compared with Rs 2,871 crore in the March quarter. Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) stood at Rs 3,551 crore, marginally lower than Rs 3,633 crore reported in the previous quarter. The EBITDA margin, however, expanded sharply to 77.9 per cent from 73.1 per cent, according to its financial statement.



India's digital innovations bring inclusivity, empowerment at grassroot level

New Delhi, Aug 4 : As the world hails digital empowerment at the grassroot level in India, the Digital India Pavilion at the 44th India International Trade Fair here showcases the journey of digital ecosystem transformation for delivering secure and inclusive digital public services in the country. The Pavilion showcases e-governance initiatives such as DigiLocker, UMANG, myScheme, NIXI, NIELIT, Cert-In, India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) and Aadhaar.



MP: Viral abuse video triggers crackdown on illegal old-age home in Indore, 31 elderly shifted

Indore, Aug 4 : The Indore district administration has sealed an illegally operated old-age home and shifted all its 31 elderly residents to government-recognised shelters after a viral video showing an elderly woman being beaten with a stick by a minor sparked outrage and exposed serious irregularities in the running of the facility. The action was taken on Tuesday after Collector Shivam Verma ordered an inquiry into the old-age home, operated under the name Maharana Pratap Welfare Society near the Marimata water tank. A joint team comprising officials from the district administration, the Social Justice Department and the Women and Child Development Department inspected the premises and found that the home was functioning without the required permission. Malharganj Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Nidhi Verma said

the inquiry revealed that the old-age home was being run illegally. "A video of the old-age home went viral on social media on Wednesday. Following the Collector's directions, officials from the Social Justice Department, the Women and Child Development Department and the administration inspected the facility," Verma told IANS. She said the home was being managed by the old-age home operator Neelam Dubey and her team. "The land has not been officially allotted for running an old-age home. According to government records, it is registered in the name of the superintendent," she said, adding that proceedings have been initiated to seal the premises and register an FIR. Officials said that all rooms at the facility have been sealed. Elderly residents in stable condition are being shifted to the Nirashrit Ashram and Ganesh



Old Age Home in Gandhinagar, while those needing medical care have been admitted to a government hospital. The video shows the boy repeatedly hitting an elderly woman with a stick and pushing away those who tried to stop him. Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) Rubina Mijwani said the boy seen assaulting the elderly woman in the viral video had been staying at the old-age home for the past five months

after arriving there with his mother, who later died of burn injuries. Neelam Dubey claimed that she was not present when the incident occurred. "On Guru Purnima, I served food to the residents and went for my meal. Later, I was informed that the boy had hit an elderly woman with a stick. He told me she had first hit him on the head with a tub, after which he retaliated," Dubey told.

Noida police take action against 501 amid crackdown on public drinking

Noida, Aug 4 : Continuing the major enforcement drive against the consumption of alcohol and other intoxicating substances in public places, the Gautam Buddha Nagar Police have taken legal action against 501 violators, officials said on Tuesday. The Noida Zone Police mentioned that 501 people were identified and legal action was taken against them. During the operation, action was taken under Section 292 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). The operation was carried out under the direction of Police Commissioner Lakshmi Singh and was supervised by Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) Noida Saad Miya Khan, and Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police Manisha Singh supervised the campaign. Earlier on June 7, officials said that legal action was taken against 366 people for public drinking. The Central Noida Zone police identified and took legal action against 366 violators. According to police officials, the drive was carried out under the direction of Police Commissioner Lakshmi

Singh and supervised by DCP (Central Noida) Shailendra Kumar Singh. Action was taken under Section 292 of the BNS against 366 individuals found drinking in public areas. Police stated that consuming alcohol in public can disrupt law and order and disturb public peace; therefore, such incidents are being closely monitored. The Gautam Buddha Nagar Police Commissionerate has clarified that this drive against public drinking will continue. The police have appealed to citizens to adhere to regulations in public spaces and co-operate in maintaining law and order. Officials stated that such enforcement actions would continue to ensure peace in the city and provide a safe environment for the general public. Earlier on January 6, 125 individuals were arrested during a special operation carried out in different parts of Gautam Buddha Nagar. The crackdown was jointly conducted by police teams from the Sector-63 and Ecotech-3 police stations with the objective of curbing substance abuse in public spaces, maintaining law and order.



Women-led rural enterprises

to get IIT Bhubaneswar support in Odisha

Bhubaneswar, Aug 4 : The Odisha Livelihoods Mission (OLM) on Tuesday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IIT Bhubaneswar to support the growth of rural women-led enterprises across the state. According to an official statement, an incubation programme is being launched under the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) through the Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) to support growth-oriented rural enterprises across Odisha. The statement added that IIT Bhubaneswar will serve as the incubation partner for the initiative. Through the collaboration, rural women entrepreneurs will receive support in business planning, product development, quality enhancement, market linkages.

NCW sets 2030 target to end child marriage; lauds Tripura's efforts

Agartala, Aug 4 : National Commission for Women (NCW) Chairperson Vijaya Rahatkar on Tuesday said the Commission has set an ambitious target of eliminating child marriage across the country by 2030, with an interim goal of reducing its incidence by 10 per cent by the end of this year. Addressing a press conference here at the conclusion of her three-day visit to Tripura, Rahatkar said the NCW has

set a target to bring child marriage down to zero across the country by 2030 and achieve a 10 per cent reduction by 2026 as a step towards that larger objective. She said the Tripura government is working with dedication and determination to eliminate child marriage in the state and has adopted several effective measures to achieve the goal by 2030. According to officials, the national average of child marriage stands at 23.3 per cent, while West



Bengal, Bihar and Tripura continue to record among the highest prevalence rates, with more than 40 per cent of women married before attaining the age of 18. During her visit, the NCW Chairperson held a series of meetings in different districts and awareness programmes focusing on child marriage, human trafficking.

Over 300 pregnant women visit PMSMA camp in MP's Rajgarh

Rajgarh, Aug 4 : Under the Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA), a special health camp was organised at the OPD of the government-run hospital of Rajgarh district in Madhya Pradesh on Tuesday. According to official information, more than 300 pregnant women visited the camp and received free antenatal checkups, tests, and medica-

tion, including sonography. A senior doctor, who supervised the camp, told IANS that the camp is organised twice a month. He said that on the ninth day of every month, pregnant women visiting the camp are examined by qualified gynaecologists, radiologists, or medical officers. The medical check-up includes essential services such as blood pressure checks, urine tests, haemoglobin tests, and blood sugar



testing to detect and manage high-risk pregnancies.

"During the first camp of the month (ninth day), conduct routine check-ups such as blood pres-

sure, urine, haemoglobin, and blood sugar to detect high-risk pregnancies. Those found under the high-risk pregnancy, we call them again on the second camp of

the month," the doctor said. As part of the initiative, pregnant women and their family members were educated about the importance of four mandatory antenatal check-ups, the need for mental health care during pregnancy, its early identification and overall significance. Special emphasis was laid on institutional deliveries to ensure maternal and neonatal safety.

Information was also shared about the free assistance services available under the Care Companion Programme.



Bhupinder Hooda terms new criteria for BBMB top posts 'anti-Haryana'

Chandigarh, Aug 4 : Former Haryana Chief Minister Bhupinder Hooda on Tuesday termed the new notification by the Centre that changed eligibility criteria for top Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB) posts reserved for Punjab and Haryana as "anti-state". Speaking to reporters, he said when the state was

carved out of Punjab, specific rules for the board were formally established. These rules included several provisions designed to safeguard Haryana's interests. For instance, it was stipulated that the member in charge of irrigation on the board would be from Haryana, the member in charge of power would be from Punjab, and the Chairman would not be from Himachal Pradesh. However, the new decision now states that a member from any state may occupy any of these positions.

Dehradun: Janaushadhi scheme beneficiaries get cheaper medicines, thank PM Modi

Dehradun, Aug 4 : The central government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched several schemes for the poor, which are directly benefiting from them. Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) is one of them. Under this scheme, medicines are being made available to the poor at cheap rates across the country.



Invested over Rs 6,000 crore for revival of inland waterways in 10 years : Minister

New Delhi, Aug 4 : The government has invested more than Rs 6,000 crore in the past decade for the revival of inland waterways as a viable alternative of cargo movement as well as improving passenger connectivity, it was informed on Tuesday. Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal,

said during a Parliament session that the sector saw a mere investment of Rs 1,620 crore in the previous 28 years, since the inception of the Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) in the year 1986.



Austrian Chancellor Christian Stocker arrives in India to boost bilateral ties, strategic partnership

New Delhi, Aug 4 : Austria’s Federal Chancellor Christian Stocker arrived in India on Tuesday for his first official visit, aimed at strengthening bilateral ties across key sectors such as trade, investment and emerging technologies. Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal

posted on X, “A warm welcome to Federal Chancellor Dr. Christian Stocker of Austria on his first official visit to India. He was received by Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Sports @khadseraksha at the airport. India and Austria share a warm and friendly relationship. Chancellor

Stocker’s visit will impart further momentum to ‘Enhanced India–Austria partnership’.”

The four-day visit marks Stocker’s first trip to India and his maiden official visit to Asia since assuming office in 2025. During the visit, he is scheduled to hold wide-ranging talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, focusing on expanding cooperation in trade, investment, green technology and critical sectors.

Stocker is accompanied by a high-level delegation, including senior ministers, government officials and business leaders, underlining the strong economic focus of the visit. Both sides are expected to explore opportunities to deepen collaboration in areas such as advanced manufacturing, digital innovation and renewable energy.

The visit comes amid growing economic engagement between the two countries.

Unexpectedly wet

July exposes climate change: Study

New Delhi, Aug 4 : July unfolded differently from initial forecasts of a below-normal season, turning unexpectedly wet and exposing how climate change and shifting ocean–atmosphere interactions are making India’s monsoon harder to predict, a new study said on Tuesday. Between July 1 and July 26, India received 238.2 mm of rainfall against the normal 233.9 mm, despite the India Meteorological Department (IMD) forecasting below-normal July rainfall at less than 94 per cent of the Long Period Average (LPA) of 280.4 mm, said the research by Climate Trends. Heavy to extremely heavy rainfall battered several parts of the country, particularly Maharashtra, Gujarat, Assam, Odisha, Jammu and Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh. A nationwide rainfall deficit of 40 per cent as on June 30 reduced to 16 per cent by July 29. Fifteen states recorded normal rainfall, four reported excess to large excess, covering 60 per cent of the country’s area, while 17 states remained deficient, accounting for 36 per cent of the area. Northwest India and Central India are



presently in the normal category, with deficits of 10 per cent and one per cent respectively, according to IMD data. East and Northeast India face a 30 per cent deficiency, while the South Peninsula has a 26 per cent deficit. Back-to-back monsoon systems kept rainfall active at regular intervals in July. Experts said climate change is amplifying these events. Former IMD Director General K.J. Ramesh noted that warming of the West Pacific offset El Niño’s suppressing potential in July 2026. He said three cyclonic circulations pushed through Myanmar and re-intensified in the Bay of Bengal, making the monsoon vigorous. Increased western disturbances also brought heavy rains to Maharashtra and Gujarat, while triggering floods in Assam.



Telecom manufacturing zone in MP's Gwalior to strengthen India's technological Aatamirbhar Bharat: Scindia

New Delhi/Bhopal, Aug 4 : The Centre and the Madhya Pradesh government on Tuesday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to establish India's first Telecom Manufacturing Zone (TMZ) in Gwalior, a project expected to attract investments of up to Rs 9,000 crore and generate more than 10,000 jobs.

The MoU was signed between the Union Department of Telecommunications (DoT), and the Madhya Pradesh Department of Industries in the presence of Union Communications Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia and Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav.

Describing the project as a major milestone for the country's telecom sector, Scindia said the Telecom Manufacturing Zone would strengthen the Centre's vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat, Make in India, Digital India and Viksit Bharat 2047, while positioning Madhya Pradesh as a key telecom manufacturing hub.

South Korea's nuclear-powered submarine program poses no proliferation concerns: IAEA chief

Vienna, Aug 4 : South Korea's planned nuclear-powered submarine program should not raise proliferation concerns, given that a solid and specific safeguards arrangement will be concluded with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the agency's chief said Tuesday.

IAEA Director General Rafael Grossi noted Seoul and the IAEA have already begun such discussions, though they are still in a preliminary stage, due largely to the lack of specific details for Seoul's envisioned submarine program, Yonhap news agency reported.

"As you know, in order to do that (build nuclear-powered submarines), countries that are party to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) ... have to notify the IAEA, and for this to happen, there has to be a special arrangement with the IAEA," Grossi told a press conference here in Vienna.

"So we are in the face of the kickoff ... of that process, which is a highly technical process where our safeguards experts meet with Korean experts, and they start looking at what will be necessary," he added.



His remarks come as South Korea is pushing to build conventionally armed, nuclear-propelled submarines following security agreements reached in a summit between President Lee Jae Myung and US President Donald Trump in October.

"Insofar as you have a very solid agreement with the IAEA, there shouldn't be any proliferation concerns," Grossi said, when asked if the IAEA had any proliferation concerns over Seoul's proposed submarine program.

Grossi noted that the main technical challenge is ensuring accountability for nuclear material once it is loaded into submarines, which can operate underwater for extended periods outside routine inspection.



One lakh fishing vessels to be fitted with transponders developed By ISRO soon

Kolkata, Aug 4 : One lakh marine fishing vessels across the country will soon be fitted with transponders under the Vessel Communication and Support System (VCSS), officials said. The Union Department of Fisheries on Tuesday approved the national roll-out plan for VCSS under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) at a total cost of Rs 364 crore.

Apart from installation of transponders on the fishing vessels, the project involves the establishment of the required earth station and associated communication infrastructure and development of the 'Nabhmitra' application in regional languages.

Under the project, the transponders are provided free of cost to eligible fishermen. It is to be implemented on a 60:40 cost-sharing basis between the Centre and the states.

Union Territories will be provided 100 per cent central assistance.

VCSS has been indigenously developed by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) to enable monitoring, control and surveillance of marine fishing vessels.

ISRO has developed the 'Nabhmitra' application to support the marine fishing community.



US hosts rare Israel-Lebanon talks

Washington, Aug 4 : The United States convened a rare, high-level direct meeting between Israel and Lebanon. The first such engagement in over three decades set the stage for direct negotiations.

Secretary of State Marco Rubio, who hosted the talks at the State Department, called it “a historic opportunity” and said the effort aimed beyond an immediate ceasefire. “This is about bringing a permanent end to 20 or 30 years of Hizballah’s influence in this part of the world,” he said. He added that “the Lebanese people are victims of Hizballah” and “victims of Iranian aggression,” and said the process would take time. “This is a process, not an event. This is more than just one day,” Rubio said.

According to a State Department statement, the meeting brought together senior US officials and the ambassadors of Israel and Lebanon. It “marked the first major high-level engagement between the governments of Israel and Lebanon since 1993,” with discussions described as “productive.” All sides agreed to launch direct negotiations at a mutually agreed time and venue.



Bangladesh measles outbreak claims eight more lives, death toll climbs to 628

Dhaka, Aug 4 : At least eight more children died from measles and similar symptoms of the disease in Bangladesh on Tuesday, taking the total number of confirmed and suspected deaths to 628 since March 15 this year, as the country grapples with an escalating health crisis, local media reported.

According to the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), the deaths were reported in the 24 hours leading up to Monday morning.

Among the eight fatalities, one was a confirmed measles death, while the remaining seven died with symptoms of the disease, Bangladeshi media outlet UNB reported.

Reports suggest that the total number of confirmed deaths from measles has reached 92, while suspected deaths surged to 536. The DGHS recorded a total of 1,092 suspected measles cases in the last 24 hours, bringing the overall tally of suspected cases to 80,104.

Additionally, 93 new confirmed cases were reported, increasing the total to 9,779 during the same period.

Bangladesh’s severe measles outbreak continues to spread despite government claims that vaccination coverage has exceeded 100 per cent of the targeted children, raising concerns among immunisation experts about vaccine effectiveness and coverage gaps, the country’s leading daily, the Dhaka Tribune reported.

More than a month after a nationwide emergency measles vaccination drive concluded, hospitals across the country admit over 1,000 children daily with measles or measles-like symptoms, while fatalities continue to rise.



How do 101 farmers on foot pose threat to national peace, asks Pandher

Chandigarh, Aug 4 : Farmer leader Sarwan Singh Pandher on Tuesday questioned the government's stance, asking how a group of 101 farmers walking on foot towards Delhi could be considered a threat to national peace and order. Dwelling on the decision of Working President of the All India Kisan Congress and wrestler, Bajrang Punia, to join the farmers, he said that they have no problem with a sportsperson or celebrity joining the stir, but want to keep political parties away.



Drinking water is priority, don't politicise Cauvery issue: K'taka former minister Cheluvarayaswamy to Oppn

Bengaluru, Aug 4 : Former Karnataka Minister for Agriculture, N. Cheluvarayaswamy, on Tuesday urged Opposition parties not to politicise the Cauvery water dispute, asserting that safeguarding drinking water for the people of the state must remain the government's top priority. Addressing an emergency press conference in Bengaluru following the Cauvery Water Regulation Committee's (CWRC) direction to release 3,500 cusecs of water per day to Tamil Nadu, Cheluvarayaswamy said Karnataka was facing a difficult situation due to deficient rainfall in the Cauvery catchment area.

Govt signs MoU with IndiGo to showcase India as tourism destination

New Delhi, Aug 4 : The Ministry of Tourism signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with InterGlobe Aviation Limited, the parent company of commercial airline IndiGo, on Tuesday to promote India as a preferred global tourism destination through a strategic, non-exclu-

sive and non-financial collaboration. The MoU was exchanged in the presence of Union Minister for Tourism and Culture Gajendra Singh Shekhawat. The event was attended by Bhuvnesh Kumar, Ministry of Tourism Secretary, and senior officials of the Ministry along with

representatives of IndiGo. Speaking on the occasion, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat said that the partnership will strengthen India's tourism promotion by combining the Ministry's flagship 'Incredible India' brand with IndiGo's extensive domestic and international network. He noted that collaborative initia-



tives such as this will help take India's tourism message to wider audiences and reinforce the

country's position as one of the world's most compelling travel destinations. Under the MoU, the

Ministry of Tourism and IndiGo will jointly undertake a global communication initiative titled "Incredible India by IndiGo". The campaign will showcase India's rich and diverse tourism offerings, including cultural heritage, natural landscapes, spiritual destinations, wellness, adventure, wildlife and other experiential tourism products. The campaign will be promoted through digital and print media, airport branding, in-flight platforms, social media.



Raj Assembly session to begin on August 20; UCC, tree conservation bill among key agenda items

Jaipur, Aug 4 : The sixth (Monsoon) Session of the 16th Rajasthan Legislative Assembly will commence on August 20 and is expected to witness intense debates, with the ruling BJP government likely to introduce key legislations, including the proposed Uniform Civil Code (UCC) Bill and the Tree Conservation Bill. The Opposition is expected to raise issues such as paper leaks, law and order, unemployment, and preparations for the upcoming Panchayat and urban local body elections. Assembly Speaker Vasudev Devnani said Governor Haribhau Bagde, exercising powers under Article 174(1) of the Constitution, has approved the convening of the

session and issued the necessary notification. The House will assemble at 11 a.m. on August 20, with proceedings beginning with the National Song. Though the exact schedule has not been announced, the session is expected to continue for about a week. Following the Governor's approval, the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly Secretariat has issued the official gazette notification convening the session. The Budget Session of the Assembly concluded on March 10. Under constitutional provisions, the gap between two sessions cannot exceed six months, making it mandatory to convene the next session before September 9.

Jharkhand CM urges PM Modi to enhance central funding for scholarship schemes in state

Ranchi, Aug 4 : Jharkhand Chief Minister, Hemant Soren, has written to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, urging him to enhance financial assistance for scholarship schemes benefiting students from Scheduled Tribes (ST), Scheduled Castes (SC), Backward Classes (BC), and minority communities in the state. He said that due to the release of funds far below the state's requirements, lakhs of eligible students are unable to receive scholarships on time, which is adversely affecting their education. In his letter, the Chief Minister stated that the Jharkhand government has implemented a scholarship distribution system based on the annual income of a student's parents or guardians, rather than community affiliation, to ensure social justice and equality. However, the state's geographical challenges, limited resources, and a large underprivileged population continue to create financial constraints, he said. Highlighting the funding gap, Soren noted that under the pre-matric scholarship scheme for Backward Class students, the state had sought Rs 66.14 crore for 2024-25 but received only Rs 12.61 crore from the Centre. For 2025-26, against a demand of Rs 45.91 crore, only

Rs 3.95 crore has been sanctioned. A similar shortfall was reported in the post-matric scholarship scheme. The state sought Rs 353.21 crore for 2024-25 but received only Rs 33.57 crore. For 2025-26, it requested Rs 370.87 crore, while only Rs 58.22 crore has been released. According to the Chief Minister, the funding deficit has prevented the students from receiving scholarship benefits on time. Soren further stated that central support for scholarship programmes aimed at Scheduled Tribe students has also been inadequate. He pointed out that no funds were released by the Centre during the 2025-26 financial year for either pre-matric or post-matric scholarships for ST students. The Rs 200 crore released in 2024-25, he said, largely pertained to arrears and partial central contributions from previous years. The Chief Minister also highlighted the disparities in scholarship.



Delhi govt to issue 'Property Aadhaar Card', introduce Land Records Bill

New Delhi, Aug 4 : The Delhi government led by Chief Minister Rekha Gupta is set to create a modern, transparent and dispute-free land and property management system, involving the assigning of a unique 'Property Aadhaar Card' to all buildings, an official said on Tuesday. To achieve this, it will soon introduce the Delhi Land Records Bill, 2026. Once the law comes into force, every property in Delhi will undergo a scientific survey and a comprehensive digital record will be created, the official said in a statement. Each property will then be as-

signed a unique 'Property Aadhaar Card', it said. Chief Minister Rekha Gupta said that just as the Aadhaar card has provided every citizen with a trusted form of identity, every property in Delhi will now be given a secure and authentic digital identity. This will make property records across the Capital more transparent, well-organised and technologically secure. The government will also convene a special session of the Delhi Legislative Assembly in connection with the Bill, she said. The Chief Minister said that, in the first phase, the Delhi government had already prepared smart property cards for 30 rural villages under the Centre's SVAMITVA scheme using drone surveys and



technical support from the Survey of India. The project has emerged as a successful pilot, creating authenticated property records for rural areas and significantly reducing the likelihood of future land-related disputes, she said. Building on this experience, the Delhi Government will now undertake a comprehensive survey of land and properties across the National Capital Territory. Under

the proposed Delhi Land Records Bill, 2026, the exercise will extend beyond villages to cover every residential, commercial and other category of property in urban areas as well, she said. A digital record will be created for every floor of every building, ensuring that no property in the Capital remains outside the scope of the exercise.

Gujarat Dy CM launches police projects worth over Rs 200 cr



Ahmedabad, Aug 4 : Deputy Chief Minister Harsh Sanghavi on Tuesday virtually inaugurated a series of police projects worth approximately Rs 202.85 crore across Ahmedabad, aimed at strengthening the state's security framework and improving the welfare and efficiency of law enforcement personnel. The projects include a new Anti-Terrorist Squad (ATS) building at Chharodi (Rs 47.98 crore), an urban police station at Bodakdev (Rs 33.49 crore), police housing and PSI quarters at

Amraiwadi Police Lines (Rs 74.62 crore), police housing at Kagdapih (Rs 39.68 crore), a dog kennel and training office at Saijpur Bogha (Rs 5.74 crore), and SRP Group-2 bungalows (Rs 1.34 crore). All facilities are equipped with modern amenities intended to enhance operational readiness and improve living standards for police families. Addressing the inauguration, Sanghavi said, "ATS is not just a reactive force against terrorist attacks; it is the largest centre of unbroken security and trust for 6.5 crore Gujaratis. The 'silent force' operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, ensuring that every citizen is protected and that enemies cannot even lift an eye." He added that ATS has played a key role in counter-terrorism operations nationally and within Gujarat, noting, "The team's success in uncovering online 'terror modules' that radicalise youth is essential for securing the future of the state. Whether dismantling networks from Punjab jails or conducting raids on drug factories in over 14 states, including West Bengal, Maharashtra, and Uttar Pradesh, ATS personnel have sacrificed months away from their families to ensure operational success."?

TN: VCK demands all parties meet over Cauvery water crisis

Chennai, Aug 4 : Raising the pitch over the Cauvery water dispute, Viduthala Chiruthaigal Katchi (VCK) president Thol Thirumavalavan on Tuesday called upon the Tamil Nadu government to immediately convene an all-party meeting, saying a united political response had become essential in the face of Karnataka's continued refusal to release the state's due share of Cauvery water. In a strongly worded statement, the Lok Sabha MP accused the Karnataka government of defying the directions of the Cauvery Water Regulation Committee (CWRC) and adopting an "anti-Tamil stance" on the inter-state river issue. He warned that the continued denial of water posed a grave threat to agriculture in the Cauvery Delta and could seriously affect farmers' livelihoods. Highlighting the scale of the shortfall, Thirumavalavan referred to data presented by CWRC Chairman Vineet Gupta and said Tamil Nadu had received only about 3.6 thousand million cubic feet (TMC ft).



Aggregator firms must register by Sep 1 or face action: Maha Minister

Mumbai, Aug 4 : To enhance safety, transparency and regulation in app-based passenger transport across Maharashtra, the state government has announced the strict implementation of its Aggregator Policy. Transport Minister Pratap Sarnaik on Tuesday warned that all ride-hailing aggregator companies operat-

ing in the state must complete their mandatory registration with the Transport Department by September 1, 2026. Failure to comply within the stipulated deadline will result in severe legal action against non-compliant aggregator companies and any unregistered vehicles operating under them. Addressing the rapid expansion of app-based transport services in the state, utilised by millions of com-



muters daily, Minister Sarnaik emphasised the need to fix accountability on transport aggregators.

He said defining vehicle validity, driver qualifications and company obligations was critical to public safety.

Iran condemns US strike on residential area

Tehran, Aug 4 : Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Esmail Baghaei condemned a US strike on a residential building on Qeshm Island in southern Iran that killed three civilians. In a post on social media, Baghaei said that the overnight attack damaged several homes and killed taxi driver Qaisar Jafari, his wife Zahra, and their two-year-old son Sina. "The criminal attack last night on the homes of the noblest Iranians in Qeshm, which resulted in the destruction of several houses and the martyrdom of a hardworking taxi driver, Qeysar Jafari, his wife Zahra Jafari, and their innocent two-year-old child, Sina, pains the heart of every conscientious human being," he posted on X. "These crimes, which evoke the terrorist actions of ISIS and are carried out under the guise of "peace through force" with the aim of punishing a nation for insisting on its rights, dignity, and independence, will never produce authority or credibility for the criminals,"



he added. Baghaei said that every explosion, attack, sanction, threat, and killing of children would strengthen the Iranian people's determination and unity in defending their country and rights. "With every explosion, with every crime, with every sanction, with every threat, with the killing of every child, you only make Iranians more determined and united in defending their homeland." Iranian Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf also condemned the reported strike, describing it as a continuation of previous attacks on civilian residential areas. "The United States stains its hands with a new crime every day," Ghalibaf said.

"Americans have become accustomed to compensating for the blows they receive on the battlefield by shedding the blood of innocent people. They will pay the price." Meanwhile, the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) on Thursday warned of a harsh and firm response to nations involved in the US attacks and crimes against Iran, local media reported. In a statement released on Thursday, the IRGC's Public Relations warned the US' accomplices in West Asia and beyond to change their behaviour to avoid retaliation from Iran.



Process for electing next UN chief starts with preliminary UNSC poll

United Nations, Aug 4 : The process of electing the next United Nations Secretary-General kicked off on Tuesday with a straw poll of the Security Council to get an initial assessment of the support levels of the seven candidates, Council President Zenon Mukongo Ngay said. But Ngay, who is the permanent representative of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) that holds the Council presidency for the month, said the Council decided not to announce the results. The results will be conveyed to the missions of the nominating countries and General Assembly President Annalena Baerbock, he said. He said the ballot had three options for each candidate: En-

courage, Discourage, and No Opinion. The secret poll is one of a series that will continue till a candidate emerges with the consensus of the five permanent Council members, which in effect means that the US, Russia and China will not block the candidate. While the first straw polls are totally secret, during the later stage the votes of the veto-wielding permanent members will be shown separately, but without identifying the country, to assess which candidate will not face a veto. Four of the candidates have leadership experience with UN organisations: Argentina's Rafael Grossi, who heads the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

Zimbabwe makes strides in building digital infrastructure : Minister

Harare, Aug 4 : Zimbabwe has made significant strides in developing its digital infrastructure by prioritising investment in information and communications technologies (ICT), Minister of ICT, Postal and Courier Services Tatenda Mavetera has said. The prioritisation of digital infrastructure has pushed the country's mobile penetration rate to more than 96 per cent, the minister told an event Tuesday marking the Zimbabwe Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Innovation Week, reports Xinhua news agency.



Sindhi leader seeks global intervention against Pakistan military's alleged persecution in PoK, Sindh

Berlin, Aug 4 : Shafi Burfat, chairman of the Jeay Sindh Muttahida Mahaz (JSM), has urged India and the global community to intervene against the "brutality, fascism, and persecution" of the people of Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), Sindh, and other regions by the Pakistan military "mafia" and to support their fight for freedom and dignity. His remarks came after seven civilians were killed in clashes between police and protesters of the newly proscribed Joint Awami Action Committee (JAAC) in the Rawalakot region of PoK on June 7, Pakistani daily Dawn reported on Tuesday, citing an official.



Hamas to quit governing Gaza under roadmap

Washington, Aug 4 : Hamas has agreed to relinquish both its civilian and military role in governing Gaza under a new internationally backed roadmap that would hand control of the territory to a transitional Palestinian administration as part of a phased peace process, according to senior administration officials. The proposal, announced by President Donald Trump as part of his Gaza peace initiative, goes beyond a ceasefire by outlining a detailed plan to dismantle Hamas's governing structure.

Instead a National Committee for the Administration of Gaza, an independent Palestinian body would oversee both civilian administration and internal security during a transitional period. Senior administration officials said the roadmap represents the first time Hamas has agreed to accept an international framework that requires it to surrender its governing role while allowing a new Palestinian authority to assume responsibility for administering Gaza.

US, India join hands on soybean AI research

Washington, Aug 4 : A US computer science professor has been awarded more than half a million dollars in funding from the National Science Foundation (NSF) for a research project being carried out in collaboration with India's Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) to develop advanced technologies for precision soybean breeding. Congressman Steve Cohen of Tennessee announced Tuesday that Dr. Xiaolei Huang, a professor of computer science at the University of Memphis, will receive a grant of \$528,137 for the project, titled "Collaborative Research: VINES: Track 1: NSF-MeitY: SoyWatch: Smart Sensing Network for Precision Soybean Breeding." According to the award details, the three-year project will begin on October 1 and run through September 30, 2029. It is funded jointly under an NSF-MeitY collaboration programme.



Announcing the award, Cohen praised the international partnership and its potential contribution to global food security. "I congratulate Professor Huang for being awarded this prestigious National Science Foundation funding. His research efforts will improve soybean yields and productivity, which will help feed the ever-growing population of our planet. It is especially encouraging that this work is being done in collaboration with the government of India which pioneered 'the green revolution' in the 1960s and averted future famines," the Congressman said.



Indian American Army doctor develops innovative brain surgery that avoids opening skull

New York, Aug 4 : An Indian American Army surgeon, Major Jagatkumar Patel, has been credited with developing an innovative surgery to remove brain tumors without having to open the skull enabling quick recovery. He and an Army neurosurgeon came up with a way of operating on a tumor at the base of the skull by going through the nose, according to the Pentagon. "Historically, most of these surgeries were done open, which is a much more challenging procedure for the patient," Patel said. "Today, if a tumor is the ap-

propriate size and location, open surgery just isn't necessary", he said. "Through the nose, we get the best access and the best chance of complete removal". Recently, Patel and Lt. Col. Charles Miller successfully carried out the innovative procedure on Marine Staff Sergeant Andy Archer, who had suffered pounding headaches for 15 years. When he developed vision problems recently, doctors ran an MRI scan that found a tumor about the size of a golf ball, measuring 4.4 centimetres, in front of the pituitary gland and pressing against the optic nerve.



'Absolutely unacceptable': EAM Jaishankar discusses attacks on Indian seafarers with Ukraine FM

New Delhi, Aug 4 : External Affairs Minister (EAM) S Jaishankar on Tuesday said that he held a discussion with his Ukrainian counterpart Andrii Sybiha and discussed attacks on Indian seafarers. "Glad to connect again with FM Andrii Sybiha of Ukraine, after

our respective travels. Discussed attacks on commercial shipping and Indian seafarers in the Black Sea. Such attacks by any party are absolutely unacceptable, and India condemns them unequivocally," Jaishankar wrote on X. He said that he was also briefed on recent developments pertaining to the

Ukraine conflict and peace negotiations, and that India has consistently advocated dialogue and diplomacy between the parties concerned. "Underlined the fragility of the current international situation, with multiple conflicts in different geographies. These are impacting fuel, fertiliser and food security, especially for the Global South. Agreed to remain in touch," he noted. The Indian Embassy in Ukraine on Wednesday said that it is constantly monitoring the situation of the Indian seafarers currently stranded aboard a cargo vessel at Ukraine's Chornomorsk port and has attached the "highest priority" to this incident. The mission said that the Indian officials are in touch with the authorities concerned to ensure the safety of all the Indian seafarers.

Pakistani forces open fire at women protesters in PoK's Kotli, videos go viral

Islamabad, Aug 4 : Police and local authorities in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) have now begun targeting women as they continue their brutal crackdown on civilians in the occupied region demanding basic rights. Several videos went viral on social media Tuesday showing women protesters running desperately to save their lives as local police unleashed terror and opened fire on a peaceful protest rally in PoK's Kotli. The women protesters had gathered in large numbers and were shouting slogans against the brutality of Pakistani forces in Rawalakot and Mirpur when policemen started firing. "We have come out to support our brothers. We want to tell them we are with them. We are ready to take a stand with them. Those who are firing at us, I want to tell you, we are not scared of anything," said a woman.



‘Showing up every single day kept me going’: Elavenil opens up on resilience, recovery and the road ahead

New Delhi, Aug 4 : Former World No. 1 and one of India's most accomplished air rifle shooters, Elavenil Valarivan, reflected on her remarkable journey from discovering shooting by chance to overcoming career-threatening injuries. The 26-year old, who recently participated in the 2026 ISSF World Cup, Hangzhou, credited consistency, family support and an unwavering love for the sport as she continues her pur-

suit of excellence on the international stage. A key member of the Indian shooting contingent, Elavenil has represented the country at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games and has established herself among the world's best in the women's 10m Air Rifle event. Her illustrious career includes gold medals at the ISSF World Cup, ISSF World Cup Final, ISSF Junior World Cup and multiple Asian Shooting Championships, making her one of India's

most decorated rifle shooters. Reflecting on where it all began, Elavenil shared that shooting was never part of her family's background, but her parents always encouraged her to pursue sport from an early age. "It was because of my family that I started shooting. We did not have any athletes in the family, but we were always pro-sports. I had tried athletics, judo, badminton, handball, kabaddi and many other sports before shooting happened

almost by coincidence. Looking back, I never realised when it transformed from something I enjoyed into a professional career." Having risen to the pinnacle of world shooting, Elavenil also recalled the societal stereotypes she encountered as a young girl pursuing the sport, "I do remember being asked, 'Why is a girl roaming around with guns in her hand?' But for me, what mattered was what my parents thought and



what I believed about myself and my sport. Criticism will always exist, but I never allowed it to define my journey." The 26-year-old revealed that some of her biggest battles came away from competition, particularly during prolonged spells of injury that tested her physically and mentally. "In 2017, I developed a serious knee issue and there was a time when I couldn't even stand through five shots without taking a break. Later, in 2022, I suffered a back injury with disc bulges in my cervical and lumbar spine.



ICC Rankings: Athapaththu, Dulani gain big after Sri Lanka's series win over Pakistan

Dubai, Aug 4 : Sri Lanka captain Chamari Athapaththu has climbed to a career-best sixth position in the latest ICC Women's T20I Batting Rankings after playing a key role in her side's T20I series victory over Pakistan. Athapaththu scored 39 in the opening match before following it up with 40 in the series-clinching second T20I, earning a one-place rise to sixth and achieving a new career-high rating. Australia opener Beth Mooney continues to top the ICC Women's T20I Batting Rankings following her Player of the Tournament-winning performances at the recently concluded ICC Women's T20 World Cup. Athapaththu's teammate Imesha Dulani was another major gainer after smashing an unbeaten 101 in the opening T20I against Pakistan. The maiden T20I century helped Dulani jump 33 places to a career-best 23rd in the batting rankings. Pakistan also had reasons to celebrate despite the series defeat, with Muneeba Ali moving up four places to a career-best 30th, while Shawaal Zulfiqar surged from outside the top 100 to 52nd after scores of 63 and 48 in the first two matches.



'Africa deserves a World Cup again': Graeme Smith hails CWC 2027 return to the continent

Johannesburg, Aug 4 : Former South Africa captain and ICC Hall of Famer Graeme Smith believes the return of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup to Africa after more than two decades represents a significant milestone for the game, saying the continent 'deserves' to host another global event. South Africa last co-hosted the Men's Cricket World Cup in 2003 alongside Zimbabwe

and Kenya. The 2027 edition will be jointly hosted by South Africa, Zimbabwe and Namibia, with the venues and tournament brand unveiled during a star-studded ceremony in Johannesburg. "It's been a long time coming since Africa or South Africa hosted a men's world cricket event again. I think the vibrancy of these three nations, the quality of players, the fan base certainly deserve a world event in the game, so it's great to have it back," Smith told ICC.

The 2027 tournament will be played across 12 venues, including eight in South Africa, three in Zimbabwe and the Namibia Cricket Ground in Windhoek. It will be only the third Men's Cricket World Cup to be staged across three host nations after the 1996 and 2003 editions. Smith also highlighted the enduring significance of the Cricket World Cup despite the changing landscape of the sport.



'We're laser-focused on 50-over cricket': Wilson eyes World Cup return for Ireland

Magheramason, Aug 4 : Just one week into his appointment as head coach of Ireland, Gary Wilson has made it clear what his ambitions are, namely securing qualification for the 2027 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup. The player who previously served as Ireland's wicketkeeper-batter and took over as head coach from Heinrich Malan in June hopes that his team will earn a spot in the 14-team tournament which will be co-hosted by South Africa, Zimbabwe and Namibia. Ireland have taken part in the men's 50-over World Cup on only three occasions, Wilson being present at their two most recent appearances in 2011 and 2015. This week Ireland's campaign to qualify gets under way as they take on Afghanistan in a five-match ODI series which starts on Wednesday—this being their first 50-over internationals in over a year. The series will provide important preparation for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Qualifier, in which the four teams who finish at the top of the 10-team tournament will secure their places in the 2027 World Cup.

Neeraj Chopra to compete in Lausanne Diamond League after CWG silver

New Delhi, Aug 4 : After his silver-winning show at the recently concluded Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, two-time Olympic medallist Neeraj Chopra is set to participate in the Lausanne Diamond League, also known as Athletissima, on August 21. Neeraj will be competing in a stacked field similar to the Commonwealth Games 2026 along with Euro-

pean stars. The five javelin superstars who have claimed the last four Olympic and World Championship titles will all be at Athletissima on August 21 for a competition of exceptional quality.



Williams sisters headline Cincinnati Open doubles wild cards

Cincinnati, Aug 4 : Serena Williams and Venus Williams have been awarded a doubles wild card for the Cincinnati Open, which runs from August 13 to 23. This will mark their first match together since the 2022 US Open. As a doubles team, the Williams sisters have won 14 Major titles and three Olympic gold medals. They last took the court for a doubles match together at the 2022 US Open and will be playing the Cincinnati Open for the first time as a team. For Serena, Cincinnati will mark the latest stop in her return to competition after nearly four years away from the tour. The 23-time Grand Slam singles champion returned to competition for the first time since the 2022 US Open at Queen's Club in June.

Vintage Monfils advances to second round in Montreal; Navone ousts Berrettini

Montreal, Aug 4 : Gael Monfils made sure to extend his final visit to Montreal as a tennis pro thanks to a 6-4, 6-4 victory over Poland's Kamil Majchrzak to reach round two of the Canadian Open, earning his first tour-level win since Monte-Carlo in April. Making his 15th and final appearance at the Canadian ATP Masters 1000, Monfils became the second-oldest man to win a match at the event. He turns 40 on September 1. Only John McEnroe and Mikhail Youzhny (both 16) have competed at the event more than the fan-favourite Frenchman. Just the ninth man to record 25 wins at the event in the Open Era (25-13), Monfils has recorded 146 wins overall at the ATP Masters 1000 level—the most victories by any man without a Masters 1000



title. The Montreal wild card thrilled the crowd throughout the match, including in the final game when he flirted with both sidelines on a crucial drop shot-passing shot combo. Monfils served out the match on his second attempt and leaned on strong serving in both sets, posting an 84 per cent win rate (26/31) on first serve, according to ATP Stats. "Thank you for this atmosphere, thank you for being here, thank you from the bottom heart, you're incredible!" Monfils said, while addressing the fans during his on-court interview who stayed until midnight to watch him seal the win. In the second round, he will face the tournament's no. 12 seed, American Learner Tien. Meanwhile, Mariano Navone made some personal history with a 6-3, 6-7(5), 6-3 win against Matteo Berrettini.