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Congress, INDIA bloc leaders detained during ‘Chalo Lok Bhavan’ rally



Hyderabad, Oct 8 : Mild tension prevailed near Necklace Road on Thursday after police intercepted Telangana Congress and INDIA bloc leaders during their ‘Chalo Lok Bhavan’ rally,

detaining several state ministers and senior party leaders. The protest, organised under the banner of ‘Save Democracy’, was taken out from the Indira Gandhi statue towards Lok Bhavan, with

the protesters demanding the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar over alleged irregularities in the recent revision of electoral rolls. Police stopped the procession near Lok Bhavan by putting up heavy barricades. Tension mounted as protesters attempted to push through the security cordon to reach the Governor’s official residence. Among those detained and shifted to various police stations were Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president B. Mahesh Kumar Goud, Rajya Sabha MP Vem Narendra Reddy and state Ministers Ponnam



Prabhakar, Duddilla Sridhar Babu, Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, Adluri Laxman Kumar, Vakiti Srihari and Jupally Krishna Rao. Senior leaders and representatives of the CPI, CPI(M) and Telangana Jana Samiti were also detained. Addressing the protesters before his detention, Mahesh Kumar Goud accused the Election Commission of failing to address concerns over the electoral-roll revision and called upon the Chief Election Commissioner to step down voluntarily. “The Election Commission has failed to resolve widespread public concerns

regarding the electoral roll revision. It is the fundamental duty of the Commission to safeguard voting rights and maintain absolute transparency to uphold democratic confidence,” Mahesh Kumar Goud said. State Congress and INDIA bloc leaders also condemned the detention of Rahul Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi and other national opposition leaders during parallel protests in New Delhi. They said the agitation would be intensified across Telangana until, in their view, democratic norms were restored.



India marching towards making product, design, technology, IP indigenously: PM Modi

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday said India is marching towards a future where products and their designs will be developed in the country, while the underlying technology and intellectual property will also belong to the country. Addressing the 10th edition of the India Mobile Congress (IMC) here, PM Modi said the

country has moved beyond being merely a consumer of technology and is now rapidly emerging as a creator and innovator. The Prime Minister said the transformation underway in the telecom sector is being driven by a combination of reforms, domestic manufacturing, technological development and intellectual property creation. He said the government is modernising decades-old laws, introducing incentives and implementing



regulatory reforms to strengthen India's position across the telecom value

chain. “India is marching towards the goal, where the product and design will be made in India.

14 farmers booked for opening Jurala canal gates without authorisation

Hyderabad, Oct 8 : Police have registered cases against 14 farmers in Wanaparthy district for allegedly opening the Jurala canal gates without authorisation on September 19, according to Amarchintha Sub-Inspector Swathi.

The legal action follows an official complaint filed by the Project Irrigation Deputy Executive Engineer (DE). The incident occurred after local farmers and political leaders staged demonstrations at the Jurala project, citing severe crop damage due to a lack of irrigation water. Protesters allegedly took matters into their own hands.



Raksha Expo to provide major platform for defence, aerospace growth : CS

Hyderabad, Oct 8 : Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju said a grand Raksha Expo would be organised in Hyderabad from December 7 to 9 as part of the Telangana Global Summit–2026, with an Air Show scheduled for December 9. Sanjay Jaju reviewed the arrangements for the Raksha Expo

at a meeting held at the Secretariat on Thursday. He discussed the participation of defence and aerospace companies, infrastructure, security arrangements, publicity and other related issues.



Veteran Bollywood actor Nana Patekar passes away at 75

Mumbai, Oct 8 : Veteran actor Nana Patekar, one of Indian cinema’s most celebrated performers, has passed away at the age of 75 in Goa. An official confirmation from the Manipal hospital, Goa, stated that the actor was found unconscious at his Dona Paula – Goa residence and was rushed to the hospital. Doctors declared him brought dead. The acclaimed actor, known for his powerful performances across Hindi and Marathi cinema, leaves behind a remarkable body of work spanning over four decades.



Attracting investments to AP is the goal; we will realize the MoUs: CM Chandrababu

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu attended the CII Partnership Summit in Delhi, participating alongside Union Minister

Piyush Goyal. During the event, he highlighted the support being extended by the Central Government to Andhra Pradesh. He informed industrialists that the focus is primarily on realizing the signed Memorandums of Understanding

(MoUs) and clarified that industrial incentives would be rolled out soon. He also announced that the government is working with the motto "Build AP."

Flood of representations at Minister Lokesh's public grievance meeting

Amaravati, Oct 8 : Nara Lokesh, the Andhra Pradesh Minister for IT and Education, held a 'Praja Darbar' (public grievance meeting) at the Telugu Desam Party's central office in Mangalagiri. A large number of people, employees, and TDP activists attended the event to present their grievances. Lokesh patiently listened to the issues raised by individuals arriving from various regions. After ac-

cepting their petitions, he personally examined them and assured the petitioners that he would strive to resolve their problems. During the Praja Darbar (public grievance meeting), several issues—primarily concerning employment, education, welfare, and rural infrastructure—were brought to Minister Lokesh's attention.





Reservation cannot be scrapped as long as I am alive, says Rajasthan minister

Jaipur, Oct 8 : Rajasthan Agriculture Minister Dr Kirodi Lal Meena has made a strong statement in support of reservation while addressing a Tribal Festival at Panch Athai in Nangal Pyarivas, Dausa. Speaking during the second day of World Tribal Day celebrations, Meena dismissed speculation that reservation could be abolished and said, "As long as there is life in Kirodi's body, no one can even touch reservation."

The minister also appealed to tribal youth to stay away from substance abuse and work together to fight social evils. The celebrations at the Panch Athai complex witnessed participation of thousands of people. Kirodi Lal Meena arrived at the venue in a procession with his supporters from the Titoli toll plaza, where he was welcomed by a large gathering.

TN allocates over Rs 212 crore for police weapons, drones, patrol vehicles

Chennai, Oct 8 : Tamil Nadu's Home Department has issued a government order allocating Rs 212.58 crore to equip the police with modern weapons, drones, surveillance systems and vehicles, as part of efforts to strengthen operational capabilities and emergency response. The package covers purchases for specialised police units, district surveillance networks, bomb disposal teams and investigative agencies. It also provides for improvements in communications, digital forensics and monitoring facilities at police stations across the state.

A major component is the purchase of 500 new jeeps at a cost of Rs 55 crore. The vehicles will strengthen emergency policing services and be linked to the emergency re-



sponse system, supporting patrol operations and responses to calls for assistance. The Tamil Nadu Special Police will receive 12 sniper rifles with day and night sighting capabilities, 10 grenade launchers, 30 Bulgarian 7.62 mm assault rifles, 50 other rifles and 10 light machine guns.

Mekedatu project is only permanent solution to Cauvery dispute: K'taka Minister

Mandya, Oct 8 : Water Resources Minister N. Chaluvaryaswamy on Thursday said the Mekedatu project was the only permanent solution to the Cauvery water dispute and asserted that the Karnataka government was committed to implementing it during its tenure. Speaking at a meeting with farmer leaders at the Zilla Panchayat auditorium in



Mandya to discuss drought conditions, drinking water issues and other grievances.



Indian Cost Accounts Service playing key role in govt cost optimisation: Top official

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh on Thursday highlighted the role of the Indian Cost Accounts Service (ICoAS) in strengthening cost optimisation, prudent resource utilisation, and robust financial oversight across government departments, particularly in the defence Sector. Addressing the Foundation Day celebration of the ICoAS, Singh lauded the professionalism, analytical acumen and steadfast dedication of ICoAS officers in strengthening cost management practices across government ministries and departments. He observed that the service has consistently played a catalytic role in advancing the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat. This year's celebration was observed under the theme "Role of ICoAS Officers in Cost Optimisation for Atmanirbhar Bharat", reflecting the growing significance of cost and fiscal efficiency in furthering India's pursuit of self-reliance leading to Viksit Bharat.

Holding Gau Mata event testimony to spiritual tradition, says Haryana CM

Chandigarh, Oct 8 : Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini on Thursday said that the sacred programme of Gau Katha and Gau Mata Seva organised on the holy land of Samana in Patiala district of Punjab is a testimony to India's great spiritual and Sanatan tradition.

Dedicated to the 350th martyrdom anniversary of Hind Di Chadar, Guru Tegh Bahadur, the ceremony "is a remarkable and unique confluence of faith, the tradition of service and our shared cultural heritage".

Addressing the ceremony, CM Saini said before 2014, there were only 200 Gaushalas in Haryana, and their annual bud-

get was merely Rs 2 crore. As a result of the efforts of the government, the number of Gaushalas in the state has now increased to 650, while their budget has been raised to a record Rs 600 crore. More than 4 lakh stray cattle are currently being cared for in these Gaushalas with complete devotion and respect.

He said to ensure that the cattle do not face any inconvenience, large sheds and solar power plants have been established in 350 Gaushalas. In addition, with the objective of promoting cow conservation, the one per cent stamp duty charged on registration of land for establishing new Gaushalas has been completely abolished.



The Chief Minister said the Haryana government has launched a comprehensive and extensive campaign to protect young people from the social evil of drug abuse. Strict action is being taken against drug peddlers. While the youth in Punjab is increasingly falling prey to drug abuse due to the neglect of the Punjab government, Haryana has established 2,000 sports nurseries to connect youth with sports grounds, where around 40

lakh young people practice every day. The result of this sports policy is that out of the total 39 medals won by India at the recent Commonwealth Games, including 13 gold medals, Haryana players alone won seven gold medals. "It is a matter of pride that five of these seven gold medals were won by daughters of Haryana, bringing glory to the country and the state on the world stage," he added.

Tripura govt to address electricity bill issues amid Opposition protests

Agartala, Oct 8 : Amid a series of protests by opposition parties, including the CPI (M) and Congress, over exorbitant electricity bills, the BJP government in Tripura on Thursday announced that it would take steps to address the problems faced by consumers. Power Minister Ratan Lal Nath said the BJP-led government was committed to resolving public grievances and would soon take decisions on issues related to electricity bills. "The present state government is a government that solves problems, and soon the government will take some decisions to solve the problems related to electricity bills," Nath said after chairing a meeting at the office of the Tripura

State Electricity Corporation Limited (TSECL) here. TSECL Managing Director Biswajit Basu, top officials, senior managers, Director (Finance) and other senior officials attended the meeting, while Power Secretary Abhishek Singh joined it virtually. Nath said he had instructed the officials to examine consumer complaints and resolve genuine problems by maintaining a cordial relationship with consumers. "I have instructed them to look into whether there are any problems or not, and if there is any problem, to solve it by consulting with the consumers and maintaining a cordial relationship," he said.



Mizoram steps up crackdown on cross-border drug networks

Aizawl, Oct 8 : The Mizoram government has intensified efforts to curb the growing drug menace and dismantle trafficking networks in the border state, officials said on Thursday. A Home Department official said the 12th State-Level NCORD (Narco Coordination Centre) meeting was held on Wednesday at the Secretariat Conference Hall in the New Capital Complex. The meeting, chaired by Chief Secretary Khilli Ram Meena, was attended by Director General of Police Sharad Agarwal, senior state government officials, Deputy Commissioners, and Su-

perintendents of Police from all 11 districts. Representatives from key agencies, including the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), Assam Rifles, Border Security Force (BSF), Subsidiary Intelligence Bureau (SIB), and the Council of Churches in Mizoram, also participated. During the meeting, the Chief Secretary reviewed the Action Taken Report of the 11th State-Level NCORD meeting, assessing progress and identifying gaps in enforcement and coordination. The Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) for identifying and declaring drug-free villages across Mizoram was also presented and

discussed in detail, reflecting the state's focus on grassroots-level intervention. Participants also deliberated on the 15 action points issued during the 9th Apex-Level NCORD meeting held in New Delhi, aligning state-level strategies with national priorities in the fight against narcotics. The official noted that Union Home Minister Amit Shah had earlier chaired the 9th Apex-Level NCORD meeting in New Delhi, where he reviewed the country's efforts to combat drug trafficking. The meeting brought together stakeholders from multiple ministries, state governments.



Over 1 crore houses delivered to urban poor under PM Awas Yojana : Govt

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban (PMAY-U) has achieved another significant milestone with the sanction of more than 1.25 crore houses, of which more than 1 crore houses have been completed and delivered to beneficiaries across the country, according to a statement issued by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs on Thursday.

As many as 2.09 lakh houses were sanctioned last week under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban 2.0 for economically weaker section (EWS) families across the States and Union Territories (UTs) of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Jammu and Kashmir, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand, the statement said.



PM Modi expresses grief over passing of J'khand CM Hemant Soren's mother Rupri Soren

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday mourned the passing of Rupri Soren, mother of Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren and recalled her work towards empowering the tribal communities. Rupri Soren, around 80, passed away on Wednesday at Hill View Hospital on Bariatu Road in Ranchi, where she had been undergoing treatment for a prolonged illness. Her condition deteriorated on Wednesday, following which doctors placed her on life support.

Jitin Prasada concludes Czech visit, pushes trade and investment ties

New Delhi, Oct 8 : The Minister of State (MoS) for Commerce and Industry, Jitin Prasada, concluded his official visit to the Czech Republic on Thursday, aimed at strengthening bilateral trade, investment and industrial cooperation between the two countries. During the visit, the MoS held bilateral meetings with senior Czech leaders, including Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Industry and Trade Karel Havlicek, his deputy Jan Sechter; and Deputy Foreign Minister Marie Chatardova.





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The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of SFL has been handed over the physical possession of the mortgaged Properties described herein below in pursuance of the order passed by the Hon'ble Chief Judicial Magistrate, at Kothagudem in CrI.Mp No: 25/2026, under Section 14 of the said Act and Rules, on this 8th Day of October 2026.

Borrower Name and Address
1) Ashok Naga Raju Talari S/O Thirupathiah, Age:52yrs , Occu:Sony Traders, R/O:H.No.6-12-127, Safai Basthi, Kothagudem, Bhadradi Kothagudem Dt. 2) Talari Padmavathi W/O Ashok Nagaraju, R/O:H.No.6-12-127, Safai Basthi, Kothagudem, Bhadradi Kothagudem Dt. 3) Tolem Koteswar Rao S/O Ramaswamy, Age:50yrs, Occu:IPA IN APGENCO, EMP ID:55683, R/O:BG-43, IM Colony , KTPS , Palvancha , Bhadradi Kothagudem Dt. 4) Syed Aleem S/O Syed Nayeem, Age:43yrs, Occu: Sony Traders Nuts & Bolts Business, R/O:H.No.16-1-36, 2PSS Road, Bollorigudem, Palvancha, Bhadradi Kothagudem Dt.
Amount due as per Demand Notice: Rs. 47,44,584/- (Rupees Fourty Seven Lakh Fourty Four Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Four Only) as on 20.03.2026 with further interest if any under reference of Loan A/c No:- KTGDMTF1806300022.
Description of Property
SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY Property Holder Name:Ashok Nagaraju Talari With Document No: 3922/2018 RCC Roofed Building Along With His House Site Of An Extent Of 227.74 Sq.Yards Bearing Sy.No.142 Of Kothagudem Revenue Village Bearing H.No.6-12-127/1, At Safai Basthi Of Kothagudem Town And Mandal Of Bhadradi Kothagudem Disrict Bounded By: Rcc Plinth Area 867 Sq.Feet: East: House Of Mogalaiah, West: House Of Md.Khuda Baks, North: Existing Wide Road, South: House Of Md.Ameer
This notice is also hereby to caution the general public at large that the authorized officer of SFL is in the lawful Physical Possession of the immovable properties mentioned herein above and the Borrowers or any person shall not after receipt of this notice transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate any of the above mentioned secured assets referred to in this notice, without prior written consent of SFL.
Date: 08-10-2026, Sd/- Authorised Officer, Place: Khammam. Shriram Finance Limited

Possession Notice (For Immoveable 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 (i) 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 (Immoveable Property)	Total Outstanding Dues	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Mr. Shaik Shakeer Mrs. Syed Nafesha Shakeer Provision Shop (Prospect No IL10463434)	All that piece and parcel of Asst. No.58, Sy. No.369, Gumpalapadu Village, A.S.Peta Mandal, Nellore District, Ap. 524234 Area Admeasuring (In Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Area, Admeasuring Property Area: 828 Bounded By: North: House Of Shaik, Nabinjan South: Dark East: House Of Shaik Khadar Valli West: Cement Road	Rs. 596737/- Rupees Five Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Seven Hundred And Thirty Seven Rupees Only	04-11-2025	06-10-2026
Mr. Srinivasulu Navuri Mrs. Vanu Navuri Mission Work (Prospect No IL10762361)	All that piece & parcel of Sy.No.320-1b, Jammalapalem Village, Jaladandi Mandal, Nellore District, AP 524233 Area Adm. (In Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Area, Admeasuring Property Area: 1008 Bounded By: North: House Of Navuri Madhu South: Road East: Road West: House Of Jaangam Lakshmaiah	Rs. 736613/- Rupees Seven Lakh Thirty Six Thousand Six Hundred And Thirteen Rupees Only	08-05-2026	07-10-2026

For further details please contact to Authorised Officer at Branch Office: Saibaba Temple, Swatara Park Street, Gandhibomma, Centre, Pogathota, Nellore - 524002 or Corporate Office: Plot No.98, Phase-IV, Udyog Vinhar, Gurgaon, Haryana.

Place: Nellore, **Date:** 09-10-2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For IIFL Home Finance Ltd.**



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The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of SFL has been handed over the physical possession of the mortgaged Properties described herein below in pursuance of the order passed by the Hon'ble Chief Judicial Magistrate, at Khammam in CrI.Mp No: 117/2026, under Section 14 of the said Act and Rules, on this 07th Day of October 2026.

Borrower Name and Address
1) Rama Raju Jadi, S/O Sammaiah Jadi, Age:37yrs , Occu:Civil Contractor, R/O:H.No.4-1-263, Rotary Nagar, Opp. Masjid , Khammam. 2) Laxmi Jadi, W/O Ramaraju, Age:32yrs , R/O:H.No.4-1-263, Rotary Nagar, Opp. Masjid , Khammam. 3) Nagandla Laxman Rao, S/O Narasimha Rao, Age:34yrs , R/O:H.No.3-57/A , Chhimmapudi , Khammam.
Amount due as per Demand Notice : Rs 22,80,766/- (Twenty two Lakhs Eighty Thousand Seven Hundred and sixty six rupees Only) as on 22.01.2026.with further interest if any under reference of Loan A/c No:- KHMAMTF1602270018
Description of Property
SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY Property Holder Name:Jadi Ramaraju With Document No:2160/1190 RCC And AC Sheet Roof House Gp No.-1-196 Admeasuring To An Extent Of 145.00 Sq. Yards Or 121.22 Sq. Mtrs Situated At Kusumanchi Revenue Mandal And GP Khammam District, Bounded By East: Grampanchayath Road, West: House Of Adepu Lingaiah, North : Road, South : House Of Kokkireni Naganna
This notice is also hereby to caution the general public at large that the authorized officer of SFL is in the lawful Physical Possession of the immovable properties mentioned herein above and the Borrowers or any person shall not after receipt of this notice transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate any of the above mentioned secured assets referred to in this notice, without prior written consent of SFL.
Date: 07-10-2026, Sd/- Authorised Officer, Place: Khammam. Shriram Finance Limited



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The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules, on this 6th Day October 2026

Borrower Name and Address
1) Ramavath Balu, S/O: Meyya Age: 51 Years Occ: Business R/O: H.No: 1-67/2 Ulsaipalem Village Ragavatha Post Damercherla Revenue Mandal Nalgonda District - 508207. 2) Ramavath Buiji, D/ O: Dhanavath Thavurva W/O: Ramavath Balu Age: 55 Years Occ: House Wife R/O: H.No: 1-67/2 Ulsaipalem Village Ragadapa Post Damercherla Revenue Mandal Nalgonda District - 508207. 3) Ramavath Harikrishna, S/O: Ramavath Lahu Age: 35 Years Occ: Business R/O: H.No: New Ulsaipalem Village Ragadapa Post Damercherla Mandal Nalgonda District -508207.
Amount due as per Demand Notice : Rs. 26,50,883/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred EightyThree Only)
Description of Property
MRLGDTF2310250019-Description Of The Immoveable Property Property Holder Name: Ramavath Balu, S/O: Meyya With Document No: 7235 Of 2023 Ramavath Balu, S/O: Meyya, All That SNo: 221 Admeasuring 363 Sq Yards Equivalent To 303.46 Sq Meters Situated At Block No: 03 Ravindranagar Residential Area Nandipahad Gram Panchayath And Nandipahad Village Shivar Miryalaguda Revenue Mandal Nalgonda District. North: Nandiyala Srinivasa Reddy Land, South: Road 20 Feet Wide, East: Nandiyala Srinivasa Reddy Land, West: Nandiyala Srinivasa Reddy Land
This notice is also hereby to caution the general public at large that the authorized officer of SFL is in the lawful Symbolic Possession of the immovable property mentioned herein above and the Borrowers or any person shall not after receipt of this notice transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate any of the above mentioned secured assets referred to in this notice, without prior written consent of SFL.
Date: 06-10-2026, Sd/- Authorised Officer, Place: Miryalaguda. Shriram Finance Limited

Srikanth Reddy organized a bike rally in support of Rahul Gandhi

Adilabad, Oct 8 (TIM Bureau) : Adilabad Market Committee Chairman Boranchu Srikanth Reddy, along with Congress cadres, organized a bike rally in Adilabad in support of Rahul Gandhi as part of the 'Save Democracy' call given by the India Alliance, demanding the resignation of Central Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar for alleged irregularities in the voter verification process. On this occasion, wearing black badges and flags, they held a rally condemning Rahul Gandhi's arrest and raising slogans against the Central Government and the Election Commissioner. Later, a large number of Congress workers and leaders protested at Ambedkar Chowk and handed

over a petition to the statue of Ambedkar. Speaking on the occasion, Market Committee Chairman Srikanth Reddy said that the people's right to vote is the foundation of democracy and the electoral system has the responsibility to ensure transparency so that the people have complete confidence in the electoral process. He demanded comprehensive answers to the allegations of "vote theft" being raised by the opposition over the election process. The Congress party has also demanded the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar to maintain the credibility of the Election Commission. The leaders made it clear that the Congress Party will continue to fight continuously to protect democracy, the Constitution, and the people's right to vote. In this program, former DCC President Sajid Khan, Atma Committee Chairman Gimma Santosh, District Congress Organization In-charge Bejjanki Anil Kumar, District Congress Office In-charge Gouli



Sanjeev Kumar, former Municipal Floor Bandari Satish, Congress Party Women's Division President Annapurna, SC Division President Parameshwar, Minority Division President Syed Shahid, Youth Congress District President Charan Goud, Municipal Councilors Zeeshan, District Congress Vice President Sudhakar Goud, Seva Dal District President Mothiram, District Congress General Secretaries Bandi Devdas Chari, Attar Ali, Mandakini, Kade Santosh, District Congress Secretary Sirajuddin, District Congress Media Coordinator Mekala Jitender, Mavala Village Sarpanch Dharmapuri Chandrasekhar, Mavala Mandal President Kudurupaka Suresh, Congress Party Leaders, party workers and others participated.



Take steps to ensure that girl students receive quality education

Adilabad, Oct 8 (TIM Bureau) : Principal Secretary to the Education Department, Yogita Rana, has instructed officials to take steps to ensure that girl students receive quality education, better facilities, and nutrition. She conducted a surprise inspection of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) Junior College in Sanjaynagar, the district headquarters, on Thursday, along with District Collector Rajarshi Shah and ITDA PO Manda Makarand. On this occasion, she inspected the classrooms, dormitory,

kitchen, dining area, and surroundings and inquired from the officials about the basic facilities, education, accommodation, meals, and other issues being provided to the students. Afterwards, she spoke directly with the students and inquired about their education, food, accommodation facilities, and the problems they were facing. Yogita Rana advised students to set goals, study diligently, and rise to higher levels. She said that if there are any problems in the college, they should boldly bring them to the attention of teachers and authorities. She ate lunch with the students and inspected the quality and taste of the food. She instructed officials to provide quality, nutritious food every day.

Complaint to the District Collector via WhatsApp to resolve issues



of their homes, without having to come to the collectorate for their complaints and requests. These services can also be used at Minister Jupally Peshi in Hyderabad. Minister Jupally Krishna Rao has instructed the collectors of the combined Adilabad districts to examine every complaint received from the public and take steps for its prompt resolution by the relevant authorities. The Minister suggested that complaints should be forwarded to the relevant departments and that there should be constant monitoring of their resolution. The WhatsApp numbers are Minister Jupally Krishna Rao Peshi: 8500689596, Adilabad Collectorate: 9492341947, Nirmal Collectorate: 8317557897, Kumram Bheem Asifabad Collectorate: 7569986036.

Dalit leaders submit petition to MLA Satyanarayana demanding land rights



Adilabad, Oct 8 (TIM Bureau) : Adilabad District SC Department Chairman K. Parameshwar and DCC Vice President Sri Karmankar Brijlal handed over a petition to Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee SC Department Chairman and Honorable MLA Sri Kavampalli Satyanarayana at the Karimnagar Camp Office, demanding that Dalits be granted land titles for the lands they have been cultivating for many years in agency areas and that they be given land rights. On this occasion, Dalit leaders brought to the attention of MLA Kavvampally Satyanarayana the land issues facing Dalits in agency areas and the difficulties they are facing due to the lack of Pahanis for the lands they have been cultivating for a long time. Kavampalli Satyanarayana responded positively to this and assured that he would bring the land issue of the Dalits to the attention of the State Chief Minister, Shri Revanth Reddy, and work to take necessary steps to resolve the issue. Social worker Jade Nagorao, Adilabad District SC Department Vice Presidents Birudula Lazar, Irade Vitthal and others participated in this program.

Possession Notice

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited acting in its capacity as Trustee of Arcil - Arcil - Trust -2026 - 015 ("Arcil") under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("said Rules") issued a demand notice dated, calling upon the borrower viz., the guarantors and the mortgagors to repay the amount, details of which are mentioned in the table below.

The borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) having failed to repay the said amounts, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the underlying Immoveable Property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on "AS IS WHERE IS & WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" on the date mentioned below.

Name of the Borrower (s) /Co-Borrower(s)	Description of the Secured Asset (Immoveable Property)	Total Outstanding Dues (IN R.s)	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession
Mr. Venkataraju Prasad Ogirala Mrs Radha Ogirala (Prospect No 719188 & 954815)	All that piece & parcel of: Hno 3-4-529/5/202, Fno 202, Barkatpura, India 500277 Area Admeasuring (In Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Built Up Area Property Area: 958 Bounded By: North: Neighbours Property/Flat No.201 South: Neighbours Property/Open To Sky East: Neighbours Property/Open To Sky West: 20 Feet Wide Road/Corridor	Rs. 1617171.27/-Rupees Sixteen Lakhs Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy One & Twenty Seven Paise Only For 719188 & Rs. 838432.64/- Rupees Eight Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Two Rupees and Sixty Four Paise Only for 954815	13-01-2026	06-10-2026

The borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned that Arcil is in lawful possession of the Immoveable Property mentioned above and under Section 13(13) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, the borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) or any person whatsoever, shall after receipt of this notice not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate the Immoveable Property, without prior written consent of Arcil and any dealings with the Immoveable Property will be subject to the charge of Arcil for the amount as mentioned above along with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. The borrower's/guarantors'/mortgagors' attention is invited to the provisions of the Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the said Act, in respect of time available to redeem the above mentioned Immoveable Property.

Place: Hyderabad **Date:** 09-10-2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd (In capacity as Trustee)**

ASSET RECONSTRUCTION COMPANY (INDIA) LTD. CIN No.-U65999MH2002PLC134884
Registered Office: The Ruby, 10th Floor, 29 Senapati Bapat Marg, Dadar (West), Mumbai-400028. **Tel: +91 2265681300. Website: www.arcil.co.in**

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Whereas, IIFL-HFL, under the provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("said Rules") issued a demand notice calling upon the borrower/or-borrower, guarantors, mortgagors to repay the amount, details of which are mentioned in the table below. And whereas subsequently, IIFL-HFL has vide Assignment Agreement dated 30-11-2025/30-08-2025 assigned all its rights, title, interest and benefits in respect of the debts due and payable by the borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) arising out of the facilities advanced by IIFL-HFL, Bank to borrower/ guarantor(s) alongwith the underlying Immoveable Property to Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited acting in its capacity as Trustee of Arcil - Arcil - Trust -2026 - 015/ Arcil - Trust -2026 - 007 ("Arcil") for the benefit of the holders of Security Receipts. Therefore, in view of the said assignment, Arcil now stands substituted in the place of IIFL-HFL and Arcil shall be entitled to institute/continue all and any proceedings against the borrower/ guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) and to enforce the rights and benefits under the financial documents including the enforcement of guarantee and security interest executed and created by the borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) for the financial facilities advanced by them. The borrower/ guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) having failed to repay the said amounts, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Arcil has taken possession of the underlying Immoveable Property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on "AS IS WHERE IS & WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" on the date mentioned below.

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Mr. Peddi Raju Budithi Mrs. Sunetha Gurji (Prospect No IL10264640)	All that piece & parcel of: Flat No.G-7, Ground Floor, Satya Sai Residency, Door No.8- 173, Assessment No.2477, Sy.No.182a-1, Gavaravaram Village, Eluru Mandal, West Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh, India. 534001 Area Admeasuring (In Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Built Up Area Property Area: 1025.00, 309.00 Bounded By: North: Open To Sky South: Common Corridor East: Open To Sky West: Open To Sky	Rs. 1970253/- Rupees Nineteen Lakh Seventy Thousand Two Hundred And Fifty Three Rupees Only	23-08-2024	06-10-2026
Mrs. Fathima Bi Mr. Hyrnad Khan (Prospect No IL10596705)	All that piece & parcel of: Door Number: 3-64/1, Nandipet Village, Nandipet Mandal, Nizamabad District, Ts.-503212 Area Admeasuring (In Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Land Area , Built Up Area Super Built Up Area Property Area: 812.40, 800.00, 800.00 Bounded By: North: G P Road South: Drainage East: House Of Ghouse West: House Of Odde Salulu	Rs. 1076669/- Rupees Ten Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Six Hundred And Sixty Nine Rupees Only	05-08-2025	06-10-2026
Mr. Shaik Khaja Mohiddin Ahmmad Chicken And Biryani Point Mr. Shaik Ahmmad Mrs. Shaik Shaheena (Prospect No IL11049403)	All that piece & parcel of: H.No. 3-1-273 (Near), Sy. No. 101/2a, Under The Limits Of Vijayawada Municipal Corporation And Mandal, Krishna District, Presently in Nlr District, A.P.-520012 Area Adm. (In Sq. Ft.): Property Type: Land Area, Built Up Area, Carpet Area Property Area: 1276.00 Bounded By: North: Gunturu Srinivasa Rao South: Others Property East: Chakka, Chenakesava Rao West: Road	Rs. 1937869.64/- Rupees Nineteen Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred And Sixty Nine Rupees And Sixty Four Paise Only	10-10-2025	06-10-2026

The borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned that Arcil is in the lawful possession of the Immoveable Property mentioned above and under Section 13(13) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, the borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) or any person whatsoever, shall after receipt of this notice not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate the Immoveable Property, without prior written consent of Arcil and any dealings with the Immoveable Property will be subject to the charge of Arcil for the amount as mentioned above along with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. The borrowers'/guarantors'/mortgagors' attention is invited to the provisions of the Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the said Act, in respect of time available to redeem the above-mentioned Immoveable Property.

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Opinion Mail



Onion prices dip as fresh crop flows into markets

The outlook for onion availability has strengthened considerably with robust market arrivals and the commencement of fresh Kharif supplies, with the improving supply position already translating into a broad-based moderation in prices of the staple vegetable across mandis and major consumer markets, the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution said on Wednesday. The weighted average mandi price in Maharashtra has declined by nearly 13 per cent, from around Rs 4,030 per quintal on September 16 to about Rs 3,475 per quintal on October 3. The sustained moderation in mandi prices indicates that the increase in market arrivals is translating into improved supply conditions, a ministry statement said.

The easing trend is also visible across retail markets. As many as 126 cities have reported a decline of Rs 1–21 per kg in retail onion prices over the past two weeks, with moderation observed in major consuming states, it said. Fresh Kharif onion arrivals have commenced from major producing states, including Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, and Rajasthan, while availability from stored stocks continues to meet market demands. Arrivals from these producing regions are expected to increase further in the coming weeks, improving overall availability in the consuming markets during the upcoming festive season, the statement said. The production outlook for the Kharif crop is encouraging. All-India Kharif onion acreage is estimated to be around 5 per cent higher than last year's already strong level, with crop conditions remaining favourable across major producing regions. The rainfall outlook by IMD during the harvesting period also provides support to the crop, with no forecast of excessive rains in key Kharif onion regions in the coming weeks to facilitate harvesting, drying, and movement of onions and reduce the risk of moisture-related crop damage. The government is also augmenting supplies to consuming centres through buffer stock release. As on date, the government has disposed off more than 2.0 lakh Quintals through 8 Kanda Express and 467 trucks across 123 cities and is planning to deploy additional rail rakes, enabling larger quantities of onions to reach high-consumption markets. These efforts are being further strengthened ahead of the festive season, with additional rail movements being planned to improve the speed and efficiency of supply distribution, the statement said. The combination of fresh Kharif arrivals, availability from stored stocks and continued movement of buffer onions to consumption centres provides multiple channels of supply to the market. The government is maintaining close oversight of arrivals, stocks and price movements and is taking appropriate measures to facilitate orderly distribution and adequate availability wherever required, the statement added.

Rajasthan: Sachin Pilot criticises handling of Opposition leaders' protests

Jaipur, Oct 8 : Senior Congress leader Sachin Pilot on Thursday alleged that recent developments involving the Election Commission and the treatment of Opposition MPs during protests in Delhi had raised serious concerns about the state of democracy in the country. Addressing the media at the Congress War Room, Pilot criticised the handling of protests by Opposition leaders, including Leader of the Opposition (LoP) in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, during demonstrations demanding accountability from the Election Commission. He alleged that Opposition MPs seeking to meet the Election Commission were detained instead and questioned why elected representatives were not permitted to present their concerns before the constitutional body. Calling the developments "authoritarianism", Pilot said democratic institutions must remain open to dialogue and accountability. Referring to the electoral roll revision exercise, he alleged that millions of voters were at risk of exclusion and termed the issue a threat to voting rights guaranteed under the Constitution. Pilot also used the term "Votebandi" (disfranchisement), drawing comparisons with demonetisation and claiming that concerns over electoral rolls needed immediate attention. Turning to the recently concluded municipal elections in Rajasthan, Pilot claimed that Congress had performed better than the results



suggested because the party secured a higher vote share. "I have no hesitation in saying that the BJP lost despite winning, whereas we won despite losing because we secured a higher vote share," he said. The Congress leader alleged irregularities and administrative interference during the civic polls and claimed complaints were received from several districts regarding the conduct of elections. He said the party had reviewed the results and begun preparations for the upcoming Panchayati Raj elections. Pilot expressed confidence that Congress would perform strongly in rural Rajasthan and secure a "massive majority" in the Panchayat polls. He said the party would focus on issues such as unemployment, farmers' concerns, the implementation of welfare schemes and the shortage of DAP fertiliser in the state. "There is a complete shortage of DAP fertiliser in Rajasthan. It is being distributed under police protection, yet the government remains indifferent," he alleged. Pilot said Congress would contest the upcoming elections unitedly and undertake a two-month public outreach programme covering villages and mandals across Rajasthan. He added that the party would focus not only on electoral issues but also on what it described as the need to safeguard democratic institutions and voting rights.

Government e-Marketplace rewrites rules of public procurement: Piyush Goyal



New Delhi, Oct 8 : Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal on Thursday said that from a gross merchandise value (GMV) of Rs 422 crore a decade ago to over Rs 1,55,000 crore today, the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) has rewritten the rules of public procurement. In a post on X, the minister informed that over 12.28 lakh Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs), including more than 2.25 lakh led by women, and over 42,000 startups are registered on the portal, proving that grassroots empowerment is not merely a slogan for the Government under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, but a genuine commitment. "Over the last 10 years, the platform has enhanced competition, improved price discovery,

EAM Jaishankar meets Cote d'Ivoire's Vice PM, Foreign Minister, discusses ways to advance ties

Abidjan, Oct 8 : External Affairs Minister (EAM) S. Jaishankar met Cote d'Ivoire's Vice Prime Minister and Defence Minister Tene Birahima Ouattara and discussed ways to strengthen cooperation in defence and anti-terrorism. Taking to X, EAM Jaishankar said, "Glad to meet Tene Birahima Ouattara, Vice Prime Minister and Defence Minister, Cote d'Ivoire. We spoke about our growing defence partnership, underpinned by mutual trust, capacity building and shared interests."

"Exchanged views on oppor-

tunities to further our cooperation in defence & anti-terrorism, including through training, capacity building and enhanced institutional exchanges," he added. EAM Jaishankar arrived in Cote d'Ivoire on Wednesday (local time) after concluding a successful visit to Ghana. He met Cote d'Ivoire's Foreign and International Cooperation Minister, Niale Kaba and held comprehensive discussions on advancing the partnership, including in trade, investment, infrastructure, agriculture, healthcare and people-to-people ties. "Underlined that our people-centric cooperation will be driven by



the priorities of Cote d'Ivoire. Also spoke about deepening our engagement in multilateral fora," the EAM said. EAM Jaishankar also interacted with the alumni of the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC). ITEC Programme is a flagship bilateral capacity-building platform administered by the Ministry of External Affairs. It partners with

over 160 countries across Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, Latin America, the Caribbean, and the Pacific/Small Island nations.

Following the meeting, the EAM said, "Underlined how India's capacity-building initiatives are responding to demands and priorities of our partners. And are also nurturing human connections between our societies. Thank Koffi N'Guessan, Minister of National Education, Literacy and Technical Education, and a former ITEC alumni for joining." Earlier this week, India and Cote d'Ivoire discussed opportunities to strengthen collaboration in skill development, vocational and technical education, knowledge sharing and capacity building.



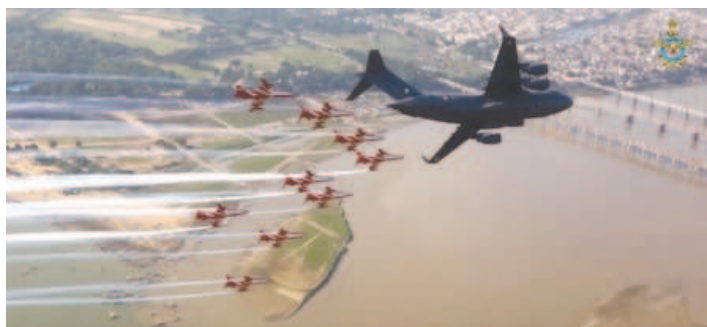
Tibetan advocacy group urges Canadian lawmakers to act against China's forced assimilation policies

Beijing/Ottawa, Oct 8 : The International Campaign for Tibet (ICT) President Tencho Gyatso has called on the Canadian parliamentarians to take stronger action against China's intensifying campaign of forced assimilation in Tibet. The appeal was made after Gyatso testified on Aug 13 before the Canadian House of Commons's Subcommittee on International Human Rights of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development. According to the ICT, the briefing was convened pursuant to a September 23, 2025 motion adopted by the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development

and a Aug 13, 2026 motion adopted by the Subcommittee on International Human Rights to examine the situation of Tibetan children placed in schools administered by China. Gyatso appeared alongside Chemi Lhamo, a Tibetan-Canadian human rights activist; Gyal Lo, a Tibet specialist and educational sociologist; Lhadon Tethong, co-founder and director of Tibet Action Institute; and Tenzin Choekyi, a senior researcher at Tibet Watch. In her testimony, Gyatso warned that Beijing's new 'Ethnic Unity and Progress Law', set to come into force on July 1, along with China's state-run boarding school system, poses a direct threat to Tibetan language, religion, culture, and identity. "The new law makes the state's ambitions unmistakably clear, laying a stark blueprint to erase Tibetan language, culture, and identity," Gyatso told the subcommittee.

Policeman killed, another injured in attack in Pakistan's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Islamabad, Oct 8 : A police personnel was killed, and another injured after armed assailants attacked them in the Saeedkhel area of Lakki Marwat district in Pakistan's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province on Thursday, local media reported, citing police. District police officer's spokesperson Qudratullah Khan said that the armed assailants opened fire on police personnel near the Saeedkhel graveyard while they were patrolling the area. He said that the deceased police personnel's body and the injured policeman were taken to the hospital, the daily Dawn reported. Following the attack, a large police contingent rushed to the site of the incident and began a search operation to find the attackers. The incident took place amid a rise in attacks targeting law enforcement personnel in Pakistan, especially in the border provinces of Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.



India's skies safe due to brave air warriors: Assam CM

Guwahati, Oct 8 : Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Thursday extended greetings to the Indian Air Force (IAF) on Air Force Day, saluting the courage, sacrifice and unwavering commitment of the country's air warriors. Taking to social media, CM

Sarma said the nation's skies remain safe because of the dedication of the personnel guarding them and paid tribute to the IAF for its service to the country. "Bharat's skies are safer because our brave air warriors guard them."



India, Saudi Arabia discuss ways to enhance Haj experience for Indian pilgrims

Jeddah, Oct 8 : Srivatsa Krishna, Secretary of the Ministry of Minority Affairs, on Thursday met Abdulaziz Al Mathami, Deputy Minister for Planning and Digital Transformation, Ministry of Haj and Umrah of Saudi Arabia 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 and Digital Transformation, Ministry of Haj and Umrah, KSA, and the Nusuk Masar team," the Consulate General of India in Jeddah wrote on X. "They held discussions on technical integration of Indian and Saudi Haj portals, and leveraging emerging technologies to enhance coordination, streamline services, and further improve the Haj experience for Indian pilgrims," it added. The delegation also met Abdulaziz bin Abdul Rahim Wazzan, Deputy Minister for Haj and Umrah and held constructive discussions on enhancing Haj pilgrims' experience in

Madinah, with particular emphasis on accommodation, transportation, coordination, and other essential pilgrimage arrangements. Both sides reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening cooperation and ensuring a smooth, safe and comfortable Haj-2027 for Indian pilgrims. Earlier in the day, the delegation met Abdulfattah S. Mashat, Vice Minister for Haj and Umrah. "The delegation comprehensively discussed arrangements for upcoming Hajji-2027, with a focus on strengthening cooperation, fostering collaboration, and enhancing coordination to ensure a smooth and comfortable Hajj experience for Indian pilgrims," noted the Consul General. On Thursday, Secretary Srivatsa Krishna met Rumaih Mohammed Al-Rumaih, Vice Minister of Transport and Logistics Services in Riyadh and discussed arrangements for Hajj flights as well as other transport facilities for Indian pilgrims for Hajj 2027. On Wednesday, the Secretary met Nouf Suliman Alnumair, Deputy Minister for International Cooperation.

Armed groups in Congo hinder Ebola response: UN

United Nations, Oct 8 : Violent armed groups, some briefly detaining aid workers, are obstructing the Ebola response in the eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), UN humanitarian workers said. The UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) said that five response workers were briefly detained on Thursday by armed groups in Ituri province,

the epicenter of the Ebola outbreak, accounting for more than 90 percent of all confirmed cases. The office said that in South Kivu province, access remains heavily restricted in several areas as fighting continues to force civilians to flee. Nearly 20,000 people were forced from their homes on Monday, following clashes in Mwenga and Shabunda territories. Displaced families need food, shelter, health care, safe drinking water and protection. OCHA said that in Fizi territory, humanitarian access also remains under pressure, as repeated interference by armed groups continues to threaten aid delivery and the safety of humanitarian workers. In South Kivu alone, between January and May, at least



57 incidents directly affecting humanitarian workers were recorded, including threats against staff, interference in aid delivery, and movement restrictions, Xinhua news agency reported. "Despite these immense challenges, the United Nations and its humanitarian partners continue to support national authorities in containing the outbreak and deliver assistance," OCHA said.

Venezuela rejects US 'terrorist' designation of 'nonexistent' cartel

Caracas, Oct 8 : The Venezuelan government on Thursday rejected US Secretary of State Marco Rubio's designation of the "nonexistent" Cartel de los Soles as a terrorist organization. In a statement shared on social media by Venezuelan Foreign Minister Yvan Gil, the government condemned the move as a "vile lie," accusing the United States of using it as a pretext to justify an "illegitimate and illegal intervention against Venezuela." The statement urged the US government to rectify this policy of aggression and threats, adding that the Venezuelan people will know

how to safeguard peace and the highest interests of the country. On November 16, Rubio announced that the US Department of State intends to designate Cartel de los Soles as a Foreign Terrorist Organization, effective on November 24. It means that Maduro will effectively be designated a terrorist as well.



AU facilitators urge ceasefire compliance, continued talks in DR Congo

Goma (DR Congo), Oct 8 : The African Union (AU) Panel of Facilitators have called for strict respect for ceasefire commitments and continued engagement in the ongoing diplomatic peace process following consultations in Goma, eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), a major urban hub seized by the March 23 Movement (M23) rebel group. A delegation

of the panel held consultations in Goma earlier this week with representatives of the UN peacekeeping mission in the DRC, known as MONUSCO, UN and humanitarian agencies. , as well as M23, according to a statement issued by the AU, reports Xinhua news agency. The delegation was led by Sahle-Work Zewde, former president of Ethiopia and deputy chairperson of the panel.

Iranian, Russian presidents vow to strengthen strategic bilateral cooperation

Washington, Oct 8 : Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian and his Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin have called for the continuation and strengthening of the "strategic" cooperation between their countries, according to the Iranian president's office. In a phone

call on Thursday (local time), the Iranian president stressed the need to continue and enhance bilateral cooperation in different areas between the two countries, adding that continuing on that path would serve the two countries' common interests, according to a statement published on the website of the Iranian president's office. Putin, for his part, said collaborations between his country and Iran within the framework of their comprehensive strategic.



Timeline for wartime operational control transfer from US to be set in annual defence talks : Seoul

Seoul, Oct 8 : A timeline for the handover of wartime operational control (OPCON) to South Korea from the United States will be set in this year's

annual ministerial meeting and proposed to the leaders of the two countries, Seoul's defence ministry said on Thursday. The remarks by a ministry official came after US Forces Korea (USFK) commander Gen. Xavier Brunson said the allies aim to meet conditions required.



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US lawmakers urge indictment of Cuban leader Raul Castro

Washington, Oct 8 : Four Republican lawmakers have urged President Donald Trump to direct the Justice Department to reopen a criminal probe into Cuban leader Raul Castro's alleged role in the 1996 shootdown of two civilian aircraft operated by Brothers to the Rescue, calling for possible charges and international arrest notices. Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar joined Representatives Mario Diaz-Balart, Carlos Gimenez and Nicole Malliotakis in sending a letter to the President seeking a fresh review of the case. The letter asks the Department of Justice to "formally reopen the criminal investigation into Raul Castro's role" in the incident and to consider pursuing charges, including potential Interpol "red notices," against Castro and other Cuban officials involved. The lawmakers asked the Department to "review previously compiled evidence, take a fresh look at command responsibility at the highest levels of the Cuban regime, and use every available legal tool to hold accountable those responsible for the kill-



ing of three American citizens and one US permanent resident." "For decades, Raul Castro and the regime officials who ordered this vile attack have hidden behind the protection of a brutal dictatorship, escaping justice while the families of the victims were left to carry the pain alone. Now we have a real chance to correct this historic injustice," Salazar said.

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II,
1st Floor, Triveni Complex, Abids, At: Hyderabad
O.A. No. 562 of 2026

Between:
KOTAK MAHINDRA Bank Ltd.,

AND

...Applicant

Tenukuntla Gopi Chand

AND

...Defendants

SUMMONS BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To,

1) Tenukuntla Gopi Chand S/o Tenukuntla Chalma Reddy, Aged 46 years, Occ: Business, Plot No.408 Road No 11, Sri Srinivasapuram Colony, Near Saibaba Temple, Ranga Reddy-500070

...Defendants

Please take the Summons in the above **O.A.No. 562/2026** Filed by the applicant for recovery of money of **Rs. 27,23,113.99/-** against you. The Hon'ble Tribunal ordered summons to you by way of paper Publication in daily Newspaper and posted the matter to **11-11-2026.**

In accordance with sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, you, the defendants are directed as under;

(i) To show cause within thirtydays of the service of summons as to why relief prayed for should not be granted;

(ii) To disclose particulars of properties or assets other than properties and assets specified by the applicant under serial number 3A of the original applications;

(iii) You are restrained from dealing with or disposing of secured assets or such other assets and properties disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application, pending hearing and disposal of the application for attachment of properties;

(iv) You shall not transfer by way of sale, Lease or otherwise, except in the ordinary course of his business any of the assets over which security interest in created and /or other assets and properties specified or disclosed under serial number 3A of the original application without the prior approval of the Tribunal;

(v) You shall be Liable to account for the sale proceeds realized by sale of secured assets or other assets and properties in the ordinary course of business and deposit such sale proceeds in the account maintained with the bank or financial institutions holding security interest over such assets.

You are hereby required to show cause **on 11/11/2026 at 10.30 a.m at Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, 1st Floor, Triveni Complex, Abids, Hyderabad-50001,** in person or by an Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted. Take Notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal **on this 5th day of OCT, 2026.**

(By order of the Court)

Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Hyderabad

Bank of Maharashtra
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To 460 & 465 to 468, 1st Floor, Vinoothna
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POSSESSION NOTICE
(Rule 8(1)) (For immovable property)

WHEREAS, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Maharashtra** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sec. 13(2) read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand notices calling upon the borrower(s) and Guarantors to repay the amount(s) plus un-applied interest of , if any within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice. The borrower(s) and guarantor(s) having failed to repay the total amount due, notice is hereby given to the borrowers, guarantors 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 Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on **06.10.2026.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Bank of Maharashtra for an amount hereinabove mentioned. The borrower's attention is invited to the provision of sub-section 8 of sec.13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

1. Name of the Borrowers: Mr. Yerukacherla Madhu Babu, PNR Gardens.
Demand Notice Dated: 15-07-2026
Outstanding Amount: Rs 79,01,231/- (Rs Seventy Nine lacs One Thousand Two Hundred Thirty one only) plus un-applied interest thereon @ 9.75% (excluding 2% penal interest) w.e.f. 13.07.2026 along with other cost and expenses.

Description of the Mortgaged Immovable Property:
Property No.1 (Primary Security): All those pieces and parcels of land together with buildings and structures constructed or to be constructed thereon, all fixed plants, Machineries and fixtures standing lying or being thereon, building (i.e. Function Hall) situated being and lying at Sy no 156, 157/E, 157/AA, 157/U, 158/G, 158/EE, 159/E, 159/EE, 159/AA, 159/U, 160/A, 160/AA, 218, 218/AA, 218/E, 218/VU, 218/LU, 218/LUU, 219/AA in Kubera Sagaram open land measuring east to west (121-0) feet and North to South (40-0) feet, total extent of (4840-0) sq feet equivalent to (537.77) Square Yards equivalent to (449-652) square meters, building having plinth area of 5400 Sq Feet, Chilikamari Village, Pedda Adeserla pally Mandal, Devarakonda Sub Registrar Office, District Nalgonda Pin code: 508257 **Owned by Mr.Y.Madhu Babu. Bounded as follows: North:** 30' feet Wide internal road, **South:** Place of vendor i.e. Yerukacherla Prem Kumar, **East:** 30 Feet Wide internal road, **West:** 40 Feet Wide Internal Road. **Cersai security Id: 400082358873.**

Property No.2: (Collateral Security): All those pieces and parcels of land together with buildings and structures constructed or to be constructed thereon, all fixed plants, Machineries and fixtures standing lying or being thereon, situated being and lying at House No. C/B174 , Sy no 156, 157/E, 157/AA, 157/U, 158/G, 158/EE, 159/E, 159/EE, 159/AA, 159/U, 160/A, 160/AA, 218,218/A, 218/AA, 218/E, 218/VU, 218/LU, 218/LUU, 219/AA of Kubera Sagaram Open Plot No.(174), having measurements East to West (93-0) Feets and North to South (40-0) feets Total Extent of (3720-0) Square Feets equivalent to 413.33 Square Yards equivalent to (345-600) square meters, Chilikamari Village, Pedda Adeserla pally Mandal, Devarakonda Sub Registrar Office, District Nalgonda Pin code: 508257 **owned by Mrs.Yerukacherla Esther Rani. Bounded as follows: North:** 30' feet Wide internal road, **South:** Plot no. 173, **East:** 40 feet wide internal road, **West:** Land of Ramesh. **Cersai security Id: 400082360186**

2. Name of the Borrowers: Mr. Yerukacherla Madhu Babu And Mrs. Yerukacherla Rajitha.
Demand Notice Dated: 15-07-2026.
Outstanding Amount: Rs 76,25,977.00 (Rs Seventy six lacs Twenty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Seven only) plus un-applied interest w.e.f. 13.07.2026 and interest thereon @ 8.75% (excluding 2% penal interest) along with other cost and expenses.

Description of the Mortgaged Immovable Property:
Property No.1: (Housing Loan A/c No. 60505729589): All those pieces and parcels of land and building situated being and lying at Residential house bearing Municipal Door No.7-1045/1 Part(Assessment No.1041016403). Within Sy.No.980, measuring 176.5 Sq.yards=147.55 Sq.Mtrs., [Out of 353.00 Sq.yards] constructed ground floor with RCC roofing having plinth area of 1024 sq feets with water facility and electrical fittings, Situated at block No.7, Bangarugadda Area, Miryalaguda Village & Mandal Municipality and Sub-Registrar Office, Nalgonda District.-508207 owned by Mr. Yerukacherla Madhu Babu. **Bounded as follows: North:** Part of Door No. 7-1045/1 of Yerukacherla Rajitha, **South:** 18' 00" Wide Road, **East:** Plot of Parvin Sulthana, Bommakanti Lakshamma & Others, **West:** Door No.7-1046 of Gunli Janaiah. **Cersai security Id: 400083416564.**

Property No.2: (Housing Loan A/c No. 60505673012): All those pieces and parcels of land situate being and lying at Residential house bearing Municipal Door No.7-1045/1 Part (Assessment No.1041016403). Within Sy.No.980, measuring 176.5 Sq.yards= 147.55 Sq.Mtrs., [Out of 353.00 Sq.yards] constructed ground floor with RCC roofing having plinth area of 558 sq feets with water facility and electrical fittings, Situated at block No.7, Bangarugadda Area, Miryalaguda Village, Mandal, Municipality and Sub Registrar Office, Nalgonda District.-508207 owned by Mrs. Yerukacherla Rajitha. **Bounded as follows: North:** 18 Feet Wide Road, **South:** House of Yerukacherla Madhu Babu Door No. 7-1045/1 Part, **East:** Pravin Sulthana, Bommakanti Lakshamma and others place, **West:** House of Guntoju Shankaraiah Door No. 7-1039. **Cersai security Id: 400083425602.**

Place: Hyderabad
Date: 06-10-2026

Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer
Bank of Maharashtra



President Murmu,
VP Radhakrishnan greet air
warriors on 94th Air Force Day

New Delhi, Oct 8 : On the 94th Air Force Day, President Droupadi Murmu and Vice-President C.P. Radhakrishnan on Thursday extended greetings to all air warriors, veterans and their families, praising the Indian Air Force (IAF) for its exemplary service to the nation and its high standards of professionalism, discipline and preparedness. President Droupadi Murmu, in a post on social media platform X, said, "Greetings to all air warriors, veterans and their families on Air Force Day. The Indian Air Force has rendered exemplary service to the nation, upholding high standards of professionalism, discipline and preparedness."

Twin pacts signed with HUDCO,
IIM-A to advance 'Viksit Gujarat 2047' vision

Gandhinagar, Oct 8 : The Gujarat government on Thursday signed a strategic partnership agreement with Housing and Urban Development Corporation Limited (HUDCO) for long-term financing of up to Rs one lakh crore for major infrastructure projects across the state, while also entering into a separate agreement with the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIM-A) to provide technical and planning support for projects under the 'Viksit Gujarat 2047'

vision. The memorandums of understanding (MoUs) were signed in the presence of Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel, who described the partnership as "an important step" towards achieving the goal of 'Viksit Gujarat 2047' and aligning it with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of 'Viksit Bharat 2047'. According to the state government, HUDCO will provide long-term funding for infrastructure projects being implemented by various government departments.



Greater Chennai Police continue
crackdown on drug syndicate, arrest four

Chennai, Oct 8 : The Greater Chennai Police have intensified their crackdown on drug syndicates and arrested four individuals.

In two separate cases, three men from Assam were caught with narcotics, including heroin, while another individual involved in methamphetamine peddling was apprehended.

In the first case, Egmore police arrested three suspects from Assam — Habibur Rahman (32), Dildar Hussain (22), and Reikibul Islam (20), all from Nagaon district. Acting on a tip-off, officers intercepted the trio near Egmore railway station and searched their bags, recovering three grams of heroin, eight grams of morphine,



and two kilograms of gutka. The three were produced before a magistrate and remanded in judicial custody.

In the second case, the Chetpet police arrested a 25-year-old man, R. Manikandan of Korattur, who had been absconding in a methamphetamine peddling case. The police seized three grams of methamphetamine from him.

MP allowed to procure
100 lakh metric tonnes of wheat

Bhopal, Oct 8 : In a significant move that underscores the commitment of the state administration towards agricultural prosperity, the government led by Chief Minister Mohan Yadav has secured an approval from the Central government to procure a staggering one hundred lakh metric tonnes of wheat at the minimum support price.

Earlier, the state government had been given a target to procure 78 lakh metric tonnes of wheat. This development marks a historic and unprecedented achievement for the state, further solidifying the image of the current admin-

istration as one that stands firmly with the farming community at every step of their journey. The announcement comes as a major boon for the agricultural sector during what has been designated as the Farmer Welfare Year. Originally, the procurement targets were set at a lower threshold.



INDIA bloc leaders marching towards Rajghat; Kharge,
Rahul Gandhi accuse Centre of undermining democratic rights



New Delhi, Oct 8 : Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi on Thursday said the party and other INDIA bloc MPs are marching to Rajghat to stage a peaceful sit-in protest, while accusing the BJP-led government of undermining democratic rights and institutions. The development comes as Congress and other INDIA bloc MPs were marching to Rajghat after lunch at a restaurant in Connaught Place. The Opposition parties have been seeking permission to hold protests over several issues, including alleged irregularities in the electoral process. Speaking to reporters, Kharge said the INDIA bloc members would gather at the Gandhi Memorial.

for a peaceful demonstration and prayer, urging the BJP government to reconsider what he described as policies that were against the interests of the people. "We, the members of the INDIA bloc, are heading to the Gandhi Memorial to stage a peaceful sit-in protest. We will sit there and pray that the BJP government, specifically Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah, are granted the wisdom to realise that their actions are not in the nation's interest," he said. He alleged that issues such as "vote theft", rising inflation and problems faced by the youth reflected a broader failure of governance. Kharge further said the Opposition wanted to draw attention to what it considers attempts to weaken the freedoms secured dur-

ing the country's freedom struggle. "We want to highlight that they are snatching away the freedom we secured, the freedom won for us by great leaders like Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Mahatma Gandhi, and Vallabhbhai Patel, and are making every effort to destroy it," he said. He also alleged that citizens' voting rights were being undermined and said the protest at Rajghat would seek to remind the government of the importance of protecting constitutional freedoms. Rahul Gandhi said nearly 300 MPs from both the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha wanted to participate in the peaceful demonstration but had been prevented from protesting over the past two days.

Mirchowk police recover
25 lost mobile phones using CEIR

Hyderabad, Oct.8 (NSS): Mirchowk Police have recovered 25 lost and stolen mobile phones using the Central Equipment Identity Register (CEIR) portal and technical investigation. The recovered phones were handed over to their respective owners by the ACP, Mirchowk Division, at Mirchowk Police Station here on October 8. Police said the phones, reported

missing by complainants under different circumstances, were traced from various locations through CEIR and sustained technical efforts by the detective and crime teams. The recovery was carried out by the Mirchowk PS Detective Team led by DSI Md. Mujtaba Ali Quasim, along with the Crime Team, under the guidance of Inspector M. Kondal Rao and Detective Inspector N. Saidaiyah, and



the supervision of ACP G. Shyam Sunder, Mirchowk Division, Charminar Zone. Police advised citizens to immediately report lost or stolen mobile phones at the

nearest police station or through the CEIR portal to facilitate speedy tracing and recovery.

NMDC Limited organised a two-day Capacity Building Programme

Hyderabad, Oct 8 : The Vigilance Department of NMDC Limited organised a two-day Capacity Building Programme on 7 and 8 October 2026, focusing on key areas identified by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) under Vigilance Awareness Week (VAW) 2026. The programme featured four thematic sessions on Ethos in Public Procurement, GeM – New Features & Functionalities, Contract Design for Effective Procurement, and Cyber Security & Cyber Hygiene, aimed at strengthening professional competence, promoting ethical decision-making and enhancing transparency and efficiency in organisational processes. The inaugural session was graced by Shri Krishna Kumar Thakur, Director (Personnel), NMDC, and Shri C. Neelakanta Reddy, Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO), NMDC. The programme concluded in the gracious presence of Shri Vivek Nishant Nath, Director (Commercial), NMDC, and Shri C. Neelakanta Reddy, CVO, who underscored the importance of continuous capacity building, ethical conduct, transparent systems and effective implementation of preventive vigilance measures.

The first day featured sessions by Shri Sanjay Aggarwal, IRSS, PCMM, RCF–Kapurthala, on "Ethos in Public Procurement", emphasising integrity, fairness, ethical decision-making and compliance with



established procurement principles. Shri Anuj Kumar, Director (GeM), conducted a session on "GeM – New Features & Functionalities", highlighting recent developments, digital procurement mechanisms and best practices for effective utilisation of the Government e-Marketplace. On the second day, Shri Ankur Shrivastava, Controller, NRSC, delivered a session on "Contract Design for Effective Procurement", sharing practical insights and relevant case studies on developing effective procurement contracts. Smt. K. Indravani, Scientist-F and Associate Director, C-DAC, led a session on "Cyber Security & Cyber Hygiene", highlighting cyber threats, responsible digital practices and the importance of maintaining security-conscious behaviour in the workplace. The sessions combined expert perspectives with practical insights to strengthen participants' understanding of ethical procurement, contract management, digital purchasing platforms and cyber security. Interactive discussions facilitated the exchange of professional experiences and highlighted the role of robust systems.



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ABRIDGED VEHICLE E-AUCTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the to the Borrower (s), and Guarantor (s) that Bank has repossessed/seized the Hypothecated Motor Vehicle mentioned below in exercise of the powers conferred under Hypothecation/ Loan Agreement executed by the parties and Vehicle will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Vehicle/Total Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below-

S. No.	Name & address of Borrower/s/ Guarantor/ Loan A/c No.	Total Dues	Vehicle Make & Model RTO Regd No.	1. Reserve Price, 2. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), 3. Bid Increase Amount
1	Ms. Swetha SRK, C/o Anand Raja Bhadursri, Rajakakrapudi, C-1802, Apama Serene Park, Masjid Banda Kondapur, Hyderabad-500084 57750600001971 & 6UA066862	Contractual dues Rs.11,32,207/- (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Seven Only) as on 31.01.2026 with further interest thereon at contractual rate due + legal expenses if any (less recovery if any)	Four-Wheeler - Four-Wheeler Vehicle MAHINDRA XUV300 W8(O) DS AS BS VI Color: Red Rage Engine No: EUNZF19648 Chassis No: MA1NM2EU4N2F78644 Registration No: TS 07JJ 5994 Fuel: Diesel	1. Rs.8,19,720/- 2. Rs.81,972/- 3. Rs.5,000/-

Date of e-Auction & Time of E-auction - Start Time to End Time: 26-10-2026 From 10.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M.

Last date and time of submission of Bid: 26-10-2026 before 5.00 P.M.

EMD Deposit Account No.: SARFAESI AUCTION PROCEEDS, A/c No.: 57750015181869; IFSC Code: BARB00UTHBA (Fifth letter ZERO), Bank of Baroda Branch, QUTHBULLAPUR

Vehicle / Movable Asset Inspection date & Time: On or before 24-10-2026 from 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM at (Bright Securities Pvt Ltd., Plot No.480, Road No.5A Gopal Nagar, Kukatpally, Telangana-500072). Mob No. Branch: 99899894455

Baanknet Property ID & Auction ID for above mentioned Sr No. as under-

Sr. No.	BAANKNET Property ID	Auction ID
1	BARBSSWETHASRK	362923

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link <https://www.baanknet.com> Prospective bidders may contact to Mr. SAURABH RANJAN Chief Manager (Branch Head) on Tel No. Mobile No.: 7993316574

Date: 08-10-2026, Place: Hyderabad

Sd/- Branch Head, Bank of Baroda



Traders' bodies urge NPCI to defer new MDR framework beyond Oct 15

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Traders' bodies have requested the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to defer the rollout of recently announced merchant discount rates (MDR) on Unified Payments Interface (UPI) transactions scheduled for October 15, according to a report. The report from NDTV Profit -- citing sources -- said trade associations proposed delaying the new charges until after the festive season or into early next year, citing concerns about the impact on merchants during a peak sales period. NPCI, which designed the revised MDR framework in consultation with stakeholders, has not yet taken a decision.

Under the new rules, a flat levy of Rs 5 will apply to select merchant categories for UPI payments above Rs 2,000, while large merchant payments above Rs 2,000 will attract a fee of 0.4 per cent, capped at Rs 300, NPCI had said. Capital-market payments, such as mutual funds and securities transactions, will face a lower MDR of 0.02 per cent, also subject to a Rs 300 cap per transaction. NPCI estimates the changes will affect only about 4 per cent of merchant transactions, leaving over 95 per cent of person-to-merchant UPI payments outside the MDR framework. Small merchants using peer-to-peer merchant models will continue to en-

joy zero MDR. No monthly quota or cap is imposed on free UPI usage for individual users, and they can continue to make UPI payments without an MDR charge on transactions within the applicable free framework. The revised structure also creates a dedicated fund to promote UPI acceptance among small merchants, with 5 per cent of total MDR collections earmarked for the initiative. MDR revenue will be shared among players and is intended to support UPI expansion, cybersecurity and innovation. Banks have been advised to ensure merchants do not pass MDR charges on to customers.

Seoul shares pare gains on foreign selling

Seoul, Oct 8 : South Korean shares pared earlier gains late on Thursday morning as foreign investors continued to sell big-cap tech shares despite bargain hunting by retail and institutional investors. After opening 0.76 per cent higher, the benchmark Korea Composite Stock Price Index (KOSPI) added 25.15 points, or 0.4 per cent, at 6,283.92 as of 11.20 am, reports Yonhap news agency. Foreign investors sold nearly 619.7 billion won (US\$437.8 million), offsetting a combined 598.2 billion won worth of buying by retail and institutional investors. The KOSPI ended lower for a second straight session Fri-

day, weighed down by foreign selling. On Thursday (local time), Wall Street advanced, following U.S. job reports. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 0.28 per cent, while the S&P 500 added 0.62 percent to a fresh record. The tech-heavy Nasdaq Composite Index increased 1.3 percent. Korean technology stocks remained the bulwark of the market. After opening higher, market bellwether Samsung Electronics inched down 0.11 percent, while its chipmaking rival SK hynix climbed 0.84 percent. The Korean won was trading at 1,414.8 won against the U.S. dollar as of 11:20 a.m., down 5.3 won from the previous session's close. In Seoul, technology stocks led the gains, with individual and institutional investors snapping up shares on

bargain hunting. Market bellwether Samsung Electronics rose 2.49 percent, and its chipmaking rival SK hynix climbed 3.94 percent. The Korean won was trading at 1,412.1 won against the U.S. dollar as of 9:15 a.m., down 2.6 won from the previous session's close. Meanwhile, President Lee Jae Myung was set to preside over a meeting Monday to discuss ways to promptly implement a large-scale investment initiative for semiconductor manufacturing facilities and artificial intelligence (AI) data centres. The meeting will discuss support for the prompt implementation of the investment plans, as well as ways to spread the benefits from the investments.



Institutional real estate inflows in India touch \$5.9 billion in Jan-Sep: Report

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Institutional investment into Indian real estate reached \$5.9 billion in the first three quarters of 2026 (January-September), up 39 per cent year-on-year and marked the strongest nine-month total in recent years, a

report said on Thursday. The report from Colliers India said domestic investors drove the rally, contributing \$3.5 billion and accounting for close to 60 per cent of the total investments during the period. Indian real estate has largely remained resilient to external volatilities.



Infosys Q4 net profit rises 28 pc in Q4, headcount falls over 8,000

New Delhi, Oct 8 : IT services major Infosys on Thursday reported a 28 per cent quarter-on-quarter growth in its consolidated net profit for the fourth quarter of FY26. The company posted a net profit (after non-controlling interests) of Rs 8,501 crore, an increase of 21 per cent (year-on-year) compared to Rs 7,033 crore in Q4 FY25. On a sequential basis, profit jumped 27.8 per cent from Rs 6,654

crore in Q4. Operating profit stood at Rs 9,743 crore, up 13.6 per cent year-on-year and up 16.6 per cent on-month. In terms of revenue, the IT firm reported Rs 46,402 crore in Q4 FY26, up 13.4 per cent from Rs 40,925 crore in the same quarter last year. On a sequential basis, revenue rose 2 per cent from Rs 45,479 crore in the December quarter. The company maintained its operating margin at around 21 per cent on a yearly basis, while margins improved to 21 per cent in Q4 FY26 from 18.4 per cent in the previous quarter. Gross profit rose 16.1 per cent year-on-year to Rs 14,344 crore,



while total operating expenses increased 21.9 per cent to Rs 4,601 crore. Infosys' voluntary attrition rate rose to 12.6 per cent in Q4 FY26 from 12.3 per cent in the previous quarter, though it declined from 14.1 per cent in the year-ago period. The company's headcount declined

by 8,440 sequentially to 3,28,594 in the March quarter, it said in a post-market exchange filing. For FY27, the company has pegged revenue growth of up to 3.5 per cent in constant currency and operating margins of 20-22 per cent.

India plans PLI scheme for polysilicon manufacturing to reduce solar import dependence

New Delhi, Oct 8 : India is preparing a production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme to promote domestic manufacturing of polysilicon, a key raw material used in solar photo-

voltaic panels, as the government seeks to strengthen the country's clean energy supply chain and reduce dependence on imports from China. Speaking at a Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).



A massive cyberattack hits X, tracing those behind it : Elon Musk

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Elon Musk on Thursday said a massive cyber attack has hit his X social media platform, that disabled millions of users across the globe, including in India, from accessing the popular platform.

Global major Nielsen bullish on India, opens new offices to boost innovation

Bengaluru, Oct 8 : India's media market is experiencing rapid growth, driven by increasing digital consumption, evolving audience preferences and advancements in data-driven insights, global audience-measurement company Nielsen said on Thursday, as it inaugurated new offices in the domestic market to drive innovation. Nielsen inaugurated its new offices in Mumbai and



Bengaluru to expand operations, drive growth and build on its tech innovation capabilities in India. Located in Goregaon in Mumbai and Whitefield in Bengaluru, this move is part of the company's broader vision to strengthen presence in the region, driving business growth and enhancing operations.

Big reforms on agenda of upcoming SEBI board meet

Mumbai, Oct 8 : In the upcoming first board meeting under the leadership of newly appointed Chairperson Tuhin Kanta Pandey, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) is slated to discuss several major regulatory proposals. The agenda on the cards includes UPI-like protections for demat accounts, ensuring the independence of clearing corporations, expanding the scope of qualified institutional buyers (QIBs), and changes in fee collection by research analysts. To enhance investor security, the SEBI has proposed implement-

ing a system similar to the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) for demat accounts. The proposal, introduced on Thursday, suggests that each investor's unique client code be linked to the SIM of a mobile phone. This move aims to prevent unauthorised access, identity theft, SIM spoofing, and fraud. The independence of clearing corporations (CCs) from their parent stock exchanges is another key issue on SEBI's agenda. In November 2024, SEBI board member Ananth Narayan highlighted the need for a review of the existing structure.



Madhya Pradesh: 16th Finance Commission likely to focus on CAG recommendations

Bhopal, Oct 8 : Despite slim chances, the Madhya Pradesh harbours aspirations for increased funds particularly for its ailing local bodies, some improvements are expected in accounting system in state's ailing local bodies as visiting 16th Finance Commission is likely to focus on certain suggestions provided by ace accounting body -- Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG). A meeting between the visiting 16th Finance Commission, led by Chairperson Arvind Panagariya, and K. Sanjay Murthy, head of the CAG.



Community's role in rural water delivery stressed at District Collectors' 'Peyjal Samvad'

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Har Ghar Jal under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) has entered a crucial phase of transitioning towards community-owned and managed rural water service delivery, Ashok K. K. Meena, Secretary, Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti, said on Thursday. Addressing the 6th edition of the District Collectors' 'Peyjal Samvad', Meena said community ownership and management of water service is central to strengthening long-term functionality and quality. The event brought together senior officials, district administrations, and sector experts to deliberate on strengthening the implementation of Har Ghar Jal under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM).

Gujarat farmer earns Rs 11 lakh from four acres by turning turmeric into powder, pickle

Gandhinagar, Oct 8 : A 70-year-old farmer in Surendranagar district has turned turmeric cultivation on four acres into an annual income of around Rs 10-11 lakh by processing the crop into powder, pickle and other products instead of selling it as raw produce. Kalubhai Patel of Vadod village in Wadhwan taluka owns 10 acres of land and has been practising natural farming on four acres for the past 13-14 years. He was inspired to take up natural farming after seeing a farmer cultivate turmeric using natural methods at an agricultural fair in Kagvad. Patel initially cultivated turmeric on one acre of fallow land, gradually expanding it to four acres. He later established a home-based processing unit at a cost of around



Rs 5 lakh, equipped with a steam boiler, polishing machine and pulveriser. The Horticulture Department provided him with assistance of Rs 2.5 lakh for the unit. Instead of boiling the turmeric in water, Patel steams it, saying this helps retain its beneficial and medicinal properties.

Delhi BJP slams AAP leader Saurabh Bharadwaj's 'anarchist' act of burning newspaper

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Calling it a sign of anarchist ideology, the Delhi BJP on Thursday condemned the Opposition Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) for symbolically burning a newspaper as a protest against "unfavourable" media coverage. Delhi BJP Media Head Praveen Shankar Kapoor hit out at Delhi AAP Convenor Saurabh Bharadwaj's act of burning a newspaper during a press conference, ostensibly to threaten the media, restrict freedom of the press, and assert the anarchist mentality of his party. Kapoor said that perhaps for the first time in Delhi's political history, a political party leader has publicly burned a newspaper simply because it did not publish news in line with his viewpoint. He said that burning a newspaper is a repulsive act, like the oppressive cycle being run against the media — especially a particular media group — by the Aam Aadmi Party government in Punjab.



TN minister warns against delimitation, accuses DMK of 'secret understanding' with BJP

Madurai, Oct 8 : Tamil Nadu Minister Nirmal Kumar has strongly opposed the Centre's proposed delimitation exercise, warning that any reduction in the state's representation in Parliament would undermine its political rights, while accusing the DMK of preparing to indirectly support the BJP on the contentious issue. Speaking to reporters after participating in a marathon organised as part of an initiative to make Madurai a garbage-free city, Nirmal Kumar said all political parties in Tamil Nadu should unite against any delimitation formula that could reduce the state's representation on the basis of population. He alleged that the Union gov-

ernment was pushing ahead with delimitation for political reasons at a time when there was no need for such an exercise. Tamil Nadu, which has performed relatively well in population control, could lose parliamentary representation if seats were redistributed purely on the basis of population, he said. Nirmal Kumar argued that the proposed exercise could weaken the political voice of Tamil Nadu and marginalise sections of the population. Protecting the state's rights should therefore take precedence over political differences, and parties should present a united front against any proposal detrimental to Tamil Nadu's interests, he said.

How can six Bills be properly debated on last day of House, asks Punjab MLA Khaira



Chandigarh, Oct 8 : Congress lawmaker, Sukhpal Singh Khaira, on Thursday

urged the Punjab government and the Vidhan Sabha Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan to extend the Assembly session by at least a few more days so that the six Bills proposed for consideration on the last day can be properly examined and debated. Khaira said that according to the official Legislative business, six Bills will be placed before the House on Monday. They included three digital universities, Goods and Services Tax (GST), outsourced personnel and contractual engagement and common infrastructure.

'Will teach you lesson': Sanjay Raut dares Shinde faction, BJP over defection rumours

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Amid intense speculation over a potential split among Shiv Sena (Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray) Members of Parliament, senior party leaders Sanjay Raut and Arvind Sawant on Thursday held a joint press conference to sound a fierce warning to any potential defectors. Invoking the aggressive legacy of party founder Balasaheb Thackeray, the leaders asserted that the party would no longer tolerate betrayal and would launch a political and legal offensive against those trying to engineer a split. The press conference was called just ahead of a crucial meeting of the Sena (UBT) parliamentary party at their Parliament office in New Delhi. Arvind Sawant, the party's leader in the Lok Sabha, confirmed that a formal, mandatory binding order -- a three-line whip -- had been officially issued to all party MPs. "The whip was hand-delivered to the residences of the MPs, and additionally transmitted via email and WhatsApp to ensure

legal compliance. The meeting was convened to assess the physical presence of the MPs in Delhi and to deliberate on key parliamentary strategies," he said. Addressing ongoing media speculation about a mass defection, Sanjay Raut took a sarcastic jibe at opponents, stating, "Looking at the media atmosphere, even though we officially have nine MPs, it feels like 15 will turn up today." Raut revealed that party chief Uddhav Thackeray had personally called to review the situation and issued clear directives on how to handle the political crisis. Furthermore, he highlighted that Nationalist Congress Party (NCP-SP)

chief Sharad Pawar has extended complete solidarity to the Thackeray faction. "Pawar Saheb has reached out and expressed his readiness to hold joint public rallies in the home constituencies of any rebel MPs. This fight will be fought collectively by the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) coalition, including Shiv Sena(UBT), NCP (Sharadchandra Pawar), and the Congress," Raut declared. Both leaders took turns sharply criticising the ruling Eknath Shinde-led faction and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).



Congress unity only for photo frame: Rajasthan BJP

Jaipur, Oct 8 : Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Rajasthan president Madan Rathore has taken a sharp dig at the Congress, claiming that the party's display of unity is limited to photographs while big differences continue to exist among its leaders. Rathore said there was a race among Congress leaders to establish their political influence and outdo one another. He also alleged that former Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot continues to consider himself the party's supreme leader, or "Mathadheesh". "The Congress is merely putting

on a charade of unity. Their unity is for the camera, while deep-seated differences continue to exist within the party," Rathore said. He claimed that the Congress leadership's internal differences could once again surface during the upcoming Panchayati Raj elections. Rathore questioned why Congress leaders repeatedly felt the need to demonstrate their unity if the party was genuinely united publicly. He alleged that an atmosphere of rivalry and internal conflict continues to prevail within the Congress and said these differences could become more ap-

parent during the Panchayat elections. Rathore also criticised former Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, saying that he continues to view himself as the permanent leader or "supreme boss" of the Congress. "A senior leader should think about making space for other leaders in the organisation rather than always placing himself at the centre," Rathore said. Rathore referred to Gehlot's remarks that Sachin Pilot would not repeat his past mistakes this time, saying that such comments themselves reflected the Congress's internal tensions.



Pakistan lost control of its
Frankenstein monster of terrorism which
has returned to haunt it: India at UN

United Nations, Oct 8 : Islamabad has lost control of the Frankenstein's monster of terrorism it created, which has returned to stalk Pakistan, and it is acknowledged by its leaders, India has said, calling for international action against sponsors of terrorism. "Pakistan has presented itself as a front-line state in combating terrorism and as a victim, while masking the fact that the Frankenstein's (monster) the Pakistani state has created and lost control over have moved from wreaking havoc in neighbouring countries to doing the same in Pakistan," Raghuo Puri, a first secretary in India's UN mission, said on Thursday (local time). "This was exposed recently by a provincial chief minister of Pakistan, and may I jog the memory of colleagues to an interview in 2018 by her father and former prime minister of Pakistan, exposing this dark secret," he said. "You cannot run with the hares and hunt with the hounds," Puri warned. "Reality never works like that". Puri was responding to an attack on India by Pakistan's Deputy Permanent Representative Usman Jadoon at the General Assembly's Sixth Committee, which deals with legal matters.

Growing urban population is challenging, villages
need special attention: MP Minister Vijayvargiya

Bhopal, Oct 8 : Madhya Pradesh Urban Development and Housing Minister Kailash Vijayvargiya said on Thursday that for the planned development of the state, special attention must be given to the development of village panchayats located near urban areas. The Minister said that illegal colonies within village panchayats often create problems for the public and must be completely curbed. He added that the growing population in urban regions affects not only the cities but also the adjoining village panchayats. Vijayvargiya made this statement addressing a workshop of panchayat representatives and state-level officials at the Kushabhau Thakre Convention Centre in Bhopal. "Prime Minister Narendra Modi has envisioned a developed Bharat by 2047 and this vision can be realised in Madhya Pradesh only



when integrated plans for both rural and urban areas are prepared," he said. He told that an estimated 32 per cent of the state's population currently resides in urban areas, and this figure is expected to rise to nearly 50 per cent in the coming years, which will

present additional challenges. He emphasised the need for coordination committee meetings between officials of urban bodies and those of village panchayats adjacent to urban areas to ensure planned development.



Bihar: Schoolboy shot
in Kharagpur; police detain suspects

Kolkata, Oct 8 : A schoolboy was shot while riding on a bike in Kharagpur in West Midnapore district on Thursday. The student is undergoing treatment at a hospital in Kolkata and is reported to be in a critical condition. The injured boy has been identified as Akshay Jha. According to local sources, he was riding on the pillion seat of a bike in the railway area of Old Settlement, Ward No. 20, in Kharagpur at around 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday. Shots were allegedly fired at the moving bike, and one of the bullets hit Akshay in the chest. He was taken to a local hospital in serious condition and was later shifted to Kolkata for advanced treatment. The rider of the bike said he did not know why the shooting took place or who fired the shots. On the other hand, residents claimed that no one heard the sound of firing. As a result, there is confusion over how, when and why the shooting took place. Police are investigating the matter. Personnel from Kharagpur Town Police Station are trying to ascertain the motive behind the incident.

Baloch students continue
protests against enforced
disappearance by Pak forces

Quetta, Oct 8 : As enforced disappearances of civilians continue unabated across Balochistan, students of Bolan Medical College in the provincial capital, Quetta, continued their protest for the second consecutive day on Thursday outside the college premises, demanding the immediate and safe recovery of a female student forcibly disappeared by Pakistani forces. According to the Baloch Yakjehti Committee (BYC), Khadija Baloch

was abducted on Tuesday by Pakistani security forces from the BMC female hostel in Quetta and shifted to an undisclosed location. Since her enforced disappearance, it said, no information about her whereabouts or condition has been provided to her family and fellow students. "It must be remembered that the forcible disappearance of women in Balochistan is increasing with each passing day.



Indian-origin woman
harassed by officials at China
airport over Arunachal
mention on passport

Shanghai, Oct 8 : An Indian-origin UK resident from Arunachal Pradesh has alleged that Chinese immigration authorities at Shanghai Pudong Airport detained and harassed her for hours after refusing to acknowledge her Indian passport during a transit stop. Prema Wangjom Thongdok, who was travelling from London to Japan on Thursday with a scheduled three-hour layover, said her ordeal stretched to 18 hours after officials declared her passport "invalid" because it listed Arunachal Pradesh as her birthplace. According to her, immigration personnel told her, "Arunachal Pradesh is part of China." She said several officers and China Eastern Airlines staff mocked her, laughed at her, and even suggested she "apply for a Chinese passport". What was supposed to be a routine transit, she claimed, turned into a prolonged confinement in the airport's transit area.

UN experts flag abductions, forced
religious conversions of minorities in Pakistan

Geneva, Oct 8 : The United Nations experts expressed serious concern over the continued and widespread abduction and forced religious conversion and marriages targeting women and girls from minority communities in Pakistan, warning that the climate of impunity fuels the relentless practice across the country. "Any change of religion or belief must be genuinely free from coercion, and marriage must be based on full and free consent, which is not legally possible when the victim is a

child," the experts said. Experts mentioned that in 2025, around 75 per cent of the women and girls affected by forced conversion through marriage in Pakistan were Hindus, while 25 per cent were Christians. Nearly 80 per cent of incidents, they said, occurred in Pakistan's Sindh province, with girls aged between 14 and 18 being particularly targeted and some cases involving younger victims. According to the experts, women and girls facing poverty and marginalisation face heightened risks, and are often subjected to physical and sexual abuse, exploi-

tation, social stigma and severe trauma. "These women and girls endure a continuous sense of terror, face coercion and are deprived of their freedom of religion or belief and autonomy under patriarchal and political pressures. This must stop," the experts stressed. They noted that the scale and persistence of these grave human rights violations indicate systemic discrimination against non-Muslim women and girls across Pakistan who are coerced into converting to Islam to marry Muslim men. Reiterating their appeal, the experts urged Pakistani authorities to intensify efforts to eradicate forced conversions, to raise the minimum age for marriage to 18 in all provinces and territories, to criminalise forced religious con-



version as a distinct offence and to enforce applicable laws pertaining to human trafficking and sexual violence. The experts echoed the recommendations from several UN treaty bodies, urging a prompt investigation into all allegations impartially and effectively, while ensuring that perpetrators are held accountable.

Indian envoy meets
Canadian leader, discusses
strengthening bilateral ties

Ottawa, Oct 8 : In a significant step towards enhancing India-Canada bilateral ties, Indian High Commissioner to the North American country, Dinesh K Patnaik met the Premier of the Canadian province of Alberta, Danielle Smith. Both sides discussed important areas of bilateral partnership, including energy, trade, agriculture, technology collaboration, research, and people-to-people connections. "Honoured to meet Premier Danielle Smith. We had an excellent discussion on key aspects of our bilateral partnership — energy, trade, agriculture.



US has used 'almost all' interceptors,
most Tomahawks in Iran war, warns Democratic Senator

Washington, Oct 8 : Democratic Senator Chris Murphy said that the United States had used "almost all" its interceptors and most of its Tomahawk missiles in the Iran war, warning that depleted stockpiles had left the country and its allies in a dangerous position. Murphy, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, made the assertion as the Pentagon seeks another \$67 billion in defence funding, partly to replace weapons expended during nearly five months of fighting. "We have used up almost all of

our interceptors, the majority of our tomahawks," the Connecticut senator told NBC News' "Meet the Press." "We have put the United States in a dangerous position. We have allowed Russia and China to imagine things that they couldn't have imagined early because of our inability to defend ourselves and our

allies," he said. President Donald Trump has acknowledged uneven supplies among different categories of US munitions. "We have certain types of munitions that are very powerful, that we have unlimited virtual unlimited supply. We have others where it's a little bit tighter," Trump said in remarks aired by the programme. Murphy said he would oppose more money while the war continued. But he left the door open to financing a replenishment effort once the conflict ended. "If the war comes to an end, if the president ends this war, then, yes, of course, I and my colleagues will be ready to provide the funding to replenish the stores of munitions that have been spent," he said. Murphy argued that ending the conflict and reopening the Strait of Hormuz must take priority. He said he would be prepared to accept an unfavourable agreement because continued fighting was weakening the United States and raising prices.



Uyghur camp survivor slams
Starmer for approving mega
Chinese Embassy in London

London, Oct 8 : Sayragul Sauytbay, Vice President of East Turkestan's government-in-exile, has accused British Prime Minister Keir Starmer of "disrespecting human rights" over the approval of a Chinese mega-Embassy in London, a report has highlighted. Speaking to UK's 'The Independent', Sauytbay, an ethnic Kazakh, claimed to have witnessed serious abuses while being forced to work in one of China's Xinjiang internment camps in 2017. She criticised Starmer for prioritising economic and political interests over international law. "The recent activities of the current UK government have left us in deep anguish and fear."

UP girl sets herself on
fire 'out of shame'
after assault by neighbour

Lucknow, Oct 8 : A 17-year-old girl set herself on fire after allegedly being assaulted by a neighbour at her home in Lucknow's Malihabad area. She has been admitted to the civil hospital in critical condition, police said on Thursday. According to officials, the accused, identified as 23-year-old Rahul, allegedly entered the girl's house while she was alone and assaulted her.

India's vision can guide global unity : RSS

Washington, Oct 8 : RSS General Secretary Dattatreya Hosabale outlined a civilisational vision of India rooted in unity, diversity and sustainability, arguing that the country is positioned to play a decisive role in shaping a more harmonious global order.

Addressing an exclusive dinner reception on "India's Global Vision and Role in the Emerging World" in the Washington area, Hosabale said India's philosophical traditions offer a framework to address modern global challenges, from social fragmentation to environmental stress.

"The vision of India... is that there is a oneness of unity and the oneness is present in all being, living and non-living," he said, stressing that this idea forms the basis of India's worldview.

He argued that while humanity has made material progress, it faces deep contradictions. "We have multiplied our possessions, but our values... we have not," he said, describing a world with "more knowledge, but less judgment... more experts, but more problems."

Hosabale said India's approach differs in its attempt to balance material advancement with spiritual understanding. "India philosophy being that recognises nature as mother... enough for our need... but not to fulfil our greed," he said, linking traditional thought to contemporary debates on sustainability.

He emphasised that diversity should be a strength, not a source of conflict. "Diversity should be celebrating... the beauty of human society," he said, adding that cultural uniqueness must coexist with a broader sense of unity.

Expanding on the idea of global harmony, Hosabale said human society has long experimented with faith and relationships at multiple levels — "human to human... human being and nature... and the human being and the creator" — but stressed that these paths ultimately lead to a common truth. "The truth is one, and there will be many ways to approach," he said.

Framing India's global role, Hosabale said the country's civilisational experience supports the idea of a shared human future. "When India say the world is one family, it says it from some expe-



rience of practice," he said, pointing to historical examples of religious communities living peacefully in India. He added that India's rise must be anchored in internal strength. "If India has to play that role, India has to be a self-confident, prosperous society," he said, underlining the need to combine "modernity" with "cultural ethos and civilisation values." Hosabale also said India's global engagement has historically been non-expansionist. "India has never invade anything. India has not enslaved anybody," he said, adding that Indians abroad have "contributed in nation building" while maintaining harmony in their host societies. Foreign policy scholar Walter Russell Mead reinforced the argument, saying a "strong, fully developed self-confident, outward looking India" could reshape global geopolitics and reduce the risk of conflict, particularly in Asia. "The world needs a vibrant, developed, harmonious, strong India," Mead said, adding that India's growth is "critically important for all of humanity."

Lasting peace in Manipur needs collective effort, says CM; warns against vested interests benefiting from conflict

Imphal, Oct 8 : Manipur Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh said on Thursday that while the state government is making every possible effort to restore normalcy in the state, achieving lasting peace requires the active cooperation and participation of all sections of society.

Addressing the eighth Foundation Day celebration of the Chingamakha Nambul Mapal Development Committee (CNMDC) at Chingamakha Yanglem Leikai Nambul Mapal in Imphal, the Chief Minister added that a small section of people continues to oppose peace because they derive benefits from the ongoing conflict and instability.

He stressed the need to identify and expose such vested interests and urged citizens to work collectively towards restoring peace, harmony and normalcy across the state.

Speaking on the importance of establishing lasting peace and normalcy in Manipur, Chief Minister Singh shared his recent experiences from visits to various conflict-affected areas.



758 irrigation projects completed in Vidarbha, says Maha minister

Mumbai, Oct 8 : Maharashtra Water Resources Minister Girish Mahajan has said that 758 irrigation projects have been completed in the Vidarbha region, and another 87 were under implementation.

In a written reply, the Minister told the state Assembly on Thursday that of the total 858 irrigation projects, 758 projects have been completed as of June 2025 by the Vidarbha Irrigation Development Corporation in the region. Of the balance 100 projects, the work on 13 projects could not start as the administrative approval, including permission from the forest department, had already lapsed. The remaining 87 irrigation projects are under various stages of implementation.

He said this while responding to a question by Pravin Datke and others.

'PM Modi working for welfare of all communities without discrimination', says Hazrat Nizamuddin Dargah Committee chief

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Hazrat Nizamuddin Aulia Dargah Committee Chairman Syed Afsar Ali Nizami on Thursday praised Prime Minister Narendra Modi for attending the Sufi music festival 'Jahan-e-Khusro' and said that he gave the message of brotherhood and works for the welfare of all communities and religion without any discrimination.

He also spoke about the Roza and Iftar arrangements made

for nearly 2,500 people fasting during the holy month of Ramzan. Commenting on the Roza and Iftar arrangements made for nearly 2,500 people fasting during Ramzan, Nizami told IANS: "People not only from Delhi but also from various parts of the country visit the Hazrat Nizamuddin Dargah to offer their prayers."

"People also observe Roza and Iftar at the Nizamuddin Dargah. Every year, the Nizamuddin Aulia

Dargah Committee makes arrangements of food and drinks for the people who visit the dargah," he said.

Reacting to PM Modi welcoming the tradition of Sufi poet Amir Khusro at the 'Jahan-e-Khusro 2025' event, Nizami added: "Whatever PM Modi has said is right. Hazrat Amir Khusro was a great personality. He spread the message of love to everyone."

Commenting on the Prime Minister giving the message of brother-

hood in the holy month of Ramzan, the Nizamuddin Aulia Dargah Committee Chairman said that the month of Ramzan is the "most beautiful and best month of the year".

"There is always blessings from Allah during this month. It always brings happiness and success. All the Muslim brothers and sisters observing Roza find happiness in it. Along with it, our Hindu brothers or those from other religions also believe in Ramzan a lot."

Commenting on PM Modi's message of "Sabka Saath Sabka Vikas", Nizami said that Narendra Modi is the Prime Minister of the country and he works for everyone, be it Hindu, Muslim, Sikh, Christian or people of any religion without any discrimination.

Reacting to whether Prime Minister Modi is "anti-Muslim", he said: "When Manmohan Singh was the Prime Minister of the country, he also did good work. PM Narendra Modi is also doing



good work. Muslims are not against anyone. There are some people who have defamed the entire Muslim community."

Commenting on whether PM Modi is cementing his place in the hearts of Muslims, Nizami said: "Every citizen of the country wants it to move forward."

Defence Secretary opens robotic orthopaedic system at Delhi Cantt hospital

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh on Thursday inaugurated the Robotic Orthopaedic System and Maternity Operation Theatre at Cantonment General Hospital here and highlighted the government's commitment to ensuring high-quality medical services for residents.

The new facilities inaugurated by the Defence Secretary, in the presence of Director General, Defence Estates, Shobha Gupta, will aid advanced healthcare services for the residents of the Cantonment and neighbouring municipal areas, said an official statement.

The Director General of Defence Estates lauded the initiative, noting that such developments will significantly strengthen healthcare delivery systems within cantonment areas and contribute to overall community welfare.



Attempt was made to trap me through sting operation after I became CM : Shivakumar

New Delhi/Bengaluru, Oct 8 : Karnataka Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar on Thursday claimed that an attempt was made to trap him through a sting operation after he became CM and said he had photographs and documents to substantiate his allegations.

Addressing reporters in Delhi, CM Shivakumar said several people had approached him after he assumed office and claimed that he knew who was behind the alleged sting operations. "An attempt was made to trap me after I became the Chief Minister. A few people approached me. I have photographs. I know who the father of these sting operations is," he said.

Referring to a Kannada proverb about thieves behaving smartly after committing a crime, even as their act is evident, Shivakumar said he was aware of the people involved and had informed the police about the developments. "I know all of them. I have informed the police and kept



all the documents regarding certain persons approaching me after I became the Chief Minister," he said. The Chief Minister said he could not reveal all details of the matter, but claimed he knew how the people approached him, whom they had met and who was behind the alleged operation.

"They came to discuss some matter. How they came and approached me, who they met, I know every detail. Who is planning all of this, I know," he said. Shivakumar said he had instructed officials to remain cautious as government officers could be trapped unnecessarily in such operations. "I do not want to answer to other persons."

India assures 'positive collaborative approach' to polar issues

New Delhi, Oct 8 : India on Thursday highlighted that the polar region is rapidly becoming integral to the global climate system, global economy and global security matrix.

Addressing the inaugural session of Science and Geopolitics of Arctic-Antarctic (SaGAA) VIII 2025 titled 'Confrontation to Collaboration in a Fractured World', Secretary (West) at the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) Sibi George highlighted India's polar approach, calling for stakeholders to engage globally, contribute scientifically and act responsibly.

"He alluded to India's rich maritime history and its Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI) which is based on the principle of rules based maritime order anchored in UNCLOS and assured of India's positive collaborative ap-

proach to the polar issues," the MEA stated. On the margins of the conference, Secretary George also had a meeting with Camilla Brekke, Director, Norwegian Polar Institute and discussed India's bilateral cooperation with Norway in the Arctic region, the MEA mentioned. The event has brought together over 50 leaders from science, industry, and policy to strengthen collaboration and science diplomacy in addressing challenges across the Arctic, Antarctic, and Himalayan cryosphere. India has maintained that it envisages Indo-Pacific as a free, open, inclusive, peaceful and prosperous region built on rules-based international order, with respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, freedom of navigation and overflight.



IIT Madras team secures third place at Sasol Solar Challenge in South Africa

Kolkata, Oct 8 : Team AgniRath from IIT Madras has secured 3rd Place overall at the prestigious Sasol Solar Challenge 2026 in South Africa. This marks a landmark achievement for Indian solar racing, the institute said on Thursday. The team drove their solar-powered vehicle Aagneya across 1,192.6 km over eight days of challenging terrain and weather. It became the first Indian team to participate in the Sasol Solar Challenge and bring home a trophy, IIT Madras said. "This podium finish is a celebration of student innovation, engineering excellence, teamwork and the relentless pursuit of sustainable mobility," it said. The South African Sasol Solar Challenge is a biennial competition that strives to be the ultimate test of technology and innovation. Local and international teams conceptualise, design and build solar-powered vehicles to drive across the country while competing against each other.



Trump announces cash payments for US seniors

Washington, Oct 8 : US President Donald Trump has announced that more than 20 million Americans enrolled in Medicare will receive payments exceeding \$100, unveiling another round of direct financial assistance as his administration highlights its economic record ahead of the November congressional elections. Speaking at a Republican campaign rally in San Antonio, Texas, Trump said the payments would begin the following day and would include more than 1.4 million senior citizens in Texas.

The President claimed that his administration had discovered billions of dollars originally intended for improvements to Medicare that had not been spent. "Tonight I have more breaking news. Our administration has also located billions and billions of dollars that were so - supposed to be spent on improving Medicare, which it didn't get improved," Trump told supporters. He accused the previous administration of concealing the money to present a more favourable financial picture.

US Congressman Ro Khanna slams Trump on Taiwan policy

Washington, Oct 8 : A senior Democratic lawmaker has sharply criticised President Donald Trump over remarks suggesting he discussed future US arms sales to Taiwan with Chinese President Xi Jinping, calling the move a break from long-standing American policy. Indian American Congressman Ro Khanna, Ranking Member of the House Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party, said Thursday that Trump's comments were "alarming."

"Trump's admission that he is discussing future US arms sales to Taiwan with Xi is alarming and a blatant violation of US policy and the Six Assurances," Khanna said in a statement. His remarks followed President Donald Trump's comments about consulting with Chinese leader Xi Jinping regarding arms sales to Taiwan — an issue that sits at the heart of US-China strategic tensions. Khanna argued that such consultations would run counter to established US commitments toward Taiwan, particularly the so-called Six Assurances, a set of



policy principles dating back to the Reagan administration. "His statement shows just how Trump treats Taiwan as a 'bargaining chip' in trade negotiations with China. It shows he is more eager to make bad deals with America's strategic competitors than

strengthen ties with long-standing friends like Taiwan. It is not only an affront to the security of Taiwan's 23 million people, but a stain on America's global credibility," Khanna said. He urged the White House to provide clarity and reaffirm continuity in policy.



Two Koreas, not external actors, should lead peninsular issues: South Korea's Unification Minister

Seoul, Oct 8 : South Korea's Unification Minister Chung Dong-young said Thursday that South and North Korea, not outside powers, should lead in resolving security issues on the Korean Peninsula. "The leading players on Korean Peninsula issues are South and North Korea. That is the constant," Chung said at the fourth meeting of the ministry's peace advisory council held at the Office of Inter-Korean Dialogue. "Other countries are only variables," Chung said, "But they have come to override the constant. That is a tragedy." His remarks appeared to reflect a concern that Seoul could be sidelined as international attention shifts back to the Korean Peninsula, Yonhap News Agency reported. With a string of summits among the United States, China, Russia and North Korea having recently wrapped up, and the US-Iran war apparently winding down under a new peace deal, global focus could soon turn back toward security issues on the peninsula.

Cambodian FM says ASEM needs to strive for peace, sustainable development, shared prosperity

Phnom Penh, Oct 8 : Cambodian Foreign Minister Prak Sokhonn said that the biennial Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) needed to continue to strive for peace, sustainable development and shared prosperity for all its partners. In a message to mark the ASEM Day, Sokhonn, who is also deputy prime minister, said the ASEM Day commemorated the founding of a vital multilateral process that has spanned nearly three decades, aimed at fostering enduring partnerships of cooperation across all sectors between Asia and Europe, Xinhua news agency reported. Since its establishment in 1996, ASEM has proven to be a platform of global importance, he said, adding that with 53 partners from both Asia and Europe, it represents approximately 65 per cent of the global GDP, 60 per

cent of the world's population, 75 per cent of global tourism, and 68 per cent of global trade. "Built on the principles of consensus, equal partnership, mutual respect, and shared interests, ASEM has achieved significant milestones," he said. "Through its political, economic, and socio-cultural pillars, ASEM has driven substantial progress in areas such as political dialogue, economic cooperation, trade and investment and joint efforts to tackle global challenges, which include advancing connectivity, addressing climate change and confronting a wide range of security issues, from counter-terrorism to irregular migration, maritime security, and cybersecurity," he added. Sokhonn said as the world faces mounting pressure from geopolitical competition and conflicts in many countries, the resilience of the ASEM partnership has never been more crucial.



"It is essential that ASEM continues to strive for peace, sustainable development, and shared prosperity for all its partners," he said. He added that despite the current challenges, Cambodia remains confident that ASEM will continue to be a dynamic platform for multilateralism to address present and future global challenges. "Cambodia will continue to actively engage in the ASEM process, contributing to the ongoing strengthening of Asia-Europe relations," Sokhonn said.

UNDP official urges urgent intl support for Lebanon's stability, recovery

Beirut, Oct 8 : The deputy head of the UN Development Programme (UNDP) called for urgent international support for Lebanon to restore its security and revitalise its economy, according to a statement by Lebanon's National News Agency (NNA). "In this critical phase for Lebanon, international support can play a decisive role in fostering stability, recovery, and reconstruction," Xu Hao-liang, also undersecretary-general of the UN, stated. He made the appeal during his two-day visit to Lebanon, where he met with Lebanese President Joseph Aoun and Prime Minister Nawaf Salam and traveled to southern Lebanon, engaging with local authorities and displaced residents, Xinhua news agency reported. "UNDP remains committed to working alongside the government, civil society, and international partners to



support essential reforms, promote good governance, and drive recovery efforts. We will continue collaborating with our partners on the ground to ensure inclusivity, leaving no one behind in Lebanon's path toward stability and lasting peace," he said. "The road to recovery will be challenging, and the new government must act swiftly despite financial constraints," Xu added. UNDP, in collaboration with the Lebanese government.

Civilians in Yemen continue to flee homes amid insecurity: UN



United Nations, Oct 8 : Civilians in Yemen continue to flee their homes amid the ongoing conflict, as the humanitarian crisis worsens by the day, UN humanitarian officials said. Since August 1, more than 184,000 people have been displaced nationwide, including over 21,000 people in the past week alone, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) said on Wednesday (local time), citing the International Organization for Migration.

According to OCHA, the United Nations and its humanitarian partners have reached more than 126,000 people with life-saving assistance. Nevertheless, it warned that needs continue to outpace the resources available. The World Health Organization warned of major funding shortfalls as rising displacement, disease outbreaks and conflict put more pressure on an already fragile health system, OCHA said. "Cholera cases have tripled in recent weeks -- including in displacement camps -- while measles, dengue and malaria continue to spread." Key roads connecting Taiz governorate with major surrounding cities, including Hodeidah, Aden and Sana'a, remain blocked, the office said, adding that the closure severely restricts the movement of civilians and commercial supplies, as well as humanitarian access.

Shortages of essential commodities and medical supplies are being reported, with sharp increases in food and fuel prices, and growing concerns over the availability of flour, cooking gas and medicines, OCHA said. The office said it was alarmed by reports of civilian casualties, damage to civilian property and heightened risks from explosive hazards, which are further constraining humanitarian access and the safe movement of civilians, Xinhua news agency reported. "OCHA continues to assess the humanitarian impact and calls on all parties to protect civilians and facilitate humanitarian efforts to safely and swiftly reach them with the support they need," it said.

Armed forces on patrol in response to Russian activity: UK Defence Ministry

London, Oct 8 : The UK Armed Forces have stepped up patrolling the seas from the English Channel to the northernmost parts or the High North after "increased Russian activities", which London termed as "threatening" its waters. In a press statement released on Thursday, November 26, Britain's Defence Ministry recounted that in the past fortnight, the Royal Navy's patrol ship HMS Severn intercepted Russian corvette RFN Stoikiy and tanker Yelnya off the UK coast. Following a round-the-clock shadowing operation, it was reported that the Russian vessels sailed through the Dover Strait and westward through the English Channel. "HMS Severn later handed over monitoring duties to a NATO ally off the coast of Brittany, but continued to observe from a distance and remained ready to respond to any unexpected activity," it stated.



Indian ambassador meets Republican lawmaker, promotes India-US tech ties

Washington, Oct 8 : India's Ambassador to the United States Vinay Kwatra met with Republican Representative Jay Obernolte on Thursday and discussed India-US collaboration in science and technology. In a post on X, Kwatra said, "Enjoyed my conversation with Rep. @JayObernolte, Chair of the House Science, Space, and Technology Research and Technology Subcommittee. Highlighted opportunities for stronger US-India cooperation in science, tech, AI & innovation." The meeting comes days after the Indian Ambassador held a series of discussions with Republican Congress members and trade-focused committee chairs. Last week, Kwatra met the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, Jason Smith and Vice Chairman Vern Buchanan. After meeting Smith, the ambassador posted on X, "Honoured to meet with @WaysandMeansGOP Chair-

man @RepJasonSmith today - briefed him on India-US discussions on a fair, balanced, and mutually beneficial trade deal. Appreciate his strong support to bilateral trade ties." In addition, the Indian Ambassador held talks with the Vice Chair of the House Republican Conference, Blake Moore and briefed him on the "ongoing India-US trade talks and other key areas of bilateral collaboration." He also attended a special dialogue with experts and analysts from the conservative think tank, the Heritage Foundation in Washington. In a post on X, Kwatra wrote, "Had an excellent roundtable discussion with the experts at the @HeritageFoundation, a strong supporter of the India-U.S. ties. I shared my thoughts on developments under key pillars of our strategic partnership, including shared economic priorities, a fair, balanced and mutually beneficial trade arrangement and oil and gas trade."

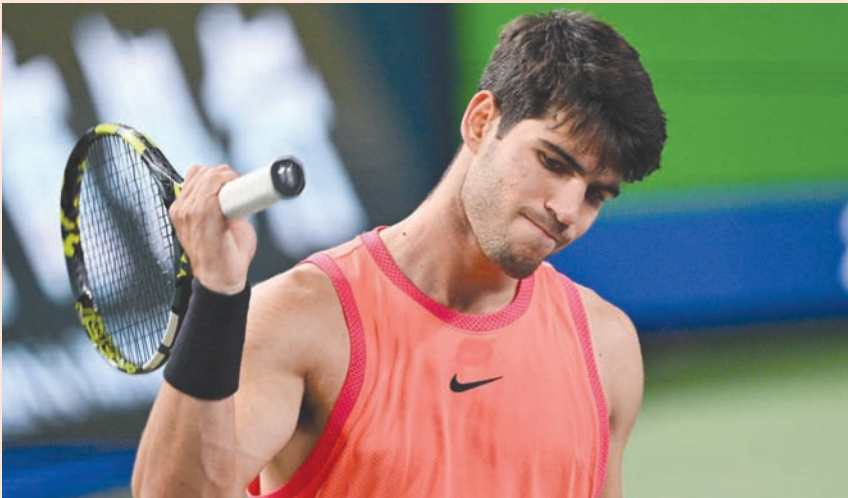


Hopes, Haddin move on from Punjab Kings, franchise to search for three roles

New Delhi, Oct 8 : Australian coaches James Hopes and Brad Haddin have moved on from IPL franchise Punjab Kings following Sairaj Bahutule's exit, IANS has learnt.

Hopes served as the fast-bowling coach of the Ricky Ponting-led support staff, while Haddin was the fielding coach with the Kings. The two have landed jobs in state teams in Australia, and PBKS will now have to find three replacements before the next season after Bahutule also left his spin-bowling coach role to join the Indian team as spin coach under Gautam Gambhir.

"Yes, Haddin and Hopes have moved on from Punjab Kings. After IPL 2026, they joined local state teams in Australia as head coaches. Hopes has taken over as Queensland head coach and will hold the same position in BBL side Brisbane Heat. Haddin, meanwhile, has taken over as NSW men's head coach and could get a BBL coaching role," an IPL source told IANS. Meanwhile, the source added that the franchise will hunt for the coaches.



Carlos Alcaraz 'ready to take challenge' at Shanghai Masters after Tokyo win

Shanghai, Oct 8 : World No.3 Carlos Alcaraz highlighted the importance of staying mentally fresh as he gears up for the Shanghai Masters challenge with the 2026 season approaching its close. Alcaraz, who was out of action for over four months due to his wrist injury, recently returned to winning ways after bagging the Japan Open title in Tokyo, an ATP 500 event.

He now gears up for the eighth ATP Masters 1000 event of the year in Shanghai and looks to be mentally fresh and ready to take the challenge on. "I'm feeling fresh mentally, which for me it's the most important thing," Alcaraz said in his pre-tournament press conference, as quoted by ATP. "I'm ready to take the challenge of this tournament. If we see a couple years back, probably this

swing or this part of the season, it's never been my best one.

"Right now, I just want to be in a good state for this tournament, because I really want to win the tournaments, this one and the tournaments that I have in a couple months at least one day. So right now, I think it's an extra boost that I have for the rest of the season," he added.

Alcaraz returned to action at the US Open 2026, where he showed his form with a quarterfinal appearance but failed to defend the title as he fell to American Ben Shelton. He then was in action in Tokyo, where he won his third tour-level title of the year.



Zverev credits team trust as German targets Shanghai success, No. 1 breakthrough

Shanghai, Oct 8 : Alexander Zverev's remarkable 2026 campaign has brought him closer than ever to the summit of men's tennis, but the German believes the foundation of his success lies away from the spotlight. The 29-year-old German has reached new heights in 2026, winning two major titles and

moving to within touching distance of becoming the 30th player to rise to No. 1 in the history of the ATP Rankings (since 1973).

Yet as Zverev prepares to begin his Shanghai campaign against Wu Yibing on Friday, his thoughts are less about rankings and more about the people who have remained alongside him throughout his journey. "We have all been fighting and working extremely hard for the same goals, and to achieve it together is even more special," Zverev told ATP Media.

Adams, Guptill join NZ Women's coaching group for Australia T20Is

Chirtchurch, Oct 8 : New Zealand have added former greats Martin Guptill and Andre Adams to their women's coaching setup for the upcoming T20I series against Australia. The duo will join interim coach Dean Brownlie in a new-look coaching group for the three-match T20I series that commences in Sydney on October 18, with the trio taking charge following the recent departure of long-time coach Ben Sawyer. Guptill, who represented New Zealand on 367 occasions, will provide specialist batting and fielding support throughout the series in lieu of Craig McMillan, who is recovering from back surgery. I'm



really excited to be joining the WHITE FERNS and looking forward to working with such a talented group of players," Guptill was quoted by NZC.



FIA concludes investigation into Bahrain GP software bug, too keep fixes in place for Singapore

New Delhi, Oct 8 : The FIA has concluded its investigation into the Bahrain Grand Prix in Malaysia software bug and has confirmed that it will keep the software fixes in place for the Singapore GP this weekend.

A software bug had delayed the start of the Bahrain GP last weekend after heavy rain pushed the start back. The cars were to perform two formation laps before the start of the Grand Prix in Sepang, but the bug delayed the proceedings further.

As the cars took their formation lap, some of the machines slowed down considerably, with the likes of Max Verstappen, Lewis Hamilton, Sergio Pérez and Nico Hulkenberg suffering speed issues. Some cars crawled as the start of the race was delayed further. The FIA said that those cars experienced an unintended loss of power when they were operating at low engine speeds in sections of the circuit where a 250kW power reduction had been applied. "As a result, the configuration established for the Sepang event

will be reinstated for the Singapore Grand Prix should similar weather conditions be expected. Additionally, a further update to the wet weather software will be released for the United States Grand Prix on October 25," the FIA said in a statement. "The review also recommended that measures would be implemented for testing of the software, recognising that opportunities for testing are limited, to make it as robust as possible. The FIA, together with the teams and Power Unit Manufacturers (PUMs).

Australia look to bury sandpaper ghosts as they return to South Africa



New Delhi, Oct 8 : For the first time since that infamous incident shook Australian cricket and the world cricket on a broader scale, Australia return to South Africa for the first time for a Test series.

Only six survivors from the 2018 series, which Australia lost 1-3, are still in the squad for the upcoming three-match series that starts on Friday in Durban. The famous pace trio (Mitchell Starc, Pat Cummins and Josh Hazlewood), Nathan Lyon and their then-skipper and now stand-in captain Steve Smith are the five that played that infamous Cape Town Test, still present with the team.

Renshaw is the sixth survivor from the series. Although he did not play in any of the first three Tests, he was sent an SOS call ahead of the fourth Test after the Aussies were rocked by the ball-tampering scandal during the Cape Town third Test. Coming into South Africa for the 2026 series.



La Liga: Injury, fatigue loom as competition returns after international break

Madrid, Oct 8 : Football's premier competition, La Liga, returns Friday after a lengthy international break, with several clubs facing injury concerns and potential fatigue among players who have been away on international duty for nearly three weeks.

The round opens with Malaga hosting Espanyol as the home side searches for its first win since returning to the top flight.