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Bhatti highlights Telangana's investment potential in San Francisco

Hyderabad, Aug 7 : Consul General of India K. Srikar Reddy hosted a dinner in honour of Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Mallu in San Francisco, bringing together prominent members of the Indian diaspora and distinguished leaders from industry, technology, medicine, professional services, human resources and other sectors in the San Francisco Bay Area. Welcoming the gathering, the Consul General underscored the importance of strengthening engagement between the Indian diaspora and governments in India. He urged the business and professional community to adopt a forward-looking approach and explore deeper partnerships that could create mutual benefits for the diaspora while contributing to inclusive economic and social development in India. Addressing the gathering, Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka highlighted Hyderabad's emergence as one of India's leading centres of technology, innovation, life sciences and global services.

Uttam orders revival of district irrigation advisory panels

Hyderabad, Aug 7 : In a major administrative move, Minister for Irrigation and Civil Supplies N. Uttam Kumar Reddy on Friday ordered immediate revival of District Irrigation Advisory panels. Addressing Collectors through a video conference, along with Ministers Tummala Nageswara Rao and Jupally Krishna Rao, Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju and other senior officials, the Minister said the panels, comprising the District Collectors, officials from the Irrigation and Agriculture departments, elected representatives and other stakeholders, must meet before and during every crop season to assess reservoir and canal supplies and clearly advise farmers on crops that can be safely cultivated in each command area. He asked Collectors to hold Irrigation Advisory Board meetings from the very next day wherever possible in view of the prevailing El Nino Conditions that are expected to impact rainfall across the state.



Adluri urges Centre, RBI to print Ambedkar's portrait on currency notes

Hyderabad, Aug 7 : Minister for Welfare Adluri Lakshman Kumar has urged the Union government and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to take a positive decision to print the portrait of Bharat Ratna Dr B. R. Ambedkar, the principal architect of the Indian Constitution, on Indian currency notes. Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan in New Delhi on Friday.



Harish urges Centre to protect Telangana's water interests

Hyderabad, Aug 7 : Former minister and BRS deputy floor leader T. Harish Rao has written to Union Minister for Jal Shakti C.R. Patil, seeking urgent intervention under Section 85 of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014, to protect Telangana's legitimate water interests.

'Lack of synchronisation between BJP, RSS': CJP founder Abhijeet Dipke on Mohan Bhagwat's remarks

Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar (Maharashtra), Aug 7 : Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) convener Abhijeet Dipke on Friday alleged a "lack of synchronisation" between the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the Rashtriya Swaya msevak Sangh (RSS) and urged the BJP leaders to abide by RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat's statements on the Gen Z movement.



Government's goal is to bring back the glory of handloom weaving : CM Chandrababu



Bapatla, Aug 7 : Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu stated that the 'Nethanna Sevalo' (In the Service of Weavers) scheme was launched in the company of weaver families on the occasion of National Handloom Day. The Chief Minister participated in and addressed the National Handloom Day event held today (Friday) at Kothapeta in Vetapalem Mandal. He stated that visiting Chirala was his good fortune. He mentioned that financial assistance of 25,000 is being provided to every eligible handloom weaving family, with the scheme covering a total of 71,636 such families. He revealed that 179 crore would be directly deposited into the beneficiaries' accounts and affirmed that the election promise had been fulfilled. The Chief Minister stated that he holds a special fondness for handloom weavers. He noted that he is well aware of the hardships faced by weavers and recalled how he had fought for their cause even while in the opposition. He remarked that handloom weaving is not merely a profession but a symbol of Indian culture, describing it as an art form that makes the nation proud. He further highlighted the nationwide recognition enjoyed by Chirala handlooms, noting the immense popularity of Chirala silk and cotton sarees.

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Every Indian should stand by handloom weavers : Dy.CM. Pawan Kalyan

Amaravati, Aug 7 : Deputy CM Pawan Kalyan extended his greetings to all handloom weavers and artisans on the occasion of National Handloom Day. He urged everyone to honor the skilled hands that keep India's rich weaving heritage alive, noting that every handloom garment reflects our culture, craftsmanship, and the spirit of self-reliance. They stated that by choosing handloom products, one not only preserves the country's traditions but also strengthens the livelihoods of weavers. They expressed pride in serving as a brand ambassador for handlooms.



Pawan stated that the Jana Sena Party has established a dedicated 'Weavers' Development Wing' within its organizational structure to promote, protect, and empower the handloom sector.

TN CM Vijay's wife Sangeetha withdraws her divorce petition

Chennai, Aug 7 : In a dramatic turn of events, Sangeetha, wife of actor-turned-politician and Tamil Nadu Chief Minister and Tamilzhaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) President Vijay, has withdrawn the divorce and residency rights petitions she had filed against him before the Chengalpattu District Family Court. The couple had reportedly been living separately due to personal differences for some time.



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Minister Anam instructed officials to celebrate Dussehra in a manner befitting the prestige of AP

Vijayawada, Aug 7 : Minister Anam Ramanarayana Reddy visited the Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy Temple in Vijayawada. Upon reaching the temple, Minister Anam was given a grand welcome by the EO, temple chairman, officials and priests with temple etiquette. Then he visited the goddess and performed special pujas. After the darshan, the minister received the blessings of Vedic scholars and the Tirtha

prasadam. Later, he inspected the ongoing development work in the temple at the field level. A review was held with the officials on the arrangements for the Dussehra



Sharannavaratri celebrations. He instructed the officials to work in coordination so that the devotees do not face any inconvenience.



Traffic Police Creates Awareness among RTC Drivers on Road Safety

Mahabubnagar, Aug 7 : On the orders of District SP Smt. D. Janaki and IPS, the Mahbubnagar Traffic Police organized an awareness program on road safety and traffic rules for RTC drivers at the RTC bus depot on Friday. On this occasion, the traffic staff explained the harm caused by dangerous actions such as drunk and drive, using cell phones while driving, and speeding.

CM orders strict action against accused who hit medicos with vehicle



Amaravati, Aug 7 : CM Chandrababu Naidu has ordered top officials to take strict action against the accused in the incident where a medico was hit by a vehicle in Rajahmundry. He inquired about the incident at the Secretariat on Friday. CM Chandrababu Naidu asked top officials about the health condition of the injured medicos Priyanka and Umesh. He said that it is sad that the medicos were seriously injured. Officials explained to the CM how the incident happened. They said that two medicos hit the car while drunk and then fled. Officials told the CM that the accused were immediately arrested. He ordered that strict action be taken to punish the accused. CM Chandrababu made it clear to them that those who did wrong should not be ignored under any circumstances. He advised the officials to constantly monitor the health condition of medico Priyanka. CM Chandrababu Naidu ordered that steps be taken to provide them with the necessary medical assistance. On Wednesday night, two youths went to Prasad Aditya Mall in Rajahmundry in a drunken state. Seeing their condition, the mall staff tested them with a breath analyzer and did not allow them to enter the mall. They got angry with the mall staff. They let the car go faster. At the same time, they hit the scooter that was going in front of the gate with their car. They hit the scooter again at overspeed.

Achievement of goals only with coordination of central and state governments, educational institutions and industries -Minister Jupally Krishna Rao



Mahabubnagar, Aug 7 : State Minister for Tourism, Culture, Archaeology, Prohibition and Excise, Jupally Krishna Rao said that the goals of Developed India-2047 can be achieved only with the coordination of knowledge, research, innovation and youth power. The “Vision India @2047” conference organized under the auspices of Palamuru University and with the financial support of the Ministry of Education, Government of India at Kanha Shanthivan... He inaugurated the two-day National Conference on Science, Innovation and Youth Empowerment @2047 on Friday and addressed the gathering as the chief guest. Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said that to make the country a developed country by the centenary of India’s independence, there is a need to move forward with the coordination of science, research, technology, innovation and youth. He said that the goals of a developed India can be realized only when the central and state governments, universities, research institutions, industries, policy makers and youth work together. The Telangana government has taken action based on four main pillars - Cure, Pure, Rare and Women Leadership Development - to make the state a one trillion dollar economy by 2034 and a three trillion dollar GSDP by 2047 with the goal of “Telangana Rising @2047”.



Telangana eyes leadership in plastics & polymers manufacturing : Minister Sridhar Babu

Hyderabad, Aug 7 : Telangana is set to position itself as a leading hub for plastics and polymer manufacturing, Industries and Commerce Minister D. Sridhar Babu said on Friday, calling the sector a “salient engine of India’s economic growth”. Inaugurating HIPLEX 2026, South and Central India’s largest plastics exhibition and India’s third-largest plastics expo, here at HITEX Exhibition Centre.

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POSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized officer of the **BANK OF INDIA**, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 30-06-2026** calling upon the Borrowers **Mr. Om Prakash Chary & Mrs. Radhika Pabbaju**, H.No. 11-123, Plot No. 20, Annamayya Colony, Nagaram Village, Keesara Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District- 501301 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.40,93,577/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs Ninety Three Thousand Five Hundred & Seventy Seven Only)** contractual dues up to **30-05-2023** with further interest thereon @9.55% p.a (Star Home Loan) compounded with monthly rests in respect of Housing Loan facility together with costs, expenses, charges etc., within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

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 possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this the **07th August, 2026**.

The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **BANK OF INDIA, Saroornagar Branch** for an amount of **Rs. 40,93,577/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs Ninety Three Thousand Five Hundred & Seventy Seven Only)** (less recovery) contractual dues up to **07-08-2026** plus interest from **30-05-2023** @ 9.55% p.a (Star Home Loan) at monthly rests.

After taking into consideration the repayment/recovery in the account there after the amount outstanding as on the date of this notice is of **Rs. 40, 93,577.00/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs Ninety Three Thousand Five Hundred & Seventy Seven Only)** (less recovery) contractual dues up to **07-08-2026** plus interest from **30-05-2023** @ 9.55% p.a (Star Home Loan) at monthly rests. 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.

Description Of Property: All that part and parcel of the residential house bearing No. 11-123, on Plot No. 20 Part in Survey Nos 156, 159 & 160 admeasuring 116.66 Sq. Yards or 97.52 Sq.Mtrs with plinth area 646 Sq.ft in Ground Floor and 646 Sq.ft in First Floor (Total Plinth area 1292 Sq.ft of RCC roof) situated at Annamayya Colony, Nagaram Village and Municipality, Keesara Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri District and bounded by:- **North:** Plot No.20 Part. **South:** Plot No.19. **East:** 30' Wide Road. **West:** Plot No.27.

Date: 07-08-2026

Place: Hyderabad

Sd/- Authorized Officer,

Bank of India

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Branch Office Address: # 20-302,303,304, 1St, Jaya Deluxe Road, Parkal, Warangal - 506164

Authorized Officer Address: Shirram Finance Ltd, Zonal Office, # 1-8-588, 3rd, Nakkalagutta, Hanamkonda , Warangal -506001.

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.	Onteru Saraiah S/O Narsaiah , Age: 51 Years, Occ: M/S.Omkar Traders, R/O.H.No.16-87, CSI Road, Harijanawada, Parkal, Hanamkonda Dist – 506 164. And Also At Onteru Saraiah S/o Narsaiah , Age: 51 Years, Occ: Business, # Open Plot No.112 & 113, 487.5 Sq.Yards, 407.647 Sq.mts, Survey No.995, Ward No.13, H.No.13-101, Parkal village and Mandal, Warangal District, Now Hanamkonda District.(Borrower)
2.	Onteru Pushpalatha W/o Saraiah , Age: 48 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O.H.No.16-87, CSI Road, Harijanawada, Parkal, Hanamkonda Dist – 506 164. (Co Borrower /Guarantor)
3.	Martha Raja Bhadrailah, S/o. Rajaiah , Age: 50 years, Occ : Civil Constractor, R/o.H.No.1-75, Nagaram, Parkal, Beside School, Hanamkonda Dist – 506 164. (Co Borrower /Guarantor)

Sub: Sale of property belonging to Onteru Saraiah (Borrower/Guarantor) in the account of CDPKRTF2404260001 for realization of amount due to Shirram Finance Limited under The Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. Shirram Finance Limited, Parkal - Branch, the secured creditor caused a demand notice dated 15.12.2025 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. 22,89,718/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakhs Eighty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighteen 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 **08.05.2026**. And After the Authorized Officer of **Shriram Finance Limited** received. Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Shirram Finance Limited. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction after 30 days from the date of receipt to this notice through online mode. The date and time of 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 Shirram Finance Limited along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by Shirram 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: Open Plot No.112 & 113 to an extent of 487.5 Sq.yds or 407.647 Sq.mts out of Survey No.995 Ward No.13 Beside H.No.13-101 situated at Parkal village Mandal of Warangal District Now Hanamkonda District within the limits of Sub Registrar, Parkal is **Bounded by** : **East:** 15 Feet Wide Joint Way, **West** : Pio No.118 of Daggu Narsingarao, **North** : 24 Feet Wide joint way, **South** : Plot No.114 of Daggu Narsingarao

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

Date: 07-08-2026, Place: Parkal

Sd/- Authorized Officer, SHIRAM FINANCE LTD

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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.	Ch Venkata Ramana Reddy, S/O Sudhakar Reddy , Age: 50 Years, Occ: Vani Traders, Main Road, Parkal, R/O.H.No.3-929, Sai Nagar Colony, Madharam, Parkal, Hanamkonda-506164. And Also At Ch Venkata Ramana Reddy, S/O Sudhakar Reddy , Age: 50 Years, Occ: Vani Traders, # Open Plot 352.50 Sq.Yards, 294.73 Sq.Mtrs, Sy.No.642/A, Parkal Village And Mandal, Warangal District. (Borrower)
2.	Thirupathi Reddy Parnem, S/O Janardhan Reddy , Age: 54 Years, Occ: Garuda Chemicals & Traders,Hanamkonda, R/O. H.No.1-16, Raiparthy, Warangal(Dist)-506164. (Co Borrower/Guarantor)

Sub: Sale of property belonging to Ch Venkata Ramana Reddy (Borrower/Guarantor) in the account of CDPKRTF1602160001 for realization of amount due to Shirram Finance Limited under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. Shirram Finance Limited, Parkal - Branch, the secured creditor caused a demand notice dated 13.01.2026 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. 59,43,497/- (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakh Forty Three Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Seven 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 **08.05.2026**. And After the Authorized Officer of **Shriram Finance Limited** received. Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Shirram Finance Limited. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction after 30 days from the date of receipt to this notice through online mode. The date and time of 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 Shirram Finance Limited along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by Shirram 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: Open plot admeasuring to 352.50 Sq.Yards or 294.73 Sq.Mtrs in Sy.No.642/A/situated at Parkal village and Mandal of Warangal District registration District : Warangal, Sub – District : Parkal, **bounded as under** : **East:** Land of Kyatham Sarojana, **West** : Damera Cheruvu Panta Kaluva, **North:** Panta Kaaluva, **South** : 12 Feet wide Road left by vendor

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Date: 07-08-2026, Place: Parkal

Sd/- Authorized Officer, SHIRAM FINANCE LTD

Bonalu: wine shops, bars to remain closed on Aug 9

Hyderabad, Aug 7 : Wine and toddy shops, along with bars attached to restaurants, will remain closed in six areas of the Cyberabad Police Commissionerate on August 9 in view of Bonalu festival celebrations.

Cyberabad Police Commissioner Dr. M. Ramesh issued the closure order under Section 20 of the Telangana State Excise Act, 1968, citing the need to maintain public peace and tranquillity. According to the order, wine and toddy shops and bars attached to restaurants, excluding bars in star hotels and registered clubs, will remain closed from 10 am to 10 pm on August 9. The restrictions will apply to establishments falling under the limits of Kukatpally, Allapur, Raidurgam, Jeedimetla, Medchal and Chandanagar police stations.

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POSESSION 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 (54 of 2002)] 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 24th March 2026 calling upon the borrower Yarroju Rns Nagendrababu, Yarroju Jayalakshmi having loan account no. PR01241385 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice Rs. 10,60,400/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Sixty Thousand Four Hundred 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 the **6th day of August 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. 10,60,400/-** 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.

DETAILS OF BORROWERS / ACCOUNTS						
Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Borrower (s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Amount Due	Date of 13(4) Notice	Description of Secured Asset	Due Date
1	PR01241385	1. Yarroju RNS (Rupees Ten Lakh Sixty Thousand Four Hundred Only) 2. Nagendrababu Yarroju 3. Jayalakshmi	Rs. 10,60,400/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Sixty Thousand Four Hundred Only)	6th August, 2026	All that piece and parcel of the House bearing No. 2-1-22, R.S. No. 391, admeasuring area 115.83 Sq. Yards and Plinth area of RCC Roofing 0 sft plinth area of situated at K N Road, Tadepalligudem Municipality, West Godavari District 534101, East- Main Road, West- 3 Sq Yards CC Road, North- Property of Ch Prasad, South- Property if S Maheshwararao.	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: 07/08/2026

Place: Andhra Pradesh

Sd/-(Authorised Officer)

Alchemist Asset Reconstruction Company Limited

(acting in its capacity as Trustee of Alchemist XLVII Trust) Secured Creditor

VISTAAR

FINANCE

Vistaar Financial Services Private Limited

Branch Office: # 14/5-2-2, Survey No.221,1st Floor, Ahmed Complex, Behind Kotak Mahindra Bank, CTM Road, Revenue Ward No.14, Madanapalle, PIN: 517325 (A.P.).

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NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH PRIVATE TREATY

Sale of Immovable Property Charged to the Company under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

The undersigned as Authorized officer of Vistaar Financial Services Private Limited has taken over possession of secured Assets pursuant to Notice issued Under Section 13 (2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 of with right to sale the same "as is where is, as is what is, whatever there is and without recourses basis" for realization of Company dues of **Rs. 20,28,879.81/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand and Eight Hundred Seventy Nine and Paise Eighty One Only)** as on 13-11-2024 with future interest @ 20.75% per annum from 14-11-2024 and charges, expenses etc. As demanded in our demand notice and expenses until payment in full due to secured creditors for **Loan Account Number 0241SBML00534**. In terms of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, public at large and in particular to the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor(s)/Guarantor(s) is informed that in pursuance of possession taken by Secured Creditor, the secured assets/property as mentioned in the schedule are available for sale through Private Treaty as per terms and conditions agreeable to the Company for realization of its dues "as is where is, as is what is, whatever there is and without recourses basis" for recovery of dues of standard terms and conditions for sale of property through Private Treaty areas under:-

- Sale through Private Treaty will be conducted by executing necessary documents with Proposed purchaser on **24-08-2026** "as is where is, as is what is, whatever there is and without recourses basis".
- The purchaser will be required to deposit 25% of the sale consideration on the next working day of receipt of Bank's acceptance of offer for purchase of property and the remaining amount within 15 days thereafter.
- The purchaser has to deposit 10% of the offered amount along with application which will be adjusted against 25% of the deposit to be made as per clause (2) above.
- The intending purchaser is required to submit amount of the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) by way of Demand Draft drawn on any nationalized or scheduled Commercial Bank in favor of "Vistaar Financial Services Pvt Ltd.", payable AT PAR; on or before date and time mentioned along with hard copies of the following self-attested documents (Copy of PAN card and 3. Copy of proof of address (Passport, Driving License, Voter's Card or Aadhar Card, Ration Card, Electricity Bill, Telephone Bill, Registered Leave License Agreement).
- Failure to remit the amount as required under clause (2) above, will cause forfeiture of amount already paid including 10% of the amount paid along with application.
- In case of non-acceptance of offer of purchase by the Company, the amount of 10% paid along with the application will be refunded without any interest.
- The property is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether known or unknown to the Company. The Authorized Officer/Secured Creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third-party claims/rights/dues.
- The purchaser should conduct due diligence on all aspects related to the property (under sale through private treaty) to his satisfaction. The purchaser shall not be entitled to make any claim against the Authorized Officer/Secured Creditor in this regard at a later date.
- The Company reserves the right to reject any offer of purchase without assigning any reason.
- In case of more than one offer, the Bank will accept the highest offer.
- The interested parties may contact the Authorized Officer for further details/clarifications and for submitting their application.
- The purchaser has to bear all stamp duty, registration fee, and other expenses, taxes, duties in respect of purchase of the property.
- Sale shall be in accordance with the provisions of SARFAESI Act/Rules as amended from time to time and the last date for submission of application with 10% EMD will be on **23-08-2026**.

Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/Mortgagor & LAN No.	Descriptions of the Property/ Properties	Reserve Price for which the Property will be Sold
1. Mr./Mrs. Mudimadugu Rambabu, 2. Mr./Mrs. Mudimadugu Pushpa Loan Account No.0241SBML00534	All the piece and parcel of the immovable property situated at Chittoor District - Madanapalli Sub-District - Madanapalli Mandal - Madanapalli Revenue Village - Madanapalli Municipal Area, Ward No.9 Penchupadu Road Extension - House Property Situated In Sy.No.227/3, Paiki AC1.28 Cents Paiki, Plot No.24 part bearig H.No. 9-115-F-2-1-3. Bounded on: East: By the Site in Plot No.24 Part, West: By the Site in Plot.24 Part belongs to B.Subbalamma, North: By the Sites in Plot No.15 & 16, South: By the 20ft Width Road Within the Boundaries Admeasuring East to West Northern Side : 21 ft or 6.405 Mts East to West Southern Side : 20.9 ft or 6.328 Mts North to South : 45 Ft or 13.725 Mts Total 939.375 Sq.ft or 104.35 Sq.Yds Vacant Site along with Newly constructed RCC Roofed Building with Doors, Doorframes, Windows, Window frames, Electrical Fittings with all easementary rights etc. HSC No.62834, Assessment No. 1009026578.	Rs.22,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Only)

Date: 07-08-2026, Place: Chittoor District

Sd/- Authorized Officer, Vistaar Financial Services Private Limited

SBI Q1 profit rises 10% to Rs.21,121 crore as asset quality improves; shares climb 3%

Mumbai **August 7, 2026:** State Bank of India (SBI), nation's largest Bank has announced its Q1FY27 . Commenting on the Bank's performance, **Shri C.S. Setty, Chairman, State Bank of India**, said: "At SBI, our strategic direction continues to be guided by a simple philosophy - Digital First, Customer First and Nation Always. During the quarter, we continued to simplify banking by expanding our flagship Operations Process Re-engineering project, **SARAL**, with the objective of making customer journeys faster, simpler and more convenient. We also introduced **YONO Ji**, an Agentic AI-powered virtual assistant on YONO Business, to provide our commercial clientele with round-the-clock support. We have extended our Business Rule Engine, **MSME Dream**, to cover SME loans up to ₹ 10 crore, enabling faster and more

consistent credit decisions without compromising underwriting standards. Technology is also strengthening our risk management framework. Through **PRISM**, our predictive stress monitoring platform, we are leveraging internal and external sources to identify early signs of stress in borrower accounts. This initiative also enhances our preparedness for the implementation of the proposed Expected Credit Loss framework. SBI is building not only for the next quarter, but for the next decade. Our subsidiaries have also continued to perform strongly and remain leaders in their respective sectors. During the quarter, the successful listing of SBI Funds Management Limited marked an important milestone for the SBI Group and reinforced the value that our subsidiary businesses continue to create for all stakeholders. As we progress towards our 75th anniversary in 2030, our focus is

on creating the SBI of the future."

Performance

The Bank has reported its highest ever quarterly net profit of ₹ 21,121 crore. The profit after tax is up by 10.23% year-on-year, driven by higher operating profit and lower credit costs at 0.27%. Operating profit for the quarter rose 9.77% YoY to ₹ 33,529 crore, while Net Interest Income grew 14.88% YoY to ₹ 46,992 crore. The Bank maintained healthy profitability metrics, with ROA at 1.11% and ROE at 17.87% for Q1FY27. The Bank showed its resilience in margins, with Domestic NIM at 3.00% for the quarter improving by 7 bps over Q4FY26. Whole Bank NIM at 2.86% in Q1FY27, improving by 5 bps over Q4FY26. The Bank has achieved another important milestone with total business crossing ₹ 110 lakh crores, supported by strong and broad-based YoY growth of 18.63% in advances and 9.73% in deposits. SBI's deposit franchise



remained strong and diversified, with CASA deposits registering growth of 9.30% YoY. The Bank maintained a healthy CASA ratio of 39.24% despite an intensely competitive environment. Retail Term Deposits continued to gain traction, growing by 14.39% YoY. The Bank's asset quality continues to remain among the best in the industry, with non-performing assets at their lowest level in more than two decades. Gross and net NPA ratio improved further during the quarter to 1.47% and 0.38%, respectively. Gross NPA ratio improved by 36 basis points YoY while Net NPA ratio improved by 9 basis points YoY to 0.38%. Credit costs remained benign at 0.27%, supported by strong recoveries and robust underwriting practices. The Bank remains well capitalized with capital adequacy ratio improving to 15.67%, up by 104 bps YoY, which is well above the regulatory minimum requirements.



Tricolour Properties Announces Special Shravan Month Offers

Hyderabad, Aug 7 : Tricolor Properties, a leading real estate company established in 2010 and headquartered in Hyderabad, has announced special offers for the auspicious month of Shravan. The offers were unveiled on Friday at the company's corporate office in Hyderabad. Speaking on the occasion, the company's founders, Chandan Kumar Jha, Ranjan Kumar Jha, and Digambar Jha, said that Tricolor Properties has been delivering quality residential homes and plotted developments to customers while providing reliable real estate services. They stated that the company has successfully completed more than 20 residential projects across India and has earned a reputation as a premier real estate developer. They added that Tricolor Properties is a visionary real estate company committed to blending luxury living with environmentally conscious development.

Providing ample work for weavers is the government's goal



Rajanna Sircilla, Aug 7: Government Whip and Vemulawada MLA Adi Srinivas stated that the state government's objective is to provide ample work for weavers and improve their economic conditions. On the

occasion of National Handloom Day, he flagged off a rally from the Court to the Weaver's statue near the Old Bus Stand and participated in a massive procession alongside District Collector Garima Agarwal and workers from the handloom and textile industries. The Government Whip, District Collector, and others paid floral trib-



Employment generation through 'Indira Mahila Shakti' sarees. Security for weavers' families through thrift and insurance schemes.

utes to the Weaver's statue at the Old Bus Stand. Speaking on the occasion, Government Whip and Vemulawada MLA Adi Srinivas affirmed that the government, under the lead-

ership of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao, stands firmly in support of the Sircilla handloom and textile industry.

THE SIRCILLA CO-OPERATIVE URBAN BANK LIMITED
Regd. No: 468/T.D.D.R.BI LICENCE NO. DBOD UBD AP.352P
SIRCILLA, Dist : Rajannna Sircilla - T.S

Ref No: SCUB/198/2026-27

Date: 07-08-2026

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) NOTICE

The Sircilla Co Operative Urban Bank Ltd., Sircilla invites "EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)" from the reputed, experienced and Financially Sound contractors for the execution of Interior Works Infrastructure at our upcoming branches located at Vemulawada and Karimnagar. For further details please visit our bank website: <https://sircilla.bank.in>

Place : Sircilla

Sd/- Chief Executive Officer
The Sircilla Co-Operative Urban Bank Ltd.,

Date : 07-08-2026

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.
Authorized Officer Address: , Shriram Finance Limited, Wyra Road, SBI Building, Khammam- 507001

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

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Borrower Name and Address
1) Srinivas Uppala, S/O Yadagiri, Age: 45 Years, Occ: Kranthi Fertilizers Pesticides & Seeds, Opp: RTC Bus Stand Road, Mahabubabad, Warangal, # 1-6-34/12/A, Gummudur, Mahabubabad(Md), Warangal (Dist), (Borrower No.1) 2) Kalpana Uppala, W/O Srinivas, Age: 38 Years, # 1-6-34/12/A, Gummudur, Mahabubabad(Md), Warangal(Dist). (Coborrower/Guarantor No.1.) 3) Vishnu Vemula, S/O Ramalah, Age: 28 Years, Occ: Sai Ram Agencies, Bayyaram, # 1-89, Insulapuram, Bayyaram, Khammam(Dist). (Coborrower/Guarantor No.2.)
Amount due as per Demand Notice : Rs.56,14,941/- (Rupees Fifty Six Lakh Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Forty One Only)

Description of Property
MABOBTf1703280016- Description Of The Immovable Property Property Holder Name: Kalpana Uppala With Document No: 1815/2017 House No. 1-6-34/12/A (Part) (Tin Shed House) Admeasuring 166.66 Sq.Yds 370 Sq. Feet. Situated At Mahabubabad (V, M&D): North: Place Of Thota Ramulu. South: House Of Sardhar. East: Place Of K. Komuriah, West: Municipal 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: 01-08-2026,
Place: Khammam

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Shriram Finance Limited

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Borrower Name and Address
1) Chapala Venkanna, S/O Sattaiah, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Padmavathi Fertilizers & Pesticides, Mupparam, # 6-1-108/3/C, Kankaraboard, Mahabubabad, Warangal (Dist). (Borrower No.1) 2) Sreedevi Chapala, W/O Venkanna, Age: 36 Years, # 6-1-108/3/C, Kankaraboard, Mahabubabad, Warangal(Dist). (Coborrower/Guarantor No.1.) 3) Chinni Krishna Emmadi, S/O Ravi, Age: 26 Years, # 10-5, Premnagar (Po), Mullugu(Md), Warangal (Dist). (Coborrower/Guarantor No.2.)
Amount due as per Demand Notice : Rs. 21,19,610/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred Ten Only)

Description of Property
MABOBTf1702250005- Description Of The Immovable Property Property Holder Name: Sreedevi Chapala With Document No: 1021/2017 Sy.No. 546/1 House Plot No. 8-B To An Extent Of 200 Sq.Yards Or 167.23 Sq.Mtrs Situated At Mahabubabad Town And (M) Of Mahabubabad Dist. Bounded As Under:- North: 18 Ft. Proposed Road, South: Place Of Ch. Prabhakar, East: Place Of Ch. Prabhakar, West: Place Of Kasireddy Shailaja Plot No. 78

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Date: 01-08-2026,
Place: Khammam

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DEMAND NOTICE

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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
1. Jammagani Pyatla. Srinivas Goud, S/O Papalingam Goud, Aged About 43 Years , Occ: Poultry Farm Business, R/O.Hno : 9-42/3, Bhikanoor (Vi)&(Md),Nizamabad Dist.Pin : 503101. 2. J.Deva Rani, W/O J.Srinivas Goud, Aged About 42 Years , Occ: House Wife, R/O.Hno : 9-42/3, Bhikanoor (Vi)&(Md), Nizamabad Dist, Pin : 503101. 3. E.Indrasena Reddy, S/O E.Bapu Reddy, Aged About 63 Years , Occ: Cable Work Business, R/O.Hno : 8-4, Peddamallareddy(Vi), Bhikanoor(Md), Nizamabad Dist, Pin : 503101.
(Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs)

NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
31.12.2018	11.07.2026	Rs. 47,42,021.40/-	Rs. 15,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: MEDA1TF1805290002- Description Of The Immovable Property Item No.I Schedule -I All that the Agriculture Dry land Admg.Ac.0-05 gts.,in Sy.No.1316/E2 and Admg.Ac.0-05 ¼ gts.,in Sy.No.1316/EE1,Total Admg.Ac.0-10 ¼ gts., Situated at Bhiknour Mandal, Nizamabad District and bounded as follows: North: Agril.Land of J.P.Venkat Goud & Brother, South: Agril.Land of J.P.Srinivas Goud, East: Agril.Land of J.P.Chinna Papa Goud & others, West: Service Road to National High Way Road No.44 **Schedule -II** All that the Agriculture Wet land Admg.Ac.0-01 ¼ gts.,in Sy.No.1317/E2 and Admg.Ac.0-01 ¼ gts.,in Sy.No.1317/EE1,Total Admg.Ac.0-03 ½ gts., Situated at Bhiknour Village,Bhiknour Mandal,Nizamabad District and bounded as follows: North: Agril.Land of J.P.Venkat Goud & Brother and Others, South: Agril.Land of J.P.Srinivas Goud, East: Agril.Land of J.P.Soma Goud & others, West: Agril.Land of J.P.Chinna Papa Goud & others. **ITEM NO.II Schedule -I** All that the Agriculture Wet land Admg.Ac.0-08 gts.,in Sy.No.1316/A, Situated at Bhiknour Village Bhiknour Mandal,Nizamabad District and bounded as follows: North: Agril.Land of Katike Laxmi Bai & NarsingLal, South: Agril. Land of J.P.Venkat Goud & Brother, East: Agril.Land of J.P.Swamy Goud & Others, West: Agril.Land of J.P.Pedda Rama Goud & Others **Schedule -II** All that the Agriculture Dry land Admg.Ac.0-02 ½ gts.,in Sy.No.1317/A, Situated at Bhiknour Village, Bhiknour Mandal,Nizamabad District and bounded as follows: North: Agril.Land of J.P.Srinivas Goud and Others South: Agril.Land of J.P.Venkat Goud & Brother, East: Agril.Land of J.P.Swamy Goud & Others, West: Agril.Land of J.P.Pedda Rama Goud & Others

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: 11-07-2026,
Place: Bhikanoor(Vi) & (Md),Nizamabad(Dt)

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Shriram Finance Limited

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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. Prashanth Kumar Singh, S/O Manoj Kumar Singh, Aged About 32 Years ,Occ : Petrol Bunk Business, R/O.Hno : 14-52,Sri Ram Nagar Colony, Patancheru(Md),Sangareddy Dist.Pin : 502319. (Borrower) 2. Manoj Kumar Singh, S/O Ramavadh, Aged About 52 Years ,Occ : Petrol Bunk Business, R/O.Hno : 14-52,Sri Ram Nagar Colony, Patancheru(Md), Sangareddy Dist.Pin : 502319. (Co-Borrower) Also At : Manoj Kumar Singh, S/O Ramavadh, Aged About 52 Years ,Occ : Petrol Bunk Business, R/O.Shop No.29, Hno : 11-70/10,Pipe Line Road, Fathenagar(Vi), Balanagar(Md), Medchal -Malkajgiri Dist.Pin : 503245. 3. Neelam Singh, W/O Manoj Kumar Singh, Aged About 52 Years ,Occ : House Wife, R/O.Hno :14-52, Sri Ram Nagar Colony, Patancheru(Md), Sangareddy Dist, Pin:502319. (Guarantor No.1) 4. Ramavadh Singh, S/O Babban Singh, (Died) Aged About 84 Years , Occ : Petrol Bunk Business, R/O.Hno : 14-52,Sri Ram Nagar Colony, Patancheru(Md), Sangareddy Dist, Pin : 502319. (Guarantor No.2) 5. Urmila Singh, W/O Ramavadh Singh, Aged About 75 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O.Hno :14-52, Sri Ram Nagar Colony, Patancheru(Md), Sangareddy Dist, Pin:502319. (Legal Heirs Of Guarantor No.2.)
(Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs)

NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
31.03.2020	08.07.2026	Rs. 33,35,804.00/-	Rs. 10,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: AMRPTTF1802280027- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY All That The Shop No.29,in Ground Floor,GHMC No.10-11-70/29,with a built up area of 390.0 Sq.Ft together with an undivided Share of Land admeasuring 14.44 Sq.Yds, Constructed in House No.11-70/10,in Sy.No.135 Situated at Pipe Line Road, Fathenagar Village, Balanagar Mandal, Medchal-Malkajgiri Dist. and bounded as follows:- Boundaries Boundaries of Shop No : 29 North: Shop No.28, South: Common Staircase, East: Neighbour's House, West: 25' -0" Circumance 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: 08-07-2026,
Place: Balanagar,Medchal-Malkajgiri(Dt)

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Shriram Finance Limited

Opinion Mail



'India's approach towards China is managed competition, limited cooperation, and not reconciliation'

India's approach towards its ties with China is one of managed competition, limited cooperation, and not reconciliation, even as the trajectory of ties between the two nations since 2024 has been frequently portrayed as a process of diplomatic thaw, as per a report. This framing, following the October 2024 disengagement understandings along the Line of Control and meetings between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping, draws closer analytical examination instead of uncritical acceptance as a substantive realignment of bilateral dynamics, according to the Politeia Research Foundation (PRF) report. PM Modi and President Xi held a meeting on the sidelines of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) in China's Tianjin in 2025. Previously, the two leaders held a meeting on the sidelines of the BRICS Summit in Russia's Kazan in 2024. The breakthrough in bilateral talks was made possible after India and China reached an agreement on patrolling along the nearly 3,500-km LAC to end the four-year-long border confrontation.

After India and China started engaging with each other since 2024, flights have restarted, visas have been eased, the resumption of Kailash Mansarovar Yatra and border trade points are being prepared for reopening. Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri's visit to China in July fits this pattern of calibrated outreach.

"Yet to describe these steps as a genuine reset risks overstating their depth. The underlying structural problems- unresolved boundary claims, persistent military deployments, a lopsided trade relationship, and Chinese assertiveness in India's neighbourhood remain intact. India's approach is one of managed competition and limited cooperation, not reconciliation," the report maintained.

"Misri's two-day visit to Beijing on 27-28 July 2026 was a deliberate, low-key effort to operationalise the guidance from the leaders' meetings in Kazan, in 2024, and in Tianjin, in 2025," it added.

During his visit, Misri met China's Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs Hua Chunying and reviewed the entire gamut of bilateral ties. The two sides acknowledged the importance of maintaining peace and tranquillity in the India-China border areas.

"Foreign Secretary Shri Vikram Misri met H.E. Ms Hua Chunying, Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of China. They reviewed the entire gamut of bilateral relations. They discussed means of advancing the vision of the two leaders that India and China are partners and development opportunities for each other, including through mutually beneficial outcomes across trade and economic ties, culture, and people-to-people exchanges. Both sides acknowledged the importance of maintaining peace and tranquillity in the India-China border areas," the Embassy of India in China stated on X.

The Foreign Secretary discussed ways to enhance bilateral exchanges between India and China at the political and people-to-people levels during his meeting with Hong Liang, Deputy Secretary General of the 14th National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC), in Beijing. He also met Sun Haiyan, Vice Minister of the International Department of the CPC's Central Committee, and discussed ways to deepen implementation of the guidance of Prime Minister Modi and President Xi for bilateral ties.

MEA Secretary Sibi George shares India's perspectives on multilateralism with UN delegation

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Sibi George, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) Secretary (West), on Friday hosted a dinner for a United Nations' delegation and shared India's perspectives on multilateralism.

"MEA Secretary (West) Sibi George hosted a welcome dinner for a delegation of Permanent Representatives to the UN who are on a week-long familiarisation visit to India. He shared India's perspectives on multilateralism and the UN and wished the delegation a

fruitful stay in India," the MEA said on X.

In July, External Affairs Minister (EAM) S. Jaishankar launched India's campaign for a non-permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the 2028-29 term in New York, outlining New Delhi's vision for a more representative, effective and future-ready global order.

Highlighting India's broader vision for global governance, EAM Jaishankar said: "India's focus will be on working for a secure, peaceful and equitable world. A world where the voice of the Global



South is heard in equal measure. A world where peacekeeping is ready for contemporary and future challenges, a world where multilateralism reflects contemporary realities and provides effective solutions, not remain on high standards, a world where the promise of technologies is fulfilled."

He said India's approach would be rooted in SHANTI — Securing Holistic Advancement through Norms, Trust and Integrity — and

would focus on strengthening the voice of the Global South in matters relating to international peace and security. He added that India's approach would be guided by dialogue, cooperation and efforts to bridge differences among nations.

The External Affairs Minister also outlined India's commitment to building a future-ready UN peacekeeping framework that is better equipped, technologically enabled, realistically mandated and focused on core objectives.

He said India would continue to champion the Women, Peace and Security agenda and support a greater role for women peacekeepers.

Shillong Lok Sabha bypoll: Two professors in fray; university gives NOC

Shillong, Aug 7 : In a rare electoral contest involving members of the same academic institution, two professors of the North Eastern Hill University (NEHU) are set to face each other in the upcoming Shillong Lok Sabha bypoll after the university granted them No Objection Certificates (NOCs) to contest the election.

The bypoll has also drawn attention because the late sitting MP, Dr Ricky A.J. Syngkon, whose death necessitated the election, was himself a professor at NEHU, making it an unusual election where the outgoing parliamentarian and both principal contestants share academic ties with the state's premier central university.

The two candidates are ruling National People's Party (NPP) nominee Dr D.R.L. Nonglait of NEHU's Department of Khasi and the opposition Voice of the People's Party (VPP) candidate Prof Batskhem Myrboh from the Department of Political Science.

A senior official of the University said on Monday that the NOCs were approved during the 88th emergent meeting of the NEHU Executive Council held.



Nepal seeks India's nod for its National Identity Card in cross-border travel

Kathmandu, Aug 7 : Nepal has formally requested India to recognise its National Identity Card (NID) as a valid travel document for cross-border travel, aiming to strengthen identity verification and security while facilitating the movement of people between the two countries, a senior immigration official said.

The NID is similar to India's Aadhaar card and contains biometric information, including fingerprints, facial images and iris scans. The Nepali government has made the NID mandatory for accessing several public services, including passport applications, land registration, opening bank accounts and other government services, as it seeks to gradually replace the traditional citizenship certificate with digitally readable identity cards.

Nepal also wants India to recognise the NID as

a valid document for the cross-border movement of Nepali citizens, as India currently recognises Nepal's passport and citizenship certificate as official identity documents. Citizens of Nepal and India are not required to carry passports or visas to travel between the two countries.

Ram Chandra Tiwari, director general of the Department of Immigration, told IANS that his office sent a proposal to the Government of India in late June seeking recognition of the NID as a valid travel document for Nepali citizens.

NSUI holds protest, seeks Odisha Education Minister's resignation

Bhubaneswar, Aug 7 : A scuffle broke out between Congress workers and the Commissionerate Police at Lower PMG here on Friday during a massive rally by the National Students' Union of India (NSUI) demanding the resignation of Odisha School and Mass Education (S&ME) Minister Nityananda Gond over massive textbook errors and other irregularities in the state's education sector.

The protesting leaders and workers led by NSUI National President Vinod Jakhar, Odisha Pradesh Congress Committee (OPCC) President Bhakta Charan Das, and Odisha Chhatra Congress President Bibhuti Bhusan Mohapatra were proceeding towards the Chief Minister's official residence to stage a gherao over their demands. The Congress workers engaged in a scuffle when they were stopped by the police at Lower PMG. The Commissionerate police



later detained several senior Congress leaders and workers, including OPCC President Das.

Earlier on Sunday, the Odisha Pradesh Chhatra Congress organised a 'Chhatra Sankalp Samavesh' (Students' Resolve Convention) at Master Canteen Square here.

The programme felicitated the newly appointed Chhatra Congress President Mohapatra and adopted a resolution outlining the organisation's future course of action.

Addressing the gathering, Jakhar alleged that the Narendra Modi government was "anti-youth" and "anti-student", saying that the Centre's action against the students protesting at Jantar Mantar over the deteriorating education system was unfortunate.

Meanwhile, OPCC President alleged that student union elections are not being held in colleges and universities because students in Odisha are not coming out onto the streets to assert their rights. He claimed that students were repeatedly being subjected to injustice and alleged that the state's education system had collapsed. Das claimed that schools, colleges and universities across the state were functioning with nearly a 50 per cent shortage of teachers, faculty members and other staff.

Ghaziabad psychiatrist dies after falling from fifth-floor apartment; family points to long-standing emotional distress

Ghaziabad, Aug 7 : A 40-year-old psychiatrist from Uttar Pradesh's Ghaziabad died after allegedly falling from the fifth floor of her residential apartment in the Raj Nagar Extension area. Family members have claimed that she had been facing severe emotional and mental health challenges since her divorce around one-and-a-half years ago. The deceased has been identified as Dr Hemika Agrawal, who was residing at Officers City-2 Society. According to police, the incident occurred on Friday. Residents of the housing complex and other bystanders immediately rushed to help her and transported her to a nearby hospital. However, doctors declared her dead upon arrival.



Spain fully deploys sea barrier as death toll of Ceuta migrant crisis rises

Madrid, Aug 7 : Spain fully deployed a floating sea barrier on Friday along the maritime border of its North African enclave of Ceuta as the authorities continue to tighten border controls following the recent mass migrant influx from Morocco. The floating barrier, installed off Ceuta's Tarajal beach, is now fully operational.



The measure is designed to prevent irregular sea crossings after tens of thousands of migrants entered the enclave in recent days, many by swimming.



Brazil's Workers' Party officially nominates Lula for fourth-term bid

Rio De Janeiro, Aug 7 : Brazil's ruling Workers' Party (PT) officially nominated incumbent President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva as its candidate for the upcoming presidential election as he seeks a fourth term in office. At the party's national convention in Sao Paulo, on Friday, delegates formally approved the ticket pairing Lula with incumbent Vice President Geraldo Alckmin of the Brazilian Socialist Party, Xinhua news agency reported. PT President Edinho Silva announced that the party had completed its candidate registration with the Superior Electoral Court. Addressing the convention, the 80-year-old Brazilian president said his administration's achievements will serve as a strong foundation

for the campaign. "We can proudly demonstrate to people everywhere what the federal government has accomplished," Lula said. Lula pledged to strengthen Brazil's defence industry, safeguard the country's strategic mineral resources and protect national sovereignty. "No Chinese, no American, no French will touch these resources without respecting Brazil's sovereignty," he said, adding that his government would need to be "much more daring" to deliver further changes. Lula's campaign has highlighted proposed income tax reforms aimed at reducing the burden on lower-income earners.

War risks drag global growth to 3.1 pc: IMF

Washington, Aug 7 : The global economy is set to slow in 2026 as war-driven disruptions in energy supplies and trade routes push up prices and dent growth, International Monetary Fund (IMF) Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva said, warning of tougher conditions if the conflict persists. “Even if the conflict is short-lived, extensive infrastructure damage and supply-chain disruptions are pushing prices up and slowing global growth down from 3.4 per cent last year to 3.1 per cent in 2026,” Georgieva said at the IMF’s Spring Meetings press briefing on Friday (local time). She cautioned that a prolonged conflict and sustained high oil prices could sharply worsen the outlook. “In the most adverse case, growth could fall to 2 per cent, and the shock is global,” she said, adding that “all countries are affected by higher energy prices.” though the burden is “highly asymmetric” and heavier on energy-importing.



Media outlet faces restriction in Pakistan over PoK unrest coverage; concerns grow over press freedom

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Users in Pakistan have taken to social media platforms to express outrage over what they describe as the blocking of access to one of the international media outlets in the country following its coverage of recent developments in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK). Several users reported difficulties accessing Al Jazeera, which calls itself the first independent news channel in the Arab world, and raised concerns over press freedom, internet restrictions, and the public’s right to access independent information. The reported restriction comes amid growing tensions in PoK, where protests and unrest have intensified over the past several days. The claims regarding the website’s inaccessibility have sparked a debate online, with users questioning whether the move was linked to Al Jazeera’s reporting on the ongoing situation in the region.

The controversy follows criticism from Pakistani authorities over international media’s coverage of sensitive issues related to the country. Officials have previously accused the international news organisation of biased reporting, while the outlet has maintained its role as an independent media organisation. Some social media users also claimed that the reported restriction on the international news website came after sections within Pakistan’s military establishment were displeased with the channel’s coverage of developments.

CNG shortage, high fares disrupts life in Bangladesh

Dhaka, Aug 7 : People in Dhaka and other areas of Bangladesh have been facing hardships as many compressed natural gas (CNG)-powered auto-rickshaws and public

transport vehicles have not been operating due to an ongoing gas shortage in the country, local media reported on Friday. Transport services have been disrupted because vehicles did not

receive an adequate gas supply after waiting in long queues for hours, leaving commuters facing problems. Many vehicle drivers said that they stood in queues late at night until the following morning or even afternoon to get a gas supply.



PUBLIC NOTICE
It is for general information that I
KAYALAPATI PRASANTH, S/o
KAYALAPATI NAGESWARA
RAO, residing at D.No. 7-14-22,
Indira Colony, Ward 9,
Narasapuram, West Godavari
District, Andhra Pradesh, Pin
code: 534275, A.P. Declare that
name of mine has been wrongly
written as **KAYALAPATI**
PRASANTH, S/o KAYALAPATI
NAGESWARA RAO, in all my
educational document. The
actual name of mine is
KAVALIVARAPU PRASANTH,
KAVALIVARAPU NAGESWARA
RAO, respectively which may be
amended accordingly.

CHANGE OF NAME
My Son, **AKULA VENU**
NANDAN S/o PUNYA
BHEEMESH, D.No:2-119,
Sannavilli, Near sattamma
talli temple,Uppalaguptam
Mandal, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar
Konaseema District. PIN
Code: 533222, A.P. shall
henceforth be known as
AKULA MEDHANSH S/o
Punya Bheemesh as per
Gazette publication.
Dt: 7-8-2026 **AKULA**
PUNYA BHEEMESH.
Uppalaguptam .

South Africa to uphold diplomacy while sticking to principled positions, says minister

Johannesburg, Aug 7 : South African Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Ronald Lamola reaffirmed the country's commitment to diplomacy, emphasising that it will remain firm on its principled positions. Speaking on Friday at the opening of the in-

augural Annual Aziz Pahad Peace, Security, and Human Rights Dialogue in Pretoria, the country's administrative capital, Lamola noted that South Africa will not engage in "trading insults" with any country, Xinhua news agency reported. "We're practicing diplomacy. We're not in the business of trad-

ing insults with anyone in the world. We will remain firm on our principled positions. We will continue to pursue our national interest in line with diplomatic decorum," Lamola said. "If we disagree with any country, it should not be on the basis of insults but the substance of the matter." He further noted that South Africa valued its "mutually beneficial trade relations" with the United States.



Possession Notice (For Immovable Property) Rule 8-(1)
Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of IIFL Home Finance Limited (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) (IIFL-HFL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, a Demand Notice was issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower/Co-Borrowers mentioned herein below 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 Section 13(4) of the said Rules. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of IIFL HFL for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon."The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, if the borrower clears the dues of the "IIFL HFL" together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred, at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured assets shall not be sold or transferred by "IIFL HFL" and no further step shall be taken by "IIFL HFL" for transfer or sale of the secured assets.

Name of the Borrower (s) / Co-Borrower(s)	Description of the Secured Asset	Total Outstanding	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Mr. Karan Gunwan Mrs. Lata Bhagwandas Gunwan (Prospect No IL10201240)	All that piece and parcel of Flat No. F-3, Ground Floor, Municipal No. 10-84/11, Sy.No.719/1, Plot No. 16 & 17 venkateshwara Apartments, Prem Vijaya Nagar colony, Malkajgiri Circle and Mandal, Medchal - Malkajgiri District, Telangana. - 500047. Area Admeasuring (IN SQ. FT.): Property Type: Built, Up, Area, Carpet Area, Land Area Property Area: 920.00, 690.00, 270.00 Bounded By: North: Plot No. 18 South: Passage East: Flat No. F4 West: Park	Rs.2730203/- Rupees Twenty Seven Lakh Thirty Thousand two Hundred Three Only	08-05-2026	05-08-2026

For further details please contact to Authorised Officer at Branch Office: D.No.5-9-22/B.501,5th Floor, My Home Sarovar Plaza, Secretariat Road, Hyderabad-500094 or Corporate Office: Plot No.98, Phase-IV, Udyog Vihar, Gurgaon, Haryana
Place: Hyderabad Date: 08-08-2026 Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.

Trump announces fresh Iran talks amid Gulf mediation efforts

Washington, Aug 7 : US President Donald Trump said that negotiations with Iran will begin Friday afternoon, noting that Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Qatar had asked the United States to call off

planned strikes because "they think there's a deal." "There's a deal on (the Strait of) Hormuz, and then there will be a deal on the nuclear, or you might call it the de-nuclearization of Iran," Trump told reporters on Air Force One en route to Joint Base Andrews.

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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 Finance 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 /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. Kalluri Mahesh Malleshham, S/O K.Narsimulu, Aged About 51 Years, Occ: Hospital Business, R/O, H.No: 4-34-68, Venkateswara Nagar, Opp Tirumala Wines, Jagathgirigutta, Balanagar, Hyderabad Dist, Pin: 500037. (Died) (Borrower No.1) 2. Kalluri Madhavi, W/O Kalluri Mahesh Malleshham, Aged About 44 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O, H.No : 4-34-68, Venkateswara Nagar, Opp Tirumala Wines, Jagathgirigutta, Balanagar, Hyderabad Dist, Pin: 500037. (Co-Borrower) Also At : Kalluri Madhavi, W/O Kalluri Mahesh Malleshham, Aged About 44 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O, H.No: 1-44/ A, Sy.No. 1064, Subhash Road, Mathad ikindipalli, Lingampet(Vi), Nizamabad (Dist), Pin: 503124. 4. K.Sudarshan,S/O K.Janardhan, Aged About 40 Years,Occ: Electricals Business, R/O. Plot No: 80,Hno:4-35-314/4(C/Old) 4-35-316/1(New),Venkateswara Nagar, Jagathgirigutta, Balanagar, Hyderabad Dist, Pin: 500037. (Guarantor No.2) 5. Kalluri Manoj Kumar, S/O Kalluri Mahesh Malleshham, Aged About 20 Years, Occ: Studying, R/O, H.No : 4-34-68,Venkateswara Nagar,Opp Tirumala Wines,Jagathgirigutta, Balanagar, Hyderabad Dist, Pin: 500037. (Legal Heirs Of Borrower No.1.) (Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs)			
NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
31.03.2019	11.07.2026	Rs. 36,64,310.70/-	Rs. 15,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: BLNGRTF1707270003 - Description Of The Immovable Property. All that the House bearing No.1-44/A with RCC admeasuring 300 Sq.Yards., total area 2700 SFT, in Sy.No.1064,Situated at Subash Road, Mathadikindipalli, Lingampet Village, Nizamabad District and bounded as follows: North: House of Laxmbai, South : Forest Quarters and House of Shakuntalabai, East: Road, West: G.P. 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: 11-07-2026, Place: Balanagar,Hyderabad	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.
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. Neelam Narasimha, S/O N.Kistaiah, Aged About 49 Years , Occ: Travels Business, R/O.Hno:3-117, Maruthi Complex, Nizampet, Ranga Reddy Dist,Pin:500090. (Died) (Borrower No.1) 2. Neelam Ganesh, S/O Neelam Yadalah, Aged About 39 Years , Occ: Business, R/O. Plot No : 13,Hno:1-1, Kummeribasthi, Nizampet(Vi), Ranga Reddy Dist, Pin:500090. (Co-Borrower/ Guarantor) 3. Neelam Lakshmi, W/O Neelam Narasimha, Aged About 47 Years , Occ: House Wife, R/O, Hno: 3-117, Maruthi Complex, Nizampet, Ranga Reddy Dist, Pin:500090. (Legal Heirs Of Borrower No.1.) 4. Neelam Kalavathi, D/O Neelam Narasimha, Aged About 25 Years , R/O. Hno:3-117, Maruthi Complex, Nizampet, Ranga Reddy Dist,Pin:500090. (Legal Heirs Of Borrower No.1) 5. Neelam Aishu, D/O Neelam Narasimha, Aged About 23 Years, R/O. Hno:3-117, Maruthi Complex, Nizampet, Ranga Reddy Dist,Pin:500090. (Legal Heirs Of Borrower No.1) 6. Neelam Sruthi, D/O Neelam Narasimha, Aged About 21 Years, R/O. Hno:3-117, Maruthi Complex, Nizampet, Ranga Reddy Dist, Pin:500090. (Legal Heirs Of Borrower No.1.) (Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs)			
NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
31.07.2015	11.07.2026	Rs. 41,00,471.02/-	Rs. 8,00,000/-

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: KUTPLTF1411250003- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY All that the Flat No.101 in Second Floor with built up area of 658 Sq.ft including Common area and Parking area of 147 Sq.ft,(in 50 % of their landlord Share in each side Parking area)along with an undivided Share of land admeasuring 20 Sq.Yards out of 200 Sq.Yards on house No.3-147 and 3-147/1/C inside Grama Kantam of Maruthi Nilayam Situated at Nizampet Village and Gram Panchayath,Qutbullapur Mandal,Qutbullapur Sub – District,Ranga Reddy District, Bounded on: North: Corridor, South: Open to Sky, East: Corridor and Staircase, West: Flat No.102
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: 11-07-2026, Place: Nizampet, Ranga Reddy(Dt)	Sd/- Authorised Officer, Shriram Finance Limited
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Authorized Officer Address: , 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 known as **Shriram City Union Finance Limited**, amalgamated with **Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited**, subsequently **Shriram Transport Finance 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 **03 August day of 2026**

Borrower Name and Address	
1) Banoth Lal Singh, S/O Bicha, Age: 46yrs, R/O Hno: 00, Badya Thanda, Ramkya Thanda, Irapudi, Khammam Dist, Pin: 507182. (Borrower No.1) 2) Banoth Saroja, W/O Lal Singh, Age: 44yrs, R/O H.No: 00, Badya Thanda, Ramkya Thanda, Irapudi, Khammam Dist, Pin: 507182. (Coborrower/ Guarantor No.1.) 3) Gali Rambabu, S/O Malliah, Age: 45yrs, R/O Hno: 7-15-67, Road No-15, Housing Board Colony, Bonakal Road, Sri Ram Hills, Dhamsalapuram, Khammam Dist, Pin: 507003. (Coborrower/Guarantor No.2.) Amount due as per Demand Notice : Rs. 21,41,516/- (Rupees TwentyOne Lakh FortyOne Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen Only)	
Description of Property	
KHMMTF2212300006- Description Of The Immovable Property Property Holder Name: Banoth Saroja With Document No: 6786/2022 All That The House With Open Place Bearing G.P H.No.2-15 Along With Its Vacant Site Measuring To An Extent Of 300.00 Sq.Yards Or 250.83 Sq.Meters, With Construction Of Rcc Roof House (With Toilet) Plinth Area 512.25 Sq.Feet, Along With All Electricity Fittings, Sanitary Fittings, All Fixtures Therein Situated At Badya Thanda G.P, Irapudi Revenue Village, Raghunadhapalem Mandal, Khammam District And With In The Limits Of Khammam Municipal Corporation And SRO Kusumanchi Is Bounded By: North: House Of Banoth Balu, South: Grampanchayath Road, East: Grampanchayath Road, West: House Of Maloth Pulya	
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: 03-08-2026, Place: Khammam	Sd/- Authorised Officer, Shriram Finance Limited



Kumaraswamy attacks Congress govt over Bidadi land acquisition notification

Bengaluru, Aug 7 : Strongly condemning the Congress government for issuing the final notification for land acquisition for the Bidadi township project despite intense opposition from farmers, Union Minister and Karnataka JD(S) President H.D. Kumaraswamy on Friday announced that a legal battle would be launched against what he termed an anti-farmer move. He declared that he would fight on behalf of the farmers who stand to lose their land. The Bidadi township row centres on the Karnataka government's plan to acquire agricultural land in and around Bidadi, near Bengaluru, for a proposed township project. The Bidadi region is located close to Bengaluru. Amid the opposi-

tion, the Congress government led by Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar issued the final notification for land acquisition on Saturday. The Union Minister challenged Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar to accompany him to the affected villages and determine whether the owners of the land notified for acquisition under the Bidadi township project are genuine farmers or not. "Claiming that farmers are not farmers is the height of arrogance. It is a grave insult to the very people who feed the nation. If the Chief Minister wants to know whether they are genuine farmers, let him visit those villages. I will also go there.

India Inc.'s credit profile has improved consistently for 4th year : ICRA

New Delhi, Aug 7 : The credit profile of India Inc. improved for the fourth consecutive year in FY2026 driven by a healthy growth in profits, according to an ICRA report released on Saturday. "ICRA's rating upgrades consistently outnumbered downgrades during this period by at least two to one. In the just-concluded fiscal, ICRA upgraded the ratings of 301 entities and downgraded 150. Although the Credit Ratio of ICRA-assigned ratings, defined as the ratio of the number

of entities upgraded to that downgraded, moderated to 2.0x in FY2026 from the peak of 3.0x in FY2022, it remained healthy," the report states. Commenting on the overall developments, K. Ravichandran, executive vice president at ICRA, said: "India Inc. has experienced an extended period of credit profile improvement.



Punjab isn't Kejriwal's personal jagir : Sirsa slams AAP convener for use of state resources

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Delhi Minister Manjinder Singh Sirsa has mounted a sharp attack on Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) national convener and former Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal, accusing him of exploiting Punjab's resources for personal and political gains. In a strongly worded post on X on Friday, Sirsa, who holds the portfolios of Food & Supplies, Industry, and Forest & Environment in the Delhi government, questioned

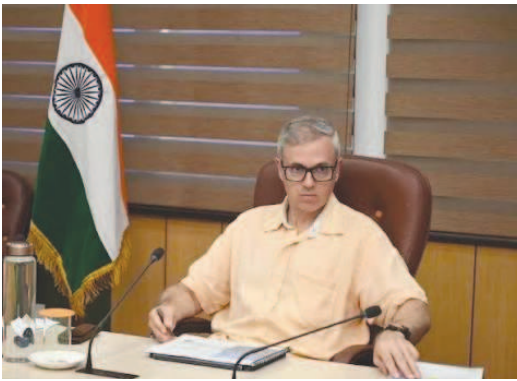
Kejriwal's frequent use of Punjab's state helicopter. "Punjab isn't Kejriwal's personal jagir! Why is Arvind Kejriwal using Punjab's state helicopter like his personal ride? In what official capacity? Who gave CM Bhagwant Mann the right to hand over Punjab's resources to serve AAP high command?" Sirsa wrote. He further criticized the Punjab government, highlighting the state's financial distress and governance issues. "Punjab is buried under debt. Farmers are in distress, youth are jobless, industries are collapsing... and public money is being blown on Kejriwal's VIP luxuries!" he alleged.



The Delhi minister called out Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, demanding an explanation for the apparent misuse of state resources. "Is he Punjab's CM or Kejriwal's travel agent?" Sirsa asked, indicating that Mann was prioritising Kejriwal's political activities over Punjab's governance.

J&K govt sanctions Rs 10.95 crore for preservation, upgradation of religious sites in Anantnag

Srinagar, Aug 7 : The Jammu and Kashmir government said on Friday that it has approved two projects worth Rs 10.95 crore for the preservation and upgradation of important religious sites in Anantnag district. Office of the J&K Chief Minister, Omar Abdullah, said on X, "Government of Jammu & Kashmir has approved two projects worth Rs 10.95 crore for the preservation and upgradation of important religious sites in Anantnag. Rs 5.03 crore has been approved for the restoration and renovation of Ziyarat Sharief Khiram, while Rs 5.92 crore has been sanctioned for the repair and renovation of Shiv Mandir, Thajiwar, Bijbehara." "These projects will preserve the sanctity and heritage of both religious places while improving facilities for devotees," the CMO said. While Muslim religious sites need upgradation, it is the Hindu religious sites in the Valley whose preservation and upgradation have become a serious challenge for the authorities. The Hindu sites have been lying unattended for over 36 years after the forced exodus of the Kashmiri Pandit community due to terrorism. The preservation of Hindu religious and cultural heritage in Kashmir involves temple restoration, legal protections against land encroachment, and community-led revival efforts. Revival and preservation efforts include government-funded reno-



vation projects, court-mandated safeguards for unattended sites, and the reopening of historic places of worship. Friday's decision by the Jammu and Kashmir government to provide Rs 5.92 crore for the repair and renovation of the Shiv Mandir at Thajiwar in Bijbehara is another step towards the objective of preservation of Hindu religious sites. The High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh ordered the administration to safeguard unattended Hindu temples and shrines from land grabbers and encroachments. Local leadership has discussed introducing dedicated legislation to protect the properties and religious sites of the displaced community. Dozens of long-closed sites, such as the 300-year-old Anandishar Temple in Srinagar and the Shiral Nath Temple, have resumed regular rituals and prayers. For decades following the migration of Kashmiri Pandits in the 1990s, many local Muslim neighbours voluntarily acted as caretakers and cleaners to protect temple structures from decay.



Delhi HC rejects bail plea of ex-AAP MLA Naresh Balyan in MCOCA case

New Delhi, Aug 7 : The Delhi High Court on Friday dismissed former Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MLA Naresh Balyan's bail plea in a case registered under the stringent Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act (MCOCA). A single-judge Bench of Justice Manoj Jain, who had reserved the verdict last week, declined to grant bail to the former Uttam Nagar legislator. Balyan has challenged the trial court's order refusing him bail in the organised crime case registered by the Delhi Police Crime Branch under the MCOCA. The former AAP MLA was rearrested by the Crime Branch in December 2024 under the MCOCA.

Delhi Police arrest two for selling banned Chinese product, recover 37 reels in Dayalpur crackdown

New Delhi, Aug 7 : In a major crackdown on the sale of prohibited Chinese product (kite strings), Delhi Police on Friday arrested two persons and seized 37 reels of the banned kite string during a coordinated operation in the Dayalpur area of northeast Delhi. Police said the recovery prevented a potential threat to pub-

lic safety, as Chinese Manjha has been linked to several fatal and serious injuries in recent years. According to police, the action began on the night of August 1 at around 11:30 p.m., when Head Constable Karan Pal and Constable Rajan were on routine patrol. During the patrol, the team reached Shop No. D-1/102 on Main 25 Foota Road in Nehru

Vihar, where they allegedly found a man selling prohibited Chinese Manjha. The accused was identified as Mohd. Rihan (23), a resident of Ashok Vihar, Loni. A search of the shop led to the recovery of six reels of banned Chinese Manjha, including five Hero Plus reels and one Mono Kite reel. The reels were seized on the spot.

Based on the recovery, Delhi Police registered FIR No. 363/2026 at Dayalpur Police Station under Section 223(a) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and Sections 5 and 15 of the Environment (Protection) Act. Police said Mohd. Rihan has no previous criminal record. During interrogation, Rihan allegedly revealed the source from

where he had procured the prohibited kite string. Acting on the information, the investigating team traced and arrested Deepak (28), a resident of Indra Market in Loni, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh. Police conducted a search of Deepak's shop and recovered 31 more reels of banned Chinese Manjha. The entire stock was seized in accordance with legal



procedures. Like Rihan, Deepak also has no previous criminal involvement, police said.

NIA interrogates JeM suspect Hamim Mondal, Arpita Sarkar in Bengal

Kolkata, Aug 7 : The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Friday interrogated Hamim Mondal, the suspected Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) associate, and his female aide, Arpita Sarkar, both of whom were arrested last week by the Special Task Force (STF) of West Bengal Police. Considering the seriousness of the charges against Mondal and Sarkar, who also have links with Shahzad Bhatti Network (SBN).



Assam Rifles conducts drone awareness, security exercises for CISF personnel in Tripura

Agartala, Aug 7 : The Assam Rifles conducted a demonstration on drone operations and emerging aerial threats for personnel of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) at the Maharaja Bir Bikram (MBB) Airport in Agartala, officials said on Friday. A defence spokesperson said that the drone awareness session focused on contemporary security challenges faced by the CISF and explored effective ways to counter them through timely detection, swift response and coordinated action. The interaction covered drone identification, detection and mitigation techniques, safe interdiction procedures, legal aspects governing drone operations and practical measures required to safeguard critical aviation infrastructure, he said. According to the spokesperson, the lecture sessions also highlighted the importance of inter-organisational synergy among the Assam Rifles, CISF, airport authorities and other stakeholders to strengthen overall



security preparedness. The initiative underscored the spirit of collective responsibility towards national security, with emphasis on unity, vigilance and coordinated response to emerging threats, the official pointed out. He said that senior officials and CISF personnel appreciated the session, which reinforced the importance of seamless coordination and preparedness in ensuring the nation's security.

Jharkhand: Latehar farmers rejoice over extension of PM KISAN scheme, thank Prime Minister

Ranchi, Aug 7 : Farmers across the country are rejoicing over the extension of the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) scheme, one of the flagship schemes for the agriculture sector and are expressing gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the benevolence. In Jharkhand's Latehar district, hundreds of farmers celebrated the five-year extension in the PM-KISAN scheme, from 2026-27 to 2030-2031. The extension of the scheme was recently approved by the Union Cabinet chaired by PM Modi.



They are delighted with the Central Government's decision to extend the scheme and its benefits for another five years. A couple of them, counting its benefits, said that this helped them reduce their dependence on money lenders, thereby freeing them of their devious trap. Shashi Bhushan Pathak, a local farmer, told IANS, "It is an excellent development for farmers.

Rupee climbs to near one-month peak on lower crude oil prices

Mumbai, Aug 7 : The Indian rupee surged to a near one-month high on Friday as crude oil prices fell by up to 7 per cent to below the \$80-a-barrel mark amid hopes of a deal to end the Iran conflict, while strong foreign inflows further supported the currency. The domestic currency strengthened nearly 0.3 per cent to 95.13 against the US dollar, its highest level since July. It had settled at 95.38 against the US dollar in the previous session and had gained more than 1 per cent last week. According to market experts, the rupee strengthened to around 95.1 per dollar as lower crude prices improved India's inflation and import outlook. They noted that the RBI's near-daily dollar sales helped ease concerns of the currency weakening beyond the 97-per-dollar level.



ASSOCHAM urges RBI to hold rates steady in key MPC meet next week

New Delhi, Aug 7 : As the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) prepares for its upcoming monetary policy meeting, the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) on Friday called for a cautious approach, recommending that the RBI adopt a "wait and watch" stance rather than opting for an immediate rate cut. ASSOCHAM President Sanjay Nayar emphasised that while the central bank had already injected liquidity into the market through measures like a 25-basis-point rate cut during the last policy cycle, it is important to allow time for these measures to take effect. "The RBI has recently injected liquidity into the market through various measures, including a 25 basis points cut last time," he said. Nayar contended that the focus should be on assessing the impact of these steps on capital expenditure (capex) growth and consumer consumption before making any further decisions.

Muthoot Finance shares tumble over 14 pc after Q1 results

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Shares of Muthoot Finance plunged more than 14 per cent on Friday after the gold loan financier announced its June quarter (Q1 FY27) results. The stock opened 7.81 per cent lower at Rs 2,876 on the NSE and extended losses during the session, falling as much as 14.38 per cent to Rs 2,671 apiece by around



12:15 p.m. At the last count, the NBFC stock was trading over 8.5 per cent lower, underperforming the broader market. The decline came despite Muthoot Finance reporting a consolidated net profit of Rs 2,799 crore for the first quarter of FY27.

Institutional investments in Indian real estate up 31 pc at \$1.3 billion in Q1

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Institutional investments in India's real estate sector saw a strong start to 2025, with total inflows reaching \$1.3 billion in the first quarter, a new report said on Friday. This marks a 31 per cent increase compared to the same period last year, driven largely by domestic investors, according to the report by Colliers India.



Food businesses must stop using metallic pins, wires in food packaging immediately: FSSAI

New Delhi, Aug 7 : The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) on Friday directed food business operators (FBOs) to immediately discontinue the use of metallic pins, staple pins, wires or similar materials for sealing, fastening, securing or packaging food items, saying

such practices pose a serious risk to consumer safety. In an advisory issued to food businesses, the food regulator said it had come to its notice that metallic pins and wires are being used in decorative cakes as well as for fastening food packets, cake boxes, sweet boxes.

Hyundai, Kia's US sales up 5 pc in July on robust hybrid demand

Seoul, Aug 7 : Hyundai Motor Group said on Friday that its US sales rose 5 per cent from a year earlier in July, driven by robust demand for hybrid and sport utility vehicles. Hyundai Motor America sold 89,427 vehicles in the U.S. market last month, including 6,947 luxury Genesis models, up 3.7 percent

from a year earlier. The Tucson was Hyundai's bestselling model with 19,714 units, followed by the Elantra with 17,115 units and the Santa Fe with 13,373 units, reports Yonhap news agency. Kia America posted even stronger growth, with sales rising a solid 6.7 percent on-year to 75,857 vehicles in July. The Sportage remained Kia's top seller with 16,083 units, followed by the

K4 with 12,094 units and the Telluride with 11,816 units. Combined sales of eco-friendly vehicles by Hyundai Motor and Kia jumped 24.7 percent on-year to 50,937 units in July, accounting for 30.8 percent of their total U.S. sales. Meanwhile, Hyundai Motor and Kia sold more than 100,000 electric vehicles (EVs) in Europe in the first half of the year as the South Korean



automakers stepped up efforts to strengthen their presence in the region, the companies said. A total of 131,032 EVs were sold in Europe during the first six months of 2026, up a sharp 41.8 percent from 92,365 recorded in the previous half, according to Hyundai and Kia. Kia's EV3 compact sport utility vehicle (SUV) was the best-selling model with 27,121 units sold, followed by Hyundai's Inster subcompact SUV with 16,594 units and Kia's EV4 sedan with 14,502 units.

Ola Electric's revenue from operations drops 55 pc in Q3, losses up on-quarter

Mumbai, Aug 7 : Electric two-wheeler company Ola Electric on Friday reported 55.02 per cent decline in its revenue from operations (year-on-year) to Rs 470 crore in Q3 FY26, compared to Rs 1,045 crore in the same period last fiscal. The company's total revenue also saw a significant decline in the December quarter, falling 56.99 per cent year-on-year to Rs 504 crore, compared to Rs 1,172 crore in the same period last year. Ola

Electric continues to suffer losses. In the December quarter of FY26, the company reported a loss of Rs 487 crore, compared to Rs 564 crore in the same period last year. The company's losses increased quarter-on-quarter. The company had incurred a loss of Rs 418 crore in the September quarter. The company's expenses declined in the December quarter of FY26. The company's total expenses decreased by 50.76 per cent to Rs 741 crore in the October-December period, compared to Rs 1,505

crore in the same period last year. The significant reason for the decrease in expenses is the lower cost of materials used in production. Material costs in the December quarter of FY26 were Rs 223 crore, a 74 per cent decrease from Rs 867 crore spent in the December quarter of FY25. Ola Electric shares closed at Rs 30.9 on Friday, down 0.26 per cent. During the day, it hit a new 52-week low of Rs 30.41. The stock has delivered a negative return of 51.90 per cent over the past



year. Since the beginning of this year, the stock has fallen 17.59 per cent. Ola Electric, which has been facing difficulties, laid off employees last month. It stated that approximately 5 per cent of its employees will be affected as part of this ongoing structural change. The company further stated that it is focused on providing a superior customer experience and building a streamlined organization for long-term, profitable growth.

Hyundai Motor Group expands community initiatives as it completes 30 years in India

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Hyundai Motor Group on Friday marked 30 years of operations in India and announced expansion of its community initiatives such as healthcare, education, cultural and environmental programs across the country. The Group said it will scale activities delivered by its seven affiliated companies and the Happy Move program to broaden private-sector exchanges between India and South Korea, the company said in a release. It announced that Hyundai Mobis is implementing pond and lake restoration projects to improve water storage in water-scarce regions of Tamil Nadu. Hyundai Motor's 'Ecogram' program has established local waste recycling facilities and converts food waste into biogas for power generation. Through its global 'IONIQ Forest' social contribution program, Hyundai Motor has planted 1.1 million trees and developed parks in regions including Pune, Sriperumbudur and Gurgaon since 2021. The group mentioned ongoing efforts to integrate its 'Hyundai Hope for Cancer campaign' with the global 'Hyundai Hope on Wheels' initiative and establishment of the Hyundai Centre for Cancer Genomics at IIT Madras to advance cancer research.



Govt scraps charges on updating nominee details in PPF accounts

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced on Friday that the government has issued a Gazette Notification to bar financial institutions from levying any charges for modifying or updating nominee details in PPF (Public Provident Fund) accounts. "Recently it was informed that a fee was being levied by financial institutions for updat-

ing/modifying nominee details in PPF accounts. Necessary changes are now made in the Government Savings Promotion General Rules 2018 via Gazette Notification April 2, 2025, to remove any charges on the updation of nominees for PPF accounts," the Finance Minister posted on X along with a copy of the Gazette Notification. The Banking Amendment Bill 2025, passed recently, allows the



nomination of up to four persons for the payment of depositors' money, articles kept in safe custody and safety lockers, the Fi-

nance Minister said. A PPF account is a long-term, government-backed savings scheme offering tax-free returns and a secure way to accumulate wealth for those looking for safe investments.



Delhi couple killed after roof collapses in New Usmanpur; child survives

New Delhi, Aug 7 : A couple was killed after the roof of a ground-floor room collapsed at a house in H Block, Jai Prakash Nagar, under the New Usmanpur police station area in northeast Delhi on Friday night, officials reported on Friday, adding that their child survived the incident. According to officials and local residents, the roof caved in at around 9:30 p.m. However, the Delhi Fire Services received information about the incident at around 11:30 p.m., following which rescue teams rushed to the spot. The couple was pulled out from the debris and taken to a nearby hospital, where doctors declared

them dead. Their child escaped with life. Residents alleged that the building was in a dilapidated condition and had shown signs of structural weakness for some time. A neighbour, Sonu, said, "The condition of this house was very poor. The building was in a dangerous state. You can go further down the lane and see that the roofs of some other houses have also collapsed. I had advised them earlier to vacate the room because it was unsafe. I came to know about the incident this morning. I am their neighbour." Police and civic authorities have begun an investigation to ascertain the exact cause of the collapse. Officials are also expected to examine whether structural negligence or other safety violations contributed to the tragedy. The incident has once again highlighted concerns over the safety of ageing and poorly maintained.

Delhi: AAP, BJP spar over information boards outside meat shops

New Delhi, Aug 7 : The opposition AAP and the ruling BJP in Delhi were on Friday involved in a spat over 'information boards' outside meat shops. AAP spokesperson Priyanka Kakkar alleged that it was a campaign to "name and shame" poor meat sellers. The Delhi BJP countered by describing the AAP's claim as an attempt to appease a particular community. While Kakkar claimed that the attempt to put up nameplates outside meat shops was to harm the business of owners from backward classes and minorities, the Delhi BJP asked her to first ask their own party's Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann why the name of 'jhatka' or 'halal' meat are explicitly written on meat shops across Punjab along with the shops owner's name. Delhi BJP spokesperson Praveen Shankar Kapoor said that it is unfortunate that even after their crushing defeat in the Delhi elections, AAP leaders are not ready to respect the sentiments of the majority community.



"Instead, they are deliberately engaging in debates over meat and chicken during the sacred time of Navratri, trying to appease a particular section of the society," he said. The BJP spokesperson mentioned that Kakkar should first understand that the reason behind mentioning the type of meat sold at

meat shops is not untouchability, but to clarify the method of slaughter, as Muslim shopkeepers sell halal meat, which many Hindus and Sikhs do not consume. Kapoor wished that the leaders of a party governing a state like Punjab would have the knowledge that Sikhs.

Tamil Nadu leads India in organ donation: Minister KG Arun Raj

Coimbatore, Aug 7 : Tamil Nadu Minister K.G. Arun Raj on Friday said that the State continued to lead the country in deceased organ donation, accounting for nearly one-third of organ donations in India, while reiterating that the government would show no leniency towards hospitals or organisations involved in irregularities in the transplantation system. In a post on X following the "Life After Life" organ donor appreciation ceremony in Coimbatore, Arun Raj described the inauguration of a "Wall of Honour" dedicated to organ



donors as a deeply emotional experience. He said organ donors represented the highest form of humanity by giving others a chance to live even after their death.



'A family destroyed every 20 minutes': Congress flags rising road deaths in UP, seeks urgent action

Lucknow, Aug 7 : The Congress on Friday raised the issue of rising road accidents and fatalities in Uttar Pradesh, alleging that the state government's steps to improve road safety have been inadequate and largely symbolic. Participating in a discussion under Rule 56 in the Assembly, Congress Legislature Party leader Aradhana Mishra 'Mona' called for concrete and technology-driven interventions at identified accident-prone stretches, commonly referred to as "black spots". She said that in a state with a population exceeding 25 crore, where lakhs of people commute daily, Uttar Pradesh has emerged as a leader in road accidents. Citing data, she stated that speeding accounts for 56 per cent of accidents, 12 per cent of deaths occur due to wrong-side driving, and 8 per cent are linked to drunk driving. According to Mishra, around 45,000 road accidents take place annually in the state, resulting in over 24,000 deaths.

Nagaland varsity names its library after RSS founder Hedgewar

Kohima, Aug 7 : The International University in Nagaland's Dimapur has named its new library after Dr. Keshav Baliram Hedgewar, founder of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS). Nagaland Governor La Ganesan on Friday inaugurated the Dr. Keshav Baliram Hedgewar Central Library at International University, formerly, the Global Open University, Nagaland. The inauguration of the library with 75,000 books coincided with the eve of the 136th birth

anniversary of Dr. Keshav Baliram Hedgewar, who was born on April 1, 1889, in Nagpur. Addressing the function, the Governor emphasised the importance of libraries in fostering intellectual curiosity and lifelong learning. He lauded the establishment of the Central Library as a fitting tribute to Dr. Hedgewar's legacy, describing him as a towering figure in India's cultural and nationalist resurgence. "A well-equipped library serves as a center of learning and reflection, inspiring students and scholars to

delve into history, philosophy, science, and humanities while staying rooted in the ethos of our great civilisation," the Governor stated. Quoting Swami Vivekananda, he reiterated that education is the manifestation of perfection already within individuals and that libraries play a crucial role in nurturing this process. The Governor further highlighted the significance of integrating digital learning tools, online resources, and modern technology into the central library to cater to the evolving needs of students and researchers. He encouraged students



to use the library not just for academic excellence but for intellectual and personal growth, fostering a deeper understanding of values, nation-building, and innovation. The Governor congratulated International University, Dimapur, for this initiative and extended special appreciation to its founder and promoter, Dr. Priyaranjan Trivedi, for his

contributions, including authoring books on the aims, objectives, and achievements of RSS in both English and Hindi. He also commended the faculty, students, and administration for their dedicated efforts in making the vision of the Central Library a reality.

Chhattisgarh govt to extend power scheme up to 200 units: CM Sai

Raipur, Aug 7 : Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai said on Friday that the BJP-led state government will extend the "half electricity bill" scheme to cover up to 200 units of electricity consumption, a significant increase from the current 100-unit cap. Chief Minister Sai made this statement at the Assembly building where he had come to attend the special one-day session on "issues centered on the 25 years of parliamentary journey of the Chhattisgarh Legislative Assembly". "Chhattisgarh BJP wanted to make this special day historic, our government announced that consumers using up to 200-unit electricity will pay half of the total bill," he said during an interaction with the press at the Assembly premises. He added that the BJP-led state government is committed to

provide benefit of schemes of the Centre and the state to help the people of Chhattisgarh. Speaking on 25 years of foundation of the state, he also said, "Chhattisgarh has witnessed tremendous growth in the past 25 years. Our government is committed to ensure the growth of Chhattisgarh and its people." This expansion follows the earlier reduction of the limit from 400 to 100 units of electricity earlier in August this year, for

which CM Sai's government was facing criticism from the Congress. This 'half bill' scheme, which covers more than 45 lakh domestic electricity consumers in Chhattisgarh, was introduced during former CM Bhupesh Baghel-led Congress government in 2019. Chhattisgarh Congress President Deepak Bajj, while responding to Chief Minister Sai's statement.



Kolkata police to install advanced CCTV cameras for central lock-up surveillance

Kolkata, Aug 7 : In a move to strengthen security and monitor detainees, the Kolkata Police is planning to install 59 state-of-the-art CCTV cameras at the Central Lock-up in Lalbazar, the city police headquarters, at an estimated cost of around Rs 35 lakh, officials said on Friday. According to a senior police officer, the surveillance upgrade will include 54 dome cameras and 5 bullet cameras, which will be strategically placed inside lock-up rooms and along corridors to ensure comprehensive coverage of the facility. The Central Lock-up, which is under police surveillance, houses arrested persons brought in by various police units, including the Intelligence Department and the Enforcement Branch. While the facility is already

under police watch and equipped with CCTV in common areas, officials said additional monitoring has become necessary, particularly at night, when visibility is low and close observation of detainees is more challenging. These cameras will be pointed at the rooms where detainees are kept, apart from the corridors. Police teams have already inspected the lock-up premises and mapped locations where cameras can provide maximum coverage. The new surveillance system will be equipped with infrared technology, enabling recording even in complete darkness. Officials said dome cameras will have a range of up to 50 metres, while bullet cameras will cover up to 60 metres. Each camera will also feature audio-recording capability, allowing conversations and other sounds within range to be captured. Even in pitch darkness, the infrared



camera will take black-and-white pictures. The police have earmarked about Rs 8 lakh for procuring the cameras, while the remaining funds will be spent on monitors, cabling and related infrastructure. Officials said the enhanced surveillance system will help detect incidents such as altercations between detainees, attempts to escape, or other unlawful activities inside the lock-up. Any such movement or conversation.

South Korea and Italy agree to elevate their ties into special strategic partnership

Rome, Aug 7 : South Korean President Lee Jae Myung and Italian President Sergio Mattarella agreed Friday to elevate their countries' ties into a special strategic partnership, while exploring ways to expand cooperation in semiconductors, artificial intelligence (AI) and other strategic sectors. The two presidents reached the agreement during summit talks at the presidential Quirinal Palace in Rome, the

second stop on Lee's first visit to Europe since taking office a year earlier. "Today, the president (Mattarella) and I agreed to upgrade bilateral relations to a special strategic partnership, reflecting our determination to further develop bilateral ties," Lee said in a joint press announcement at the palace following the talks, Yonhap news agency reported. The president noted that a South Korea-Italy business roundtable, to be held here on Friday, involving around 30 companies from the

two countries, will explore opportunities for growth. Lee cited semiconductors, AI, defence manufacturing, aerospace, energy and biotechnology as areas in which the two countries could deepen cooperation. "Just like the trust built over 142 years, the landscape for cooperation (between the two countries) is expanding," Lee said, vowing to "open a new chapter in cooperation toward shared prosperity." South Korea and Italy established diplomatic ties in 1884. The presi-



dent also disclosed the countries' plan to sign memorandums of understanding (MOUs) on cooperation for small and medium-sized enterprises and social solidarity economy, saying they will serve as the foundation for closer cooperation. Mattarella said the two countries plan to implement joint action plans through 2030 under the newly established special strategic partnership. The two countries have begun new industrial cooperation, including in the advanced technology sector, the Italian president noted, stressing that they are deepening cooperation in trade, defense.



UK Armed Forces Minister Al Carns resigns over defence spending dispute

London, Aug 7 : UK Armed Forces Minister Al Carns has resigned from Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer's government, citing deep concerns over defence funding and military preparedness, in a move that further exposes divisions within the administration over national security spending. Carns' departure follows the resignation of former Defence Secretary John Healey, who had also clashed with the Prime Minister over the government's defence budget. Healey had argued that the level of military spending proposed by Starmer's government "falls well short" of what is needed to protect the country. Announcing his resignation on X, Carns said the government was failing to adequately support Britain's armed forces. "We owe those who serve the UK the kit to do the job and the loyalty to stand by them when it's done. We are failing on both," he wrote. "I've spent my whole time in government making that case. Number 10 will not listen, so I am resigning as Minister for the Armed Forces," he added.

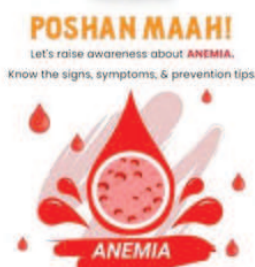


Two in critical condition after shooting, stabbing attack on Australia's Gold Coast

Sydney, Aug 7 : Police in Australia are searching for a man who allegedly shot one man and stabbed another, leaving both with life-threatening injuries. The police service in the state of Queensland said that a 30-year-old man fled the scene after allegedly shooting one neighbour and stabbing another during a dispute in the early hours of Friday morning, Xinhua news agency reported. Police said that emergency services responded to a disturbance at an address in Surfers Paradise -- 70 km southeast of Brisbane on Queensland's Gold Coast -- just before 2 a.m. local time. A 21-year-old man was found at the scene with a gunshot wound to his stomach and stab wounds to his back, and a 44-year-old male was found with stab wounds to his head, neck and leg. Both men were treated at the scene for life-threatening injuries before being taken to a nearby hospital in a critical but stable condition.

Centre doubles down on schemes to achieve 'Anaemia Mukt Bharat'

New Delhi, Aug 7 : In a bid to achieve 'Anaemia Mukt Bharat' (AMB), rice fortification initiative was scaled up in a phased manner, and by March 2026, all custom-milled rice has been replaced with fortified rice in every scheme, the government said on Friday. The number of laboratories notified by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) for fortified rice, fortified rice kernels and premix for fortified rice kernels are 57, 35 and 15, respectively, said Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare, Anupriya Patel, in a written reply in the Rajya Sabha. The government supplies fortified rice enriched with essential micronutrients through Targeted Public Distribution System.



South Korea, US launch joint underwater survey for Korean War aircraft wreckage

Seoul, Aug 7 : South Korea and the United States on Friday launched a joint underwater excavation project in waters off the country's eastern coast to find wreckage of US aircraft that went down during the 1950-53 Korean War, Seoul's defence ministry said. The project, which is scheduled to run through August 28, will take place in Gangneung and Yangyang in Gangwon Province, involving the ministry's Agency for KIA Recovery & Identification and the US Defence POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA). Some 40 people will be deployed for the project, including personnel from the South Korean Navy's First Fleet and the Air Force's 18th Fighter Wing, as well as US underwater planners and divers, according to the ministry. The search will begin in waters off Yangyang County, about 215 kilometres east of Seoul, to find the wreckage of a US F4U Corsair fighter aircraft. The fighter jet crashed while conducting an escort mission of another

damaged US attack aircraft in February 1952, leaving one pilot dead, records showed. The research team will then focus on retrieving the wreckage of US military transport aircraft, known as the Curtiss C-46 Commando, which went down in the Gangneung area, about 170 kilometres east of Seoul, in October and November 1952, on two separate occasions, reports Xinhua news agency.



Marine Le Pen banned from running for French Prez; far-right leaders slam decision

Paris, Aug 7 : Far-right leaders slammed the decision of the Paris court concerning Marine Le Pen, leader of National Rally, being banned from running in the 2027 presidential election. A Paris court on Friday ruled that Le Pen, who has been a three-time presidential candidate, will be barred from running in the next presidential race following her conviction for embezzlement of European Union funds.



South Sudan intensifies preventive measures after Marburg outbreak in Ethiopia

Juba, Aug 7 : South Sudan's government said it has stepped up vigilance along its borders following an outbreak of the Marburg virus in neighbouring Ethiopia. Minister of Health Sarah Cleto Rial said the government, together with the World Health Organization and other partners, has intensified surveillance, preparedness and response measures to prevent any importation and spread of the virus. "The Ministry of Health reassures the public that no confirmed cases have been reported in South Sudan," Cleto said on Friday evening during a press conference in Juba, the

capital of South Sudan. She urged citizens to remain calm and promptly report any suspected symptoms of the hemorrhagic disease to the nearest health facility. This development came after the Ethiopian government declared a Marburg virus outbreak on November 14 in the southern town of Jinka, near the border with South Sudan. The South Sudanese government has reactivated the Public Health Emergency Operation Centre (PHEOC) in the capital to strengthen surveillance, screening, risk assessment.



South Korean ruling party urges Constitutional Court to make swift ruling on Yoon's impeachment

Seoul, Aug 7 : The interim leader of the ruling People Power Party (PPP) on Friday called on the Constitutional Court to swiftly deliver its verdict on President Yoon Suk Yeol's impeachment. Rep. Kwon Young-se made the call as the court has continued its deliberation on Yoon's fate, 34 days after it wrapped up hearings. No date has been set on Yoon's impeachment ruling, Yonhap

news agency reported. "Acting court President Moon Hyung-bae should stop delaying any more time and issue a ruling promptly based on the decisions of each justice," Kwon said after a meeting of the PPP's emergency leadership committee. Yoon was impeached December 14 over his failed bid to impose martial law. It took 63 days for former President Roh Moo-hyun to be reinstated and 92 days for former President Park Geun-hye to be removed from of-

fice from the passage of their impeachment motions. With 107 days having passed since Yoon's impeachment, the court has yet to rule on the case. On April 18, the terms of two judges appointed by the previous administration will expire.



India, Fiji discuss ways to further strengthen bilateral cooperation

Suva, Aug 7 : India's High Commissioner to Fiji Suneet Mehta held a meeting with Fiji's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade Sakiasi Ditoka, discussing new avenues to further strengthen bilateral cooperation across priority sectors of mutual interest. "High Commissioner Suneet Mehta was honoured to call on the Minister for Fiji's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade Honourable Sakiasi Ditoka.

Piyush Goyal calls for doubling India-Uzbekistan bilateral trade in 3 years

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal on Friday invited businesses from India and Uzbekistan to co-invest, co-manufacture and co-innovate, while calling for concerted efforts to double bilateral trade between the two countries over the next three years. Addressing the India-Uzbekistan Business Forum here along with visiting Uzbek

Investment, Industry, and Trade Minister Laziz Kudratov, the minister said the strategic partnership between the two countries, founded on mutual trust, respect, and a shared vision for prosperity, offers tremendous opportunities for expanding trade, investment and economic cooperation. Goyal said India and Uzbekistan have an immense business potential that remains largely untapped. He observed that while bilateral

trade has crossed approximately \$1.5 billion, it represents only a fraction of what the two economies can achieve together. The minister said India offers Uzbekistan not only a large and growing market but also a reliable partner, a skilled and youthful workforce, and a platform for innovation-led growth. Referring to the recently concluded Bilateral Investment Treaty between India and Uzbekistan, he said the agree-

ment would enhance investor confidence and encourage businesses from both countries to invest in each other's economies and build long-term partnerships. Goyal identified several sectors with strong complementarities that offer significant scope for bilateral collaboration. He said Uzbekistan presents substantial opportunities for Indian investment in the mining sector. He also highlighted the



potential for cooperation in textiles, noting Uzbekistan's strength in cotton production and India's leadership in the textile industry, with opportunities

to jointly expand into garment manufacturing, design, and global markets. In the pharmaceutical and healthcare sectors.



Tripartite MoU to boost oil exploration along Assam-Nagaland border : CM Neiphiu Rio

New Delhi/Kohima, Aug 7 : Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio on Friday said that the tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed among the Centre, Assam and Nagaland would facilitate mineral oil exploration and production activities in the disputed belt along the Assam-Nagaland border while ensuring cooperation among all stakeholders. Addressing the NITI Aayog meeting with Chief Ministers of the eight Northeastern states in New Delhi, the Chief Minister also expressed optimism that the initiative would unlock economic opportunities and contribute to the country's energy security. He further stated that efforts are underway for the resumption of petroleum and natural gas exploration and production activities in Nagaland. In the presence of Union Home Minister Amit Shah, the tripartite

MoU was signed in New Delhi on Friday to facilitate mineral oil operations in the Assam-Nagaland boundary areas. The Home Minister had stated that the agreement would open up significant opportunities for oil and natural gas exploration as well as mineral mining, while removing a major hurdle in realising PM Modi's vision of a prosperous and economically vibrant Northeast. The Chief Minister, at Friday's NITI Aayog meeting, highlighted the state's key development priorities and sought continued support from the Government of India and NITI Aayog. Expressing gratitude to NITI Aayog for its continued support towards Nagaland's development initiatives, Rio acknowledged the institution's contribution to advancing the Sustainable Development Goals.

Tripura govt provides jobs to 18 kin of political violence victims: Minister

Agartala, Aug 7 : Tripura Power and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Ratan Lal Nath on Friday reiterated the state government's commitment to supporting families affected by political violence, stating that government jobs are being provided to eligible family members of those killed in such incidents. Nath said a large number of political killings had taken place in the state before the formation of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)-led government in 2018. Citing available records, he told the media at the Civil Secretariat that between 1993 and 2017, as many as 15,589 murders were reported in Tripura, of which several hundred were linked to po-

litical violence. The minister said that after assuming office, the BJP-led government decided to provide government employment to one eligible family member of each victim of political violence under a dedicated rehabilitation scheme. "Accordingly, the 'Scheme for Providing Employment to Members of the Family of Persons Killed in Political Violence' was notified on December 23, 2020. Initially, the scheme covered families of persons killed in political violence up to March 9, 2018," Nath said. He informed that the state Cabinet, under the leadership of Chief Minister Manik Saha, later approved an amendment to the scheme by removing the condition



restricting eligibility to cases occurring before March 9, 2018, thereby widening its scope. Explaining the process for granting employment under the scheme, Nath said a detailed verification mechanism has been put in place to establish whether a death was the result of political violence. Police reports, official records and other relevant inquiries are examined to ascertain the nature of the incident and deter-

mine whether an eligible family member is available for appointment. "To ensure transparency and fairness, a scrutiny committee has been constituted under my chairmanship. The committee includes the Secretary of the Law Department, the Director of the Information and Cultural Affairs Department, an Inspector General of Police and a representative of the Home Department," he said. According to the minister, the government has so far received 38 petitions seeking benefits under the scheme. Of these, 18 eligible family members have already been provided government jobs, while 11 additional cases have been recommended for employment.

Samrat Choudhary flags off run in Patna to support Nari Shakti Vandan Act

Patna, Aug 7 : Bihar Chief Minister, Samrat Choudhary, on Friday flagged off a "fun run" in Patna in support of the Nari Shakti Vandan Act, as discussions around the legislation continued in the Lok Sabha. The event, organised to demonstrate public support for women's empowerment, saw participants run from Digha roundabout to JP Setu. The Chief Minister inaugurated the run by waving the green flag and addressing the gathering, emphasising the importance of women's dignity, safety, and active participation in governance. Speaking on the occasion, Samrat Choudhary highlighted that the legislation aims to provide 33 per cent reservation for women in the Lok Sabha and State Assemblies, a move championed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He also credited



former Chief Minister Nitish Kumar for earlier initiatives in Bihar that expanded rights and representation for women. The Chief Minister noted that the enthusiastic participation of women in the event reflected growing support for the law and the broader goal of strengthening "Nari Shakti (women's power)" in public life. Although the Women's Reservation Bill was passed by both Houses of Parliament in 2023 and

received assent from President Droupadi Murmu, its implementation has been made contingent upon the completion of the next Census and the delimitation exercise. This requirement stems from the need to redraw parliamentary constituencies and reserve seats for women accordingly, ensuring fair and updated representation based on population data.



Liquor company owners to face fines if consignments seized : Bihar Minister

Patna, Aug 7 : Madan Sahani, the Minister for Prohibition in the Bihar government, on Friday announced that the state government is preparing to further tighten the liquor prohibition law. Sahani, who reached Darbhanga for an event, reiterated that there is no proposal under consideration to repeal the prohibition policy in Bihar. Speaking to the media after attending an event, Sahani said the liquor ban law is being made more stringent and informed that a recent review meeting on prohibition was held in Patna, during which strict instructions were issued to officials.

Disagreements should be answered with words, not knives or slippers: Congress leaders condemn attack on Pappu Yadav

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Congress leaders on Friday condemned the alleged attack on Purnia MP Pappu Yadav during a press conference, calling it an assault on democratic values and freedom of expression. They said disagreements over political views should be addressed through debate and dialogue rather than violence. Reacting to the incident, Congress MP Pramod Tiwari said, "Freedom of expression is the most valuable gift of democracy. Everyone may not agree with Pappu Yadav's views, but his opinions deserve to be heard. He is a six-time Member of Parliament. If he was

saying something during a skit at Parliament, the response cannot be through knives, slippers, or abuses. His statements should be answered with words, and arguments should be countered with logic." Congress MP Sukhdeo Bhagat also condemned the incident, saying such actions have no place in a democratic system. "This is not good for democracy anywhere. If someone is speaking and you disagree with them, reacting in such a manner is unacceptable, and I strongly condemn it. This is an attack on freedom of expression.



CM Yogi urges citizens to make Shravan month symbol of cleanliness, water conservation

New Delhi, Aug 7 : Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has called upon the people of the state to dedicate the holy month of Shravan to service, cleanliness, water conservation, environmental protection and social harmony, saying the sacred period reflects the ideals of public welfare, respect for labour and collective responsibility. In a letter addressed to the people of Uttar Pradesh, the Chief Minister highlighted the spiritual, cultural and ecological signifi-

cance of Shravan, linking the worship of Lord Shiva with environmental awareness and sustainable living. Addressing citizens, CM Yogi wrote, "My respected people of the state, the month of Shravan is a sacred festival of public welfare, respect for labour and collective spirit. Nature conveys the message of renewal, while the hard work of our farmers begins to bear fruit in the form of lush prosperity. In Sanatan culture, this renewal of nature, through the worship of Lord Shiva, guides humanity towards discipline, service and social harmony." Refer-



ring to the legend of Samudra Manthan, he said Lord Shiva's act of consuming the deadly poison symbolises the highest sacrifice for protecting creation. "During the churning of the ocean, Lord Shiva's acceptance of the deadly poison symbolised the supreme sacrifice made for the protection of creation. The tradition of offering water to Lord Shiva is an expression of that spirit of sacrifice,

gratitude and public welfare. Lord Mahadev himself is the deity of ecological consciousness. The Ganga flowing through his matted locks, the moon adorning his forehead, the serpent around his neck, Nandi and his attendants all remind us of the message of harmonious coexistence with nature," he wrote. The Chief Minister also described Shravan as a season that brings renewed energy across villages and cities alike. He wrote that after the scorching heat of the summer months, the gentle monsoon showers transform the landscape with greenery, rivers flow in their full splendour, and peacocks dance in celebration of nature.

UFC joins US diplomacy push under Rubio

Washington, Aug 7 : The United States signed an agreement with the Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC), bringing the world's largest mixed martial arts organisation into Washington's expanding sports diplomacy efforts as the Trump administration seeks to strengthen America's global outreach through popular culture. Secretary of State Marco Rubio signed the memorandum of understanding with UFC executives at the State Department, describing the organisation as an example of

American entrepreneurship and a platform capable of connecting people across borders. "It truly is the United Nations of fighting," Rubio said, citing the diverse nationalities represented among UFC fighters and champions. The agreement adds UFC to a growing portfolio of sports partnerships being pursued by the State Department. Officials said the initiative is intended to use the global appeal of sports to foster international engagement and people-to-people connections. Under Secretary for Public Diplomacy Darren Beattie Rogers said sports often create common

ground even when governments disagree on other issues. "Sports are something we all agree on," Rogers said. He described UFC as "tailor-made for diplomacy" because it brings together athletes trained in different martial traditions from around the world. Lawrence Epstein, UFC's chief operating officer, said the organisation currently stages 43 events annually, including about 17 or 18 outside the United States. "We have fighters from in excess of 75 countries," Epstein said. "We truly are a global sport and a global brand." Rubio said the rise



of UFC reflected what he called the American tradition of pursuing ideas once considered impossible. "You have one of the most recognizable American sports brands on the planet," he said, praising the organisation's transformation into a global enterprise. The Secretary of State also highlighted the sport's international following, saying world leaders regularly express interest in attending UFC events.



China outpacing US in biotech race: Report

Washington, Aug 7 : China is moving aggressively to dominate biotechnology and is already implementing many of the policies recommended by a US national security commission, raising concerns that Washington could lose its long-held leadership in a sector increasingly seen as critical to economic and military power. A new analysis released on Friday by the National Security Commission on Emerging Biotechnology (NSCEB) said the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) is advancing biotechnology across five key areas identified in the commission's April 2025 action plan: national strategy, regulation, infrastructure, investment and data. The report argues that Beijing is moving faster than Washington in translating biotechnology ambitions into government policy and industrial capacity. "China's biotech strategy is clear, and it's a playbook we have seen before—corner the market, scale the technology, and then strangle supply chains to gain strategic advantages."



Pakistan suffering from consequences of ruling elite that considered militancy as asset: Report

London, Aug 7 : Pakistan is not only suffering from militancy but also suffering from the consequences of a ruling elite that considered militancy as a strategic asset, governance as an inconvenience and accountability as a foreign concept, a report has stated. "Every collapsing regime needs an external villain. Pakistan's establishment has turned this into a reflex. Kabul did it. New Delhi did it. Foreign agencies did it. Invisible hands did it. The only entity permanently exempt from suspicion is the one that has dominated Pakistan's political life for most of its history: the military establishment itself," Junaid S Ahmad wrote in an opinion piece in London-based Middle East Monitor. "Pakistan is not merely suffer-

ing from militancy. It is suffering from the consequences of a ruling elite that treated militancy as a strategic asset, governance as an inconvenience, and accountability as a foreign concept. For decades, the generals cultivated violence as leverage," he added. Militants were categorised as "good", "bad", manageable and useful and proxy warfare was justified as strategic depth. Extremism was administered and not confronted. When bomb blasts occur in Balochistan or suicide attacks take place in Islamabad, Pakistan's official statement assembles with almost comic efficiency, which involves cross-border infiltration, hostile neighbours and foreign funding.



Teenage boy killed in stolen car crash north of Sydney

Sydney, Aug 7 : One teenage boy has died, and three others have been hospitalised under police guard after an alleged stolen vehicle they were travelling in crashed north of Sydney on Friday morning. According to police, the vehicle left the road and crashed into a field 110 km north of Sydney around 3 a.m. local time on Friday. Emergency services attended and treated a 13-year-old boy, but he could not be revived and died at the scene. A second boy, aged 14, was arrested at the scene and taken to hospital with leg injuries, reports Xinhua news agency. Two other people believed to

have also been travelling in the vehicle left the scene prior to the arrival of police. A crime scene was established and an 18-year-old and a second 14-year-old were arrested following inquiries and taken to hospital under police guard. Police said that the vehicle had been allegedly stolen from a nearby town either late on Sunday night or early on Friday morning and called for anyone with information about the incident to contact investigators. Meanwhile, in a separate incident, a man was shot during an invasion of his home in western Sydney on Sunday night. He has been hospitalised, officials said. A police statement on Monday said that officers were called to reports of a shooting in the western Sydney suburb of South Wentworthville around 9:10 p.m. on Sunday. Officers were told that two males wearing head coverings had entered a property and shot a resident before leaving the scene.



Australia to import 250,000 tonnes of fertiliser urea from Indonesia

Canberra, Aug 7 : Australia will import 250,000 tonnes of fertiliser urea from Indonesia under a deal announced by Prime Minister Anthony Albanese on Friday. Albanese said in a joint statement with Foreign Affairs Minister Penny Wong and Minister for Agriculture Julie Collins that the deal between Australian supplier Incitec Pivot Fertilisers and manufacturer PT Pupuk Indonesia will supply 20 per cent of Australia's fertiliser needs for the current season. "This is a significant outcome for our farmers. We understand how critical fertiliser is for Australian farmers, for our food production system and the food security of our region," he said. It comes after Collins on Thursday announced that Australia would streamline the import process for fertilisers to mitigate supply issues caused by the conflict in the Middle East.



US says it controls Gulf shipping lanes

Washington, Aug 7 : The US on Friday asserted that it controls maritime traffic in and out of the Strait of Hormuz, dismissing Iranian claims of dominance over the strategic waterway as tensions remain high despite a fragile ceasefire. Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth said Iran lacked the naval capability and situational awareness to control shipping routes, accusing it of resorting to threats against commercial vessels. "You'd like to say publicly, Iran, that you control the Strait of Hormuz, but you don't have a Navy or real domain awareness," he added. He said that any attempt to target civilian shipping would amount to criminal activity.

Pakistan govt orders to nab, deport Afghan refugees as deadline ends

Islamabad, Aug 7 : Pakistan law enforcement agencies have been ordered to arrest and deport thousands of Afghan refugees as the government's deadline for Afghan Citizen Card (ACC) holders to leave the country ends on Friday, local media

reported. The authorities, particularly in Islamabad and Rawalpindi, ordered the prompt evacuation of all the Afghan refugees. The Rawalpindi police chief has directed the superintendents of the Rawal, Potohar, and Saddar divisions to take legal action against

Afghan nationals residing or working in the district, according to a report in Pakistan's leading daily, Dawn. "We have received directions that all Afghan nationals holding ACC cards must be expelled from Rawalpindi and Islamabad," a police official told Dawn.



South Korea's FM calls nuclear-free Korean Peninsula 'imperative', never to be abandoned

Seoul, Aug 7 : South Korea's Foreign Minister Cho Hyun said on Friday a Korean Peninsula without nuclear weapons is an "imperative" that should not be abandoned, committing to ensure the peninsula does not become a flashpoint of armed conflict. Cho made the remarks in his

keynote speech to the Seoul Diplomacy Forum 2025, hosted by the Korea National Diplomatic Academy. The speech was read out by Youn Jong-kwon, Ambassador for international cyberaffairs, as the minister is currently on an overseas trip. "Korea's top priority on the security front is to prevent war and

ensure that the Korean Peninsula does not become a flashpoint of armed conflict," Cho said, calling a "nuclear-free" Korean Peninsula an "imperative we must never abandon," Yonhap News Agency reported. The minister referred to the government's goal of the phased denuclearization of the peninsula -- first stopping North



Korea's nuclear arsenals, then reducing and ultimately dismantling them. Seoul will solidify its defense capabilities against North Korean threats, but such measures should also be "accompanied by efforts to prevent inadvertent conflicts,

deescalate tensions and restore dialogue with Pyongyang," he said. Now, South Korea faces "ever more complex strategic calculations," Cho noted, citing increasing geopolitical and geoeconomic competition, and growing nuclear and missile threats from North Korea. "The quest for peaceful coexistence should not be limited to the Korean Peninsula, but we must seek to prevent the hardening of confrontational blocs in our region as well."



Nissanka, Chamari bag top honors at SLC awards

Colombo, Aug 7 : Pathum Nissanka and Chamari Athapaththu stole the spotlight at the Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) Awards by bagging the prestigious men's and women's Cricketer of the Year awards, respectively, for their exceptional performances in 2025. The awards ceremony celebrated achievements across Test, ODI, and T20I formats; recognised contributions in domestic cricket; and bestowed Lifetime Achievement Awards upon four stalwarts of the game in the island nation. Nissanka earned the top men's

honour after compiling a prolific 1,414 runs across formats at an average of 40.40 in 2025. His stellar year included 388 runs in five Test innings, 401 runs in 12 ODIs, and 625 runs in 18 T20Is at a strike rate of 149.16. He also took home the Best Batter award for both Tests and T20Is, while Charith Asalanka was named the Best ODI Batter for his 494 runs.

England's FIFA WC player Ivan Toney charged with assault after nightclub incident

London, Aug 7 : England's FIFA WC 2026 player Ivan Toney has been charged with assault causing actual bodily harm following an alleged incident at a London nightclub last year, the Metropolitan Police confirmed on Friday. The 30-year-old striker, who currently plays for Saudi Pro League side Al-Ahli, is accused of involvement in an incident that allegedly took place at a nightclub on Wardour Street in Soho on December 6, 2025, according to The BBC. According to the Metropolitan Police, officers investigated the matter after receiving reports of an assault at the central London venue. Following the investigation, Toney was formally charged on July 31 and is scheduled to appear before Westminster Magistrates' Court on September 24. "A man has been charged with assault following a Met investigation. Ivan Toney, 30, of Northampton, was charged on Thursday, 31 July with assault causing actual bodily harm," Police said in a statement.



Anmol Ekka to lead men's squad at AHF Junior Asia Cup 2026

New Delhi, Aug 7: Hockey India on Friday unveiled the junior Indian men's team for the AHF Junior Asia Cup 2026, naming an 18-member squad along with two alternate players for the tournament to be held in Moqi, China, from August 30 to September 13. Captained by defender Anmol Ekka, the squad is currently training at the Sports Authority of India centre in Bengaluru under the guidance of newly appointed

coach Frederic Soye. As part of their build-up to the tournament, the team recently completed a productive exposure tour of Belgium, where they competed against strong international opposition. The tour offered the players valuable match experience and key takeaways, enabling the squad to assess their progress, refine their combinations and further strengthen their preparations ahead of the AHF Junior Asia Cup.

The team is gaining further competitive exposure through friendly matches against the Malaysian U-21 team at the SAI centre in Bengaluru. Speaking on the squad selection, coach Soye said, "We are pleased with the balance and depth of the squad selected for the Junior Asia Cup. The players have worked hard over the past few months, showing commitment, discipline and a strong desire to improve.

Relishing fresh chance to revive Test career against Pakistan: Ollie Pope

London, Aug 7 : England batter Ollie Pope has admitted his return to the Test squad for the first two games against Pakistan came as a surprise, but at the same time, he is determined to make the most of another opportunity to re-establish himself in the red-ball setup. Pope earned a recall nine months after being dropped during the Ashes where he averaged just 20.83 across six innings in Australia before being replaced by Jacob Bethell. A strong County Championship campaign and a shift in England's leadership group have now brought him back into the fold. "I understand the change (in the team at the start of the summer). I understand everything that they've done over time. And, I guess, whatever they've changed over the last year or so, the main thing is whatever they think the best team is now. The fact that I'm in the frame for that is a massive positive. "It's obviously great having their confi-



dence to pick me ... I'm just focusing on making sure my game's as ready as it can be. And if I do get a go in this series, making sure I've smoothed out the technique, and got my head in the right spot," Pope was quoted as saying by Cricinfo on Friday. Pope has earned 64 caps and scored 3,732 runs in Test cricket prior to his omission from the set-up. With Jordan Cox slated to bat at number three against Pakistan and Dan Lawrence set to bat at number six, Pope returns as a versatile option capable of batting anywhere in the middle order while offering backup wicketkeeping cover.



Chess: Praggnanandhaa clinches St.Louis Rapid and blitz title

St. Louis, Aug 7 : Indian grandmaster R. Praggnanandhaa has clinched the Grand Chess Tour St. Louis Rapid and Blitz title with a round to spare. A draw between Praggnanandhaa and Javokhir Sindarov in their final head-to-head secured the title for the Indian Grand Master. The 20-year-old India secured the championship after finishing with 23 points out of a possible 35. Sindarov claimed second place with 22 points after a fantastic tournament, while Wesley So finished third on 20.5. Levon Aronian took fourth with 19, and Fabiano Caruana, Leinier Dominguez, and Jorden van Foreest shared fifth place on 17. He earned USD 50,000 and 13 Grand Chess Tour points for winning outright, avoiding a playoff. The result moved Praggnanandhaa into second place in the Grand Chess Tour standings ahead of the Sinquefeld Cup. Fabiano keeps leading the overall Grand Chess Tour standings. Praggnanandhaa maintained the lead throughout the five-day event, while Sindarov mounted a strong challenge in the final stages but fell short, finishing runner-up with a 1.5-point deficit.

Marsh, Short to join SA20 only after completing BBL 16 commitments: CA

Melbourne, Aug 7 : Cricket Australia (CA) has confirmed that Australia's men's T20I captain Mitchell Marsh and batting all-rounder Matthew Short will be granted No Objection Certificates (NOCs) to participate in the SA20 only after completing their respective Big Bash League (BBL) commitments.



Pranavi, Aditi make solid start at London Championship

London, Aug 7 : Pranavi Urs and Aditi Ashok made encouraging starts at the London Championship, carding identical rounds of 2-under 71 to stay within striking distance of the leaders after the opening round at the par-73 Centurion Club. The Indian duo was tied four shots behind Canada's Anna Huang, who fired a superb 6-under 67 to take the first-round lead. Pranavi, backed by Hero, enjoyed a brisk start after teeing off from the 10th, reaching 2-under through her opening four holes before giving those shots back. After five successive pars, she finished strongly with three birdies and one bogey over her last six holes to sign for a 71.

Sabalenka, Pegula prevail in Rd-of-16; Eala-Williams bow out in doubles opener

Sabalenka, Aug 7 : World No. 1 Aryna Sabalenka earned a straight-sets win, 6-3, 6-4, over Shuai Zhang to advance to the round of 16 of the Canadian Open. With the win, Sabalenka improved to 25-1 on hard courts this season, becoming the fastest player to reach 25 hard-court wins in a season since Serena Williams in 2016. She's also now 5-1 against Zhang at the WTA Tour level, winning their last five meetings – all in straight sets. While the World No. 1 never appeared in real danger of an upset, Zhang kept her under pressure throughout. Sabalenka even stared down a break point in the final game before wiping it away and taking the last three points to close out the win in straight sets, WTA reports. Sabalenka faces No. 16 seed Ekaterina Alexandrova next. She holds a narrow 5-4 edge in their head-to-head.

