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Bab el-Mandeb Under Pressure: Houthis Take Perim Island and Dhubab

The reported advance follows the withdrawal of government-aligned forces and comes as oil remains on course for an 8% weekly gain, raising concerns over shipping, energy costs and India's import bill.



Munsif Bureau Aden (Yemen), Sept 11:

Yemeni government sources told Reuters that Iran-aligned Houthi forces had taken Perim Island and Dhubab, positions overlooking the Bab el-Mandeb Strait, after government-aligned forces withdrew. Perim, also known as Mayun, lies near the waterway's narrowest point, while Dhubab sits on the mainland opposite the island.

The advance could strengthen Houthi leverage over a crucial maritime corridor linking the Red Sea with

- Houthis seized Perim Island and Dhubab after government forces withdrew, Reuters reported.
- Brent was at \$104.35 and WTI at \$99.07, both still up over 8% for the week.
- Saudi crude supply fell to 6 million bpd in August, a three-decade low.
- Prolonged disruption could raise Indian fuel, freight and inflation pressures.

the Gulf of Aden and providing the southern approach to the Suez Canal. Reuters said oil prices fell on Friday but remained on course for a weekly gain of more than 8%, with Brent at \$104.35 a barrel and West Texas Intermediate at \$99.07.

For India, sustained disruption could raise crude costs, maritime freight, fuel prices, inflation and the expense of imports and exports. Reuters also reported that Saudi crude supply fell to a more-than-three-decade low in August. Yemen's government said it planned a counter-offensive.

Liquidity Sweep: RBI to Sell Rs 1 Lakh Crore in Government Securities

The three-tranche operation follows a larger-than-expected \$127-billion foreign-exchange mobilisation by banks, leaving the financial system with an unusually large rupee surplus.

New Delhi, Sept 11

The Reserve Bank of India will sell government securities worth ₹1 lakh crore through open-market operations over the next fortnight, marking a move to absorb surplus liquidity from the banking system.

The first tranche of ₹50,000 crore is scheduled for September 17, followed by sales of ₹25,000 crore each on September 21 and 28, according to the RBI announcement. The cash surplus swelled after banks mobilised about \$127 billion under the central bank's special foreign-exchange mobilisation scheme, lifting reserves to a record level. Excess rupee liquidity has pushed overnight rates below the policy repo rate and complicated the transmission of monetary policy. RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra said earlier that open-market bond sales and foreign-exchange swaps were among the tools available to manage conditions, adding that no option was off the table. The move could put upward pressure on bond yields while tightening short-term funding conditions, influencing banks' liquidity, deposit pricing and lending rates.

Government borrowing costs may also rise if yields firm. For households and businesses, the effect will depend on how quickly the surplus is absorbed and whether banks pass on higher funding costs. The RBI's operations will be watched for their impact on market stability and credit growth.

Inside the Breach: Ex-Havildar Held as Police Recover All 12 Stolen Army Weapons

Telangana Police say resentment over dismissal, rather than espionage or diversion to hostile networks, is the suspected motive behind the major Bolarum armoury breach.



Hyderabad, Sept 11

- Former Havildar Upputholla Mallesh, 37, arrested in the Secunderabad Cantonment arms theft case.
- Police say all 12 stolen firearms were recovered from Nagarkurnool district.
- Cache included four AK-203 rifles, one INSAS rifle, seven pistols and ammunition.
- Three other persons are in custody as investigators examine their roles.

Telangana Police on Friday announced the arrest of a dismissed former Army Havildar in the theft of 12 firearms and ammunition from the 20 Madras Regiment armoury at Bolarum in Secunderabad Cantonment, saying the stolen weapons had been recovered from Nagarkurnool district.

Director General of Police C.V. Anand identified the accused as 37-year-old Upputholla Mallesh, formerly attached to the regiment. Police said he had been terminated from service on June 30 on grounds of indiscipline and ill health and suspect resentment over his dismissal and against his former commanding officer as the motive.

The stolen cache com-

prised four AK-203 assault rifles, an INSAS rifle, seven pistols and ammunition. The theft was discovered on August 31 after the armoury was checked.

Investigators initially examined several possibilities, including espionage, narcotics networks and diversion of the weapons to hostile interests. Police later focused on recently discharged personnel after questioning dozens of people and examining technical evidence, including CCTV footage and phone-loc-

tion data. Police allege Mallesh used his knowledge of the military facility to remove the weapons before transporting and concealing them near Sripuram in Nagarkurnool district. Three others remain in custody while their roles are investigated.

The complete recovery substantially reduces the immediate security threat, although the breach is expected to intensify scrutiny of access controls and armoury-security procedures at the military facility.

Strategic Bridge: Modi, Putin Deepen India-Russia Ties as BRICS Summit Looms

New Delhi, Sept 10

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Russian President Vladimir Putin on Friday agreed to further strengthen the India-Russia "Special and Privileged Strategic Partnership", holding wide-ranging talks in New Delhi on energy, defence, trade and regional conflicts on the eve of the BRICS leaders' summit.

The meeting was their second in 11 days, following talks on August 31 on the sidelines of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit in Bishkek. The two leaders reviewed cooperation

spanning political and economic relations, defence, energy, space, skilled mobility and people-to-people exchanges. They also discussed conflicts in West Asia and the Black Sea region, which have disrupted maritime trade and raised concerns over the safety of Indian seafarers. Modi reiterated India's position that dialogue and diplomacy should remain the route to resolving conflicts.

Energy remains central to the relationship, with India among the largest buyers of Russian crude. Bilateral trade stood at nearly \$70 billion in 2024-25, while both governments contin-



PM and the President of Russia, Mr. Vladimir Putin visit the INNOPROM Exhibition on the sidelines of the 18th BRICS Summit at Bharat Mandapam, in New Delhi on Friday.

ue to target trade exceeding \$100 billion by 2030. Modi and Putin also visited the INNOPROM India industrial exhibition, which

showcased cooperation in sectors ranging from technology and aviation to nuclear energy and heavy engineering.

- September 11 meeting was Modi and Putin's second encounter in 11 days.
- Leaders reviewed cooperation in energy, defence, trade, space and skilled mobility.
- India and Russia retain their goal of pushing bilateral trade beyond \$100 billion by 2030.
- West Asian and Black Sea conflicts figured prominently amid disruption to shipping and energy supplies.

Payment Bridge: Goyal Calls for Linked BRICS Systems and Local-Currency Trade

New Delhi, Sept 11:

Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal has urged BRICS countries to link their payment systems, expand trade in local currencies and make digital trade more accessible, putting financial interoperability at the centre of India's BRICS agenda.

Speaking at the BRICS Business Forum in New Delhi on Friday, Mr Goyal called for market access, fewer non-tariff barriers, digital technology co-operation and resilient supply chains. He also proposed collaboration in strategic materials, agriculture, pharmaceuticals, automobiles and services, with mutual recognition of professional qualifications and easier movement of skilled workers.

His appeal came as BRICS finance ministers and central-bank governors backed efforts to make

cross-border payments faster, cheaper, safer and more efficient. They encouraged the BRICS Payment Task Force to continue examining interoperability among members' payment networks. The proposal concerns connected infrastructure and local-currency settlements, not the creation of a single BRICS currency.

Mr Goyal pointed to India's Unified Payments Interface as a model for digital cooperation.

The discussions reflected concern over unilateral tariffs and non-tariff trade barriers, which the finance chiefs said were increasing uncertainty, disrupting supply chains and threatening global commerce.

They called for open, rules-based trade and continued efforts to reform the International Monetary Fund and World Bank to give emerging economies representation.

High Court Questions Raidurg Land Reclassification

Hyderabad, Sept 11

The Telangana High Court has sought a detailed response from the State over the auction and reclassification of 10.63 acres at Raidurg near Durgam Cheruvu, questioning changes to a layout covering land that petitioners say contains environmentally significant ancient rock formations.

A bench of Chief Justice Aparesh Kumar Singh and Justice G.M. Mohiuddin directed authorities to produce records concerning the revised layout and explain how earlier Plot Nos. 6, 7, 11, 12 and 13 were reorganised as P1 and P2.

Petitioner Juvvadi Pranay Simha Rao has

challenged TGIIC's August 1 notification and the August 21 auction in favour of MSN Realty. The two plots in Survey No. 83/1 measure 5.25 and 5.38 acres. He wants the site protected as a "Rock Preserved Area" and developed as a biodiversity park.

The State disputed the allegations, maintaining that no auctioned land falls within the mandatory 50-metre buffer and that applicable government orders were not violated. MSN Realty has opposed interim relief, saying it has already paid ₹355 crore, or 25% of the sale consideration.

The case will next be heard on September 21.

SIR Notices Reach Hyderabad's Sporting and Film Elite

Hyderabad, Sept 11

Several prominent Hyderabad electors, including sports stars, film personalities and business figures, have been issued notices under Telangana's Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, underscoring the scale of the verification exercise ahead of the October 7 claims-and-objections deadline.

The Election Commission's post-draft

notice list includes former cricketer VVS Laxman, badminton figures Pullela Gopichand and Saina Nehwal, former India captain Mithali Raj, filmmaker S.S. Rajamouli, actors Mahesh Babu, Namrata Shirodkar, Venkatesh Daggubati, Samantha Ruth Prabhu, Vijay Deverakonda and Anand Deverakonda. Entrepreneur Murali Krishna Prasad Divi and Upasana Konidela also figure in the list.

TS Plans Rs 86-Crore Haj House at Mamidipally

Hyderabad, Sept 11

The Telangana government has outlined plans for a new Haj House at Mamidipally in Balapur mandal, near Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, with two acres earmarked for the project and an estimated outlay of about ₹86.5 crore.

During Question Hour in the Assembly, Minorities Welfare Minister Mohammed Azharuddin said officials had studied Bengaluru's Haj House model. One account of the proceedings reported that ₹86 crore had been allocated and an architect appointed, while another said the project remained at the estimated-cost stage with financial sanction under consideration.

AIMIM floor leader Akbaruddin Owaisi also raised allegations concerning encroachments on Waqf properties, functioning of the Waqf Board and the pending ₹10,000 airspace assistance promised to Haj pilgrims. These remain issues raised by the legislator, rather than established findings.

The government said the existing Haj House could be repurposed for minority youth skill development and welfare activities.

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Minister for Minorities Welfare & Public Enterprises
MOHAMMED AZHARUDDIN
in the Legislative Council



Eco-Friendly Ganesh Chaturthi: Students proudly display eco-friendly clay Ganesh idols during an awareness initiative promoting sustainable and environmentally responsible celebrations.

Jagtial private school headmaster arrested for allegedly sexually assaulting LKG student

Munsif Bureau Jagtial,Sept. 11

A headmaster of a private school was arrested on Friday on charges of sexually assaulting an LKG student at a village in Dharmapuri mandal. Police said the headmaster, Challa Srinivas, was apprehended after a case was registered against him under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012. The victim’s mother lodged a complaint with the police. An investigation has been taken up. The headmaster allegedly sexually assaulted the student. The girl mus-

Collector Sandeep Kumar Jha Inspects Indiramma Housing Construction



Munsif Bureau Jangaon,Sept. 11

On Friday, District Collector Sandeep Kumar Jha inspected the construction work of an approved house at Devaruppula Gram Panchayat in Devaruppula Mandal of the district. During the visit, the

Collector interacted with the beneficiaries and enquired about the number of bills they had received so far. The beneficiaries informed him that they had received bills in three instalments. The Collector also enquired about the cost of constructing the houses. The Collector advised the beneficiaries to complete the

installation of the doors and apply lime to the houses within another two or three days. It was stated that if the construction work was completed quickly, approval would be given for another bill. In response, the beneficiaries assured the Collector that they would complete the work at the earliest.

Jagan demands Lokesh’s resignation over DSC ‘irregularities’

NSS Amaravati, Sept.11

Former Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister and YSR Congress Party president Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy on Thursday reiterated the demand for the resignation of Education Minister Nara Lokesh and a CBI probe into the DSC 2025, saying it was laden with unprecedented ‘irregularities’ and that jobs were given away on a platter to candidates who did not even write the exams. Addressing a press conference at the YSRCP central office in Tadepalli, he questioned the silence of Chief Minister Chandrababu

Naidu and Minister Nara Lokesh on the questions raised by the Opposition regarding the DSC recruitment process. He claimed that irregularities in the recruitment of teachers through DSC 2025 were emerging one after another. Jagan accused the government of deliberately weakening the DSC scam investigation. He asked why Chandrababu Naidu was trying to protect his son and alleged that the government was “playing with the lives and futures of unemployed youth”. “Why were the prepara-

tion and supervision of DSC examination papers placed in the hands of a single individual, and why did the government introduce GO No. 4 and GO No. 47? Why were the GOs changed after the recruitment process was complete?” he asked. Jagan wanted to know how 372 posts under the sports quota were filled without conducting an examination. “GO No. 4 and GO No. 47 opened the gates for irregularities, while GO Nos. 23, 25 and 56 were brought in later to close those gates after the work was completed.” The former Chief

Minister highlighted how jobs were given away, throwing caution to the wind and violating all set norms. He alleged that since the DSC was exposed, the coalition government had stalled the APPSC exams, which it had planned to use to recruit in the same modus operandi. “Jobs were given to candidates based on participation certificates for tournaments which never took place,” he said. Terming the DSC a gem in the list of scams of Chandrababu, Jagan said, “Many skeletons are tumbling out with every passing day from the DSC 2025 cupboard.”

Special Rain Prayer (Salat al-Istisqa) Offered at Umarkhed Eidgah Ground

Munsif Bureau Umarkhed, Sept 11:

Amid growing concern among farmers and residents over the lack of rainfall during the past one to one-and-a-half months, Salat al-Istisqa (special prayer for rain) was offered at the Eidgah Ground in Umarkhed on Friday, September 11, seeking Allah’s mercy and much-needed rainfall.

The prayer was attended by the imams of all the city’s mosques, along with a large number of elders, youth, and children.

Following the prayer, a collective supplication was offered for abundant rainfall, healthy crops, the well-being of livestock, and relief from drinking water shortages. “O Allah, send down



Your merciful rain and bless Umarkhed and the entire region with

prosperity and peace.” The gathering also reflected the deep concern of farmers

and local residents over the prolonged dry spell, while expressing hope that the

Dr C. Laxma Reddy Visits Family of AIMIM District President Mohammad Abdul Hadi

Munsif Bureau Mehbubnagar,Sept. 11

Former State Minister Dr C. Laxma Reddy visited the residence of AIMIM Mahbubnagar District President Mohammad Abdul Hadi and met his bereaved family members after learning of his demise.

Mohammad Abdul Hadi, a resident of Mahbubnagar district headquarters and the AIMIM District President, passed away on Wednesday following an illness. Expressing his condolences, Dr C. Laxma Reddy said Abdul Hadi’s death was deeply saddening. He conveyed

his heartfelt sympathies to the grieving family and prayed that God grant them strength to bear the loss and bless the departed soul with eternal peace. Among those present on the occasion were Prabhakar Reddy, Ram Mohan, Mohammad Idris, Sarji Danish Ali, Nandakishore, Yashuro, and several others.



Several BJP MLAs, including Madhol MLA Pawar Ram Rao Patel, staged a protest by arriving at the State Assembly on tractors under the leadership of BJP Deputy Floor Leader Payal Shankar, demanding immediate action to resolve farmers’ problems.

The conserved Documents and Digital Images of Archival Rare Documents Handed Over to Telangana State Archives

Munsif Bureau Hyderabad,Sept 11:

A major milestone has been achieved in the preservation of India’s Persian documentary heritage, with 17,00,000 pages digitised and 470,000 Persian documents conserved and restored under a joint initiative of

the Noor International Microfilm Center (NIMC), affiliated with the Cultural Counsellorship of the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran, New Delhi, and the Telangana State Archives and Research Institute. Coinciding with the visit of the President of the Islamic Republic of Iran to India for the BRICS

Summit, another important stage of this cultural collaboration has been completed. In the latest phase of the project, digital images of 308122 Persian documents pertaining to Manuscripts and Awarjah Documents along with five volumes of draft English catalogues of Shah jahani Documents were

handed over to the Telangana State Archives today . The initiative was undertaken under a Memorandum of Understanding signed in 2022 and covers the identification, conservation, restoration, cataloguing and digitisation of historical Persian records preserved at the Telangana State Archives.

Ganesh Festival Must Be Celebrated Peacefully, DJ Systems Banned: CI Ravindra Naik



Munsif Bureau Madhol, Sept.11

Madhol Circle Inspector Ravindra Naik urged the public to celebrate the Ganesh Chaturthi festival in a peaceful, eco-friendly, and harmonious manner, stressing that loud DJ music should be avoided to ensure that no inconvenience is caused to the public.

Addressing a Peace Committee meeting held at GM Garden in Madhol, the Circle Inspector clarified that, in view of a previous incident in which a person died due to excessively loud DJ music, DJ sound sys-

tems brought from Maharashtra would not be permitted under any circumstances.

He instructed pandal organisers to use only local sound boxes and advised them not to bring young children near the speakers. He also urged parents to take special precautions to ensure their children’s safety.

The Circle Inspector said that Ganesh pandal organisers should act responsibly by setting up pandals only at previously approved locations and must fill in all the required details in the Google Form provided by the police. He further announced that special check

posts would be established in border areas during the Ganesh festival, and strict surveillance would be maintained on DJ sound systems entering from other regions.

To prevent any untoward incidents, the police, Revenue Department, Panchayat Raj Department, and other concerned departments would work in close coordination throughout the festival. He also directed organisers to remain vigilant during the night, make proper security arrangements around the pandals, and immediately report any suspicious activity to the police.

Tahsildar Jailed for two years in 10k Bribery Case

NSS Karimnagar, Sept.11:

A Special ACB Court in Karimnagar has sentenced Alugunuri Roshaiiah, former Tahsildar of Kasipet mandal in Mancherial district, to two years rigorous imprisonment in a bribery case dating back to 2013.

Special Judge Nama Santosh Kumar, hearing SPE & ACB cases, pronounced the judgment on September 10, convicting Roshaiiah under Sections 7 and 13(2) read with 13(1)(d) of the Prevention of Corruption

Act, 1988. The court imposed a Rs.5,000 fine on each of the two offences. In default of payment, the accused will undergo three months’ simple imprisonment for each offence. According to the ACB case, Roshaiiah demanded and accepted a Rs.10,000 bribe on January 9, 2013, from a complainant in return for official favour in mutating agricultural land in the revenue records and issuing a Pattadar Passbook. The conviction followed the prosecution of the case.

Khairatabad Ganesh Utsav Committee invites Governor for first puja

NSS Sircilla, Sept.11

The Khairatabad Ganesh Utsav Committee has invited Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla to attend the Khairatabad Maha Ganapathi celebrations and perform the first puja. A del-

egation of the committee, led by Khairatabad MLA Danam Nagender, met the Governor at Lok Bhavan on Friday and briefed him on the arrangements for the celebrations. The Khairatabad Maha Ganapathi festivities will be held from September 14 to 25, 2026.

“Govt failing farmers despite Srisailam Water”: BRS leaders

Munsif News Bureau Hyderabad, Sept.11

Former Ministers Singireddy Niranjan Reddy, Srinivas Goud and Laxma Reddy, along with former MLAs Marri Janardhan Reddy and Harshavardhan Reddy, inspected the Stage-3 pump house of the Mahatma Gandhi Kalwakurthy Lift Irrigation (KLI) scheme at

Gauridevipalli in Revalli mandal on Friday. Niranjan Reddy accused the Revanth Reddy government of failing to provide irrigate water to farmers despite adequate water being available in the Srisailam reservoir. He alleged that Andhra Pradesh was diverting water through Pothireddypadu while Telangana was not utilising its share effectively. He demanded

that the KLI pumps be operated round the clock to provide irrigation water to farmers in the Palamuru region. He claimed that the government had been warned in advance about the availability of floodwaters but failed to make adequate arrangements. Niranjan Reddy also alleged that a KLI pump had recently suffered a bearing failure due to improper power

supply, disrupting operations. He said the previous BRS government had entered into an agreement with SPDCL for uninterrupted power supply to the pumps. He further alleged that AP was drawing water through Pothireddypadu and the Veligonda project while Telangana was not fully utilising the water available at Srisailam.

Governor urges people to opt for Eco-friendly Ganesha idols

NSS
Hyderabad, Sept.11

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla on Friday appealed to people to celebrate Ganesh Chaturthi with devotion while giving equal importance to environmental protection, and urged them to opt for eco-friendly clay Ganesha idols to help prevent water pollution.

Extending his greetings to the people of Telangana and across the country on the occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi,

the Governor emphasised the need for environmentally responsible celebrations during the festival.

As part of an initiative to promote eco-friendly celebrations, Shiv Pratap Shukla, along with his wife Janaki Shukla, distributed eco-friendly clay Ganesha idols to officials and employees of Lok Bhavan and members of the media at the Lok Bhavan premises here on Friday. The Governor said that idol installation and puja ceremonies would

commence from September 14 and stressed the need to protect the environment throughout the festival celebrations. He said the use of clay idols would help minimise pollution of water bodies during immersion after the festival.

Clay idols, being made of natural and eco-friendly material, dissolve naturally in water and can help reduce the adverse impact of idol immersion on water bodies, he said.

The Governor appealed to

people to avoid idols made of plaster of Paris (PoP) and chemical-based colours, which can contribute to water pollution.

Shiv Pratap Shukla also called upon the media to play an active role in creating awareness about eco-friendly celebrations. Media organisations and journalists should highlight the importance of clay idols, water conservation and prevention of pollution and take the message to a wider section of society, he said.



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T-BJP CHIEF VISITS INJURED BJYM WORKER AT GANDHI HOSPITAL

NSS
Hyderabad, Sept 11

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Ramchander Rao enquired with the doctors about Rajashekhar's health condition, treatment and recovery. The BJP leader also interacted with the injured worker and wished him a speedy recovery.

Govt to expedite digital health cards for employees: Bhatti

NSS
Hyderabad, Sept 11:

Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka said the government was according priority to the welfare and health security of employees and was committed to expediting the issuance of digital health cards to employees.

He said steps were being taken to immediately forward issues brought to the notice of ministers and officials to the concerned Heads of Departments (HoDs) and Secretaries for prompt resolution.

Bhatti Vikramarka said a dedicated trust had been



constituted for the effective management of the Employees Health Scheme (EHS), with representatives of employee and teachers' associations also made members. The representatives and trustees had been entrusted with directly monitoring the implementation of the scheme, he said.

BRS has no future, has no right to talk about Future City: Sridhar Babu

NSS
Hyderabad, Sept 11

Minister for IT and Industries Duddilla Sridhar Babu launched a sharp attack on the opposition Bharatha Rashtra Samithi (BRS) in the Legislative Assembly on Friday, stating it was "amusing" to see a party with no political future commenting on the state's proposed Future City project.

Responding to supplementary questions on state investments, the Minister accused the BRS of attempting to create fear among industrialists, discouraging

prospective investment, and hindering employment opportunities for local youth.

Contrasting the current administration's industrial roadmap with the previous regime, Sridhar Babu pointed out that while the BRS government planned high-pollution "Red Category" units under the Pharma City initiative, the Congress government remains firmly committed to establishing eco-friendly Green Pharma hubs instead.

Highlighting key administrative reforms, the IT Minister stated that the state

will introduce enhanced Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) policies and examine special incentives for enterprises investing in rare and niche sectors.

He emphasised the groundbreaking launch of Telangana's dedicated MSME Policy—the first of its kind in the country—designed to provide comprehensive financial concessions and growth support to smaller enterprises.

To ensure balanced regional growth, the government is executing a targeted action plan to push industrial corridors into Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities across the state, prioritising export-oriented sectors, he said.



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Congress govt adding private lands to 22-A list without verification: Harish

NSS
Hyderabad, Sept, 11

Former minister and BRS legislature party deputy floor leader T. Harish Rao said the 22-A prohibited land list had become a major source of distress for lakhs of people across Telangana. He alleged that the Congress government had added large numbers of private properties, houses and agricultural lands to the prohibited list without proper verification.

Harish Rao made a PowerPoint presentation on the alleged "22-A prohibited lands scam" at Telangana Bhavan on Friday and said people across all districts were suffering due to the restrictions.

"Everyone we meet is speaking about the 22-A problem. Lands given as dowry are now not being accepted by sons-in-law. Families are unable to sell their properties, arrange marriages or fund their children's education," he said.

Harish Rao said Section 22-A was originally introduced to protect government, assigned, endowment, Waqf and other protected lands.

"The purpose was to protect government and public lands. But today, ordinary people's properties are being added to the prohibited list," he alleged.

He accused the Congress government of trying to blame the previous BRS regime for a

problem that, he claimed, had emerged after the Congress came to power.

"During the KCR government, people were at the centre of governance. Under Revanth Reddy, land has become the centre of governance. Every decision seems to revolve around land," he said.

Harish Rao alleged that thousands of families were seeing the value of their properties reduced to almost zero overnight. "Land is not just a piece of property for ordinary people. For a farmer, it is his livelihood. For a poor family, it is a lifetime's savings. For a middle-class family, it is security for their children's future.

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Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka said the government was according priority to the welfare and health security of employees and was committed to expediting the issuance of digital health cards to employees. He said steps were being taken to immediately forward issues brought to the notice of ministers and officials to the concerned Heads of Departments (HoDs) and Secretaries for prompt resolution. Bhatti Vikramarka said a dedicated trust had been constituted for the effective management of the Employees Health Scheme (EHS), with representatives of employee and teachers' associations also made members. The representatives and trustees had been entrusted with directly monitoring the implementation of the scheme, he said.

Bhatti Vikramarka informed the Legislative Council that the Finance Department had deposited a corpus fund of ₹264 crore into the EHS Trust account.

The Deputy Chief Minister said a formal mechanism had been put in place to enable employee association leaders and trustees to discuss and resolve minor issues arising during the implementation of the scheme.

179.90 crore released for Telangana students studying abroad

Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, Sept.11 (NSS):

The Telangana government on Friday released ₹179.90 crore towards long-pending overseas scholarship payments, providing relief to students from the State pursuing higher education abroad.

Finance Department Principal Secretary Sandeep Kumar Sultania said the funds were released following the directions of Deputy Chief Minister and Finance Minister Bhatti Vikramarka. With the latest release, 3,008 students have received financial relief, while payments have been completed for all beneficiaries whose scholarships had been sanctioned, he said.

BJP Walkout over BC resolution sparks war of words in Assembly

Munsif Bureau
Kagaznagar, Sept, 10

Hyderabad, Sept.11 (NSS): BJP MLAs staged a walkout from the Telangana Legislative Assembly on Friday in protest against a resolution moved by BC Welfare Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar seeking the inclusion of a BC caste enumeration in the Census.

The BJP legislators demanded implementation of the Kamareddy BC Declaration, prompting sharp criticism from Ministers Ponnamp Prabhakar and Seethakka.

Ponnamp accused the BJP of failing to support the interests of BC communities and alleged that the party followed "Manuvadi" ideology.

He called upon the Centre to cooperate with the Telangana government in ensuring justice for BCs and urged BC organisations to question the BJP leadership over its stand on reservations and caste enumeration.

The Minister said a caste census would provide an opportunity to address caste-based inequalities and alleged that the Centre had adopted contradictory positions on the issue. He urged the Union government to acknowledge the demands of BC communities and undertake a caste census.

Minister Seethakka termed the BJP walkout "appalling" and questioned the Centre's reluctance to

include caste enumeration in the general Census despite Prime Minister Narendra Modi identifying himself as a BC.

She said BC communities were not merely "backward classes" but productive communities that form the backbone of the country and contribute significantly to the economy through traditional occupations.

She expressed concern over the declining economic conditions of communities dependent on such occupations despite technological advancement.

Seethakka also recalled Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's Kanyakumari-to-Kashmir Bharat Jodo Yatra, saying it highlighted

the cause of social justice. She criticised BJP MLA Payal Shankar for allegedly diverting the Assembly debate on the BC resolution.

Questioning the absence of a BC leader as BJP Floor Leader, Seethakka said Congress governments had historically created employment and livelihood opportunities for BC communities.

She also recalled the Congress party's support to H.D. Deve Gowda, who became the country's first OBC Prime Minister.

Meanwhile, Ponnamp Prabhakar formally moved the resolution urging the inclusion of BC caste enumeration in the Census, calling for the House to support the demand. (NSS)



Officials and dignitaries pay homage on Forest Martyrs' Day in Telangana on September 11, 2026, remembering the 23 Forest officers and staff who have lost their lives in the line of duty since 1984 while protecting forests and wildlife.

Pic. Syed Omar

Revanth, Ponguleti jointly indulging in land grabbing: KTR

NSS
Hyderabad, Sept 11

BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao on Friday alleged that Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy were jointly involved in land grabbing and claimed that tribal and assigned lands were "disappearing" across

the State. He alleged that former minister Konda Surekha was removed from the Cabinet over a land-related controversy.

KT Rama Rao further alleged that a "30 per cent commission government" was functioning in Telangana and claimed that tribals had been attacked over land in the Chief Minister's own constituency.

Addressing a PowerPoint presentation organised at BRS Bhavan here for victims affected by the 22-A prohibited land list, Rama Rao said land values had increased substantially during the BRS regime.

He alleged that people were facing severe hardships under the Congress government due to the 22-A issue.

Congress Protest Against BRS in Langar

Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, Sept 11

Hyderabad: Following the directions of Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee President and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud,

the Congress Party staged a protest against the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) in Langar Houz Division of Karwan Assembly Constituency under the leadership of Osman Bin Mohammed

Al Hajri, In-charge, Karwan Assembly Constituency. Addressing the protest, Osman Al Hajri strongly criticised former Chief Minister and BRS President K. Chandrashekar

Rao (KCR) and challenged him to accept Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's challenge, attend the ongoing Assembly session and participate in the proceedings, or resign from

his Assembly membership. Osman Al Hajri alleged that KCR had remained away from the people and public issues for nearly 1,000 days, spending most of his time at his Erravelli farmhouse.



At a Glance

CEC: BLOs key to accurate electoral rolls

IAANS
Ahmedabad, Sep. 11



Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar said he would take responsibility for any shortcomings in electoral rolls, while credit for their accuracy should go to Booth Level Officers (BLOs). More than 11 lakh BLOs across India help register voters, update electoral rolls and encourage participation. Kumar emphasised regular verification and the inclusion of newly eligible 18-year-olds. He also highlighted transparency in EVM-VVPAT procedures, saying political parties and their agents receive opportunities to verify the process at every stage.

MP bus service from September 25

IAANS
Indore, Sep. 11

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav announced that the state will launch the ‘Mukhyamantri Sugam Parivahan Bus Seva’ on September 25 to provide safe, convenient and reliable public transport.

Speaking at the Passenger Transport Vision Summit-2026 in Indore, Yadav said Madhya Pradesh’s nearly five lakh-km road network could support more than 15,000 buses. He invited private operators, manufacturers and other stakeholders to help expand services for tourists, pilgrims and rural residents. Transport Secretary Manish Singh said surveys had been completed in all 55 districts. The plan includes around 150 city, 450 inter-city and 436 inter-state routes. Electric and CNG buses with CCTV cameras, GPS, panic buttons and real-time monitoring will be prioritised. The service will operate under a public-private partnership, while an MoU with Rapido will strengthen first- and last-mile connectivity.

NAGALAND CM RIO, DY CM PATTON MEET AMIT SHAH, DISCUSS STATE AFFAIRS

IAANS
New Delhi/ Kohima, Sep. 11

Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio and Deputy Chief Minister Yanthungo Patton on Friday met Union Home Minister Amit Shah in New Delhi and discussed issues concerning the state, officials said.

After the meeting, Rio said in a post on X that they had requested Shah’s intervention and support to fast-track Nagaland’s development priorities.

“Grateful for his continued guidance and support towards Nagaland’s progress and development,” Rio said.

PM Modi: India Offers Hope For Growth Amid Global Uncertainties

IAANS
New Delhi, Sep. 11



“Today, when trade barriers are rising around the world, India is building economic bridges,”
– PM Modi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said India was sustaining its rapid growth despite global uncertainties and had emerged as a source of confidence, stability and opportunity.

Addressing the Leaders Session of the BRICS Business Forum in the presence of Russian President Vladimir Putin, Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian and South African President Cyril Ramaphosa, among others, Modi said India was advancing at a time when the world was facing instability.

“India is growing when the world is going through instability. Amid global uncertainties, India today offers a source of confidence for growth and stability,” he said.

The Prime Minister’s remarks came after India recorded 7.8 per cent GDP growth in the April-June quarter of the current financial year, retaining its position as the world’s fastest-growing major economy.

Highlighting India’s approach to global trade, Modi said that while protectionist barriers were rising worldwide, India was working to create economic bridges and expand cooperation.

“Today, when trade barriers are rising around the world, India is building economic bridges,” he said.

He presented India’s vision for manufacturing and innovation through the message: “Make in India, Innovate with India, Scale for the World.”

Modi said BRICS’ economic strength had grown at nearly twice the pace of the rest of the world and that member countries were emerging as important centres of innovation

and solutions.

“New possibilities for innovation, spanning everything from grassroots initiatives to frontier technologies, are taking shape within our countries,” he said, adding that the grouping’s scale, speed and optimism were clearly visible.

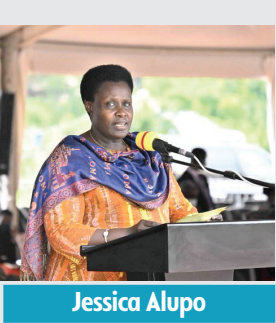
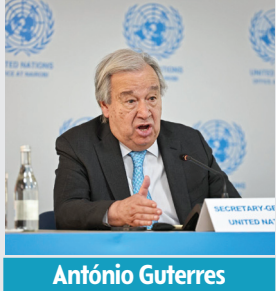
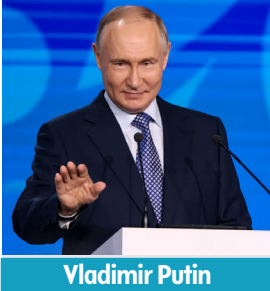
He described the forum, hosted in India, as the largest BRICS Business Forum so far and said the grouping should translate its ambitions into practical outcomes.

“Let’s turn BRICS’ ambition into action and collective strength into global solutions. Let BRICS move forward, and take the world forward too,” Modi said.

Underlining the bloc’s growing economic weight, he said BRICS countries represented nearly half of the world’s population, accounted for 40 per cent of global GDP and contributed more than 25 per cent of global trade.

While global GDP has expanded about two-and-a-half times, the combined GDP of BRICS nations has grown nearly four-and-a-half times, he added. contributed more than 25 per cent of global trade.

“WORLD LEADERS LAND IN INDIA FOR BRICS”



Govt cheated suicide victim’s family, says Punjab Congress chief Warring

IAANS
Chandigarh, Sep. 11

Punjab Congress president Amarinder Singh Raja Warring on Friday accused the Aam Aadmi Party government of misleading the family of Gulzar Singh, who died by suicide after allegedly being insulted by Finance Minister Harpal Singh Cheema, over a purported government job offer.

Warring said the family received a “recommendation” letter from the local Deputy Commissioner, ad-

ressed to the government, seeking a job for one member. He alleged they were led to believe it was an appointment letter before Gulzar Singh’s cremation.

“This is a clear case of cheating and fraud against the family of a man forced to die by suicide after being intimidated and humiliated by the henchmen of Finance Minister Cheema,” Warring said.

He renewed the Congress’ demand for Cheema’s immediate dismissal and arrest

after registration of a case for abetment to suicide. Warring said the government would ultimately be forced to act, citing the case of former minister Laljit Singh Bhullar, whom he alleged it had initially tried to protect before sacking and arresting him.

Rejecting charges that the Opposition was politicising the matter, Warring said a poor man, whose son had allegedly become addicted to drugs, was driven to suicide and named the minister

in his dying declaration.

“As leader of the principal Opposition party, it is my duty to stand by the family,” he said, assuring them that the Congress would pursue justice and seek punishment for those found guilty.

Warring said the Congress, from Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi to grassroots workers, stood with the family. Congress workers, he added, had held protests across Punjab demanding action against Cheema.

Egyptian President El-Sisi arrives in New Delhi for 18th BRICS Summit

IAANS
New Delhi, Sep. 11



Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi arrived in New Delhi on Friday to attend the 18th BRICS Summit. He was received at the airport by Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth.

“Warmly welcome the President of Egypt, Abdel Fattah el-Sisi, to the 18th BRICS Summit in New Delhi. He was received by MoS Sanjay Seth at the airport. India and Egypt share deep bonds of friendship, as we work together to build a stronger BRICS partnership,” the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said in a post on X.

Earlier in the day, Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian also arrived in New Delhi to attend the BRICS Summit. He was received at the airport by Minister of State Shantanu Thakur.

“India and Iran share civilizational ties, marked by robust cultural and people-to-people bonds. As BRICS partners, the two

countries are working to contribute to shared progress and prosperity,” the MEA said in a post on X.

India, which holds the BRICS chair in 2026, will host the 18th BRICS Summit in New Delhi on September 12 and 13. The summit will bring together leaders of BRICS member countries, partner countries and outreach invitees.

BRICS comprises Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa and the United Arab Emirates. The BRICS partner countries are Belarus, Cuba, Bolivia, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Nigeria, Thailand, Uganda, Uzbekistan and Vietnam.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi earlier said leaders from across the world would gather in New Delhi over the next few days for the BRICS Summit. He expressed confidence that the high-level meeting would witness positive and meaningful discussions on various issues with the welfare of the world in mind.

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MAJOR RAIL ACCIDENT AVERTED IN BIHAR’S KATIHAR AS TRAIN PASSES OVER BROKEN TRACK

IAANS
Patna, Sep. 11



A major rail accident was narrowly averted at Semapur railway station in Bihar’s Katihar district on Friday after the Dibrugarh-Chandigarh Express passed over a severely damaged section of track.

Train No. 15904 was entering the yard at around 9 a.m. when the loco pilot heard a loud, unusual clattering sound from beneath the train. The engine and the coach behind it had already crossed the broken section. The pilot immediately applied the emergency brakes and halted the train, subsequently informing the guard and station master.

The train was moving at a low speed as it was scheduled to be diverted to a loop line to al-

low a Rajdhani Express to overtake it. Railway officials indicated that the damaged track could have posed a serious derailment risk had the train been travelling at normal speed.

Railway and security personnel reached the site, following which engineers secured the damaged portion with clamps and fishplates as a temporary measure. The train remained stationary for nearly two hours before

being allowed to proceed at restricted speed after the track was declared fit.

Permanent repairs were later carried out by welding the broken rail, officials said.

RPF Outpost In-charge Manoj Kumar Singh confirmed that the loco pilot promptly stopped the train after noticing the rail fracture and said railway authorities acted swiftly to restore the track and normalise operations.

Caste Census must not be weakened through methodology: K’taka. Dy CM

IAANS
Bengaluru, Sep. 11

Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister G. Parameshwara on Friday accused the BJP-led Union Government of weakening the caste census through its proposed methodology, saying the exercise must produce accurate data on India’s social composition.

In a statement, Parameshwara said the Centre had opposed caste enumeration for years before announcing that caste would be included in the 2027 Census. While welcoming the decision, he questioned whether the proposed system would generate reliable data.

He said an open-ended method for recording OBCs and other communities, without a standardised caste framework, could lead to the same community being listed under different spellings, sub-caste names, region-

al identities and local names.

“This could result in thousands of separate entries representing the same community,” he said, warning that such fragmentation could make it difficult to establish individual communities’ actual population.

Parameshwara urged the Centre to merge Central and State lists, create standard caste codes and map alternative names, sub-castes and regional identities to standard categories. He questioned why India could maintain standardised lists for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes but not establish a scientific framework for OBC enumeration.

He said Karnataka had conducted an extensive Social and Educational Survey, while Bihar and Telangana had also undertaken caste-based

enumeration. He urged the Centre to consult state governments, experts, political parties and community representatives before finalising the methodology.

Calling caste data an “instrument of social justice”, Parameshwara said current figures were essential for policies on reservation, education, employment, welfare, political representation and economic opportunities.

“The people of India did not demand a caste census merely so that a caste question could be added to a questionnaire. They demanded it because India needs to know the truth about its social composition,” he said.

Parameshwara urged the Centre to conduct a genuine caste census, establish a national caste coding framework and ensure transparent verification of unlisted communities.



At a Glance

BLF claims 12+ Pakistani personnel killed

IANSS
Quetta, Sep. 11

The Balochistan Liberation Front (BLF) claimed it killed more than a dozen Pakistani military personnel and a police officer in 11 attacks across Balochistan between August 15 and September 9, local media reported. The group claimed responsibility for attacks in Chagai, Surab, Awaran, Khuzdar, Rakhshan, Kech, Quetta and Barkhan, targeting security convoys, patrols and communications infrastructure.

The BLF also claimed its fighters seized the Talaran police station in Chagai, detained personnel and confiscated weapons and equipment before releasing them unharmed. It claimed six personnel were killed in a September 4 convoy ambush in Khuzdar and two in an Awaran blast. The claims could not be independently verified.

Modi meets Iranian President Pezeshkian, underscores need for lasting peace in West Asia

IANSS
New Delhi, Sep. 11

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday met Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian on the sidelines of the BRICS Summit in New Delhi and underscored the need for continued efforts to ensure lasting peace and stability in West Asia.

The two leaders discussed recent developments in the region, with Modi reiterating India's consistent position that all issues should be resolved through dialogue and diplomacy. He also stressed the importance of safeguarding freedom of navigation and commerce and ensuring the safety and well-being of seafarers.

The meeting was the second between Modi and Pezeshkian in less than two weeks. They had earlier met on the sidelines of the SCO Summit in Bishkek on August 31.

During the discussions, Modi thanked Iran for its regular and high-level participation in BRICS-related meet-



ings despite what he described as challenging circumstances. He highlighted the potential of BRICS to promote resilience, innovation, cooperation and sustainability among countries of the Global South.

According to the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Modi also thanked Pezeshkian for participating in the Leaders' Session of the BRICS Business Forum.

"The two leaders exchanged views on recent developments in West Asia. Prime Minister reiterated India's consistent position that all

issues must be resolved through dialogue and diplomacy. He also underscored the need for continued efforts to ensure lasting peace and stability in the region, safeguarding freedom of navigation and commerce, and the safety and well-being of seafarers," the MEA said.

The two leaders also appreciated continued cooperation between India and Iran on issues of mutual interest in multilateral organisations, including BRICS.

Earlier, Pezeshkian thanked India and Modi for hosting the BRICS

Summit and for efforts to strengthen cooperation among member countries.

Addressing the BRICS Business Forum, Pezeshkian said it was a source of satisfaction to meet representatives of the private sector, businesses and entrepreneurs who could turn BRICS cooperation into tangible economic outcomes.

Referring to the ongoing conflict in West Asia and the resulting human and material losses, Pezeshkian said economic security remained inseparable from national and regional security.

TRUMP JR WARNS 'COMMUNISM IS ON MARCH' IN US, URGES GOP VOTERS TO BACK REPUBLICANS

IANSS
Washington, Sep. 11



Donald Trump Jr. on Friday warned that "communism is on the march" in the US and urged voters to support Republican candidates in the November midterm elections to protect his father's political agenda.

Addressing a Republican midterm convention in Dallas, Trump Jr. framed the election as a contest between what he described as common sense and left-wing extremism.

"We have two competing visions battling for the soul of America. It's common sense versus extremism," he said.

He opened his address by paying tribute to conservative activist Charlie Kirk on the first

anniversary of his assassination, describing him as a friend who defended "faith, family, freedom, and patriotism". Trump Jr. said Kirk was willing to engage people who disagreed with him in debate.

"We will not back down. We will not fold," he said, calling on supporters to honour Kirk by continuing his political cause.

Trump Jr. listed free speech, strong borders, an immigration system prioritising US citizens, constitutional rights and merit-based opportunities among what he called "common sense" positions.

He accused Democratic candidates of embracing democratic socialism, which he equated with communism, and argued that socialist systems enrich elites while making ordinary people dependent on government.

"The truth is, the story of socialism is a story of mass suffering," he said.

Recalling childhood visits to communist Czechoslovakia, where he stayed with his maternal grandparents, Trump

Jr. said his grandfather showed him breadlines and rationing and taught him about self-reliance and the dangers of socialism.

He urged Republicans to retain control of Congress to protect the Trump administration's policies on immigration, energy, crime, government diversity programmes and food regulation.

Trump Jr. also defended tax provisions covering overtime, tips and Social Security, saying they were aimed at helping working Americans retain more of their earnings.

"CEOs don't get paid extra for overtime, and they certainly don't work for tips," he said.

Warning Republicans against complacency following Trump's 2024 election victory, he urged supporters to turn out in the midterms.

"None of us, not a single one of us, can afford to sleep through the midterms," he said, arguing that the next Congress would determine whether Trump's agenda moves forward or is blocked by Washington.

Usha stays home with newborn as Vance rallies GOP ahead of midterms

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Washington, Sep. 11

US Vice President J.D. Vance brought his family into the political spotlight at the Republican midterm convention in Dallas, highlighting his wife Usha's decision to remain home with their six-week-old son and three other young children while he appealed for Republican victories in November.

Vance said organisers had invited Usha to introduce him, but she declined because she was caring for their newborn, Alec. "In July, my beautiful Usha gave birth to a baby boy, little Alec, just six weeks ago," he said. He added that Usha was "watching at home" and focused on caring for their four children.

Vance used the family story to discuss what he described as the "birth-right" of American children, saying he had thought about the future awaiting his youngest son. He also spoke warmly of Usha's patience with their children



and described moments involving their four-year-old daughter, Mira, and the newborn.

The vice president also criticised Democratic Senate candidate Abdul El-Sayed of Michigan over remarks concerning Vance's late grandfather and Usha. Vance interpreted the comments as questioning whether his white grandfather could have accepted and loved Usha, the daughter of Indian immigrants.

"They say that people with names like James Vance are incapable of loving people with names like Usha, and they couldn't be more wrong,"

he said.

Usha Vance, a lawyer and daughter of Indian immigrants, became the first Indian American and first Hindu Second Lady of the United States when her husband took office. The couple met while studying at Yale Law School and have four children.

Usha has generally maintained a lower public profile despite appearing alongside Vance at major political events. Her absence from the Dallas convention allowed Vance to frame his remarks around family life and his vision for the next generation

GLOBAL DEBT NEARS POST-WAR RECORD: IMF

IANSS
Washington, Sep. 11

Global public debt has risen to nearly 100 per cent of world GDP, its highest level since World War II, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) has warned.

IMF Communications Director Julie Kozack said global public debt was expected to increase further as high borrowing costs and weaker economic growth put additional pressure on government finances.

"Public debt is now nearly 100 percent of GDP. That's global public debt. That's the highest level since World War II," Kozack told reporters.

The warning comes as the IMF assesses an uneven global economy facing the continuing war in the Middle East, elevated energy prices and high sovereign bond yields. Kozack said public debt was set to climb further, particularly in advanced economies with already high debt-to-GDP ratios.

Yields on 10-year government bonds in several major advanced economies, including the US, France and Japan, have reached their

highest levels in some time, the IMF said.

Higher borrowing costs in advanced economies can also raise financing costs for emerging and developing countries. Although many such economies have strengthened policy frameworks and established independent central banks, higher benchmark rates can offset the benefits of narrower borrowing spreads.

"When we see these benchmark borrowing costs rise for advanced economies, that has an effect on pretty much all countries," Kozack said.

She stressed that policymakers needed to remain "nimble and credible" in managing fiscal pressures. The IMF does not call for immediate fiscal consolidation but urged governments to present clear plans to reduce deficits and debt.

"We're not in a situation where fiscal consolidation needs to take place overnight," Kozack said, adding that governments needed a clear strategy for bringing down deficits and debt.

She also noted that global growth remained significantly weaker this decade than in previous decades.

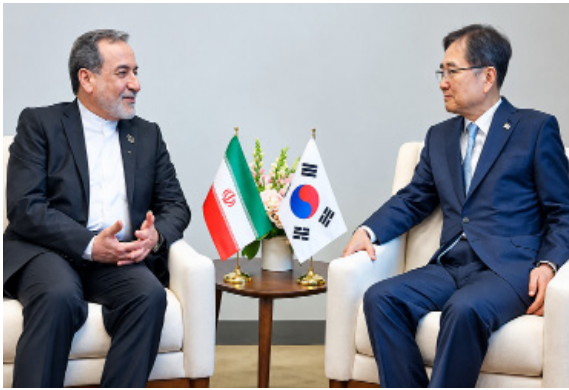
S. Korea tells Iran no decision has been made on possible military deployment to Strait of Hormuz

IANSS
Seoul, Sep. 11

South Korean Foreign Minister Cho Hyun told his Iranian counterpart Seyyed Abbas Araghchi on Friday that Seoul had made no decision on deploying military assets to the Strait of Hormuz, amid speculation over its possible role in securing the strategic waterway.

During a phone call, Cho expressed concern over the situation in the Middle East and said sustainable peace and stability should be restored. He reiterated Seoul's position that all vessels, including South Korean ships, must have free and safe passage through the strait and that South Korea would continue participating in international efforts to restore freedom of navigation.

A South Korean Foreign Ministry official said Cho conveyed that "no decision has been made" on a possible deployment and stressed the need to restore freedom



of navigation as soon as possible. The two ministers exchanged views on the regional situation and agreed to maintain communication on regional and bilateral issues. Cho also asked Iran to pay attention to the safety of South Korean nationals in the region.

The talks came as Seoul weighs options for contributing to maritime security amid US pressure and strong Iranian opposition to foreign military involvement. South Korea recently sent a fact-finding team to the UAE to assess security and operational conditions near the strait, but officials said the mission

did not presuppose a deployment.

Local reports have said Seoul is examining options including maritime patrol aircraft, explosive ordnance disposal teams and unmanned systems. Any overseas deployment of South Korean military forces would require parliamentary approval.

Iran has warned that foreign military participation in the Persian Gulf or Strait of Hormuz could have serious consequences. The latest call was the sixth known conversation between Cho and Araghchi since the US-Iran conflict began in late February.

HOUTHIS SEIZE STRATEGIC ISLAND IN BAB AL-MANDAB

IANSS
Aden (Yemen), Sep. 11

Yemen's Houthi group seized strategic Mayun Island in the Bab al-Mandab Strait on Friday after government troops withdrew, a local official told Xinhua.

The official, speaking anonymously, said Houthi forces arrived early Friday aboard several boats and took control of the island without resistance. They also deployed armoured vehicles and military

equipment along the nearby coast.

The Houthis have advanced into Dhubab district near the strait after government forces withdrew south following the group's capture of the Red Sea port city of Mocha on Thursday. The Houthis seized Mocha after fierce fighting, taking control of its port, airport and key government facilities.

Mayun, also known as Perim, lies inside the Bab al-Mandab and divides the narrow water-

way into two shipping channels. Its capture gives the Houthis control of positions overlooking the vital maritime route linking the Red Sea with the Gulf of Aden.

The Bab al-Mandab, between Yemen and the Horn of Africa, is a key corridor for international trade and energy shipments, connecting the Red Sea and Suez Canal with the Gulf of Aden and Arabian Sea.

UN Special Envoy for Yemen Hans Grundberg warned on Thursday that

renewed fighting could draw Yemen into a wider regional confrontation with global repercussions. He said the Houthis' capture of Mocha had raised serious concerns over freedom of navigation.

Grundberg said the renewed war marked the end of more than four years of relative calm following a UN-brokered truce and warned that the escalation could lead to a prolonged conflict with wider international consequences.

Trump signs law for Medal of Honor monument

IANSS
Washington Sep. 11

President Donald Trump has signed legislation authorising a National Medal of Honor monument in Washington, honouring more than 3,500 recipients of the US military's highest decoration.

Trump signed the Hershel "Woody" Williams National Medal of Honor Monument Location Act at the National Medal of Honor Museum in Arlington, Texas. Williams, the last surviving Medal of Honor recipient from World War



II, was honoured for his actions as a flamethrower operator during the Battle of Iwo Jima.

Trump said the monument would be privately funded and located near the Lincoln Memorial. "We're going to get you the best site in all of Washington," he said, promising the museum

foundation a prominent location.

Describing the museum as an "American treasure", Trump said the monument would ensure that the courage and sacrifice of Medal of Honor recipients remained part of the nation's memory. He also praised Williams for repeatedly moving

through enemy positions and destroying machine-gun nests at Iwo Jima.

The Medal of Honor is awarded to US service members for conspicuous gallantry at the risk of their lives. Fewer than 4,000 people have received the honour, according to material presented at the ceremony.

The National Medal of Honor Museum opened in Arlington last year and forms part of a three-part project that also includes the Griffin Institute and the planned Washington monument.

Vande Mataram Must Be Acceptable

By: Shujath Ali Sufi

Few words in India carry the emotional power of Vande Mataram. Born during the freedom struggle, the song became a powerful expression of patriotism and inspired generations who fought for the country's independence. Its historical place in India's national movement is unquestionable. Yet, in a diverse democracy like India, patriotism must also be expressed in a manner that allows every citizen to participate with equal dignity. The debate over Vande Mataram should therefore not become a contest between patriotism and dissent. Loving one's country and respecting the sentiments of fellow citizens are not contradictory values. Indeed, both are essential to the idea of India. For many Indians, the words evoke deep reverence for the motherland. For others, particularly because of certain religious and theological interpretations associated with

parts of the song, reciting it may create discomfort. In a country that constitutionally guarantees freedom of conscience and religion, such concerns deserve to be heard rather than dismissed as evidence of disloyalty. The answer lies neither in denigrating Vande Mataram nor in turning it into a compulsory test of patriotism. A national symbol gains strength when it commands genuine respect, not merely outward compliance. No citizen should be made to prove his or her patriotism by being compelled to utter words that conflict with sincerely held beliefs. At the same time, those who cherish Vande Mataram should not be asked to apologise for their attachment to it. Its contribution to the freedom struggle and its place in India's cultural and political history deserve recognition. The appropriate approach is one of mutual respect: honour the song, acknowledge its history, and protect the conscience

of those who may choose not to recite it. India's unity has never depended on everyone being identical. It has depended on the ability of people with different faiths, languages, cultures and convictions to live together as equal citizens. Our national symbols should reflect that spirit rather than become instruments of division. Vande Mataram can and should be a song that inspires love for the country. But if it is to be acceptable to all, its invocation must be accompanied by the same generosity that we expect from our fellow citizens. Patriotism is strongest when it is voluntary, inclusive and respectful. The true message of the freedom struggle was not that Indians must think alike. It was that Indians, despite their differences, could stand together for a common homeland and a common future. That is the spirit in which Vande Mataram should be remembered—and respected—by all.

Frequent Numbness in Feet? It Could Be Linked to Nutrient Deficiencies

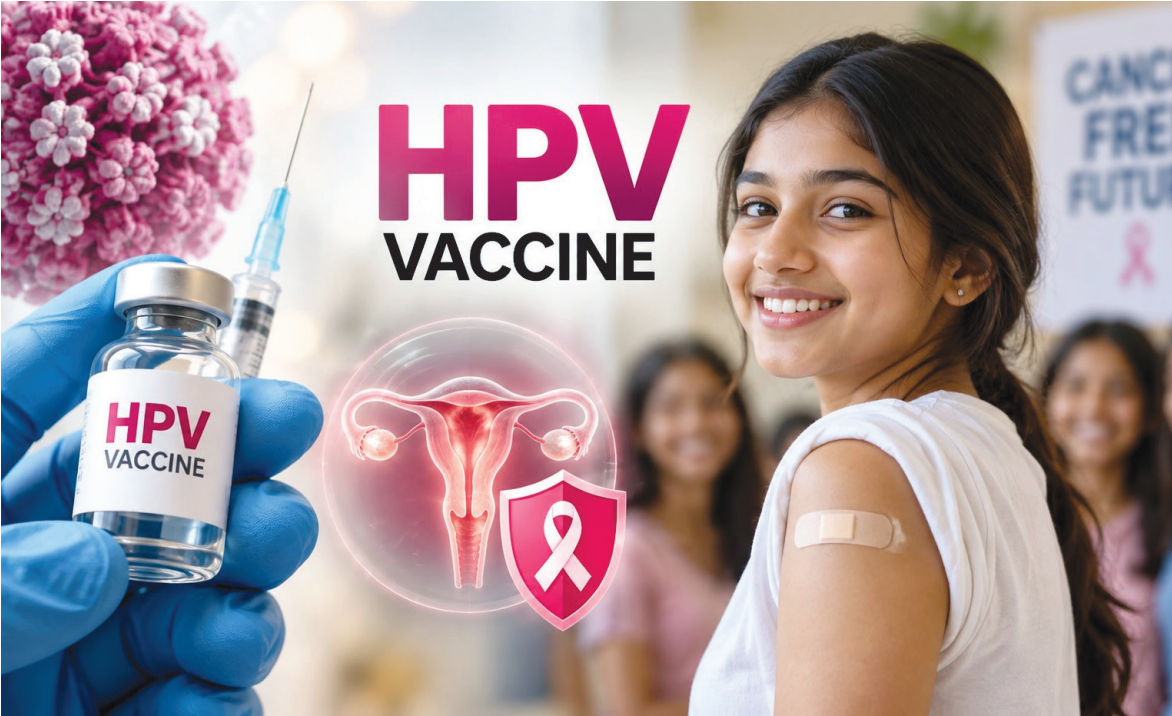


Frequent numbness, a persistent “pins and needles” sensation, burning in the soles, heel pain or unusually cold feet can be uncomfortable and may sometimes indicate an underlying nutritional deficiency. While occasional numbness can occur simply because of prolonged sitting or pressure on a nerve, recurring symptoms should not be ignored. Celebrity nutritionist Shweta Shah recently highlighted the possible link between some common foot-related complaints and nutritional deficiencies in a social media post. She suggested that certain nutrients, including magnesium, potassium, vitamin B12, vitamin D and iron, play an important role in maintaining normal nerve, muscle and bone function. According to Shah, a recurring pins-and-needles sensation or frequent numbness in the feet may sometimes be associated with inadequate magnesium intake. Foods such as pumpkin seeds, almonds, spinach, cashews and dark chocolate are among the sources of magnesium that can be included in a balanced diet. Frequent leg cramps may also be associated with inadequate potassium intake. Bananas, coconut water, sweet potatoes and avo-

cados are potassium-rich foods that can be included in the diet. However, recurrent cramps can have several other causes, including dehydration, certain medications and muscle overuse. A persistent burning sensation in the soles may sometimes be associated with vitamin B12 deficiency, which can affect the nervous system. Milk, curd, paneer, eggs and fish are among the foods that provide vitamin B12, although people following vegetarian or vegan diets may need to pay particular attention to their B12 intake. Heel pain, meanwhile, can have many causes and should not automatically be attributed to vitamin D deficiency. Adequate vitamin D is important for bone health, and dietary sources include fortified foods and certain animal-based foods. Sensible exposure to sunlight can also help the body produce vitamin D. Supplements, however, should ideally be taken after medical advice or testing, particularly because excessive vitamin D intake can also be harmful. People who frequently experience unusually cold feet may sometimes have low iron levels, particularly when accompanied by symptoms such as tiredness or weakness. Spinach, sesame seeds, dates, jaggery

and pulses can contribute to dietary iron intake. However, persistent cold feet can also be linked to circulation problems, thyroid disorders or other medical conditions. Experts caution that nutritional deficiencies are only one possible explanation for these symptoms. Repeated numbness, burning, weakness, severe pain, changes in skin colour or symptoms affecting one side of the body may require medical evaluation. Conditions such as diabetes, nerve compression, peripheral neuropathy, circulation problems and certain medications can also cause similar complaints. Instead of relying solely on individual foods or supplements, people with recurring symptoms should focus on a balanced diet and seek professional advice when necessary. Blood tests may be recommended to identify deficiencies such as vitamin B12, vitamin D or iron deficiency. The key message is simple: occasional pins and needles may be harmless, but persistent or recurring numbness, burning, cramps or unexplained foot pain should not be self-treated indefinitely. Identifying the actual cause is important before starting supplements or making major dietary changes.

India administers over 80 lakh HPV vaccine doses under national campaign since Feb



India has crossed a significant milestone in its efforts to prevent cervical cancer, with over 80 lakh doses of Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine administered under the National HPV Vaccination Campaign since its launch in February 2026, an official statement said on Friday. Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Mizoram have achieved 100 per cent coverage of their respective identified target populations, the statement from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare said. Bihar, Andhra Pradesh and Assam have crossed 90 per cent coverage, while Karnataka has achieved more than 85 per cent coverage. Chhattisgarh, Sikkim, Kerala, Telangana and Odisha have crossed 60 per cent coverage. The nationwide drive, launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in February 2026, offers voluntary, single-dose HPV vaccination free of cost to 14-year-old girls at government health facilities with parental consent. As per Registrar General of India (RGI) 2021 estimates, approximately 1.2 crore girls constitute the annual cohort of 14-year-olds who are expected to

benefit from the initiative each year. The progress in Assam and other Northeastern States also demonstrated the role of integrated community health networks and coordinated field-level action in expanding access across geographically diverse areas. Healthcare providers, including paediatricians, gynaecologists and experts from institutions such as AIIMS, along with teachers and frontline health workers including ASHAs and ANMs, have supported awareness and mobilisation efforts across states and districts. The campaign has also leveraged India's digital health infrastructure through the U-WIN platform, enabling programme managers to monitor vaccination coverage at the district level, identify coverage gaps and missed beneficiaries, and support more effective programme planning and resource allocation. Currently, 87 per cent of upper-middle-income countries, 78 per cent of lower-middle-income countries and 54 per cent of low-income countries have adopted

HPV vaccines in their National Immunization Programmes. All vaccination sessions under the campaign are conducted under the supervision of trained medical officers at government health facilities. Government health facilities are also linked with 24x7 healthcare facilities for appropriate management of rare Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI). This mechanism ensures timely assessment, monitoring and management of any vaccination-related adverse event. With the campaign progressing towards its final phase, the focus remains on reaching the remaining eligible beneficiaries and ensuring that no eligible girl is left behind, the ministry said. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare continues to work closely with States and Union Territories, healthcare professionals, frontline health workers and communities to strengthen awareness, facilitate access and support effective implementation of the HPV Vaccination Campaign, the statement noted.

Hair Spa Can Improve Hair Texture, But It Cannot Treat Hair Loss



Hair spas have become a popular beauty treatment for people looking to improve the appearance and texture of their hair. They are often promoted as a solution for hair fall, with claims that they nourish the scalp, strengthen hair roots, improve blood circulation and reduce hair loss. However, experts say such claims should be viewed with caution. A regular hair spa may improve the condition and appearance of damaged hair, but it is not a medical treatment for hair loss. A conventional hair spa generally involves shampooing, applying a conditioning mask or cream, massaging the scalp, using steam or heat and washing and conditioning the hair again before drying or styling. These steps can make dry, chemically treated or damaged hair softer, smoother and easier to manage. When hair breakage is reduced, it may appear that hair fall has also decreased. However, hair fall and hair breakage are two different problems. Hair fall occurs when hair sheds from the root, whereas breakage happens when the hair shaft breaks somewhere along its length. Conditioning treatments can help reduce breakage, but they do not necessarily address the underlying cause of hair loss from the roots. There are several medical and lifestyle-related causes of hair loss, including androgenetic alopecia, thyroid disorders, nutritional deficiencies, hormonal changes, illness, stress and certain medications. These conditions cannot be effective-

ly treated simply through cosmetic procedures. A hair spa may provide immediate cosmetic benefits by making hair look smoother, shinier and healthier, while a scalp massage may also offer some relaxation. However, there is not enough strong evidence to establish a regular hair spa as an effective treatment for hair loss. Hair spa treatments can be useful when the main problem is dry, brittle or damaged hair caused by frequent colouring, bleaching, heat styling or straightening. Conditioning can reduce mechanical damage and make the hair less prone to breakage. But people experiencing excessive shedding from the roots, a widening parting, thinning around the forehead, bald patches or progressive hair thinning should not expect a hair spa to solve the problem. Consumers should also be careful about claims that certain hair spa products are completely “chemical-free”. Water, oils, plant-derived ingredients and proteins are all chem-

icals in the scientific sense. What matters is which ingredients are used, their concentration and how they are applied. Hair spa products may contain cleansing agents, conditioning ingredients, silicones, fragrances and preservatives. In some people, these ingredients may cause scalp irritation, burning or allergic reactions, particularly if they have sensitive skin. It is also important to distinguish a basic conditioning hair spa from chemical procedures such as straightening, relaxing, perming or colouring. Chemical treatments alter the structure of the hair, and repeated bleaching, colouring or straightening can contribute to hair damage and breakage. The cost of a hair spa varies considerably depending on the city, salon, hair length and density, products used and additional services. A basic treatment may cost around ₹800 to ₹1,500, while premium treatments can cost ₹2,000 to ₹3,500 or more. Customers should check exactly what is included in the package, as additional services such as serums, ampoules, specialised masks or blow-drying may increase the final bill. More importantly, an expensive “anti-hair fall” spa should not automatically be considered more effective. If hair loss is caused by an underlying medical condition, identifying and treating that condition is far more important than repeatedly spending money on cosmetic treatments. Anyone experiencing sudden or rapid hair loss, bald patches, persistent itching, redness, scaling, pain or other scalp problems should consult a doctor. Medical advice is also advisable when hair loss continues for several months, the hair parting becomes wider or the hairline starts receding. If hair loss is accompanied by symptoms such as persistent fatigue, unexplained weight changes or menstrual changes, professional evaluation becomes even more important. The continued growth in electricity demand is also being driven by rapid urbanisation, industrial activity, expanding digital infrastructure and rising household consumption. The government's focus on strengthening transmission networks and increasing renewable energy capacity is expected to play a key role in ensuring a stable and reliable power supply as India's energy needs continue to rise.

India's Power Demand Doubles in a Decade as Capacity Hits 552 GW

India's peak power demand has nearly doubled over the past decade, rising from 135.9 GW in 2013-14 to a record 270.8 GW on May 21, 2026. During the same period, installed power generation capacity increased from 249 GW to 552 GW by July 2026, helping the country meet its growing electricity needs. India's transmission network also expanded from 2,91,336 circuit kilometres in April 2014 to 5,10,594 circuit kilometres by July 2026, strengthening the national grid and improving power transmission between regions. The country's non-fossil fuel capacity stood at 283.46 GW as of March 2026, including 274.68 GW of renewable energy and 8.78 GW of nuclear power. India added a record 55.3 GW of non-fossil capacity during 2025-26. Non-fossil sources accounted for 50 per cent of India's cumulative installed power capacity in June 2025, enabling the country to achieve its Paris Agreement target five years ahead of the 2030 deadline. The continued growth in electricity demand is also being driven by rapid urbanisation, industrial activity, expanding digital infrastructure and rising household consumption. The government's focus on strengthening transmission networks and increasing renewable energy capacity is expected to play a key role in ensuring a stable and reliable power supply as India's energy needs continue to rise.



BCCI again invites applications for filling Head of Sports Science and Medicine post at CoE

New Delhi, Sep 11:

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has once again invited applications for the post of Head – Sports Science and Medicine at its state-of-the-art Centre of Excellence (CoE) in Bengaluru. The position has remained vacant since former India team physio-therapist Nitin Patel ended his nearly three-year stint and left the CoE in March 2025.

The BCCI had invited applications for the position in September last year but could not find a suitable candidate. The new appointee will provide strategic and operational leadership for the board's sports science and medical programmes, besides overseeing senior medical and fitness staff associated with the national team and the CoE.

The role will focus on player welfare, injury



prevention, rehabilitation, physical development, recovery and long-term athlete health. The successful candidate will also be responsible for research, innovation and the adoption of modern technologies and medical practices.

Applicants must hold a Master's degree in Sports Science or a related discipline, while a Doctorate is preferred. They should also have at least five years of experience in a strategic leadership position involving multidisciplinary performance teams in professional or Olympic

sport. Candidates must be below 60 years of age.

Interested candidates can submit their applications online by 5 pm on September 30. Shortlisted applicants will be called for personal interviews. The successful candidate will report directly to former India batter and CoE Head of Cricket VVS Laxman.

BCCI Secretary Devajit Saikia had earlier said the board would not rush the appointment and wanted to select a highly qualified professional capable of supervising the sports science and medical operations at the CoE.

US Open Final: Rybakina vs Sabalenka

New York, Sep 11:

Kazakhstan's Elena Rybakina has entered the women's singles final of the US Open after defeating American star Coco Gauff in the semi-final. Rybakina won the closely contested match 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

She will face top seed Aryna Sabalenka in Saturday's final, setting up a clash between the tournament's top two seeds. Sabalenka, who has held the world No. 1 ranking for 99 weeks, defeated American Jessica Pegula 7-5, 6-2 in the other semi-final.

Sabalenka is aiming for a hat-trick of US Open titles, while Rybakina, currently ranked No. 2, will need to win the final to have a chance of taking the top ranking. A victory would also put Rybakina in a strong position to become the new world No. 1. This will be the first US Open women's final since 2013 to feature the top two seeds, when Serena Williams faced Victoria Azarenka.



Delhi HC Denies Immediate Relief to Vinesh Phogat in World Wrestling Trials

New Delhi, Sep 11:

The Delhi High Court has declined to grant immediate relief to three-time Olympian wrestler Vinesh Phogat, who had sought permission to participate in the selection trials for the 2026 Senior World Wrestling Championships in Kazakhstan.

A single-judge Bench of Justice Swarna Kanta Sharma on Thursday refused to grant Phogat an interim exemption from the eligibility criteria prescribed by the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI), observing that the rules applied uniformly to all athletes and could not be relaxed in favour of one

athlete at this stage.

Phogat had sought provisional inclusion in the eligibility pool for the women's selection trials scheduled for September 14 at the Indira Gandhi Stadium in New Delhi. She argued that the eligibility framework did not provide an appropriate mechanism for athletes returning to competitive sport after pregnancy, childbirth and post-partum recovery.

The court observed that Phogat's maternity-related absence would be considered while examining the validity of the WFI selection framework. However, it said the circumstanc-

es did not, at the interim stage, justify allowing her to participate contrary to the prescribed eligibility criteria.

The court also noted that the WFI's September 7 circular was not framed specifically against Phogat and applied uniformly to athletes seeking to participate in the trials. Granting her a special exemption, it said, could lead to similar demands from other athletes.

Phogat had earlier received interim relief from the Delhi High Court in connection with the Asian Games selection trials, with the court observing that motherhood could

not prejudice a woman's sporting career. She participated in the 53kg trials but was not selected for the Asian Games.

The High Court also noted that the WFI had issued a second show-cause notice to Phogat in June over alleged misconduct during those trials.

The court declined to grant her interim relief without expressing a final opinion on the validity of the WFI's selection policy or the pending disciplinary proceedings. Phogat's main petition challenging the selection and disciplinary framework will be heard next on September 29.

Rahane Backs Sanju Samson in Top Three Against Afghanistan, Says Suryavanshi Will Get His Chance

New Delhi, Sep 11:

Former India batter Ajinkya Rahane has backed Sanju Samson, Abhishek Sharma and Ishan Kishan to continue as India's top three for

the upcoming T20I series against Afghanistan.

Rahane said Samson deserves another opportunity after being dropped following a few low scores in England. He recalled that Samson was the

Player of the Tournament during India's 2026 T20 World Cup triumph and called him a match-winner whose return strengthens the team. On 15-year-old Vaibhav Sooryavanshi, Rahane said the youngster

will get his opportunities in due course. He advised the left-hander to continue playing his natural attacking game without putting too much pressure on himself at this early stage of his international career.

Akshay-Saif Film 'Haiwaan' Gets Just Rs 300 from Noida Theatre on Day 1



New Delhi, Sep 11:

Akshay Kumar and Saif Ali Khan-starrer 'Haiwaan', directed by veteran filmmaker Priyadarshan, reportedly witnessed a shocking start at a cinema hall in Noida, with the first-day-first-show collecting just Rs 300.

According to an eyewitness account, the reviewer reached the theatre ahead of the 9:15 am show to watch the film. To his surprise, there were no advance bookings for the screening. He eventually purchased a ticket for Rs 300, becoming the only person in the entire auditorium.

The reviewer initially expected more viewers to arrive at the last moment, but the theatre remained completely empty. While the situation offered a peaceful experience for reviewing the film, the poor turnout raised concerns from a business perspective.

'Haiwaan' features Akshay Kumar and Saif Ali Khan in the lead roles and is directed by Priyadarshan. The film is a remake of the Malayalam hit 'Oppam', which was reportedly made on a budget of around Rs 7 crore and earned about Rs 64 crore.

With 'Haiwaan' reportedly made at a cost of around Rs 110 crore, the Rs 300 collection from the Noida show has emerged as a particularly striking example of its weak initial response at that theatre.

Orry Recalls Janhvi Kapoor's Advice: 'One Day You Will Be on the Front Page'

New Delhi, Sep 11:

Internet personality Orhan Awatramani, popularly known as Orry, has recalled a piece of advice from actress Janhvi Kapoor that stayed with him during the early days of his public journey.

Orry said that when a small mention of him appeared in a newspaper a few years ago, he excitedly called Janhvi and asked whether he should share it

on social media. She reportedly laughed and told him that one day he would appear on the front page on his own merit and should post that achievement.

Recalling the moment in a social media post, Orry said he initially doubted whether that day would ever come. He added that he later found himself on the front and back pages because of what he described as baseless and notorious reports, saying he

had become associated with fake news. However, Orry said this year he is finally making headlines for his achievements rather than controversy. He thanked Janhvi for believing in his potential and supporting him from the beginning.

Orry and Janhvi share a close, family-like friendship that reportedly began nearly a decade ago. The two are frequently seen together at social gatherings, parties and vacations and often share moments from their outings on social media.

CSK Denies Dhoni Stake Talks as Ownership Reports Surface



New Delhi, Sep 11:

Amid growing uncertainty over former India captain MS Dhoni's IPL future, reports claiming that the legendary cricketer has acquired a stake in Chennai Super Kings (CSK) have triggered fresh speculation around the franchise.

CSK, however, has denied having any discussions with Dhoni over a stake in the franchise. A CSK official said Dhoni had never expressed an interest in acquiring a shareholding and that the

issue had not been discussed with the franchise's owner, N. Srinivasan.

"Dhoni has never asked for a stake in the franchise. We have not discussed this matter. We are also not aware of any conversation between Dhoni and N. Srinivasan regarding a stake," a CSK official was quoted as saying.

Despite the denial, reports have claimed that Dhoni did acquire some CSK shares when they were offered for sale. Since CSK is not listed on the public stock market,

the reported transaction is believed to have taken place privately rather than through an open-market sale.

According to a report by Cricbuzz, Dhoni is believed to hold more than one lakh shares in CSK. His reported holding, however, remains relatively small compared with the overall shareholding structure. The current valuation of CSK shares is estimated at around Rs 37.94 crore.

Dhoni, who has been associated with CSK since the inaugural IPL season and remains one of the franchise's most influential figures, is currently in the US and is expected to return to India later this month.

His future with the franchise is also being closely watched, with speculation over whether he could take up a coaching role. Following his return, Dhoni is expected to hold discussions with the CSK management as its plans for the next season.

Very impressed with Dutch players in ETPL, hope we get to see the best of them, says David

New Delhi, Sep 11:

Australian batter Tim David has praised the Dutch players in his Amsterdam Flames team in the ongoing European T20 Premier League (ETPL), saying he has been impressed by their skill and ability to adapt to different conditions.

David played match-winning innings for the Flames during the opening stage in Voorburg and said he is looking forward to seeing the Dutch players perform in the Ireland leg of the tournament.

The Australian also praised team co-owners Steve Waugh and former hockey star Jamie Dwyer, saying their

experience of handling different challenges can provide valuable lessons to the players.

David added that beyond winning the inaugural tournament, he would consider it a success if his teammates enjoyed playing alongside him and gained something from the experience.

Darcie Brown Targets Comeback on India A Tour



New Delhi, Sep 11:

Stung by her surprise omission from Australia's 2026 T20 World Cup-winning squad, fast bowler Darcie Brown is banking on the upcoming 'A' tour of India to regain her consistency and push her case for a recall to the national team.

Darcie was a notable omission from Australia's successful campaign in England earlier this year, with youngster Lucy Hamilton taking her place in the squad. Darcie then spent the off-season fine-tuning her mechanics in Adelaide, and focusing on technical tweaks to address the control issues that cost her a spot in the side.

Now part of the Australia 'A' squad in India for a multi-format series starting with the first T20I in New Chandigarh on Saturday, Darcie sees the tour as a timely opportunity to get back into the main team ahead of the inaugural Champions Trophy, scheduled to be held in India next February.

"It was disappointing for sure, you always want to be part of a World Cup

squad, but the girls did such a great job, and everyone that was there fully deserved to be there. They said it was a tough call, but it was just that (lack of) consistency that squeezed me out.

"Hopefully the work I've done over the last little bit has helped me with that and I can take a few more wickets. The last few tours hadn't been as successful so hopefully with that consistency, I can get batters to make more mistakes and hopefully push my name for selection in upcoming tours.

"It's a really hard team to break into, so I'll work my butt off, but at the end of the day, as long as I'm putting in 100 per cent effort, that's what I can control," Darcie was quoted as saying by cricket.com.au on Friday.

Having toured India on three previous occasions with the senior team, Darcie had limited game time in subcontinental conditions. She believes this 'A' series will allow her to adapt her high pace to subcontinental pitches while stepping into a senior role.

Viral stories, social trends, public interest and issues capturing attention.

Nagpur Man Robs SBI Bank Using Chilli Powder, Gets Caught In 30 Minutes

Panic broke out at a State Bank of India (SBI) branch in Nagpur, Maharashtra, after a man allegedly threw chilli powder at employees. Later, he took off with Rs 4 lakh in cash. The accused was, however, tracked down by the police in a matter of 30 minutes and the entire amount was recovered.

The incident reportedly took place at around 6 PM on Thursday, September 10, at the SBI branch. According to the police, the bank was functioning normally when the man entered the premises, posing as a customer.

A CCTV footage of the incident was later shared on X, which has garnered significant attention. It showed the accused approached the cash counter and suddenly threw red chilli powder at one of the bank employees. The unexpected attack left the staff struggling to see and created chaos inside the branch.

He Stole Rs 4 Lakh

The man, dressed in an orange kurta and black pants with his face covered with a handkerchief, continued to throw chilli powder at staff one by one. Staff members were seen running away, as the accused followed them. Taking advantage of the confusion, he allegedly grabbed Rs 4 lakh from the cash counter and then fled.

Some employees and the bank's security guard reportedly tried to chase him, but he managed to escape in the crowded area. Bank officials then alerted the police,



who soon examined CCTV footage from cameras installed inside and outside the bank to identify the accused and trace the direction in which he had fled.

Police Arrested Him In 30 Minutes

Police then set up checkpoints and alerted patrol teams in the area. Within 30 minutes of the incident, they traced and detained the suspect. He was identified as 28-year-old Suraj Bhojraj Borkar, a B.Sc. graduate who is currently unemployed. The officers recovered the entire Rs 4 lakh stolen from the bank. The accused has been arrested and is being questioned.

Internet Says “Zero Planning”

Ever since the video of the incident has surfaced on social media, it has sparked a wave of reactions.

Reacting to the robbery, a user said, “Everything is wrong here... look at his costumes... 0 planning.”

Another wrote, “Robbing a bank with chili powder is wild man.”

“This guy is more focused on throwing chilli powder than robbing money,” an individual remarked.

Someone else commented, “That one lady is not moving from counter and probably saying lunch key baad ana.”

Woman Who Received Marriage Proposal On LinkedIn Asked To Find A Match For Another Family

- NRI Family Asks Mudrika To Find A Matchmaker
- It Started With A Marriage Message On LinkedIn
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A Rajasthan-based woman who was earlier approached on LinkedIn with a marriage proposal has now received another unusual request. This time, however, the family did not contact her looking for a match for herself.

Mudrika Kavdia, a brand marketing professional from Udaipur, was contacted by an NRI family that wanted her help in finding the woman who had earlier approached her. The family said they were looking for a suitable partner for their 26-year-old daughter.

NRI Family Asks Mudrika To Find A Matchmaker

Mudrika shared the latest message after receiving it on Instagram. The family said they are settled in Africa and wanted to connect with the woman from Mudrika's earlier post.

According to the message, their daughter works as a commercial pilot in Dubai. They had seen Mudrika's post about a mother searching for a bride for her son and wondered if she could help them get in touch with the

Dear Mudrika beta, I'm your mother's age he said you beta.
Dear Mudrika,
Congratulations beta, I am very proud of you
I apologise for writing this message - I am a mother and searching for a suitable bride (4-29 years) for my 1997 born son who is a Biomedical Sciences and settled here in U.S. I'm not in a rush, but I started looking for a son on my own. I would like to find out if you are single, not engaged or married. Hope it is fine with you. In that case, we can exchange information with you or her parents. Please let me know. Look forward to hearing from you.
Thank you so much in advance! God bless you

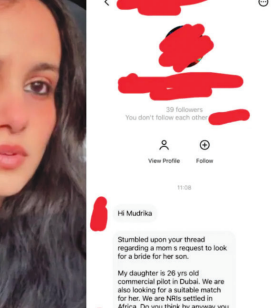
Also on, one family wrote in their message.

Mudrika shared a screenshot of the conversation on X and added a light-hearted caption: “I wish this rishta gets pakka.” The new request added another unexpected turn to the story.

Social media users began joking that Mudrika had somehow taken on the role of a matchmaker without planning to.

It Started With A Marriage Message On LinkedIn

The unusual request came shortly after Mudrika shared another marriage-related message she had received on LinkedIn. A woman who said she was around Mudrika's mother's age had contacted her to ask about her relationship status. She wanted to know if Mudrika was sin-



The woman explained that she was searching for a suitable bride for her son. According to her message, he was born in 1997, had a PhD in Biomedical Sciences and was settled in the US.

Instead of directly asking Mudrika to marry her son, the woman suggested that they could exchange details if Mudrika was open to the idea. She also said their parents could connect if needed.

Mudrika's post about the message drew attention because the proposal had arrived through LinkedIn, a platform mainly used for professional networking.

Users Joke About Mudrika Becoming A Matchmaker

The second message brought another wave of jokes from users on

X. Some suggested that Mudrika should now consider matchmaking as a new profession.

One user called her a “match making service”, while another suggested she update her profile and describe herself as an “accidental matchmaker”.

“LinkedIn has completely replaced Shaadi dot com and nobody wants to admit it,” another user joked.

Some users even encouraged Mudrika to start a matrimonial service of her own. A few jokingly suggested that she could charge a commission or finder's fee for successful matches.

One user said Shaadi and Jeevansathi may have found their biggest competition, while another joked that Mudrika should update her bio and add “matchmaker” to it.

Others joined in with jokes about her becoming a mediator for marriage proposals and entering her “matchmaker” era. There is no confirmation yet on whether either of the matchmaking requests has resulted in a match.

However, within a few days, Mudrika has gone from receiving an unexpected marriage proposal to being asked to help another family find a match.

Teachers Use Fake Stomach Scan Showing Worms To Warn Students About Junk Food



Teaching young children about healthy eating can be tricky. While some turn to stories, games and activities to get the message across, teachers at one school decided to take a rather unusual approach. Their experiment has left the internet divided, with many saying that the teachers should have taught the students about the impact of junk food than scaring them.

In a video going viral on X, young school children were first seen being given some junk food like cold drinks, chips and chocolates. They were then asked to lie down on a bench and one of the teachers then conducted a mock stomach examinations.

A teacher was captured using a computer mouse over a child's stomach while an image appears on a screen, showing a large worm supposedly feeling on the junk food inside the child's body. The scenes of worms crawling inside the stomach seemingly left the children terrified so much so that a few of them even began crying.

While the aim of the fake stomach scan was to warn children about the dangers of eating junk food, the lesson did not go exactly as planned, as children appeared frightened by the animated worm and began crying and screaming.

“Teach Them Junk Is Bad, But Not Like This”

The video soon caught the attention of people on the internet, sparking a debate on whether fear should be used to educate young children. While some people defended the activity, arguing that children are more likely to remember lessons that are presented in a dramatic or unusual way, others criticised the approach as unnecessarily frightening.

“Very good lecture and good for children's health intelligent way of explaining junk food disadvantages,” said a user. Meanwhile, an individual commented, “Indian upbringing in a nutshell: line 1 of defense is always emotional damage and fear therapy.”

“This is wrong, don't scare them and cry like this. Don't forget the recent issue happened in a class room. Use funny way. Our body is having some capacity to digest these foods. The limitation and harm happens if you consume for a longer period to be explained,” wrote another person.

57-Year-Old Woman Makes CV Using Torn Folder: ‘Dreams Have No Age’

Starting something new can feel daunting at any age, but one 57-year-old woman is proving that it is never too late to take the next step. A video showing her preparing her own CV has tugged at the heartstrings of many people online, with her daughter proudly watching as she neatly arranges all her work in one torn folder.

Nidhi Choudhary shared the wholesome moment of her mother on Instagram. In the video, her mother was seen putting together her CV using printed copies of her work in an old file. When Nidhi asked her what she was doing, her mother sweetly replied to her that she was preparing her CV.

She then explained that she had an old file that she had thrown away and decided to reuse it for the purpose. As she continued to arrange the pages one after the other, Nidhi excitedly asked her mum to show her the CV. The lat-

ter proudly pointed out to her work, including what she described as her “first collaboration” and “first vlog.”

Nidhi then noticed that the file was torn and offered to bring her a new one, but her mother refused. She calmly said that the old file would work and continued putting her CV together. At one point, she also talked about the success of her work, proudly mentioning that one of her videos has received around 6 crore views on YouTube and continues to attract comments. “This is my CV,” she said in the video, before adding that she will also attach her name on the cover of the file. Watching her mother take this step, Nidhi added, “I am so proud of you mom.”

“I feel so so so lucky to witness this in my life. My mother growing in her life at 57 and making her own CV,” Nidhi wrote in the caption of the post.

Mumbai woman falls from overcrowded local train mid-ride



A woman fell from a packed Mumbai local on Thursday morning amid severe overcrowding on the Central Line, as several women eventually stepped onto the railway tracks, apparently finding it safer to walk to the station than remain inside the crush of passengers.

The incident took place on the stretch between Dombivli and Kalwa, where the local train was packed with commuters.

With little room to move and passengers struggling to stay inside the crowded compartment, the situation turned dangerous when the woman fell from the train doorway.

A major tragedy was narrowly avoided, but the chaos did not end there. The train remained halted for a considerable time as several women began stepping down onto the tracks and walking towards the station.

The incident emphasised the extreme overcrowding faced by commuters on Mumbai's Central Line, particularly during busy morning hours.

It also raised fresh questions about passenger safety and whether adequate measures were in place to manage the growing rush on the suburban railway network.

The sight of commuters choosing to walk along the tracks rather than remain inside an overcrowded train underscored just how difficult the situation had become for passengers that morning.

Elephant spotted with tractor tyre stuck around neck in Assam



A wild elephant in Assam's Golaghat district was spotted with a tractor tyre stuck around its neck before the animal was rescued by the forest department after hours of effort.

The elephant was seen walking through a tea garden in Bokial, Numaligarh, while searching for food, in a video that has gone viral on social media.

Local residents suspected that the tyre had got caught around its neck while the elephant was moving through the area.

The sight raised concerns about the elephant's safety, particularly as the heavy tyre could have restricted its movement and caused injuries.

The Assam Forest Department's frontline team later managed to

remove the tyre and free the elephant after hours of painstaking effort.

Meanwhile, IAS officer Supriya Sahu also shared the development on X, calling the rescue “a relief” and highlighting the risks posed by discarded waste and abandoned items in areas frequented by wildlife.

“The incident also spotlights how discarded waste and abandoned items in and around forest areas can turn deadly for wildlife,” Sahu wrote, while praising the rescuers. The successful intervention came after the elephant had been spotted moving through the tea garden with the tyre around its neck. The animal was eventually freed, ending what could have become a potentially dangerous situation for the wild elephant.

Gurugram man says his house help earns Rs 60,000 monthly, shares how she manages it



A man based in Gurugram has shared how his house help earns around Rs 60,000 a month and manages her finances, saying her approach to money made him rethink what financial discipline really means.

In a post on LinkedIn, Shiva Mittal said his help works across five to six homes every day and takes only three to four fixed leaves a month. Despite the de-

manding routine, she manages to support her daughter's education at a private school, pay Rs 10,000 in monthly rent excluding utilities and cover her daily expenses.

She is also steadily paying an EMI for a piece of land worth Rs 6 lakh in her hometown. “What you don't spend is what you save,” Shiva quoted her as saying, describing it as her simple approach to managing money.

“What struck me most wasn't just the math, but where that money actually goes,” he said. Her spending is focused almost entirely on necessities, with her main priority being to secure a stable future for her daughter.

Mittal contrasted this with people who take on EMIs for depreciating assets such as cars and gadgets, along with lifestyle upgrades that may be driven by ap-

pearances or social expectations.

“We read personal finance books, download budgeting apps, and still find ways to leak money despite having comfortable corporate safety nets,” he said.

He noted that his help has no corporate safety net, employee benefits or insurance and little room for financial error. Yet, according to him, she maintains a clear focus on what matters to her