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Governor to launch 35,000-sapling cashew plantation drive today

Hyderabad, Oct 5 : Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla will visit Medak district on Tuesday and launch what has been described as the first-of-its-kind initiative in the country to plant 35,000 cashew saplings along a national highway. The plantation drive, being taken up under the aegis of Medak MP Madhavaneni Raghunandan Rao, will cover the stretch of NH-765DG between Ramayampet and Siddipet. The initiative seeks to make productive use of available land along the national highway while enhancing green cover and promoting environmental sustainability. The Governor will formally launch the plantation programme at 3.30 p.m. near the Swami Vivekananda statue, close to Amogh Hotel in Ramayampet, and participate in the programme until 4.30 p.m. As part of his visit to Medak district, the Governor will arrive at the Integrated District Offices Complex (IDOC) at 2.30 p.m.





Kavitha seeks 35% profit share, jobs & welfare measures for singareni workers

Hyderabad, Oct 5 : Telangana Rakshana Sena (TRS) president Kalvakuntla Kavitha on Monday demanded that the State government and Singareni Collieries Company Limited resolve the long-pending issues of coal mine workers, including payment of a 35 per cent share in company profits.

Kavitha led party activists in an attempt to lay siege to Singareni Bhavan in Hyderabad as part of a protest demanding better welfare measures and employment opportunities for workers and their dependants.



Telangana CEO warns of legal action against fake voter form filings

Hyderabad, Oct 5 : Telangana Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) C. Sudharsan Reddy on Monday issued a stern warning against making false declarations during the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, cautioning that violators face prosecution under election laws. The warning applies to filings across Forms 6, 6A, 7, and 8, with poll authorities placing particular focus on a surge in bulk applications submitted under Form 7, which deals with objections to voter inclusions or requests for deletion.



No politics at the Rayalaseema development meeting : Pawan Kalyan

AP Deputy CM Pawan Kalyan made notable remarks in Proddatur. He criticized the YCP regime for failing to complete any projects and noted that central funds were not utilized effectively during the previous government's tenure. He highlighted that the Jal Jeevan Mission scheme has been extended under the alliance government.

Ready for a debate on Kadapa's development... CM Chandrababu challenges the 'Axe Party' chief

Kadapa, Oct 5: Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu stated that the state had suffered devastation under the 'Axe Party's' (Goddali Party) rule and that they had promised before the elections to rectify this damage. Touring the district on Monday, the Chief Minister and Deputy Chief Minister Pawan launched the 'Jal Jeevan Mission 2.0 – Amarajeevi Jaladhara' works. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister mentioned that 'Palle Panduga 3.0' has been undertaken with the aim of developing basic infrastructure in villages.

He stated that the horticulture hub in Madanapalle is set to transform the future of the Rayalaseema region. He affirmed that the government bears the responsibility of providing housing for everyone in the state. He announced plans to enhance the skills of every employee through the 'Karmayogi' initiative. He also mentioned that technology would be taken to the next level through Pan-IIT and that the Pan-IIT Council would be established in Amaravati. The Chief Minister challenged the leader of the 'Axe Party' to a debate on the development of Kadapa. He pointed out that the Uttar Pradesh government had secured 1 lakh crore from the Centre, while Assam—a state smaller than Andhra Pradesh—had received 34,000 crore. He lashed out at the previous administration, noting that it had secured only 2,016 crore and characterizing it as the very embodiment of negligence. He also expressed his desire to see the interlinking of the Godavari and Cauvery rivers.

He stated that 2,000 TMC of water flowed into the sea even during times of drought. He noted that the interlinking of rivers would resolve irrigation water woes for four states. Chandrababu stated that fingers are being pointed at the chief of the 'Axe Party' as the ultimate beneficiary of the liquor scam. He challenged them, asking if they had the courage to provide an answer. He lashed out at them for committing crimes while leveling allegations against others, remarking that conspiracy is the very ideology of the 'Axe Party.'

He noted that the facts regarding the Viveka murder case have come to light and asserted that the truth would be extracted in the matter.



New power substation at Rambilli SEZ... improved power supply to industries.

Anakapalli District, Oct 5: State Energy Minister Gottipati Ravi Kumar inaugurated a newly constructed electrical substation within the Rambilli SEZ limits on Monday. This 220/132/33 kV Gas-Insulated Substation (GIS) was built to supply electricity to companies located within the Atchutapuram SEZ. Speaking on the occasion, Minister Gottipati stated that the alliance government is creating opportunities for new industries. They criticized the previous government for neglecting electricity substations for industries.

Minister Gottipati Ravi Kumar stated that electricity substations, which had been neglected under the previous government, have been restored following the directives of Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu. AP RDC Chairman Pragada Nageswara Rao, MLA Sundarapu Vijay Kumar, and Collector Vijay Krishnan attended the event.





India, Switzerland believe reforms in global institutions essential for addressing challenges : PM Modi

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Monday that India and Switzerland believe in democratic values, rule of law, dialogue and diplomacy and both nations will continue to work together for global peace and stability.

Addressing a joint press meet with Swiss President Guy Parmelin after their talks at Hyderabad House in New Delhi on Monday, PM Modi said India and Switzerland believe reforms in global institutions are essential to address growing global challenges.

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Union Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat invited to Vijayawada Dasara celebrations

Vijayawada, Oct 5 : Union Minister for Tourism and Culture Gajendra Singh Shekhawat has been invited to the grand Dasara Navaratri celebrations and 'Vijayawada Utsav 2.0' in Vijayawada. Satya Kumar Yadav (State Health Minister and In-charge Minister for NTR District), along with MPs Kesineni Chinni and Harish Balayogi, met the Union Minister to extend the invitation for the festivities.

UP CM urges teachers to stand up against forces attempting to 'divide India'

Lucknow, Oct 5 : Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Monday urged teachers to take over the responsibility of standing up against those forces who are "attempting to divide the society" and "jeopardise" the nation's independence.

The Chief Minister made the remarks while addressing the 'Prantiya Shikshak Garima Sammelan', organised as part of centenary celebrations of the 'Akhil Vishva Gayatri Parivar', at Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia National Law University in Lucknow.

The event commenced with the chanting of the 'Gayatri Mantra', and CM Adityanath inaugurated the workshop by lighting a ceremonial lamp.

Paying tribute to Pandit Shriram Sharma and Mata Bhagwati Devi, the founders of the Gayatri Pariwar, the UP CM said that the organization had set an "ideal example of social unity" by bringing people together.

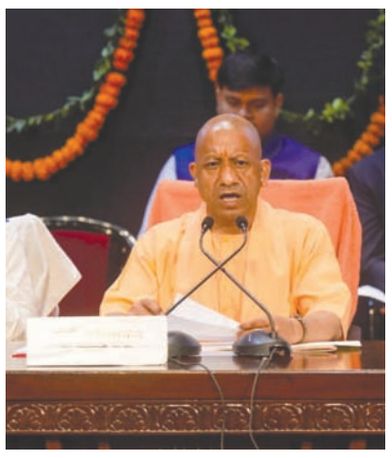
He noted that the Gita Press was established in 1923, the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) in 1925, and the 'Akhil Vishva Gayatri Parivar' in 1926. "Although their paths differed, all three worked towards awakening public consciousness and connecting society with 'Sanatan' values and the essence of 'Bharatiyata' (Indianness)," he said.

CM Adityanath stated that Pt. Shriram Sharma Acharya is "one of those great souls who connected religion with science".

Emphasising on the importance of 'Gayatri mantra', he said: "If Pandit Shriram Sharma wanted he could have kept a different name for the organisation, but he chose not to name it after an individual. Organisations named after a person often collapse, whereas when named after an ideology, it endures a long journey. The 100-years-long dedicated service (of the Gayatri Parivar) is a proof of this."

The Chief Minister said that it is important to connect the thought of 'Vasudev Kutumbakam' with today's time.

Describing teachers as the conscience of society and the architects of the era, the Chief Minister stated that if teachers remain vigilant and discharge their duties with integrity, it will not take long for India to become a 'Vishwa



Guru' (world leader). "India's 'Acharya' and 'Gurukul' traditions gave rise to universities like Takshashila and Nalanda. It was this very tradition that produced the likes of Chanakya and Chandragupta, Maharshi Vashishtha and Shri Ram, and Maharshi Sandipani, Lord Krishna and Sudama," he said while urging for the revival of the tradition.

Noting the participation of over 11 lakh students in the 'Bharatiya Sanskriti Gyan Pariksha', he said, "By providing the younger generation with proper guidance and making them competitive, today's youth will become the architects of India's destiny."

Questioning what kind of India do the citizens aspire to see, CM Adityanath asked, "Do you wish to see an India which is fragmented, divided on the basis of caste? Because if we wish to see this kind of a country, it would be disrespect to our ancestors."

"Prime Minister Narendra Modi has always advocated about 'Ek Bharat Shresth Bharat', we all have to work together for achieving that India," he said while adding that "certain divisive forces" were opposed to India's independence during its freedom struggle and were indulged in the "sin" of dividing the society.



History-sheeter stabbed to death by friend after quarrel in Odisha's Ganjam

Bhubaneswar, Oct 5 : A 28-year-old history-sheeter was killed by his friend by slitting his throat following a quarrel allegedly over extortion and other issues at Nimakhandi village on the outskirts of Brahmapur in Odisha's Ganjam district during early morning hours on Monday.The deceased was identified as Tuna Nayak, while the accused, Raghav Sahu (28), a resident of the same village, has been arrested by police.

Congress-NDA row over video clip of interruption to FM Sitharaman's speech in Andhra Pradesh

Amaravati, Oct 5 : A political row broke out between Congress and NDA on Monday after a clip of brief interruption to the Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman's speech at Madanapalle on October 2 and Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu's intervention to calm the crowd went viral on social media.

A user on social media platform X posted the clip of 30-second interruption to Finance Minister Sitharaman's speech with the claim that the crowd was demanding jobs and Congress leader Jairam Ramesh reposted the same with his remark that it reflects the public anger.

Nirmala Sitharaman, Chandrababu Naidu and other Telugu Desam Party (TDP) leaders were quick to counter Jairam Ramesh and claimed that it was the "overwhelming and enthusiastic response" of the party workers.

The Union Finance Minister was speaking at the launch of the Global Horticulture Hub at Madanapalle in Annamayya district when a section of the audience began shouting.



Speaking in Telugu, Sitharaman appealed to them to listen her for a minute.

When the crowd continued shouting, she stepped aside.

At this stage, CM Chandrababu Naidu took the mike and told the crowd that Sitharaman's message at programme that would change Rayalaseema farmers' lives was important.

Army's elite Counter Insurgency and Jungle Warfare School conducts training for NCC cadets in Mizoram

Aizawl, Oct 5 : The Counter Insurgency and Jungle Warfare School (CIJWS) at Vairengte in Mizoram conducted an intensive training programme for 83 NCC cadets, providing the young boys and girls an opportunity to undergo training in the professional environment of one of the Indian Army's premier training institutions, officials said on Monday.

The CIJWS is an elite Indian Army training and research establishment specialising in counter-insurgency and counter-terrorism operations. It is regarded as one of the world's premier institutions for such training, with military personnel from several countries undergoing specialised counter-insurgency and counter-terrorism training at the school.

A defence spokesman said that the two-week programme (September 21 to October 4) was conceived to take the cadets beyond routine NCC training and expose them to the discipline, physical standards, field skills and team spirit of military life.

The cadets underwent drill, physical training, firing, map reading, fieldcraft, survival training, first aid and team-building activities, while also receiving an introduction to jungle warfare, weapons, equipment and night-vision devices.





Delhi Police acts swiftly on complaint of unwanted approaches in DU north campus

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Delhi Police on Monday responded with speed and sensitivity to a complaint lodged by female students regarding unwanted approaches by a man in the Delhi University North Campus area, reinforcing the force's commitment to ensuring a safe environment for students. According to an official update shared by Delhi Police, the students reported that a man had been making unwanted approaches towards them in the north campus vicinity. The complainants promptly shared photographs and videos of the individual with the police, providing crucial visual evidence that enabled officers to act without delay. Using the material provided by the students, Delhi Police personnel traced the man quickly. When confronted, the individual expressed clear remorse for his actions and apologised to the students. The entire process—from the receipt of the complaint to the identification and intervention—was completed in a short span of time, reflecting the priority given to such cases involving women's safety on and around university campuses.



AAP Delhi chief Saurabh Bharadwaj calls emergency meeting, says 'something big' being planned by Centre

New Delhi, Oct 5: Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Delhi unit chief Saurabh Bharadwaj has sounded an alert within the party, claiming that "something big" is being planned by the Central government. Bharadwaj has consequently called an emergency meeting of key party office-bearers at the AAP office. In a post shared on X, Bharadwaj instructed all district presidents, Vidhan Sabha presidents and ward observers to attend the meeting at 12 noon. His message, which was brief but pointed, did not provide details about the nature of the alleged government plan or the information on which the warning was based. The announcement has sparked speculation within political circles in Delhi, particularly because the meeting has been described as an "Emergency Meeting." The mobilisation of senior organisational functionaries from across districts, Assembly constituencies and wards indicates that the party leadership wants to discuss the matter urgently and coordinate its response at the grassroots level.



Gujarat woman with 1 million Instagram followers held over objectionable Gandhi reel

Surat, Oct 5 : A 47-year-old woman with around one million Instagram followers has been arrested by the Surat Cyber Crime Branch for allegedly posting a video in which the photograph of Mahatma Gandhi on a Rs 500 currency note was depicted in an obscene manner and linked to sexually suggestive statements and gestures, police said on Monday. The accused, identified as Simran Patel, a homemaker residing at Surti Icon in Adajan area of Surat in Gujarat.

DRI seizes 15.59 kg amphetamine, cocaine and heroin in 3 operations; 5 held

New Delhi, Oct 5 : The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) has seized cumulative quantity of 15.59 kg dangerous contraband drugs, amphetamine, cocaine and heroin, in three separate intelligence-led operations, the Finance Ministry said on Monday. Five persons have been arrested under the provisions of the NDPS Act, 1985.

The DRI, along with the Central Bureau of Narcotics (CBN), intercepted a Mahindra Thar suspected to be carrying Amphetamine at the Ujjain–Dewas Toll Plaza in Madhya Pradesh.





Four raids, liquor seized worth over Rs two crore in Gujarat; 5 arrested, 21 wanted

Ahmedabad, Oct 5 : Gujarat Police's State Monitoring Cell (SMC) seized Indian Made Foreign Liquor (IMFL) valued at more than Rs two crore in four raids conducted in Valsad, Ahmedabad Rural, Bharuch and Jamnagar districts, with 36,330 bottles and several vehicles and mobile phones among the seized items.

Left-backed protesters disrupting city's law and order: Delhi BJP

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Delhi BJP spokesperson Praveen Shankar Kapoor said on Monday that it is extremely unfortunate that a handful of people associated with the Communist ideology are bent upon vitiating the national capital's political atmosphere and disrupting law and order.

Kapoor, in a statement, said that the faces seen hovering around Jantar Mantar two or three times a day on Sunday are the same as the once seen during the Cockroach Janta Party (CJP) movement in July.

He said that the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) and its Communist allies are failing to even mobilise 50 people from Delhi.



"Even among those who turn up, videos seen on Saturday revealed that either one or two buses are being brought in daily from Punjab, or students from JNU associated with Communist ideology are participating and raising objectionable.



District Collector Inspects State-Level Kabaddi Competitions in Vemulawada

Rajanna Sircilla (Vemulawada), Oct 5 : District Collector Garima Agrawal inspected the state-level boys' and girls' Kabaddi competitions—organized by the District Kabaddi Association with the support of Government Whip and Vemulawada MLA Adi Srinivas—at the Vemulawada Junior College grounds on Monday morning. During the inspection, she was accompanied by MLA Adi Srinivas and interacted with the participating athletes. The Collector inquired about the organization of the event and the participation of the players.

Municipal Vice-Chairman Narala Shekhar, Vemulawada RDO K.S.B. Kumari, and Tahsildar Jayanth, among others, participated in the inspection.

CS reviews preparations for Invest Telangana Global Summit



Hyderabad, Oct 5 : Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju on Monday reviewed preparations for the Invest Telangana Global Summit, scheduled to be held from December 7 to 9, at a high-level meeting with senior officials at the Secretariat.

Sanjay Jaju took stock of the arrangements being made by various departments for the successful conduct of the global investment summit and reviewed the progress achieved so far.

He directed the officials to complete all arrangements within the approved timelines.

The Chief Secretary emphasised the need to ensure strong participation from leading companies operating in Telangana. He directed the officials to ensure that all prominent companies with a presence in the State are appropriately represented on the summit's Advisory Board or Executive Council.

Sanjay Jaju also instructed officials to focus on inviting the global heads of leading multinational companies to the summit. He called for a multipronged and targeted outreach strategy to engage global corporate leaders and encourage their participation in the event. As part of the international outreach programme, the Chief Secretary directed officials to organise roadshows in major foreign countries during the current month. The roadshows will showcase Telangana's investment potential, business-friendly ecosystem, sectoral strengths and investment opportunities to global investors and corporate leaders.

He also directed officials to organise a roadshow in New Delhi during the last week of October as part of the investor mobilisation and outreach programme.



Cong 'cannot digest' ECI's Global reputation, says T-BJP Chief

Hyderabad, Oct 5 : Telangana BJP president N Ramchander Rao on Monday accused the Congress of attempting to tarnish the image of the Election Commission of India (ECI) and undermine the country's democratic institutions for political gain.

Addressing a meeting of BJP state office-bearers at the party headquarters here, Rao said the Congress was unable to accept India's electoral system even as the country's democratic process had earned global recognition.

He accused Congress leaders of adopting "double standards" by praising Electronic Voting Machines and the Election Commission when they win elections and questioning them when they lose.

Rao also hit out at Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, alleging that the party was unwilling to accept a leader from an ordinary background becoming Prime Minister. On the voter-list revision process, Rao alleged that illegal immigrants had entered electoral rolls through fraudulent documentation in the past. He defended the ongoing verification exercise, asserting that only Indian citizens above 18 years of age, irrespective of religion, were entitled to vote.

The BJP leader also targeted the Telangana government over the non-implementation of several election promises, including the Six Guarantees, fee reimbursement, Rythu Bharosa.



Komatireddy seeks Centre's nod, funds for key Telangana road projects

Hyderabad, Oct 5 : Roads and Buildings Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy met Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari on Monday to seek immediate Central clearance, financial assistance, and sanction for several high-priority road, bridge, and ropeway projects across the State. The bilateral meeting took place on the sidelines of the two-day Chintan Shivir-2026, jointly inaugurated by both leaders at the Statue of Unity complex in Ekta Nagar, Narmada district, Gujarat.

Highlighting the vision of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy emphasised that road infrastructure and inter-state connectivity remain top priorities for the Telangana government. Expressing gratitude for existing Central support under the Setu Bandhan and Central Road Infrastructure Fund (CRIF) schemes.

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2.	**Koppula Sunitha, W/O: K.Srinivasa Reddy** Aged About:38 Years R/O: Door No:2-3-569 Road No:02 Sainagar Colony LB Nagar R.R District-500068. **(Guarantor No.1 Of The Loan Agreement)**
3.	**(That The Koppula Indrasena Reddy, S/O: Koppula Rangareddy** Age: 75 Years R/O: Door No:2-3-569 Road No:02 Sainagr Colony LB Nagar R.R District-500068 Was Died Intestate, So Far, His Surviving Legal Heirs I.E. Sons Are Added As A Parties To The Notices) **Koppula Sridhar Reddy, S/O: Indrasena Reddy** Age.50 Years Occ: Tourisam Department Employee, R/O: 13-13, Patel Nagar, Nakrekal(V&M), Nalgonda District-508211 **(Legal Heirs Of Guarantor No.2)**

Sub: Sale of property belonging to KOPPULA INDRASENA REDDY (GUARANTOR DIED) in the account of SRYPTTF1903310002 for realization of amount due to Shriram Finance Limited under The Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. **Shriram Finance Limited, Suryapet- Branch,** the secured creditor caused a demand notice dated **31.12.2025** 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. 40,72,192/- (Rupees Forty lakh Seventy Two Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Two 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 **10.07.2026.** Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Shriram Finance Limited. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction 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 Shriram Finance Limited along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by Shriram Finance Limited before the date of publication of sale notice, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as stipulated in sec.13(8) of the Act.

Schedule of Property: (Property holder Name is Koppula Indrasena reddy Mortgage deed dated 02.04.2019 Registered as Document No.1536/2019 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at (Nakrekal)) Vacant House Site To An Extent Of 364 Sq Yards In Survey No: 353 Of Nakrekal Revenue Village Situated At Block No:13 Nakrekal Gram Panchayath Limits Nakrekal Village And Mandal Nalgonda District And Bounded As Under By : **North:** 12 Feet Way, **South:** 12 Feet Way, **East:** 15 Feet Way, **West:** H.No:13-13 Of Koppula Puladevi

Date: 30-09-2026, Place: Miryalaguda **Sd/- Authorized Officer, SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD**

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2.	**Mahmad Kowsar Begum, W/O: Mohammed Khaja Moinuddin** Age:40 Years Occ:House Wife R/O: H.No: 1-10-143 Ambedkar Nagar Suryapet Town Suryapet District -508213.4 **(Guarantor)**
3.	**Shaik Imran, S/O: Shaik Usman** Age:30 Years Occ:House Wife R/O: H.No: 5-247/1 Kuda Kuda Chivemla Mandal Nalgonda District Pincode:508213. **(Guarantor)**

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Schedule of Property: (Property holder Name is MD Khaja Moinuddin deed dated 30.07.2022 Registered as Document No.11087/2022 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at (Suryapet)) All That SY No: 176 And H. No: 1-10-143(House Dismantled) Admeasuring 114-82 Sq Yards And Admeasuring 96 Sq Meters With 266 Sq Feets RCC Roofing Situated At Suryapet Municipality Suryapet Revenue Mandal Suryapet District And **Bounded As Follows::** (Present Open Place) **North:** Janimiya House, **South:** 20-6 Feet Road, **East:** S.Venkulu House, **West:** 27 Feet Wide Road

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2.	**Vangeti Bixam Reddy, S/O:Vangeti Malla Reddy** Age: 68 Years Occ: Business R/O: H.No: 3-122 Kandagatla Village Athmakur Mandal Suryapet District -508224. **(Guarantor)**
3.	**Vangeti Sandhya, W/O: Yathender Reddy** Age: 35 Years Occ: Business R/O: H.No: 3-122 Kandagatla Village Athmakur Mandal Suryapet District -508224. **(Guarantor)**
4.	**Kollu Krishna Reddy, S/O: Venkat Reddy** Age: 45 Years Occ: Business R/O: H.No:4-40 Bodrai Bazar Kandagatla Village Athmakur Mandal Suryapet District-508224. **(Guarantor)**

Sub: Sale of property belonging to VANGETI BIXAM REDDY (GUARANTOR) in the account of SRYPTTF2303290007 for realization of amount due to Shriram Finance Limited under The Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. **Shriram Finance Limited, Suryapet- 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. 20,93,730/- (Twenty lakh ninety three thousand seven hundred thirty rupees only)** within the time stipulated period therein. Since you failed to comply the said notice within the stipulated period, the Authorized Officer, has **Taken Symbolic Possession** of the immovable secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rule 8 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on **08.09.2026.** Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Shriram Finance Limited. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction 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 **Shriram Finance Limited** along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by **Shriram Finance Limited** before the date of publication of sale notice, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as stipulated in sec.13(8) of the Act.

Schedule of Property: (Property holder Name is Vangeti Bixam reddy deed dated 28.03.2023 Registered as Document No.4634/2023 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at (Suryapet)) All That Open Plot No: 158 To An Extent Of 200 Sq Yards In Survey No: 132 Of Kudakuda Revenue Village Of Chivemla Mandal Suryapet District:**North:** Plot No: 157 Of Komatiredy Pushpalatha, **South:** Plot No: 159 Of Kotha Malleswari, **East:** 30 Feet Road, **West:** Plot No:152

Date: 30-09-2026, Place: Miryalaguda **Sd/- Authorized Officer, SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD**

Grand Celebrations of Gaddam Venkataswamy's Birth Anniversary

District Collector Garima Agarwal Pays Tributes



Rajanna Sircilla, Oct 5 : The birth anniversary celebrations of former Union Minister Gaddam Venkataswamy were held grandly on Monday at the District Integrated Offices Complex, organized by the District Youth and Sports Department. District Collector Garima Agarwal, Additional Collector Gaddam Nagesh, and District Revenue Officer Jayashree attended the event and inaugurated it by lighting the ceremonial lamp. Subsequently, they garlanded the portrait of Gaddam Venkataswamy and paid their respects.

Public Notice For E-Auction For Sale of Immovable Properties

Sale of Immovable property mortgaged to IIFL Home Finance Limited (IIFL HFL) Corporate Office at Plot No.98, Udyog Vihar, Phase-IV, Gurgaon-122015. (Haryana) and **Branch Office at:- 1-2-24/A/1, Opp LIC Office, Near Ayyappa Temple Pragathinagar, Peddapalli - 505172 ,Telangana** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter "Act"). Whereas the Authorized Officer ("AO") of IIFL-HFL had taken the possession of the following property/ies pursuant to the notice issued U/S 13(2) of the Act in the following loan accounts/prospect nos. with a right to sell the same on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS, AS IS WHAT IS BASIS AND WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS" for realization of IIFL-HFL's dues, The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the **website: www.iiflonehome.com**

Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property/ Secured Asset	Date of Physical Possession	Reserve Price
Mr. Thodeti Srinivas Mr. Sai Kiran Thodeti Mrs. Thodeti Latha Mason **(Prospect No-IL10524263)**	**10/02/2026 Rs.902814/-** (Rupees Nine Lakh Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Fourteen Only) **Bid Increase Amount Rs.50000/-** (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only)	All that part and parcel of the property bearing: Door Number: 458/2/1, Ward 2nd , Indurthi Village, Odela Mandal, Peddapalli District, TS. 505152 Area Admeasuring (In Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Land_Area, Built_Up_Area, Super_Built_Up_Ar ea Property Area: 7072.90, 1372.20, 1372.20	09/09/2026 **Total Outstanding As On Date 04/09/2026 Rs.1007187.11/ -** (Rupees Ten Lakh Seven Thousand One Hundred Eighty Seven and Eleven Paise Only)	**Rs.6338000/-** (Rupees Sixty Three Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Only) **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.633800/-** (Rupees Six Lakh Thirty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Only)

Date of Inspection of property	EMD Last Date	Date/ Time of E-Auction
13/11/2026 1100 hrs -1400 hrs.	16/11/2026 till 5 pm.	18/11/2026 1100 hrs-1300 hrs.

Mode of Payment:- EMD payments are to be made vide online mode only. To make payments you have to visit https://www.iiflonehome.com and pay through link available for the property/ Secured Asset only.Note: Payment link for each property/ Secured Asset is different. Ensure you are using link of the property/ Secured Asset you intend to buy vide public auction.
For Balance Payment - Login https://www.iiflonehome.com >My Bid >Pay Balance Amount.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:-

1. For participating in e-auction, Intending bidders required to register their details with the Service Provider **https://www. iiflonehome.com**, well in advance and has to create the login account, login ID and password. Intending bidders have to submit / send their "Tender FORM" along with the payment details towards EMD, copy of the KYC and PAN card at the above mentioned Branch Office.
2. The bidders shall improve their offer in multiple of amount mentioned under the column "Bid Increase Amount". In case bid is placed in the last 5 minutes of the closing time of the auction, the closing time will automatically get extended for 5 minutes.
3. The successful bidder should deposit 25% of the bid amount (after adjusting EMD) within 24 hours of the acceptance of bid price by the AO and the balance 75% of the bid amount within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. All deposit and payment shall be in the prescribed mode of payment.
4. The purchaser has to bear the cess, applicable stamp duty, fees, and any other statutory dues or other dues like municipal tax, electricity charges, land and all other incidental costs, charges including all taxes and rates outgoings relating to the property.
5. **The purchaser has to pay TDS application to the transaction/payment of sale amount and submit the TDS certificate with IIFL HFL.**
6. **Bidders are advised to go through the website https: // www.iiflonehome.com and https://www.iifl.com/home-loans/properties-for-auction for detailed terms and conditions of auction sale & auction application form before submitting their Bids for taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.**
7. **For details, help procedure and online training on e-auction prospective bidders may contact the service provider E mail ID:- care@iiflonehome.com, Support Helpline no.1800 2672 499.**
8. For any query related to Property details, Inspection of Property and Online bid etc. call IIFL HFL toll free no.1800 2672 499 from 09:30 hrs to 18:00 hrs between Monday to Friday or write to email:- care@iiflonehome.com.
9. Notice is hereby given to above said borrowers to collect the household articles, which were lying in the secured asset at the time of taking physical possession within 7 days, otherwise IIFL-HFL shall not be responsible for any loss of property under the circumstances.
10. Further the notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s, that in case they fail to collect the above said articles same shall be sold in accordance with Law.
11. In case of default in payment at any stage by the successful bidder / auction purchaser within the above stipulated time, the sale will be cancelled and the amount already paid will be forfeited (including EMD) and the property will be again put to sale.
12. AO reserves the rights to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and condition of tender/auction without assigning any reason thereof. In case of any dispute in tender/Auction, the decision of AO of IIFL-HFL will be final.

STATUTARY 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8 (6) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The Borrower are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with upto dated interest and ancillary expenses before the date of Tender/Auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Place:- Hyderabad, Date: 06-Oct-2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, IIFL Home Finance Limited.**

Opinion Mail



Abu Dhabi's BAPS Hindu Mandir organises special prayers for injured pilot Machchhar

Special prayers were offered at the BAPS Hindu Mandir in Abu Dhabi for the early recovery of flydubai pilot Captain Smit Machchhar even as the Indian Embassy confirmed on Sunday that he is recovering well. "Swamis and devotees at the BAPS Hindu Mandir in Abu Dhabi came together in prayer for Captain Smit Machchhar, honouring his remarkable courage and bravery," the Bochasanwasi Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS) said in a message on social media platform X.

Indian Ambassador to UAE, Deepak Mittal, shared the BAPS message and took to his official X account and said, "Prayers continue to flow in for good health of Captain Smit. He is recovering well and in good spirits. Embassy remains in touch with the local authorities and the family and extending all possible assistance." The BAPS Mandir is the first Hindu temple built in the Gulf nation. Since its inauguration in February 2024, the temple has seen momentous gatherings of devotees and has recorded an astonishing 2.2 million visitors in its first year.

On Saturday, Hamdan bin Mohammed, Crown Prince of Dubai and the Deputy Prime Minister of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), visited Machchhar, in hospital and praised his courage. "During a visit to Captain Smit Machchhar... the flydubai pilot who embodied the highest degrees of courage, responsibility, and care for human life. From us, and from the leadership of the nation, he has our full appreciation and praise. We are proud that he is part of our team... part of the story of our nation... and part of what the UAE stands for... a nation of compassion... a nation of peace... and a nation of life," Hamdan bin Mohammed, who is also UAE's Minister of Defence and Chairman of The Executive Council of Dubai, said on X after the meeting. Earlier, Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke with Captain Machchhar over a video call, praising his courage, presence of mind and composure during the mid-air incident in which he helped save the lives of over 170 passengers and crew members. During the conversation, PM Modi said the country could proudly say that Indians are not those who take lives, but those who are willing to risk their own lives to save others. PM Modi began the conversation by asking about Captain Machchhar's health and said the entire country was praying for his speedy recovery. "The whole country is praying for you. 'Maha Mrityunjaya Jaap' is being performed for you and your health. Your courage, presence of mind and composure saved many lives. The country can proudly say that Indians are not those who take lives, but those who are willing to risk their lives to save others," PM Modi said. Reacting to PM Modi's remark, Captain Machchhar nodded and responded, "Yes, sir." The Indian-origin flydubai pilot was injured while preventing a mid-air attack on September 30 on a flight from Dubai to Israel.

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Congress slams Punjab govt over 'Sikhya Kranti' claims



Chandigarh, Oct 5 : Leader of Opposition Partap Singh Bajwa on Monday slammed the Aam Aadmi Party government in Punjab over its much-publicised claims of 'Sikhya Kranti', saying its government legislator has publicly exposed serious gaps in the education system.

Bajwa said Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann's repeated claims of transforming the state's government schools stand sharply contradicted by the concerns raised by legislator Sukhveer Singh Maiserkhana, who went public with complaints about teacher shortages and the functioning of government schools in his constituency.

"Bhagwant Mann can continue to repeat the slogan of 'Sikhya Kranti', but the reality inside Punjab's government schools is increasingly difficult to hide. When a sitting AAP MLA goes public, says his own children study in a government school and raises concerns about a shortage of teachers affecting students, it exposes the widening gap between AAP's publicity and the reality on the ground," Bajwa said in a statement. Maiserkhana has publicly stated that his children study in a government school and raised concerns about inadequate teaching staff, including at the School of Eminence attended by his son. He has also said he raised the issue with senior AAP leaders and the government but claimed his concerns were not addressed.

Bajwa said his assertions raised fundamental questions about the AAP government's claims of 'Sikhya Kranti'. "If an elected MLA has to publicly raise the basic issue of having enough teachers in classrooms, what exactly is this 'Sikhya Kranti' that the Mann government keeps advertising? Education cannot be transformed through slogans, branding and publicity. It requires teachers in classrooms, functioning schools and accountability to parents and students," Bajwa said. He also questioned the action taken against Maiserkhana. The AAP Punjab unit suspended the MLA from the party's primary membership, citing "anti-party activities and indiscipline", after his public criticism of the government. "The AAP leadership has chosen to act against the messenger instead of addressing the message. A shortage of teachers is a governance issue, not an anti-party activity. If an elected representative raises concerns about the education of children in his constituency, the government should listen, investigate and fix the problem, not silence him," Bajwa said.

He said the episode further exposed what he described as AAP's intolerance towards internal criticism. "In a democracy, an MLA raising questions about the functioning of his own government should be seen as accountability, not indiscipline.



People's response towards state's 'Annapurna Yojana' has been extraordinary: Bengal BJP

Kolkata, Oct 5: The West Bengal Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) said on Monday that the response from the people towards the state government's financial assistance scheme for women 'Annapurna Yojana' has been extraordinary within five months since the launch of the scheme.

The BJP said in a statement that from towns to the remotest corners of villages; mothers, daughters and sisters have embraced the initiative with immense affection. "Today, October 4, women across West Bengal gathered at Seva Setu camps to express their gratitude and shower their blessings on the BJP Government for implementing the Annapurna Yojana. Their blessings, their faith and their stories of hope remain the most cherished reward for our (BJP) Government. This journey is not of pride, but of profound humility and gratitude," the party said. According to the BJP, the women of Bengal have entrusted the state government with the privilege of serving them and that trust carries a responsibility far greater than any number or milestone can convey.

"Today, more than 1.6 crore women stand empowered through this initiative. Yet this is only the beginning. Women whose verification is presently underway will soon join this growing fraternity of beneficiaries, while fresh registrations opening shortly. Women can also choose between Widow Pension and Annapurna Yojana, placing the power of choice in their own hands," the BJP said.

The BJP in a statement added, "This endeavour draws strength from our Prime Minister Nare ndra Modiji's larger vision of making a 'Viksit Bharat by 2047', where women are the most powerful architects and fearless frontrunners in the nation's progress."

The party also said, "Our Government believes that when the women of West Bengal are empowered, the entire state rises with them. When a woman stands on her own feet, a family finds strength. When she dares to dream, a generation discovers possibility and when millions of women move forward with courage.



Congress constitutes three Tamil Nadu committees; Ghulam Ahmed Mir to lead political affairs panel

Chennai, Oct 5: The Congress on Monday announced three committees for its Tamil Nadu unit, appointing Ghulam Ahmed Mir as chairperson of the Political Affairs Committee and K. R. Ramasamy as chairperson of the Disciplinary Action Committee. The appointments form part of the constitution of the Political Affairs Committee, Pradesh Congress Committee (PCC) Advisory Committee and Disciplinary Action Committee of the Tamil Nadu Pradesh Congress Committee. In a press statement issued by All India Congress Committee (AICC) General Secretary (Organisation) K. C. Venugopal, the party said the Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge had approved the proposal and that the committees would take effect immediately. The Political Affairs Committee has 31 named members, including its chairperson B. Manickam Tagore, Tharahai Cuthbert, Sasikanth Senthil.

Chaos erupts in Kolkata's SRFTI as right-wing group procession turns violent

Kolkata, Oct 5 : Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute (SRFTI) was in turmoil again on Monday after members of the Hindutva organisation 'Hindu Jagran Manch' tried to break through the gate of this educational institution in the Panchasayar area of ??Kolkata.

Since the gate was closed, members of the organisation started protesting from outside.

It is alleged that bricks and stones were hurled at the students who had gathered inside the campus.

Counter-allegations have been made against the students for throwing bricks and stones.

On September 27, SRFTI was in turmoil over a programme organised by an organisation linked to the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS).

Allegations of assault on students protesting against this programme were made against members of the Sangh's organisation 'Akhil Bharatiya Grahak Panchayat or ABGP (West Bengal)'.

The Hindu Jagran Manch had called for a protest programme on Sunday in protest of September 27 incident.

The police were also ready as they barricaded the SRFTI campus. However, the procession that started from Ajay Nagar broke the barricades and moved forward.

Before that, the police had closed all the gates to enter the campus. The members of the Hindu Jagran Manch who came in a procession kept shaking the gate. They demanded that the police open the gate. The students also gathered at some distance from the gate.

According to the members of the Hindu Jagran Manch, on September 27, students at the



SRFTI had stepped on and tore the pictures of Bharat Mata and Swami Vivekananda.

The members of the organisation said that this procession was in protest of that. "I will explain to the students what the power of the nationalists is."

Stones and bricks continued to be hurled amid the sloganeering by the students and the members of the Hindu Jagran Manch. The students alleged that the posters of BR Ambedkar hung on the gate were torn. As soon as the members of the Hindu Jagran Mancha reached the gate, they started fighting with the police. The police dragged some of them away.

Some members of the Hindu Jagran Manch expressed their anger against the police over this.

After the unrest continued for quite some time, the situation has now come under control.

Police are still deployed outside the SRFTI gate.

Palaniswami urges voters to teach TVK a lesson in Oct 6 Tamil Nadu bypolls

Chennai, Oct 5 : AIADMK secretary Edappadi K. Palaniswami on Monday urged voters in Tamil Nadu's Madurantakam and Dharapuram to defeat the ruling Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) in the October 6 Assembly bypolls, accusing it of engineering defections and betraying the electorate.



Arrests of drug smugglers, manufacturers rise 33.8 pc this year: South Korean Police

Seoul, Oct 5 : The number of people arrested in South Korea for drug smuggling and manufacturing rose more than 30 per cent in the first eight months of this year from a year earlier, police said Monday. The National Office of Investigation (NOI) under the Korean National Police Agency said it arrested 174 people for drug manufacturing and smuggling between January and August, up 33.8 per cent from 130 during the same period last year.

The number of people arrested for dealing drugs also rose 6.6 per cent on-year to 3,396 during the cited period, reports Yonhap news agency. The total number of people caught for drug-related offences stood at 9,530, up 5.3 per cent from a year earlier. Of the total, 706 people were arrested for offences involving medical drugs, an 11.9 per cent increase from a year earlier. The police have focused their investigative efforts on cutting off drug supply sources and distribution networks this year. In a major case, the police repatriated and arrested notorious drug trafficker Park Wang-yeol from the Philippines, who had been imprisoned in the Southeast Asian country on suspicion of killing three South Koreans and is suspected of distributing drugs to buyers in South Korea.

The police identified 6.3 billion won (US$4.69 million) worth of drugs linked to Park, including 12.7 kilograms of methamphetamine, as well as 8.63 billion won worth of criminal proceeds.

They later worked with Thai authorities to arrest and repatriate



Choi Byeong-min, a key drug supplier for Park, uncovering 41 additional offences and identifying 6 billion won worth of criminal proceeds, which were seized before indictment.

Nepal to deliberate on granting menstrual leave to women civil servants

Kathmandu, Oct 5 : The Nepali government has proposed granting menstrual leave to female civil servants by amending the Civil Service Act 1992.

The government has included menstrual leave as one of the leave facilities for civil servants in the Bill to Amend and Consolidate Laws Relating to the Federal Civil Service, which was registered at the Federal Parliament Secretariat later this week.

If the bill becomes law, Nepal will become one of a handful of countries to provide menstrual leave to civil servants. South Korea and Japan are among the other countries that have provisions for menstrual leave, while most countries do not provide such leave for women government employees.

In India, the Central Civil Services leave framework does not provide a separate entitlement to menstrual leave. In March 2026, the Supreme Court of India declined to impose a nationwide menstrual-leave policy, while allowing the government to consider the issue after consultation.

Some Indian states also offer limited menstrual leave; for example, Bihar and Odisha give two days per month to government employees.

According to the bill, female employees will continue to be entitled to casual leave, home leave, sick leave, study leave and extraordinary leave, like other employees. In addition, the bill proposes that they will be entitled to menstrual leave, maternity leave.





Global trade defies tariff shocks, says WTO chief

Washington, Oct 5 : Global trade is proving unexpectedly resilient despite aggressive US tariffs, the Iran war, high energy prices and growing strains on the rules-based trading system, World Trade Organization chief Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala has said, pointing to an AI-driven surge in commerce while warning that the system remains vulnerable. The WTO Director-General said 72 per cent of world goods trade continues to take place under WTO most-favoured-nation terms, offering businesses stability and predictability even as traditional trading rules come under severe pressure.

She also said global goods trade has significantly outperformed WTO forecasts, with artificial intelligence-related products accounting for 42 per cent of last year's growth.

"I will be very truthful and say that even we are surprised by the resilience and grateful for it," Okonjo-Iweala said in an interview with CNN. The interview came against the backdrop of a fundamental shift in US trade policy under President Donald Trump, heightened tensions between Washington and Beijing, disruption to energy markets from the Iran war and pressure on global shipping routes. "We look at how much of the world's trade is actually taking place according to the rules of the WTO," Okonjo-Iweala said. "I mean, given that, as you said, the world is not the way it used to be, global trade rules are under stress, we find that 72 percent of world trade, world goods trade is still taking place on WTO terms on most favored nation terms." "That's what we call a predictable stable," she said.

Okonjo-Iweala said companies continue to rely on the multilateral trading system because they need certainty.

"We talk to businesses, and businesses need some stability and predictability in the way they trade," she said.

Perhaps more striking, she said, has been the strength of actual trade growth. The WTO had projected global goods trade growth of about 2.4 to 2.5 per cent last year. Instead, it came in at 4.6 per cent.

"Almost double," Okonjo-Iweala said after Zakaria pointed out the scale of the difference. She said WTO economists examined the figures to determine what was driving the unexpected expansion.

"Forty-two percent of that growth last year was contributed by trade in AI, semiconductors, processors. All the things hardware and software," she said. The unexpectedly strong performance has continued into 2026. Okonjo-Iweala said the WTO had projected goods trade growth of 1.9 per cent this year because of multiple pressures, including tariffs, high energy prices and strategic choke points such as the Strait of Hormuz. But first-quarter figures showed growth running at 3.2 per cent. "So again, far more than what we had projected. That doesn't mean we should be complacent," she said. The WTO chief cautioned that the rapid expansion of AI-related trade itself carried uncertainties.

"We don't know whether this can be sustained or it's a bit of a bubble. So, we have to watch out for that," she said.



Rescuers suspend search for 6 onboard medical aircraft that crashed off US coast

New York, Oct 5 : The US Coast Guard has announced that it has suspended the search for the six passengers aboard the medical aircraft that crashed off the coast of Nantucket, officials said.

In an official statement on Sunday (local time), the officials said, "The Coast Guard has suspended its search Monday, Oct. 5, 2026 for the six passengers aboard the missing medical transport aircraft off the coast of Nantucket."

According to the statement, the Coast Guard and partner agencies searched 4445 miles over approximately 66 hours.

"Suspending a search is not an easy decision," said Rear Admiral Matthew Lake, Commander of the Northeast District. "We express our deepest condolences to the families and loved ones affected by the tragedy and our gratitude for our partner agencies who helped support search efforts."

Central Europe calls for EU coordination in combating foot-and-mouth disease

Prague, Oct 5 : Central European states are seeking European Union (EU) -wide coordination to contain the spread of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD), Czech Minister of Agriculture Marek Vyborny said. The minister told journalists on Monday that the objective is to present a unified proposal to the European Commission together.

Qatar says US-Iran mediation efforts ongoing, draft agreement under discussion

Doha, Oct 5 : Qatar confirmed on Monday that mediation efforts between the United States and Iran remain underway, with draft language for a possible agreement continuing to be exchanged between the two sides as regional mediators work to prevent further escalation. "We can confirm that the efforts are still ongoing with all the parties.

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 (Immovable Property)	Total Outstanding Dues (Rs.)	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Mrs. Pappuri Padma, Mr. Pappuri Venkata Rathnam Padma Dairy Farm **(Prospect No. IL10509487)**	All that piece and parcel of Dr.No:13-188, Assessment No:5034, Sy.No:224-2, Vinjamur Villlage, Vinjamur Mandal, Sri Potti Sri Ramullu Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh.524228. Area Admeasuring (In Sq.ft.): Property Type: Land_Area, Carpet_Area, Built_Up_Area, Property Area: 1443,240.00 ,300.00. Bounded By: North: House of P.Narasamma S/o Subbarayudu, South: House of K.Venkayamma S/o Subbarayudu, East: Road, West: House of D.Jayamma S/o Jaya Ramaiah	Rs.485633/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eighty Five Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Three Only)	16/07/2025	01/10/2026

For further details please contact to Authorised Officer at **Branch Office:** House No 25-26A,1st Floor, Sanjeevanagar Gate, Main Road, Nandyal-518501 or **Corporate Office:** Plot No.98, Phase-IV, Udyog Vihar, Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place: Kurnool, Date: 06-10-2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**

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Head Office: Level-3, Wockhardt Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, BandraKurla Complex, (Bandra East), Mumbai 400 051; Tel: 022 4241 0400 , 022 4060 3100; Website: http://www.shriramfinance.in./auction Branch Office Address: Shriram Finance Ltd., Door No. 1-4-249/1, KJR Complex, KK Road, Suryapet Town and District-508213

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.	**Swapna Gali, W/O Ramakrishna** Age: 37years Occ: Business R/O H.No: 1-2-243 Nirmala Hospital Road Suryapet-508213 M/S'" Sri Gayathri Medical And General Store At Suryapet". **(Borrower)**
2.	**Gali Ramakrishna, S/O Venkateshwarlu** Age: 43years Occ: Business R/O H.No: 1-2-242 Opp Nirmal Hospital Suryapet -508213 M/S'" Sri Gayathri Medical And General Store At Suryapet. **(Guarantor)**
3.	**Boora Nagaraj Goud@ Nagaraju,** S/O Sri Ramulu, Age: 35years, Occ: Medical And General Store's R/O H.No:2-1-115/3/6/A, Dr.Laxma Reddy Hospital Suryapet-508213. **(Guarantor)**

Sub: Sale of property belonging to SWAPNA GALI (BORROWER) in the account of SRYPTTF1903130005 for realization of amount due to **Shriram Finance Limited** under The Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. **Shriram Finance Limited, Suryapet- Branch,** the secured creditor caused a demand notice dated **06.02.2026** 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. 21,29,890/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety 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 **11.09.2026.** Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Shriram Finance Limited. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction 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 **Shriram Finance Limited** along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by Shriram Finance Limited before the date of publication of sale notice, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as stipulated in sec.13(8) of the Act.

Schedule of Property: (Property holder Name is Medaram Swapna Alias Gali Swapna deed dated 14.03.2019 Registered as Document No.5873/2019 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at (Nalgonda)) All That The Part Of Open House Plot No.58 Within SY. No.1300 Inside Residential Zone Measuring 232.21 Sq.Yards =185.78 Mtrs. Situated At Arjalabai Nalgonda Town And District.: **North**: Part Of Plot No.58 Of M.Rajeeva, **South:** 25' Wide Road, **East:** Plot Of Others, **West**: Plot Of Malla Reddy

Date: 30-09-2026, Place: Miryalaguda **Sd/- Authorized Officer, SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD**

SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED
Head Office: Level-3, Wockhardt Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, BandraKurla Complex, (Bandra East), Mumbai 400 051; Tel: 022 4241 0400 , 022 4060 3100; Website: http://www.shriramfinance.in./auction Branch Office Address: Shriram Finance Ltd., Door No. 1-4-249/1, KJR Complex, KK Road, Suryapet Town and District-508213

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.	**Bolla Ramesh, S/O: Bolla Jaggaiah** Age: 55 Years Occ: Business R/O: H.No: 2-8/1 Yerkaram Village Suryapet Mandal Suryapet District -508376 **(Borrower)**
2.	**Bolla Kaveri, W/O: Bolla Ramesh** Age: 47 Years Occ: Business R/O: H.No: 2-8/1 Main Road Yerkaram Main Road Suryapet Mandal Suryapet District -508376. **(Guarantor)**
3.	**Lunavath Narender, S/O: Lunavath Lal Singh** Age: 40 Years Occ: Business R/O: H.No: New Rajnaik Thanda Thimmapuram Post Yerkaram Suryapet Mandal Suryapet District -508376. **(Guarantor)**

Sub: Sale Of Property Belonging To BOLLA RAMESH (BORROWER) In The Account Of SRYPTTF2311250004 For Realization Of Amount Due To **Shriram Finance Limited** Under The Securitization And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002. **Shriram Finance Limited, Suryapet- Branch,** The Secured Creditor Caused A Demand Notice Dated **03.02.2026** 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. 21,18,285/- (Rupees Twentyone Lakh Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred Eightyfive 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 **31.08.2026.** Even After Taking Possession Of The Secured Asset, You Have Not Paid The Amount Due To Shriram Finance Limited. As Such, It Has Become Necessary To Sell The Below Mentioned Property By Holding Public E-Auction 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 **Shriram Finance Limited** Along With Subsequent Interest, Costs, Charges And Expenses Incurred By **Shriram Finance Limited** Before The Date Of Publication Of Sale Notice, No Further Action Shall Be Taken For Sale Of The Property And You Can Redeem Your Property As Stipulated In Sec.13(8) Of The Act.

Schedule Of Property: (Property Holder Name Is Bolla Ramesh Deed Dated 23.11.2023 Registered As Document No.15688/2023 On The File Of The Office Of Sub-Registrar At (Suryapet)) Open House Plot No:(South Part) With In Survey Nos: 579/B, & 579/A Inside Residential Zone Measuring 250.0 Sq Yards =209.03 Sq Meters Of Pillalamarri Revenue Village Situated At With In The Limits Of Suryapet Muncipality Suryapet District And **Bounded As Folllows: North:** Plotno: 01(North Part), **South:** Place Of Gopi Reddy Linga Reddy, **East:** 40 Feet Road, **West**: Plot No: 23

Date: 30-09-2026, Place: Miryalaguda **Sd/- Authorized Officer, SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD**

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Head Office: Level-3, Wockhardt Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, BandraKurla Complex, (Bandra East), Mumbai 400 051; Tel: 022 4241 0400 , 022 4060 3100; Website: http://www.shriramfinance.in./auction Branch Office Address: Shriram Finance Ltd., Door No. 1-4-249/1, KJR Complex, KK Road, Suryapet Town and District-508213

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.	**Muddam Uma, W/O Balaraju** Age 26 Years Occ Business R/O H No 21-4/3 Market Road Nakrekal Nalgonda District-508211 **(Borrower)**
2.	**Muddam Laxmamma, W/O Venkanna** Age 44 Years Occ House Wife R/O H .No 21-4/3 Market Road Nakrekal Nalgonda District-508211. **(Guarantor)**
3.	**Kallepalli Srinivas, S/O Somaiah** Age :44 Years Occ Assistant Engineer DE/DPE/HT/HYD R/O H No 3-94 Marrigudem Post Arjalabavi Village Marrigudem Post & Mandal Nalgonda District-508001.**(Guarantor)**

Sub: Sale Of Property Belonging To MUDDAM UMA (BORROWER) In The Account Of SRYPTTF1805250004 For Realization Of Amount Due To **Shriram Finance Limited** Under The Securitization And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002. **Shriram Finance Limited, Suryapet- Branch,** The Secured Creditor Caused A Demand Notice Dated **24.01.2026** 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. 24,32,491/- (Rupees Twentyfour Lakh Thirty two Thousand Four Hundred Ninety one 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 **10.07.2026.** Even After taking possession Of The Secured Asset, You Have Not Paid The Amount Due To Shriram Finance Limited. As Such, It Has Become Necessary To Sell The Below Mentioned Property By Holding Public E-Auction 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 **Shriram Finance Limited** Along With Subsequent Interest, Costs, Charges And Expenses Incurred By Shriram Finance Limited Before The Date Of Publication Of Sale Notice, No Further Action Shall Be Taken For Sale Of The Property And You Can Redeem Your Property As Stipulated In Sec.13(8) Of The Act.

Schedule Of Property: (Property Holder Name Is Muddam Uma Mortgage Deed Dated 22.05.2018 Registered As Document No.2042/2018 On The File Of The Office Of Sub-Registrar At (Nakrekal)) All That Vacant House Site To An Extent Of 257.5 Sq Yards In Sy No: 192 Of Nakrekal Revenue Village Situated At Block No: 21 Nakrekal Village And Amandal Nalgonda District: **North**: 15 Feet Way. **South:** Plot Of Budiga Susheela And Bandanadham Lurdameri **East:** Plot Of Bokku Shambhulingam Reddy **West**: Plots Of Ahalya And Alivelu

Date: 30-09-2026, Place: Miryalaguda **Sd/- Authorized Officer, SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD**

CHANGE OF NAME

Dheekond Rajeshwari, W/o Dheekond Venkaiah (Old Name), H.No. 3-124, Narayanpur Yellaredypet-505303, Telangana. Changing my name and henceforth in future I would be known as **Thallapalli Rajeshwari, D/o Thallapalli Narsaiah (NEW Name)**



Gujarat man held for posing as Hindu widower on matrimonial site, cheating women

Ahmedabad, Oct 5 : A 44-year-old man has been arrested in Ahmedabad for allegedly posing as a Hindu widower on a matrimonial website, using forged documents and false claims about his personal life to gain the trust of widowed women before cheating them of money and property, officials said on Monday.

The accused, identified as Karim Sipai, a resident of Sarghatani Ghati in Kadi, Mehsana district, was arrested by the Ahmedabad Crime Branch after a case was registered at the Mahila West Police Station.

According to investigators, Sipai created a profile on a well-known matrimonial platform under the name “Aditya Patel”, concealing his identity and presenting himself as a Hindu widower without children.

Police said he specifically targeted widowed women living alone, developing relationships with them by claiming that his wife had died and that he was leading a solitary life.

NHRC directs states, UTs to protect street vendors’ livelihoods during festive season



New Delhi, Oct 5 : The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has directed the Chief Secretaries of all states and union territories to ensure that street vendors, hawkers, traditional artisans and small local traders are not unnecessarily displaced or prevented from carrying out their livelihood activities during the upcoming festive season, particularly Navratri, Diwali and Chhath Puja.

The Commission has issued fresh directions in view of the approaching festive season in October-November, stressing the need to protect the livelihoods and human rights of local vendors while also ensuring public and fire safety. The NHRC directions cover street vendors, footpath traders and hawkers, Kumhars, local diya and murti makers and sellers, pottery sellers, small sweet vendors, malies, local vegetable sellers, rangoli colour sellers and other similarly placed small and local vendors and artisans. The Commission said these groups should not be unnecessarily displaced, removed or prevented from carrying on their livelihood activities during the festive period. It has also asked local administrations to facilitate their traditional trades, safeguard their livelihoods and promote locally made products in furtherance of the government's "Vocal for Local" initiative. The NHRC has specifically directed that where relocation becomes unavoidable due to the need to maintain emergency access or compelling fire or public safety requirements, suitable and accessible alternative vending spaces should be provided, as far as practicable, without adversely affecting vendors' livelihoods. The directions also seek to prevent arbitrary action against small and local vendors. The Commission has asked local administrations to ensure that vendors are not subjected to unnecessary or arbitrary seizure of goods during the festive season.

LoP Naveen Patnaik condemns alleged attack on former BJD MLA, questions 'Goondaraj' in Odisha



Bhubaneswar, Oct 5 : Biju Janata Dal (BJD) President and Odisha Leader of Opposition (LoP) Naveen Patnaik on Monday condemned the alleged "murderous attack" on former MLA and senior party leader Pranab Kumar Balabantaray, questioning whether the state is being ruled by the law or by goondas or criminals.

There are deadly attacks on public representatives in broad daylight, the police are silent, the government is silent—is goondaraj reigning in Odisha?" Patnaik said. Strongly reacting against alleged assault, the LoP added that the attack on ex-Dharmasala MLA at Madhupurgarh under Jenapur police station area of Jajpur district is highly condemnable.

"A public representative is being subjected to a murderous attack in the presence of the police. Who is giving such courage to the criminals? Is Odisha run by the rule of law or by goons/ criminals? In this (BJP) government, public representatives are insecure, and the safety of ordinary people is in jeopardy," the BJD supremo said. Targeting the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) government, Patnaik also alleged that such incidents are occurring repeatedly in Dharmasala and across Odisha, but the state government has not yet taken any strong action against culprits. He asked whether the state government wants a peaceful Odisha to become disturbed. "Why is the (BJP) government patronising such criminal activities? Why is exemplary action not being taken? The people of Odisha are watching everything and keeping an account of everything.



'Record-breaking victory certain': BJP's Tarun Chugh on Gandhinagar civic polls

Gandhinagar, Oct 5: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is confident of securing a record-breaking victory in the Gandhinagar Municipal Corporation (GMC) election, said party's State In-Charge Tarun Chugh on Monday, asserting that the organisation is going to voters on the basis of its performance and had strengthened its election machinery up to the booth level. Chugh held a series of organisational meetings in Gandhinagar ahead of the civic polls on October 11.

He first met party leaders and workers from Wards 1 to 6, followed by a meeting with those from Wards 7 to 11.

He later held a coordination meeting with the election management committee.

During the meetings, Chugh reviewed the work carried out so far and discussed organisational arrangements for the election, booth-level management and coordination among party workers.

"The Bharatiya Janata Party's record-breaking victory in the Gandhinagar Municipal Corporation election is certain," Chugh told the media after the meetings.

He said that the BJP is seeking votes on the basis of its performance and that party workers were reaching voters through door-to-door contact. Chugh also expressed confidence that the BJP would receive the people's blessings in the election.

Haryana govt fully committed to development of cities: Minister



Chandigarh, Oct 5 : Haryana Cabinet Minister Vipul Goel on Monday said the government is fully committed to the development of cities and development works will be done at a faster pace in the coming time. Chairing a joint meeting, Goel directed officials of the Municipal Corporation and the Electricity Department to work in coordination with all councillors and not to keep any development project pending unnecessarily. He also directed the officials that whatever development work is currently going on, it should be completed within the stipulated timeframe. “If there is unnecessary delay in any work, it will be considered as negligence of the officer concerned and appropriate action will be taken against him,” he said Food, Civil Supplies Minister Rajesh Nagar was also present at the meeting, whose objective was to establish better coordination between all departments and public representatives so that development works of the wards can be conducted smoothly and high-quality facilities can be provided to the citizens of Faridabad. Goel clarified that the drainage system should be repaired in time so that people do not face any kind of inconvenience during the rainy season. He directed the Municipal Corporation officials to start the work of cleaning drains and sewer lines with immediate effect and monitor it regularly. He also reviewed the water supply, sanitation system, health services and other basic facilities and directed all the departments concerned to work together so that citizens can get better services.



AIMPLB condemns Taslima Nasrin's defamatory remarks against madrasas

New Delhi, Oct 5 : The All India Muslim Personal Law Board (AIMPLB) on Monday condemned the allegedly "inflammatory, misleading, and factually baseless" remarks made by Bangladeshi author Taslima Nasrin against madrasas. "Defaming such institutions, which render invaluable national service, is not only unjust but also detrimental to the country's educational and social harmony," said AIMPLB Spokesperson S.Q.R. Ilyas. The AIMPLB calls upon the Union government to take serious cognisance of these inflammatory remarks and prevent foreign refugees from interfering in India's internal and religious affairs, Ilyas added. He said the Union government must ensure that the country's constitutional and social fabric is not allowed to become a casualty of the hate-driven politics of any foreign individual. He said Taslima Nasrin, while speaking to the media in Kolkata, made highly provocative statements regarding the Uniform Civil Code (UCC).

Northern Army Commander reviews security situation in South Kashmir

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Lieutenant General Pratik Sharma, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Northern Command, on Monday visited a Rashtriya Rifles unit deployed in South Kashmir. During the visit, the Army Commander closely reviewed the prevailing security situation in the region and interacted with the troops on the ground. Lt Gen Sharma praised the officers and soldiers for their high level of professionalism and operational excellence. He acknowledged the consistent efforts being made by the Rashtriya Rifles in maintaining a stable security environment in the sensitive sector.

The Army Commander took stock of ongoing counter-terrorism and area domination operations being conducted by the unit. Addressing the troops, Lt Gen Sharma underlined the critical need for relentless vigilance at all times.





NFR saves 255 elephants from train collisions through wildlife protection measures

Guwahati, Oct 5 : The Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) has saved 255 elephants from train collisions through proactive wildlife protection measures this year (2026), railway officials said on Monday.

NFR’s Chief Public Relations Officer (CPRO) Kapinjal Kishore Sharma said that the NFR has intensified its efforts to prevent elephant–train collisions through a combination of technology-driven systems, enhanced vigilance and close coordination with the Forest Departments.

According to Sharma, from January to September this year (2026), timely interventions by NFR personnel helped save 255 elephants across its divisions, including 106 in Alipurduar Division in West Bengal, 14 in Rangiya, 122 in Lumding and 15 in Tinsukia Division in Assam.

He said that the NFR has taken several proactive and technology-driven measures to prevent elephant–train collisions in vulnerable areas. These include deployment of AI-based Intrusion Detection System (IDS) using Distributed Acoustic System (DAS) technology.

Govt raises ceiling price of gas from deepwater fields to $9.89/mmBtu

New Delhi, Oct 5 : The government has increased the ceiling price of natural gas produced from deepwater, ultra-deepwater and high-pressure, high-temperature fields to $9.89 per million British thermal units (MMBtu) for the six-month period beginning October 1, providing relief to producers operating in technically challenging gas blocks such as Reliance Industries-BP's KG-D6 project.

The revised ceiling price, up from $8.90 per MMBtu, will remain effective from October 1, 2026, to March 31, 2027, according to a notification issued by the Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC) under the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.

Gas produced from difficult fields enjoys marketing and pricing freedom under the government's policy framework, but the price remains subject to a government-notified ceiling. The increase in the ceiling is expected to support producers developing offshore gas resources, where exploration and production costs are considerably higher than those associated with mature onshore and legacy fields.

At the same time, the government has kept the price ceiling for natural gas produced from the nomination fields of state-run ONGC and Oil India Ltd (OIL) unchanged at $7 per MMBtu.

According to PPAC, the administered price mechanism (APM) gas price for October has been notified at $11.22 per MMBtu. However, the actual realisation for gas produced from ONGC and OIL's legacy fields will continue to be capped at $7 per MMBtu under the existing pricing regime.





GST Council meeting to look at decriminalising tax law

New Delhi, Oct 5 : The forthcoming GST Council meeting will take up for discussion whether the stand-alone provision under the Goods and Services Tax regime, which empowers tax officials to arrest taxpayers under investigation, can be removed as instances of its misuse have come to the fore, as per a senior official. This proposal has been made as part of the broader suggestions by the GST Council's Law Committee on decriminalisation of GST laws, as on several occasions the failure to pay tax has not been deliberately intended. This would result in tax officials no longer having the power under Section 69 to arrest a taxpayer during a GST investigation. The current GST framework gives the Commissioner the power under Section 69 of the CGST Act to authorise arrest where there are reasons to believe that a person has committed specified serious offences under Section 132. The current thinking is that in serious cases involving fake invoicing, fraudulent input tax credit and claiming fake refunds, action can be taken for criminal prosecution under the provisions of the general criminal law.

MDR on UPI unlikely to trigger 'large-scale' increase in fees: World Bank's Neelkanth Mishra

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Allowing Merchant Discount Rate (MDR) on Unified Payments Interface (UPI) transactions would serve as an enabling provision and is unlikely to lead to a significant increase in charges because of intense competition in the payments ecosystem, said Neelkanth Mishra, Executive Director at the World Bank Group, on Saturday.



In a conversation with IANS, on the sidelines of the 5th Kautilya Economic Conclave here, Mishra said that concerns over MDR leading to widespread fee hikes may be overstated in a free and competitive market.

"It is an enabling provision. Look, this is a free market. Unless someone is afraid that financial firms, banks or payment aggregators will start colluding and raising charges at the same time, there are different ways to handle that," he said.

"I don't see this leading to a large-scale increase in fees because it is a free and competitive market. There were firms that remained viable and survived even when they could not charge MDR," Mishra added.

On the global economic outlook, the World Bank executive identified sharply rising interest rates as the single biggest risk facing global financial markets.

Dabur issues clarification on FSSAI order, says 'stands by purity and quality of its products'

New Delhi, Oct 5 : After the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) issued a prohibition order against Dabur India Limited over the sale of food products carrying allegedly misleading "100 per cent" claims, the company said on Monday that its product labels comply with the prevailing legal and regulatory framework. In a filing with the BSE and the NSE, Dabur India said it stood by the quality and purity of its products. "Dabur India Limited believes that the declaration on our product labels comply with the prevailing legal and regulatory framework and are consistent with long-standing industry practices. Dabur stands by the purity and quality of its products and has never made any misleading claims," the company said in its filing. Earlier, the country's food regulator directed the FMCG major to immediately cease the sale of products bearing claims such as "100 per cent Natural", "100 per cent Pure", "100 per cent Purity Guaranteed", "100 per cent Organic" and "100 per cent Tender Coconut Water".



Chhattisgarh's first solar village: Nathukonha now powered by free energy

Dhamtari, Oct 5 : In an important step aimed at promoting renewable energy and ensuring electricity access to every household, Nathukonha village in Dhamtari district has become Chhattisgarh's first solar-powered village under the Prime Minister Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana. The announcement was made recently during the visit of Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan to Dhamtari. The minister handed over a certificate to the village head, Akbar Mandavi, officially recognising Nathukonha as a solar village. According to information, all households in the village have been equipped with solar panels under this scheme. Now the residents are getting free electricity.

Houses are full of bright lights like never before. This scheme provides subsidies from the central and state governments to those who want to install solar panels in their homes. The aim is to deliver free electricity to citizens.

and also to encourage the use of solar energy to make the country self-reliant in power generation.

Located along the banks of the Madamsilli Dam, Nathukonha is surrounded by forests and hills and is home to 27 tribal families. The installation of solar panels under the scheme ensures that villagers now have electricity throughout the year, greatly improving their quality of life.

The villagers, who previously relied on kerosene lamps and a limited grid supply, can now power lights, fans, and small appliances, transforming daily life and creating opportunities for education and economic activities.

Village head Akbar Mandavi expressed pride and gratitude on behalf of the community.





Market outlook: RBI policy stance, Q2 earnings, West Asia tensions key triggers next week

Mumbai, Oct 5 : After a holiday-shortened week which saw benchmarks slip below a key psychological level as a worsening global backdrop overwhelmed domestic support, the Indian stock markets are geared up for the RBI policy decision and growth projections, along with the beginning of the Q2 earnings season.

A meaningful de-escalation in West Asia could trigger a sharp relief rally next week, according to market watchers. The RBI policy stance, inflation outlook and growth projections will provide important cues on the near-term trajectory of domestic interest rates and financial markets.

Last week, the bearish tone was evident from the start, with the Sensex declining 1.52 per cent on Monday, followed by relatively modest losses over the next two sessions before another 0.79 per cent decline on Thursday. Consequently, the Sensex shed 1,670.84 points to settle at 71,909.70.



Tax amendment bill a positive step for data centre ecosystem: Nasscom

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Industry on Monday hailed the Taxation and Other Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026, which proposes to simplify the tax exemption framework introduced under the Finance Act, 2026 for foreign companies procuring services from specified data centres in India. The Bill removes the need for case-specific notifications for both foreign companies and data centres, while also recognising data centre facilities operated through ownership or leasing "While the Bill is currently before Parliament, the proposed changes is a positive step for the industry."



RBI projects GDP growth at 6.7 pc for FY27 as India remains fastest-growing economy

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Terming India as the fastest-growing economy amid persistent global uncertainties, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Monday projected real GDP growth at 6.7 per cent for FY27, 10 bps higher than its previous projection of 6.6 per cent in the prevision Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting.

In his address, RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra pegged Q1 FY27 GDP growth at 7 per cent, Q2 at 6.4 per cent, Q3 at 6.5 per cent, and Q4 at 6.8 per cent.

He said that supply-side pressures from the West Asia conflict have eased somewhat since June 2026. However, the re-escalation of the conflict since the first week of July has amplified volatility in energy prices and renewed uncertainty around supply chains.

India's EV sales likely to grow 55 pc annually through 2034

New Delhi, Oct 5 : India's shift to electric vehicles is becoming a key economic driver, with EV sales rising 46-fold from about 50,000 units in 2016 to 2.3 million units in 2025 and the market is projected to grow to $191.04 billion by 2034 at a CAGR of 54.94 per cent, the government said on Monday. India's growth has outpaced global trends, where EV sales increased roughly 20 times-from 9.18 lakh in 2016 to 18.78 million in 2024, an official statement said. The EV battery market is likely to grow from $2.71 billion in 2025 to $15.90 billion by 2034 at a CAGR of 21.70 per cent. India aims for 30 per cent of all vehicle sales to be electric by 2030 and plans 1.32 million charging stations by 2030 to strengthen the ecosystem.





Two more medical colleges to come up in Arunachal, MBBS seats doubled to 100 at TRIHMS: CM

Itanagar, Oct 5 : Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu on Monday said that the MBBS intake at the Tomo Riba Institute of Health and Medical Sciences (TRIHMS) has doubled from the initial 50 seats to 100 over the past two years, while two more medical colleges are set to be established in the state soon.

The Chief Minister said that the state is preparing to establish a second medical college at Namsai, with construction expected to begin shortly, while a third medical college in the West Kameng-Tawang region, with an intake capacity of around 150 students, is being planned under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode. Khandu said an investor delegation from Delhi was scheduled to visit the proposed site and hold discussions with the concerned department.

BJP's Nasha Mukt Punjab Yatra reaches 3,000 drug-affected families, claims party

Chandigarh, Oct 5: Behind Punjab's growing concern over drug abuse are thousands of families struggling to save their loved ones from addiction. Bringing their stories and concerns into the spotlight, the BJP's nearly two-week-long 'Nasha Mukt Punjab Yatra' reached out to 3,000 families affected by drugs while traversing all 117 Assembly constituencies in the state, the party said on Monday. Describing the campaign as a people's movement rather than a political exercise, the BJP said the yatra sought to give a voice to families battling the consequences of drug abuse and mobilise public support for a drug-free Punjab. According to a report compiled by the party, the campaign travelled nearly 4,000 km and organised 474 programmes, including public rallies, roadshows, reception events and street-corner meetings. The yatra, it claimed, directly reached 49.5 lakh people, while its social media content garnered 6.5 crore views.

The campaign was conducted in four parts, with senior state leaders accompanying all four yatras. It culminated in Jalandhar on September 30 with an address by Union Home Minister Amit Shah. Launched on September 18 from Madhopur in Pathankot in the presence of BJP president Nitin Nabin and state chief Kewal Singh Dhillon, the first leg covered 35 Assembly constituencies and 10 organisational districts.





Indian envoy, Saudi Minister review preparations for Haj 2027

Jeddah, Oct 5 : India's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Vipul, met Saudi Arabia's Vice Minister of Hajj and Umrah, Abdulfattah bin Suleiman Al-Mashat, and reviewed preparations for Haj 2027, besides inspecting the Haj Terminal at Jeddah Airport and the Haramain High Speed Railway Station, the Consulate General of India in Jeddah said on Monday. "Ambassador of India to Saudi Arabia H.E. Shri Vipul, accompanied by Consul General Shri Fahad Suri and Consul (Haj) Ms. Sadaf Choudhary, met H.E. Dr. Abdulfattah bin Suleiman Al-Mashat, Vice Minister of Hajj and Umrah of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and other senior officials of the Saudi Hajj and Umrah Ministry, on 04 October 2026," the Consulate posted on X. "The two sides comprehensively reviewed preparations for Haj 2027 and discussed continued close coordination between the Indian Haj Mission and the Ministry of Hajj and Umrah, Saudi Arabia, for the forthcoming Haj 2027," it added. As preparations for Haj 2027 gather momentum, the Ambassador, accompanied by the Consul General and the Consul (Haj), also visited the Haj Terminal at Jeddah Airport and the Haramain High Speed Railway Station, the Consulate said in a separate post. "With over 100,000 Indian pilgrims travelling through the Haj Committee of India route, the Haj Terminal and Haramain train services constitute critical operational nodes in their arrival and onward movement during Haj," it stated. "During the visit, the Ambassador reviewed the facilities, infrastructure and operational arrangements at both locations and interacted with concerned officials on preparations for the forthcoming Haj," the Consulate added. Preparations for Haj 2027 have been under way for months, with an Indian delegation holding a series of meetings with Saudi officials in August. On August 9, Ministry of Minority Affairs Secretary Srivatsa Krishna met Deputy Minister for Planning and Digital Transformation, Ministry of Haj and Umrah, Abdulaziz Al Mathami, and discussed the technical integration of Haj portals to improve the Haj experience for Indian pilgrims. "Dr Srivatsa Krishna, Secretary of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, accompanied by Consul General Mr Fahad Ahmed Khan Suri, met with H.E. Abdulaziz Al Mathami, Deputy Minister for Planning.

Ensuring 7th Pay Commission benefits for teachers is Jan Suraaj's guarantee: Prashant Kishor

Patna, Oct 5 : Jan Suraaj Party (JSP) founder Prashant Kishor, participating in the 'Teacher Dialogue' programme in Bihar's Muzaffarpur, said that ensuring 7th Pay Commission pay scale for all categories of teachers in Bihar, before the 2029 Lok Sabha elections, is a guarantee of his party. He assured that the decades-old issue faced by 'unaided' teachers would be resolved and their status regularised while noting that the teaching community in Bihar was divided into various categories, including contractual, special and guest teachers.

Reiterating Jan Suraaj's pledge to ensure the 7th Pay Commission scale for all teachers, Kishor said that state-level standards would be established regarding the deployment of teachers for non-academic duties, thereby preventing district-level officials from arbitrarily assigning such tasks to them, emphasising the need to end their 'exploitation'.

Regarding the Graduates' constituency election, Kishor added that if Jan Suraaj candidate B. Mohan wins, the movement would take responsibility for securing employment for 10,000 educated, unemployed youths. He said that Shyam Nandan Yadav would champion the cause of teachers, while B. Mohan would serve as the voice of graduates.



First non-Cong govt to come to power with clear majority: Sudhanshu Trivedi after Kharge calls Modi govt 'illegal'

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Countering the allegations made by the Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge against Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MP Sudhanshu Trivedi said on Monday that Congress' latest actions were an insult to the mandate of the people of the nation. He added that the BJP under Prime Minister Narendra Modi is the first non-Congress party in India's history to win with a clear majority in 2014 and that Kharge was trying to call that party 'illegal'. Recently Kharge made remarks demanding the dissolution of the Lok Sabha and state Assemblies, saying that "all the elections were illegal" and even Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah and Chief Ministers of all the BJP-ruled states were "illegal". "Mallikarjun Kharge, a leader so senior that he is even older than Rahul Gandhi's father, why does he want to own Rahul Gandhi Ji's deranged mindset? And with all due humility, I want to ask Kharge Ji that when your election took place, not one, but several Congress leaders had asked to at least provide the list of the Electoral College, that is, at least provide the list of the electoral board.



BJYM's 'Seva Sankalp Yatra' enters Madhya Pradesh after 18 days of seva

New Delhi, Oct 5 : The Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM)'s 'Seva Sankalp Yatra' entered Madhya Pradesh on Monday, after traversing through various states and also marking completion of 18 days of 'seva' (public service). The Seva Sankalp Yatra, steered by the BJYM -- the youth wing of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) -- is being organised across the country through awareness drives and bike rallies, to celebrate Prime Minister Narendra Modi's twenty-five years of 'seva'. Inspired by PM Modi's 'seva' for more than two decades, the Yatra seeks to transform the idea of Seva into a people-led movement, taking the message of service, responsibility and nation-building to communities across the country. According to BJYM, the Yatra progressed across 20 routes in six states today -- one in Madhya Pradesh, seven in Rajasthan, one in Chhattisgarh, six in Uttar Pradesh, two in Jharkhand and three in Gujarat, hoping to build greater public participation. Speaking about the Yatra's mission, the BJYM National President Hemang Joshi said, "The energy of our Seva Yatris is growing with every passing day.



Eighteen days into this journey, their enthusiasm remains as strong as it was on Day One, because they are not merely travelling a route, they are carrying forward the vision of Seva that has defined PM Narendra Modi Ji's public life.

Illegal arms & explosives network busted in Punjab, AK-47 assault rifle seized

Chandigarh, Oct 5 : In a major breakthrough, Amritsar Rural Police has dismantled an illegal arms and explosives supply network with the arrest of an individual and recovered one AK-47 assault rifle along with a magazine and nine cartridges, and two hand grenades from his possession, Punjab's Director General of Police Gaurav Yadav said on Monday. The arrested accused has been identified as Navjot Singh, 28, a truck driver by profession and a resident of Cheema in Tarn Taran. Apart from recovering arms and explosives, police teams have also impounded his motorcycle, which was used for transporting the consignment.

DGP Yadav said that preliminary investigation has revealed that the accused was allegedly linked to foreign-based smugglers and is involved in procuring illegal weapons. Further investigation is underway to uncover the complete network, he said.



Sharing operational details, Inspector General of Police, Border Range, Gurpreet Singh Bhullar said that acting on precise intelligence inputs, special teams of Amritsar Rural Police launched a targeted operation and intercepted the accused when he was riding a motorcycle. During the search, police teams recovered an AK-47 assault rifle along with a magazine and cartridges and two live hand grenades, he said.

Senior Superintendent of Police, Amritsar Rural, Kanwalpreet Singh Chahal said that the operation was executed under the close supervision of Superintendent of Police, Investigation, Ramandeep Singh.

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Mehbooba Mufti says 14,000 cases against youth were withdrawn during PDP-BJP rule in J&K

Srinagar, Oct 5 : Former Jammu and Kashmir chief minister and Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) president Mehbooba Mufti said on Sunday that 14,000 cases against youth were withdrawn during PDP-BJP rule. Speaking at an event here on Monday, the PDP chief targeted the Omar Abdullah-led government in Jammu and Kashmir, claiming that the National Conference cannot understand the vision of former Chief Minister Mufti Mohammad Sayeed.



Mehbooba Mufti said the PDP had taken several steps for peace and youth engagement while it was in an alliance with the BJP. Referring to the PDP-BJP government, Mehbooba claimed that the alliance had helped facilitate a ceasefire and that cases against around 14,000 youth were withdrawn during that period. She questioned whether the present Omar Abdullah government could take similar steps for the younger generation in Jammu and Kashmir. Mehbooba also expressed concern over what she described as an atmosphere of fear in Jammu and Kashmir. She alleged that young people are not being allowed to freely express their views on social media.

The PDP chief said all political parties need to come together to address the concerns of the younger generation and work towards helping youth overcome what she described as mental stress and uncertainty.

Mehbooba stressed the need for a collective political approach to address the issues facing young people and restore confidence among the youth of Jammu and Kashmir. She said Jammu and Kashmir is facing serious challenges this time and we have to address these. "If somebody's grandfather or father was involved in militancy, that youth cannot get government service in J&K. If people can travel to China from other states, why cannot we travel to China through Ladakh and let our youth see a new World," she said.

Mehbooba urged the government to review its approach to J&K and let the youth breathe in new air without fear.



U'khand Cabinet clears 24 proposals, approves Rs 200 crore skill scheme, major rule changes

Champawat, Oct 5 : Several important decisions were taken after the Uttarakhand Cabinet discussed and approved 24 proposals during its meeting held in Champawat's Banbasa on Monday. The measures covered employment, education, employee accountability, land revenue and regulations governing private universities, according to the officials. The Cabinet meeting, held in the border district under the leadership of Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, approved a number of proposals aimed at strengthening employment opportunities, improving administrative accountability and facilitating development in different parts of the state. The Uttarakhand government approved a special package of Rs 66 crore for the Tarai Development Corporation Ltd (TDC) as part of the decisions taken during the meeting.

US Congressional panel splits on disability wage rule

Washington, Oct 5 : A House hearing in Wisconsin has reignited the US debate over disability employment and wages, with lawmakers weighing whether Section 14(c)—which ties pay to productivity for some workers with significant disabilities—protects "dignity" and "purpose" through work or should be ended in favor of competitive, integrated jobs. The hearing was held at Green Valley Enterprises in Beaver Dam this past week. Rep. Glenn Grothman said the goal was to move the discussion "out of the Beltway" and into "the real world."



Congress steps up cadre rebuild in MP, plans statewide outreach drive soon

Bhopal, Oct 5 : The Madhya Pradesh Congress Committee on Monday intensified its organisational revamp, directing district leaders to strengthen party cadres at the grassroots.

The decision was taken at a high-level meeting of district in-charges held at Indira Bhawan. The meeting was chaired by the state in-charge, Harish Chaudhary, and the state Congress president, Jitu Patwari. Senior leaders, including Sukhdev Panse, Sanjay Kamle, All India Congress Committee secretaries Usha Naidu and Sanjay Dutt, along with district in-charges from across the state, were present at the meeting.?

The leadership conducted a detailed review of the party's organisational status across Madhya Pradesh. It identified gaps at the booth and village levels and



stressed the need for sustained grassroots engagement to rebuild the party structure. District in-charges were directed to accelerate organisational activities in their respective regions. They were asked to maintain regular contact with party workers and ensure that local public issues are raised more effectively to reconnect with voters.? Leaders emphasised strengthening the party at the village level and expanding its presence in rural and semi-urban areas.

Substantial agenda for emerging and middle powers to cooperate: EAM Jaishankar

New Delhi, Oct 5 : External Affairs Minister (EAM) S. Jaishankar said on Monday that there is a substantial agenda for emerging and middle powers to cooperate in today's world.

Addressing the opening session of the Munich Leaders Meeting 2026 here on Sunday, EAM Jaishankar laid out a roadmap for cooperation among emerging and middle powers, spanning various sectors like international security, trade, resilient supply chains, healthcare, talent mobility, connectivity, climate action and defence.

"What could be the agenda for emerging and middle powers? I would share my thoughts in terms of a few ideas which occurred to me.



One obviously would be international peace and security. That if there are conflicts going on, if there are frictions, if there are tensions, other than the biggest countries, can other nations pool their resources, back each other's diplomacy up, try to do something out there."

EAM Jaishankar noted that the negotiations between India and the European Union came to a head as there was a realisation on both sides that deepening of economic engagement was needed in the transforming world.

"Another obvious area, of course, is investment and trade itself. And a good example is what happened this year between India and the European Union, that we had almost 25 years of negotiation and that negotiation came to a head because I think there was a realisation on both sides that in the transforming world it was essential that our economic engagement was intensified and the barriers to it removed. But, there are different domains, I would argue, enough cause for middle and emerging and middle countries, middle players to come together," he said.

He highlighted that the reality of the world today is that demand is not where there are demographics and said that the best way to level that out is through the flow of talent and skills.



Madhya Pradesh: Over 21 lakh tendu leaf collectors to get Rs 139 crore bonus

Bhopal, Oct 5 : Chief Minister Mohan Yadav on Monday announced that more than 21 lakh tendu leaf collectors across Madhya Pradesh would receive a total bonus exceeding Rs 139 crore.

He described nature-worshipping tribal communities as the state's heritage and said their contribution to protecting and managing forests is incomparable.

Participating in a training-cum-awareness programme and tendu leaf bonus distribution event for members of Primary Forest Produce Cooperative Societies in Mandla district, he affirmed the government's commitment to secure the rights, respect the hard work, and protect the interests of tribal families and tendu leaf collectors.

Responding to local demands, Yadav also announced the opening of government colleges in Mohgaon and Ghughri, minor forest produce processing units in Mandla under the MSME Department, a tiger safari zoo to attract domestic and foreign tourists, and the revival of traditional betel cultivation in the district.

Tendu leaves are used by tribal people and people of economically weaker sections in rural areas to roll bidis. It generates additional income for them.

Yadav transferred a bonus of Rs 36.17 crore (Rs 36,17,37,518) for 2024 to 9,04,126 tendu leaf collectors from eight forest divisions — East and West Mandla, North and South Seoni, North and South Balaghat, Dindori and Jabalpur. He also distributed a timber dividend of Rs 26.56 lakh to about 40,000 members of 84 forest committees that assist the Forest Department in Mandla.

Ceuta migration crisis resolved; no one crossed border: EU Commissioner

Brussels, Oct 5 : European Commissioner for Home Affairs and Migration, Magnus Brunner, on Monday confirmed that the Ceuta migration crisis is now "resolved", local media reported.

"Spain confirmed today, as previously stated, that practically all those who entered Ceuta have now returned. No one has crossed the border from Ceuta to mainland Spain and continental Europe," stated the European Commissioner at a press conference in Brussels at the end of the informal videoconference of the Council of Interior Ministers, Italian News Agency Adnkronos reported.

He also mentioned that there were no "criticisms" regarding the massive regularisations of migrants decided by Spain.





India, Uzbekistan discuss judicial cooperation, AI, digital technologies

Tashkent, Oct 5 : Chief Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant on Monday hmet Uzbekistan Supreme Court's Chairperson Robakhon Makhmudova and discussed bilateral judicial cooperation. "Hon'ble CJI Justice Shri Surya Kant held a bilateral meeting with Justice Robakhon Makhmudova, Chairperson of the Supreme Court of Uzbekistan and discussed judicial cooperation between India and Uzbekistan. The efficient use of AI and digital technology in the judicial system was also discussed," the Embassy of India in Tashkent stated on X.

On Thursday, the CJI participated in the 7th Congress of the Association of Asian Constitutional Courts (AACC) in the Uzbek city of Samarkand.

"Hon'ble CJI Justice Shri Surya Kant actively participated in the 7th Congress of AACC in Samarkand. Hon'ble CJI also delivered speech with a focus on 'Digitising Justice: Charting the Supreme Court of India's Course'," the embassy stated on X. In June, the Chief Justice travelled to Russia and held a meeting with its Supreme Court's Chairman, Igor Krasnov, in Moscow. CJI Surya Kant said that while the Supreme Courts of India and Russia have evolved through different legal traditions, both face the common challenge of preserving public confidence in the administration of justice while adapting to a rapidly changing world. He had highlighted the similarities between the two jurisdictions, which serve societies marked by immense scale and diversity.

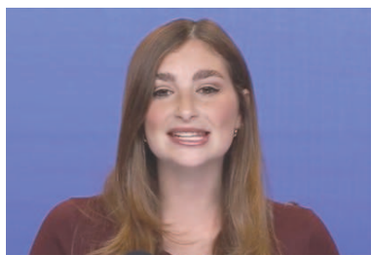
Israel expects US to safeguard its military edge amid Saudi F-35 deal

Jerusalem, Oct 5 : Israel expects Washington to preserve its access to more advanced US weaponry, a spokesperson for the Prime Minister's Office said, commenting on US plans to sell F-35 fighter jets to Saudi Arabia.

Israel is currently the only Middle Eastern country operating the advanced stealth aircraft, and US law requires that any arms sales in the region do not erode Israel's "qualitative military edge" over its neighbours, Xinhua news agency reported.

"The United States and Israel have a long-standing understanding, which is that Israel maintains the qualitative edge when it comes to its defense," spokeswoman Shosh Bedrosian told reporters.

"That has been true yesterday, that has been true today, and the Prime Minister (Benjamin Netanyahu).



One killed after car plunges into 200-ft gorge in Bengal's Kurseong

Kolkata, Oct 5 : At least one person was killed and five others were injured after a car plunged into a ditch about 200 feet below in the hills in north Bengal's Kurseong, the police said on Monday. The accident took place on Sunday night on the Kargil Dhara road in Kurseong.

It is learnt that six friends were going from Kurseong to Siliguri in a four-wheeler on Sunday. Around 9 p.m. to 9:30 pm, due to heavy rain in the Kargil Dhara area, which is 10 km above Rohini in Kurseong, the car lost control and fell into a ditch about 200 feet below. Following the accident, locals quickly started the rescue work. After receiving information about the incident, the disaster management group of the state and a police team reached the spot. They were rescued and taken to the hospital. One of the six friends was declared dead by the doctor. The rest are undergoing treatment at the hospital. According to the police, all six are residents of Siliguri. "On Sunday night, the car lost control in Kargildara and fell into a ditch about two hundred feet below.





34-36 Ayushman Arogya Mandirs to be built in Delhi : Pankaj Singh

New Delhi, Oct 5 : The Delhi government is planning to establish 34 to 36 Ayushman Arogya Mandirs under the Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission, Health Minister Pankaj Singh said on Monday. Speaking exclusively to IANS, the Health Minister said: "We are planning to set up around 34 or 35 kendras. I can't confirm the exact number right now - it could be 30 or 36. We will reveal the final figure within the next 15 to 20 days."

Singh further slammed the opposition AAP over the recent Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) report.

"I would advise the Opposition (AAP) to learn to face the truth. If there is a CAG report, they should at least sit down and review the mistakes they have made. They have cheated the people of Delhi and committed errors. Who will stop them from paying the fines for these mistakes and accepting the truth?" he stated.

Citing the CAG reports presented during the Delhi Assembly Budget session, showcasing many irregularities of the AAP regime, Pankaj Singh said: "Those involved in scams will not be spared. We are focused on our work, and our party genuinely cares about the health system and is taking steps to improve healthcare infrastructure."

Akhilesh Yadav should definitely visit Ram Mandir, seek Lord's blessings: Bhupendra Singh Chaudhary

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Uttar Pradesh Minister Bhupendra Singh Chaudhary said that Samajwadi Party Chief Akhilesh Yadav should definitely visit Ram Mandir and seek Lord Ram's blessings. Speaking to IANS, Chaudhary said, "Akhilesh Yadav should definitely come to Ayodhya; Hanuman Garhi and the Ram Mandir are near. He should come. There is pain and regret in his heart after witnessing the growth and development of Ayodhya despite his wishes. Ram Mandir is the symbol of crores of Hindus' faith and devotion so he should definitely come. After all, development has happened, and Akhilesh Yadav can see it."

Former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav's scheduled visit to Ayodhya has drawn calls from several political leaders, urging him to visit the Ram Temple and seek the blessings of Lord Ram.

SP leader Rajeev Rai said, "Lord Ram first defeated Akhilesh Yadav in Lok Sabha elections, and then he (Lord Ram) guided Akhilesh ji to see the theft that is going on in Ram Mandir.



Probably Lord Ram wants the sinners to be removed, and that's why Akhilesh Yadav might be going there. What is the issue in that?" Meanwhile, Union Minister SP Singh Baghel said, "In a democracy, everyone has the right to go wherever they want. Going to Ayodhya is their right. He can visit the temple for any political or societal reason. Whether they visit the temple or not it is their own decision." "If they cannot go to the temple for the appeasement of a certain vote bank or the satisfaction of the Muslims.

NHRC summons Delhi Police Commissioner over delay in enquiry into Instagram ads promoting child sexual abuse material

New Delhi, Oct 5 : The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) on Monday issued summons to the Delhi Police Commissioner for failing to submit an Action Taken Report (ATR) within the stipulated time in a case concerning allegations that paid advertisements displayed on Instagram promoted Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM) in India and redirected users to Telegram channels where such content was allegedly being offered for sale. A Bench presided over by NHRC Member Priyank Kanoongo had earlier taken suo motu cognisance of media reports published by the BBC World Service alleging that advertisements carrying expressions such as "rape video" and "child video"



were displayed on Instagram and continued to remain accessible despite being reported through the platform's grievance mechanism.



Gurugram: MCG to build drain to prevent leachate at Bandhwadi landfill site

Gurugram, Oct 5 : The Municipal Corporation of Gurugram (MCG) has prepared a plan to build a new drain to prevent the leachate seeping out from the Bandhwadi landfill site to the Aravalli forests area.

Delhi SIR: Special camp organised in Ranjit Nagar to assist voters with electoral roll updates

New Delhi, Oct 5 : A special camp has been organised in Delhi's Ranjit Nagar on Monday to assist voters in the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) process, with issues related to electoral rolls, documents and voter details being addressed.

Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and other concerned officials are checking documents and providing information and assistance to voters regarding corrections in names, addresses and other details in the electoral rolls. People are also being informed about the SIR process and the documents required for various applications.

Speaking to IANS, Shiv Kumar Sharma, Assistant Electoral Registration Officer (AERO), said that the SIR process is currently underway in the area.

"Our SIR process is currently underway. Before this, our pre-exercise phase was conducted. Following that, starting from August 31, the period for claims, objections and notices began. Initially, it was scheduled from August 31 to September 30 for Forms 6, 7, 8 and 8B. Anyone wanting to register as a new voter can fill out Form 6. This process has now been extended by one month and is currently valid until October 30," he said. He added that the disposal of claims and objections would continue until November 13, after which the final electoral roll would be published on December 4. Speaking about the challenges being faced during the exercise, Sharma said there were no major issues in the area and that voters were actively participating in the process.

"Regarding challenges, we are not facing any major issues here. Voters are actively coming forward. During the enumeration phase, all the forms we received were digitised and recorded. Names of individuals who had died, relocated, remained absent, or appeared more than once were removed accordingly," he said.

Sharma further said that arrangements had been made at designated locations to assist voters who require help with the process. "We have made arrangements here as well as at other designated locations through our AERO officers, principals and others. Camps are being organised, like today. If anyone comes here, our officials, BLOs and BLO supervisors assist them completely in filling out the forms.



They also explain which specific documents are required in each case. We follow the complete procedure," he said.

Special Intensive Revision (SIR) is an exercise conducted by the Election Commission of India (ECI) to update electoral rolls and remove duplicate, deceased, shifted or otherwise ineligible entries. The exercise was conducted in Bihar ahead of the 2025 Assembly elections and was subsequently taken up in several other states and union territories.



NCW suggests free reconstructive surgeries, disability benefits, Zero FIR for acid attack survivors

New Delhi, Oct 5 : A provision of free, lifelong medical treatment, including reconstructive surgeries, disability benefits and Zero FIR are among the key recommendations made by the National Commission for Women (NCW) to the government to strengthen rehabilitation, care and justice for acid attack survivors, an official said on Monday.

The NCW recommendations, based on the Round Table Consultation titled 'Navjeevan: A Consultation on Care, Justice & Dignity for Acid Attack Survivors' held in January, also talk of recognising acid attack survivors under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. The Commission suggested issuance of disability certificates; integration into the Unique Disability ID system.

Army-led initiative to bring mobile connectivity to remote border villages in Arunachal

Itanagar, Oct 5 : The Indian Army and a telecommunications firm have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to expand mobile connectivity in remote areas of Arunachal Pradesh's Kameng district in a major initiative aimed at improving communication infrastructure and enhancing the quality of life in border regions, officials said on Monday. Defence spokesman Lt Col Mahendra Rawat said that, in a significant step towards nation-building through military-civil integration, the Indian Army and a private telecommunications company have signed the MoU to expand communication infrastructure in remote areas of the border state. The MoU was also signed to develop infrastructure and establish mobile connectivity in remote areas of Kameng district in western Arunachal Pradesh.

Delhi Police arrest thief wanted in snatching mobile phone of BSF man

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Delhi Police on Monday arrested a thief wanted in a mobile phone snatching case after sustained technical surveillance and intensive field efforts by the Jama Masjid Police Station team of the Central District. The original Aadhaar card of the complainant was also recovered during the operation.



According to a statement released by the Central District Police, the incident occurred on September 16, when a case of mobile snatching was reported at Jama Masjid Police Station. The complainant, a BSF personnel who had come to Delhi for onward posting, visited the Jama Masjid area. At around 6 pm, while walking near the Service Road at Kabutar Market, he was intercepted by two unknown individuals—one obstructed his path while the other snatched his Vivo V-40E mobile phone, which contained one ATM card.

The complainant immediately raised an alarm by shouting "Chor-Chor," prompting ASI Neeraj Tyagi and Constable Sumit, who were patrolling the area, to rush to the spot. They managed to apprehend one of the accused, and the snatched mobile phone was recovered from his possession.

Based on the complainant's statement and the circumstances of the incident.



Japan, Australia sign contract to jointly deliver three frigates

Melbourne, Oct 5 : Japan and Australia on Monday said that they have signed the contracts to jointly deliver three of the 11 ships for the Australian Navy. These ships are based on the upgraded Mogami-class frigate of Japan, as reported by a Japanese news outlet.

Japanese Defence Minister Shinjiro Koizumi and his Australian counterpart Richard Marles, who also doubles as Deputy Prime Minister, announced this deal in Melbourne, Kyodo news reported. Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ltd., which produces the Mogami-class vessels, also signed the contract.

After the talks, in a joint press conference aboard the Mogami-class Kumano frigate, Marles said that these vessels will be built in Japan and delivered to Australia in December 2029.

Over 10 years, the government of Australia will invest up to AU$20 billion ($14.4 billion) for the development of a new fleet, the report mentioned.

These upgraded Mogami-class frigates come with 32-cell Vertical Launch and a range of 10,000 nautical miles. According to the government of Australia, the vessels will be equipped with surface-to-air and anti-ship missiles.

Taiwan President urges international community to stand against China's 'ethnic unity' law

Taipei, Oct 5 : Taiwan's President Lai Ching-te on Monday urged the international community to oppose China's 'ethnic unity' law and expressed Taipei's firm stance against authoritarian expansion and transnational repression, local media reported. In his address at the opening of the 10th annual Ketagalan Forum on Tuesday, President Lai said that the ethnic unity law, which came into effect in China on July 1, threatens Taiwan's sovereignty, persecutes ethnic or religious minorities, demonstrates China's use of transnational repression and poses a threat to people in the world through political censorship, Taiwan-based Taipei Times reported. He expressed Taiwan's commitment to upholding the principles of democracy while maintaining peace and security in the Indo-Pacific region.

"At the Ketagalan Forum, I emphasized Taiwan's firm stance against authoritarian expansion and transnational repression. The international community must oppose China's red terror and its malicious law on 'ethnic unity.' We will strengthen countermeasures through global cooperation," Lai Ching-te posted on X.

The Ketagalan Forum 2026 Indo-Pacific Security Dialogue is co-hosted by Taiwan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Taiwan Institute of Economic Research in Taipei. In July, over 50 Uyghur civil society organisations strongly condemned China's Law on the Promotion of Ethnic Unity and Progress (Ethnic Unity Law) and urged the international community to take meaningful action to



repeal the legislation. According to a joint statement, the law is not a "technical administrative measure" but a "legislative instrument of forced assimilation". It noted that the legislation explicitly conflates the Chinese nation with the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and demands that ethnic groups abandon their distinct identities in favour of loyalty to the Party, the Han-defined "motherland," and "Socialism with Chinese Characteristics." Under this framework, the organisations said, the Uyghur, Tibetan, Mongolian, and other non-Han identities are permitted to exist only insofar as they are absorbed into a single, CCP-defined Chinese nation. "The law's reach is sweeping. It entrenches Mandarin as the language of education, displacing Uyghur, Tibetan, and Southern Mongolian languages from the classroom and public life. It mandates the 'sinicisation' of religion, subordinating faith to Party ideology.



Divided Nepali Congress holds convention as rival faction plans December meet

Kathmandu, Oct 5 : A general convention organised by a faction of Nepal's Nepali Congress began in Kathmandu on Monday, while another faction is scheduled to hold its own general convention in December, highlighting continued divisions within the country's grand old party.

The faction led by party President Gagan Kumar Thapa is holding the Nepali Congress' 15th General Convention, while another faction led by former Prime Minister Sher Bahadur Deuba is scheduled to hold its general convention from December 7 to 9.

A rebel group led by Thapa organised a special general convention of the party in January this year, which removed Deuba as party president and elevated Thapa to the post, further deepening divisions within the party.

The legality of the special general convention and Deuba's removal as party president is currently under review by the Supreme Court. However, the Election Commission recognised the Thapa-led faction ahead of the March 5 elections, allowing it to field candidates.

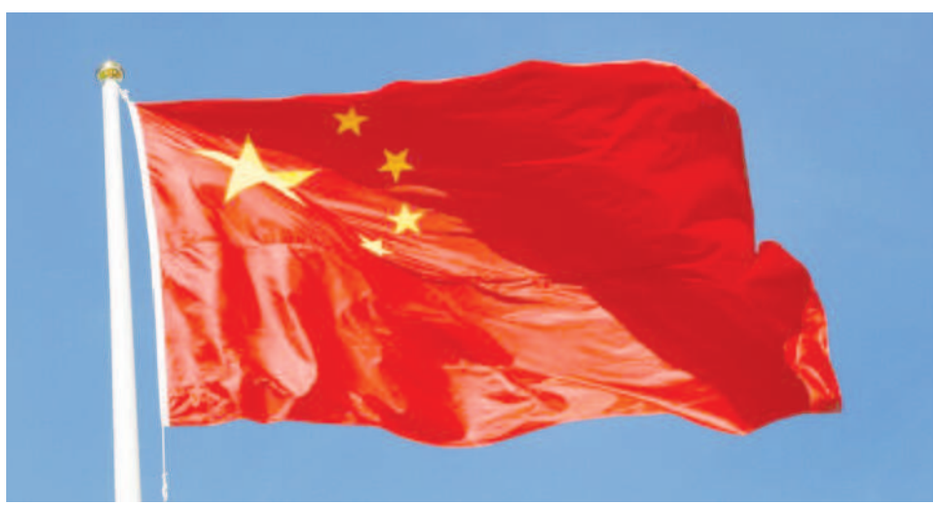
The elections, however, proved disastrous for the grand old party.

Libya unified budget wins global backing

Washington, Oct 5 : The United States and key global powers have welcomed Libya's agreement on a unified national budget for 2026, calling it a "critical step" towards economic coordination, stability, and long-term political unity in the conflict-hit country.

In a joint statement released by Washington and nine other governments, including Egypt, France, Germany, Italy, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Türkiye, the United Arab Emirates and the United Kingdom, the signatories said they "welcome the signing on April 11 of a unified 2026 budget for Libya, the first Libyan national budget in over a decade". They described the move as a breakthrough that could help bridge divisions between rival authorities in eastern and western Libya. "We applaud their constructive approach to reach this agreement.





Hong Kong university's research with TGTE on Tamil statehood raises questions over China's role in Sri Lanka: Report

Colombo, Oct 5 : A Hong Kong university is set to conduct a research project in collaboration with the Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE) on the establishment of an independent Tamil state in Sri Lanka, triggering a debate over whether China is using the issue to pressure Colombo, a report said.

According to a report in the Sri Lankan news portal Ceylon News 24, the project came to light through a job advertisement published by the Faculty of Law at The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) to recruit a Postdoctoral Fellow.

"Reports reveal an attempt to promote a separatist agenda through a university located in Hong Kong, China, in a manner that threatens the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Sri Lanka," the report stated. According to the job notice (Job Description - Postdoctoral Fellow 260001DQ), the research project is to be conducted under the direction of Professor Alex Green and in collaboration with the TGTE.

"The primary objective of this research is stated as studying the ongoing political and legal discourses surrounding the establishment of an independent Tamil state within the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka," the report said.



Brazil, Mexico and Spain urge action over humanitarian crisis in Cuba

Madrid, Oct 5 : The governments of Brazil, Mexico and Spain expressed deep concern over the grave humanitarian crisis facing the Cuban people and urged necessary measures to ease the situation, according to a joint statement published on the Spanish Foreign Ministry's website.

The three governments on Monday, also called relevant parties to avoid actions that worsen the living conditions of the population or that violate international law, and pledged to increase, in a coordinated manner, their humanitarian response to alleviate the suffering of the Cuban people, Xinhua news agency reported.

UNGA president calls for Security Council reform to address 'historical injustice,' says Spokesperson

United Nations, Oct 5 : United Nations General Assembly President Annalena Baerbock wants the Security Council reformed to correct the "historical injustice", according to her Spokesperson La Neice Collins.

"She does believe (what) should happen is that there should be a discussion and a debate on reforming the Security Council", Collins said on Monday.

"She has expressed repeatedly, for example, not having any state from Africa be part of the permanent member[ship] ... is an historical injustice, and that it (Council) is not representative of the world in which we currently live", Collins said.

As the president of the Assembly, Braerbock "has not expressed any backing for any particular plan, but she has made clear that this organisation was founded 80 years ago in a very different time, and that it there does need to be reformed to bring it into line with 21st Century realities", she said.

Braerbock is a former foreign minister of Germany, and while representing the country, she advocated for expanding the number of permanent members on the Council and permanent seats for India and her country on a reformed Council.

Germany is a member of the G4, a group that includes India, Brazil, and Japan, which lobbies for Council reform.

Last year, she participated in a meeting of G4 foreign ministers along with External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and signed on to a statement that "reiterated their support for each other's candidatures as aspiring new permanent members in a reformed Security Council".



The statement also said the ministers "voiced strong concern over the persistent absence of substantial progress in the IGN (Inter-Governmental Negotiations process for Council reform) and underlined the urgent need to begin text-based negotiations".

As Assembly president, Braerbock recently appointed Permanent Representatives Tareq M. A. M. AlBanai of Kuwait and Lise Gregoire-van Haaren of the Netherlands as the co-chairs of the IGN to recharge the negotiations.



McMaster warns on China tech threat

Washington, Oct 5 : Former US National Security Adviser Lt Gen (rtd) H. R. McMaster said the United States and its allies must move quickly to secure critical technologies and supply chains as strategic competition with China intensifies.

Speaking at a panel discussion at the Thrive 2026 conference at Stanford University, McMaster said years of globalisation had left Western economies exposed by prioritising efficiency over resilience. "We became complacent," he said, warning that supply chains are now vulnerable in a period of renewed great power rivalry.



'There's no resentment': Portugal boss Jesus says doors open for Ronaldo return

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Portugal head coach Jorge Jesus has said that if Cristiano Ronaldo wants, he can still return to the national setup, adding that Ronaldo has to "decide his life before the next call-up."

The 41-year-old veteran left international camp just hours after coach Jorge Jesus publicly addressed their growing disagreement over the captain's role. After leaving the camp he wrote on social media, "In due course, I will tell the truth to all the Portuguese people about my reasons for leaving the national team, to which I have always been dedicated."

Addressing the veteran's international future after Portugal beat Norway 2-1 at the Estadio do Dragao to enter Nations League quarterfinals, Jesus said, "I don't know what's going to happen. For me, everything is open. Cris has to decide his life before the next call-up.

"If he wants to be in the national team and he's playing, why not? There's no resentment, because this was a misunderstanding. I think it's easy to resolve.



'I had only one goal that is to win trophies,' says Abhishek on his impact-first approach

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Abhishek Sharma has credited the freedom provided by his teammates and coaches for allowing him to embrace an aggressive, impact-driven approach, saying his ambition has never been centred on personal milestones but on helping India and his teams win trophies. The 26-year-old, who was part of India's ICC Men's T20 World Cup-winning side, discussed his playing philosophy ahead of the new home season against the West Indies. Abhishek traced the development of his mindset to his domestic cricket days, when he began placing greater emphasis on influencing matches rather than chasing individual numbers. "When I started, I thought that I have to play in a way that I can play impactful innings for my team.



When I saw Mukesh's rhythm, I knew 'kuch kaatilana spell aayega': Akash Deep after Irani Cup win

Srinagar, Oct 5 : Unwavering belief, a united team effort, and a spectacular comeback victory marked the Rest of India's epic Irani Cup triumph over Ranji Trophy champions Jammu and Kashmir, as the players reflected on the fierce fightback that made the title win possible.

Akash Deep highlighted the intensity of the contest and praised his bowling partner Mukesh Kumar's terrific rhythm, which gave him an inkling that a superb spell was coming from his hand. Akash Deep's intuition became true as Mukesh picked 6-33 to bowl out J&K for 111 and get a 167-run win for Rest of India.



'Rohit will be crucial in 2027 WC': Karthik praises ex-captain for Windies knock

New Delhi, Oct 5 : Former India cricketer Dinesh Karthik heaped praise on Rohit Sharma for his measured knock in the third ODI against the West Indies in a tough situation, highlighting that his outing showed why he will be crucial for India in the 2027 ODI World Cup in South Africa. India lost their captain, Shubman Gill, and Virat Kohli in the first three overs, and with conditions offering a bite for the fast bowlers, the Men in Blue were under the pump in the third rubber at the CA International Cricket Stadium in New Chandigarh. However, Rohit dropped the anchor and negated the tough period with Ruturaj Gaikwad before smashing 92 from 85 balls. Taking note of how Rohit sailed the ship through the tough shores before cashing in.

Karnataka to reconsider cash awards for Asian Games medallists from state



Bengaluru, Oct 5: Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Youth Empowerment and Sports G. Parameshwara on Monday said the state government is reconsidering the cash awards for sportspersons by comparing them with the incentives offered by other states. Speaking to reporters near the West Gate of Vidhana Soudha, Parameshwara said he had already discussed the matter with Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar and that the revised prize amounts would be announced on Tuesday.



Vaibhav is talented, but he'll have to wait for his opportunity: Gambhir

New Delhi, Oct 5 : India head coach Gautam Gambhir opened up on his conversations with teenage sensation Vaibhav Sooryavanshi and said he made the talented youngster understand "sometimes a player has to wait for his opportunity" despite performing well. Earlier this year, Sooryavanshi became the youngest Indian to play international cricket against England, making his T20I debut at 15 years and 99 days and surpassing Sachin Tendulkar's long-standing record. He then became the youngest player to score a half-century in men's international cricket, reaching the landmark against Zimbabwe at 15 years and 118 days. However, he did not get any game during the entire Afghanistan series and the one-off T20I against Japan in the build-up to the Asian Games. The 15-year-old batter made his way back to India XI in the Asian Games semifinal against Sri Lanka, where he played a more substantial role in the match, smashing 38 off 21 balls.

"It was a new experience for me as well. Yes, he was in good form, but I made him understand that sometimes, because of the players who have done well for a long time, he will have to wait for his opportunity. And there's one more thing, social media or outside noise doesn't decide the playing eleven," Gambhir said on JioStar.

Bracewell moves to casual contract for 2026-27 season, Kelly gets maiden central contract



Chirstchurch, Oct 5 : New Zealand Allrounder Michael Bracewell will shift to a casual contract with NZC for the 2026-27 season to pursue an opportunity in the Australian Big Bash League. Bracewell joined Finn Allen, Mark Chapman, Lockie Ferguson, Adam Milne, and Tim Seifert, as the other casually contracted players for the 2026-27 season. The 35-year-old will be replaced on the central contract list by Nick Kelly, who earned his first national contract eleven years after making his First Class debut. Bracewell said he was looking forward to facing India later this month in the five-game T20I Series. "The backing from New Zealand Cricket for me to take this opportunity at this stage of my career means a lot. As a white-ball only player, this felt like too good of an opportunity to pass up. I'm still very much committed to the BlackCaps and can't wait to be involved in the upcoming India tour and future white-ball series. I've also got my eyes firmly fixed on the opportunity to be involved in the inaugural NZ20 which is set to be introduced from next summer."Kelly, who debuted for New Zealand in March 2025, has 15 international caps (Eight ODI and seven T20I) to his name, including two matches as T20I captain when he filled in for the injured Tom Latham in Bangladesh earlier this year. The left-hander comes onto the central contract list at the age of 33, having recently returned from a county stint with Leicestershire where he contributed 950 runs across all formats.