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Indian Among 12 Killed in latest Russian Strikes Pound Ukraine

Embassy in Kyiv is coordinating with the victim's family, employer and Ukrainian authorities to repatriate the mortal remains.

KYIV, Sept. 1 –

An Indian national was among 12 people killed in a fresh wave of Russian missile and drone strikes across Ukraine, President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said on Tuesday. Dozens more were injured as residential buildings, railway facilities and other civilian infrastructure were hit.

The Indian Embassy in Kyiv confirmed the death and said it was in contact with the bereaved family, the victim's company and Ukrainian authorities to facilitate early repatriation of the mortal remains. The victim's identity has not been publicly disclosed.

Zelenskyy said the attacks involved jet-powered drones and ballistic missiles and affected Kyiv as well as Odesa, Kherson, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia, Kharkiv and several other regions. The latest assault marked the sixth consecutive day of heavy Russian air strikes on and around Kyiv.



Hormuz Shipping Threat Deepens: Two Saudi Crude Supertankers Struck By Projectiles

Media Press

TEHRAN, Sep 1:

Two supertankers carrying Saudi crude were struck by unidentified projectiles while sailing out of the Strait of Hormuz late Monday, heightening concerns over security along the critical global oil route.

Shipping intelligence firm Marisks said the Saudi-flagged Sidr was hit about 16.6 nautical miles northeast of Khasab, Oman, at around 19:52 UTC. Minutes later, the Liberian-flagged Senegal Prosperity was struck by three projectiles roughly 17 nautical miles east of Khasab. All crew aboard both vessels were reported safe.

Kpler data showed that each tanker had loaded approximately two million barrels of Saudi crude at the Juaymah terminal the previous week. The UK Maritime Trade Operations also reported a tanker being struck by three projectiles in the same area.

SIR Work Hits Roadblock in Secunderabad Cantonment as BLO Dues Remain Pending

Congress leader Shaik Nayeem seeks CEO's intervention, warning that unpaid honorariums are disrupting voter verification and notice delivery in the constituency.

Munsif Bureau

Hyderabad, Sep 1:

Special Intensive Revision work in the Secunderabad Cantonment Assembly constituency has again come under strain over alleged non-payment of honorariums to Booth Level Officers, prompting Congress leader Shaik Nayeem to seek urgent intervention from Telangana Chief Electoral Officer C. Sudharsan Reddy.

In his representation, Nayeem said prolonged payment delays had resulted in the “stoppage/ disruption” of SIR-related work and could inconvenience electors requiring inclusion, correction or verification of their voter details. Copies were also sent to the Hyderabad District Collector, GHMC Commissioner and Secunderabad Cantonment Board CEO.

The grievance predates the latest letter. ASHA workers and ANMs serving as BLOs protested in July, alleging sizeable election-duty dues. In early August, workers said only a small portion of amounts ranging from



Renowned Theatre personality Padmashree Mohammad Ali Baig has greeted Mr Mohammed Abdul Jaleel for reviving the publication of English Munsif daily. In a statement, he said that this step will definitely serve the purpose of weaker sections in finding a place in the mainstream to highlight their problems. He has extended his hearty wishes for the successful running of the Munsif english daily from Hyderabad.

Tehran Defiant After Larak Strike: Iran Calls Retaliation Justified as US Attacks Resume

TEHRAN, Sep 1:

Iran on Tuesday condemned the latest US military action against its territory and defended its retaliatory strikes, accusing Washington of continuing a pattern of aggression that has pushed the six-month conflict back towards direct confrontation.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Esmail Baghaei said the August 30 US attack on missile launchers on Larak Island, near the Strait of Hormuz, demonstrated that Washington was continuing to violate understandings with Tehran. Iran subsequently launched missiles at two US air bases in Jordan. Baghaei said Tehran was “justified in its response” and remained prepared to answer further attacks.

He also accused the United States of treating negotiations as an opportunity to dictate terms, saying Iran would use both diplomatic and military capabilities to defend its interests. Baghaei criticised intensified US sanctions, arguing they had severely affected ordinary Iranians.

President Masoud Pezeshkian, meanwhile, told the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit in Bishkek that Iran would reciprocate immediately if Washington returned to commitments contained in the June memorandum of understanding intended to halt fighting.

The confrontation escalated further later Tuesday when US Central Command announced fresh strikes on Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps targets. Iranian media reported explosions on Qeshm Island and around Bandar Abbas, Chabahar, Jask and Sirik. President Donald Trump warned that any renewed Iranian retaliation would bring substantially heavier US attacks.

The renewed exchanges have again raised concerns over regional escalation and shipping through the Strait of Hormuz, a critical artery for global oil supplies.

RELIEF FOR HYDRAA CHIEF: HC Bench Suspends Order Seeking Ranganath's Removal

Hyderabad, Sep 1:

HYDRAA Commissioner A.V. Ranganath secured interim relief from the Telangana High Court on Tuesday after a Division Bench suspended a single-judge order asking the State government to relieve him from office.

Chief Justice Aparesh Kumar Singh and Justice G.M. Mohiuddin passed the interim order while hearing Ranganath's appeal. Senior advocate Rajiv Shakdher appeared for him. The appeal has been posted for further hearing on November 3.

The controversy arose from contempt proceedings initiated by M/s Shantha Sriram Constructions over disputed land at Lothkunta in Medchal-Malkajgiri district. Justice Jukanti Anil Kumar, in a July 27 order, found what he described as “wilful, deliberate, intentional disobedience” of restraining orders and an undertaking previously given to the court, and requested the Chief Secretary to find a suitable replacement for Ranganath.

The single judge had also taken note of numerous contempt proceedings involving the officer. Ranganath, however, maintained that HYDRAA had acted to protect government land and denied interfering with the petitioner's disputed 40-acre property after the court's directions.

In the appeal, HYDRAA's case centres on a separate 119-acre parcel recorded as GLR No. 243 in Secunderabad Cantonment, which authorities contend is government land.

Marriage Aid Back on Track: HC Lifts Stay on Kalyana Lakshmi, Shaadi Mubarak

Division Bench clears the way for Telangana to resume welfare payments after suspending the single judge's interim order against eight Government Orders.

Hyderabad, Sep 1:

The Telangana government on Tuesday received a major relief from the High Court after a division bench headed by the Chief Justice set aside the interim stay imposed by a single judge on the implementation of the Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak welfare schemes.



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ONE IN THREE MISSING: Delhi SIR Draft Shows Sharp Exclusions in Minority Seats

Okhla recorded a 45% exclusion rate, while Chandni Chowk and Ballimaran saw 38% and 32%; poll officials say the draft is not final and omitted electors can seek restoration.

NEW DELHI, Sep 1:

Minority-dominated constituencies have recorded some of the steepest exclusions from Delhi's draft electoral roll under the Special Intensive Revision, with Okhla losing 45% of its previous electorate, according to constituency-wise data reported by PTI.

Of Delhi's 1,45,10,299 registered electors before the exercise, 47,56,722 — 32.79% — do not figure in the draft, leaving 97,53,577 names on the provisional roll.

Among constituencies with sizeable minority populations, Chandni Chowk recorded about 38% exclusions, Ballimaran 32%, Mustafabad 28%, Babarpur 26%, Matia Mahal 24% and Seelampur 23%. Okhla alone saw 1,63,829 of its earlier 3,62,813 electors below Delhi's overall exclusion rate.

Delhi CEO data attributes 43,32,775 exclusions to voters recorded as absent or shifted, 2,82,412 to deceased electors and 1,41,535 to duplicate or multiple enrolments.

Crucially, exclusion from the draft does not amount to a final loss of voting rights. Eligible electors can apply through Form 6 during the claims period ending September 30; the final roll is scheduled for publication on November 4.

The figures are particularly significant as Telangana conducts its own SIR, where claims and objections over the August 17 draft remain open until September 16.



Video Sparks Row: Two Burqa-Clad Women Allegedly Denied Entry at Mumbai Hospital

- Incident occurred at BMC-run Dr R.N. Cooper Hospital in Vile Parle.

- Advocate Jahanara Shaikh alleged she and a companion were stopped because they wore burqas.

- Hospital administration issued a show-cause notice to the security guard.



IANS, Mumbai, Sep 1:

A viral video showing two burqa-clad women being stopped at Mumbai's BMC-run Cooper Hospital has triggered debate over religious freedom, privacy and security procedures in maternity wards.

Advocate Jahanara Shaikh said she and a friend had gone to visit a relative when a female security guard allegedly asked her to remove her burqa before entering. Shaikh objected, arguing that identity verification could be carried out without requiring removal of the garment. Security personnel reportedly cited concerns over infant theft.

Hospital Dean Dr Chhaya Shinde later said the guard should merely have asked Shaikh to reveal her face for verification. The guard subsequently apologised, while the hospital issued her a show-cause notice and said tighter security measures were being implemented to protect newborns.



A majestic white tiger displays its striking beauty and powerful presence amid the lush greenery at the Nehru Zoological Park in Bahadurpura, Hyderabad, on Tuesday. The rare big cat's distinctive coat and fierce gaze make for a captivating sight.

- Pic. Syed Omar



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Politics, governance, districts, development, welfare and issues shaping the

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Telangana HC Lifts Stay on Kalyana Lakshmi, Shaadi Mubarak Schemes



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The single judge had imposed the interim stay while hearing a petition filed by advocate Vijay Gopal in his individual capacity. The petition challenged eight government orders issued since 2014 in connection with Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak. The interim stay was granted after the government did not file its counter in the case. Representing the Telangana government, Advocate General A. Sudarshan Reddy argued before the division bench that the petition questioned welfare schemes that had been in operation

since 2014. He submitted that the implementation of the schemes neither affected the petitioner nor violated any of his legal rights.

The Advocate General also pointed out that the petitioner was not a beneficiary of either Kalyana Lakshmi or Shaadi Mubarak. He argued that the petition could not be treated as a Public Interest Litigation and questioned its maintainability before a single judge.

The government further contended that the Supreme Court had previously permitted welfare schemes of a similar nature and maintained that Kalyana Lakshmi and

Shaadi Mubarak were legitimate welfare measures.

The Advocate General urged the division bench to vacate the interim stay and allow the government to continue implementing the schemes.

After considering the arguments, the Chief Justice-led division bench accepted the government's submissions, lifted the interim stay and allowed the Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak schemes to continue.

The ruling is expected to provide relief to eligible beneficiaries awaiting assistance under the two flagship welfare programmes.

Sridhar Babu Distributes Aid to Minority Women, Turka Kasha Community in Medchal

Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Telangana IT Minister D. Sridhar Babu and Telangana Minorities Finance Corporation (TGMFC) Chairman Mohd. Obedulla Kothwal distributed financial assistance and livelihood support to beneficiaries under minority welfare schemes in Medchal-Malkajgiri district on Tuesday.

As part of the Indiramma Minority Mahila Yojana, cheques worth Rs.50,000 each were distributed to 220 minority widows, providing financial support to help improve their livelihoods.

In another initiative, 47 members of the Turka Kasha Muslim community received generator and tool kits worth Rs.60,000 each under the Rehabilitation of Turka Kasha for Minority Community scheme. The assistance is aimed at supporting beneficiaries

in strengthening their traditional occupations and improving their income opportunities.

The programme was attended by Serilingampally MLA Arekapudi Gandhi, Chief Whip and MLC Patnam Mahender Reddy, Medchal-Malkajgiri District Collector Manu Choudhary, TGMFC AGM Pravin Kulkarni, the District Minorities Welfare Officer and other TGMFC officials.

Addressing the gathering, TGMFC Chairman Mohd. Obedulla Kothwal thanked Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and Minister for Minorities Welfare Mohammed Azharuddin for introducing initiatives aimed at empowering minority communities.

He said such welfare measures would provide financial assistance and livelihood opportunities to economically vulnerable sections of the minority community.

Bhatti Hands Over 1 Crore Insurance Cheque to Kin of Deceased TRANSCO Employee



NSS
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka on Tuesday handed over a cheque of ₹1 crore towards accident insurance to Boda Swathi, wife of Shankar Reddy, a Grade-II employee of TRANSCO who died in an accident while on duty.

The cheque was handed over at Praja Bhavan. Shankar Reddy, who was working under the TRANSCO Huzurabad 132/11 KV Sub-Station,

died on October 1, 2025, after suffering an electric shock caused by a short circuit while performing his duties.

Bhatti interacted with Swathi and enquired about the family's well-being and financial condition. He advised her to utilise the insurance amount for the education and welfare of her children and to secure their future. TRANSCO CMD Krishna Bhaskar, senior officials, employees and others were present on the occasion.

Yadadri Bhuvanagiri tense after BJP-Congress clashes, protests

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Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Political tensions remained high in Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district on Tuesday following a series of clashes between BJP and Congress activists, with attacks on party offices and protests reported at several locations.

The situation escalated after BJP activists allegedly attacked the camp office of Congress MLA Kumbam Anil Kumar Reddy. Furniture was reportedly damaged and black paint was splashed on the MLA's flex banner. Police intervened and resorted to a lathi-charge to disperse the protesters, during which several people reportedly suffered minor injuries.

Congress activists later allegedly retaliated by attacking the BJP office and damaging furniture. BJP leaders also

alleged that Congress workers targeted the residence of the party's district president.

Former MLA and BJP leader Shanampudi Saidireddy condemned the incidents and criticised the State government over what he described as a deterioration in law and order. He also termed the alleged attack on an elderly woman as shameful. The tension spread to Choutuppal, where BJP workers staged a protest over the Bhuvanagiri incidents. Police prevented protesters led by senior leader Manohar Reddy from burning a Congress effigy, following which BJP workers resorted to a road blockade.

Meanwhile, another confrontation was reported in Chandur when BJYM activists attempted to burn an effigy of Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy.

IRCS Telangana to Hold Elections for 30 District Branches on October 4

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Hyderabad, 1st Sep

The Telangana government on Tuesday received relief from the High Court after a division bench headed by the Chief Justice lifted the interim stay imposed by a single judge on the implementation of the Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak welfare schemes.

The division bench was hearing the State government's appeal against the earlier order that had temporarily halted the two schemes. The single judge

had passed the interim order while hearing a petition filed by advocate Vijay Gopal, challenging eight government orders issued since 2014 in connection with the schemes.

The stay was granted after the government failed to file its counter in the case. Appearing for the State, Advocate General A. Sudarshan Reddy argued that the schemes had been in operation since 2014 and that their implementation neither affected the petitioner nor violated his rights. He also pointed out that the petitioner was

not a beneficiary of either scheme. The government argued that the petition did not qualify as a Public Interest Litigation and questioned its maintainability before a single judge. It further submitted that similar welfare schemes had been upheld by the Supreme Court.

After hearing the arguments, the division bench accepted the government's submissions and set aside the interim stay, allowing both schemes to continue. The decision is expected to bring relief to eligible beneficiaries awaiting assistance.

Telangana Cracks Down on Private Fertility and IVF Centres

379 centres inspected; irregularities found in 50, with action taken against 11 facilities

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Hyderabad, 1st Sep

The Telangana government has intensified its crackdown on private fertility and IVF centres across the State, with authorities inspecting 379 centres and detecting irregularities at 50 of them. Action has been initiated against 11 centres, including cancellation of registration of two facilities and temporary suspension of permissions of nine others.

Health Minister Damodar Rajanarsimha reviewed the functioning of fertility centres with senior health officials at the Secretariat on Monday.

He directed officials to take strict legal action against centres violating the ART and Surrogacy Acts, particularly in cases involving serious violations.

During inspections, officials found discrepancies in staff details, poor maintenance of records,

failure to prominently display registration certificates and inadequate grievance-redressal mechanisms. Some centres were also found operating from addresses different from those mentioned in their official registrations. Show-cause notices were issued to the erring facilities.

The Minister directed officials to ensure that patients are not subjected to unnecessary financial burden in the name of fertility treatment.

Inspection teams were also asked to verify medicines and injections used at fertility centres, including manufacturers and maximum retail prices, to ensure transparency in treatment costs.

Officials said Telangana currently has 477 registered ART and Surrogacy centres, comprising 129 ART Level-I centres, 226 ART Level-II centres, 59 ART banks and 63 surrogacy clinics.

The government also reviewed IVF services

at Gandhi Hospital and Petlaburj MGMH, which have together provided fertility-related services to 39,802 patients, including 20,185 follicular studies, 521 IUI procedures and 545 IVF procedures.

The Minister directed officials to strengthen these facilities and prepare plans to gradually expand government IVF services to other districts.

The meeting also reviewed implementation of the PC-PNDT Act, with 2,600 inspections conducted at hospitals and scanning centres between April and July. Irregularities were detected at 52 centres, which were issued show-cause notices.

The Minister directed officials to maintain strict surveillance over centres suspected of facilitating illegal sex determination and ensure that fertility services across Telangana remain safe, transparent and compliant with the law.

Kishan Reddy Directs Coal Firms to Ensure Uninterrupted Supply to Thermal Plants

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Hyderabad, 1st Sep

In view of the significant rise in power consumption across the country, Union Minister for Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy directed government coal-producing companies to ensure adequate and uninterrupted coal supply to thermal power stations having Fuel Supply Agreements (FSAs) with them.

He also directed Singareni Collieries Company Limited to continue supplying adequate coal to thermal power stations covered under its fuel supply agreements.

Kishan Reddy held a special review meeting through video conference with government coal-producing companies across the country on Tuesday to assess coal supplies to thermal power stations.

Addressing the meeting, he said 28 thermal power stations were currently facing low coal stocks. He directed the concerned coal companies to immediately increase coal transportation to these plants and ensure there was no shortage.

Senior officials from Coal India Limited, Singareni and other government organisations participated in the meeting.

Singareni Chairman and Managing Director Dr. Buddaprakash Jyoti said the company was supplying adequate coal to power stations having FSAs with Singareni. He assured that the company would continue its efforts to meet the growing power requirements and maintain adequate supplies.

Director (Personnel & Finance) Gawtham Potru, Executive Director (Coal Movement) B. Venkanna and General Manager (Coordination & Marketing) Tadaboyina Srinivas also participated in the meeting from Singareni Bhavan, Hyderabad.

Bandi Sanjay rejects MPLADS report, says 94% of KNR funds under implementation

NSS
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Union Minister Bandi Sanjay Kumar on Tuesday rejected a report by the 'Empowered Indian' organisation alleging poor utilisation of MPLADS funds by MPs, terming the claims misleading and factually incorrect.

Citing his Karimnagar Lok Sabha constituency, Bandi Sanjay said ₹16.47 crore, or 94.1 per cent, of the ₹17.50 crore allocated under MPLADS for the 18th Lok Sabha term was under implementation. He said 627 proposals had been submitted to District Collectors over the past three years based on public requests for community halls, borewells, high-mast lights and CC roads.



The proposals included 313 works in Karimnagar, 39 in Hanamkonda, 45 in Jagtial, 151 in Rajanna Sircilla and 79 in Siddipet.

He said District Collectors had approved 82.29 per cent of the proposed works, while the remaining proposals were under the sanctioning process. He also clarified that the ₹16.47 crore figure included ₹2.5 crore left unutilised during former MP Boinapally

Vinod Kumar's tenure.

Bandi Sanjay said MPLADS works involve several stages, including proposal submission, approval, execution and completion, and criticised the report for ignoring this process.

He added that he was also mobilising CSR funds for local development and urged the organisation to consider complete implementation data before making allegations against MPs.

Technical Team to Inspect Kothagudem Airport Sites on Sept. 7



Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

The Centre has taken another step towards the proposed greenfield airport in Bhadradi Kothagudem district, with a technical team scheduled to inspect four to five shortlisted sites on September 7.

Agriculture, Marketing and Cooperation Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao met Union Civil Aviation Minister Kinjarapu Ram Mohan Naidu in New Delhi on Tuesday and discussed the need for an airport in the district and the feasibility studies conducted so far.

As part of the preliminary study, six locations were examined, with Seethampeta and Sujathanagar emerging as the most suitable sites.

The study indicated that around 667 acres of land required for the proposed runway-based airport is available at these locations.

The Central technical team will assess the shortlisted sites based on geographical and climatic conditions, land availability and acquisition issues, runway suitability and other technical requirements for aircraft operations.

Tummala said the Union Civil Aviation Minister assured him that further steps would be taken if the technical team submits a favourable report.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy is likely to discuss proposals for the Mamnoon airport in Warangal and Adilabad airport with the Centre on September 2.

Over 12 Weapons Stolen from Army Storage in Secunderabad; Probe Underway

More than 12 weapons, including four AK-47 rifles, were reportedly stolen from an Army arms storage facility in Bollaram, Secunderabad. The theft triggered a high alert across the cantonment, while police and Army officials launched a probe to trace the stolen weapons and identify the culprits.



Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

A serious security breach has been reported at the Madras Regiment premises in Bolarum, Secunderabad, after several service weapons were found missing from a secured storage facility. The incident is suspected to have occurred on Sunday night and came to light when Army personnel inspected the weapons room and found the door and lock damaged. A complaint was subsequently lodged with Bolarum police, who reg-

istered a theft case and launched an investigation. According to information available so far, the missing weapons reportedly include four AK-47 rifles, six pistols and an INSAS rifle, along with ammunition. Officials have indicated that around 12 weapons are missing, though the Army has not publicly disclosed the complete details. The weapons were stored in a restricted section of the military premises, accessible only to authorised personnel. Investigators are there-

fore examining how the intruders managed to reach the storage facility and remove the firearms without being detected. Army authorities have secured the area and are questioning personnel, security guards and others who had access to the premises. Police are examining CCTV footage, entry and exit records and other security details to identify suspicious movements before and after the incident. The possibility of insider involvement is also being examined, given

the restricted nature of the facility. Investigators are looking into whether anyone with authorised access may have assisted in the theft. Senior officers of the Malkajgiri Commissionerate are supervising the police investigation, while the Army is conducting a parallel internal inquiry. CCTV footage from the regiment and surrounding areas is also being scrutinised. Authorities are trying to establish the exact sequence of events, determine how the weapons and ammunition were taken out of the high-security premises and identify those responsible. The disappearance of service weapons from a secured military establishment has raised serious security concerns in the area. The investigation is continuing, with police and Army officials working to recover the missing firearms and ascertain whether more than one person was involved.

SIR-2026: Draft Electoral Rolls Published, Claims and Objections Open

Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

The draft electoral rolls under the Special Intensive Revision (SIR)-2026 have been published, allowing voters to verify their details and raise claims or objections. Citizens can submit claims and objections through the prescribed forms from August 17 to September 16, 2026. Voters have been advised to carefully check their names, personal details and other information in the draft electoral rolls and ensure that their entries are correctly recorded. As part of the revision exercise, special campaign drives will be conducted at polling stations on September 5 and 6, and again on September 12 and 13. The Election Commission has urged eligible voters to make use of the campaign days and approach the concerned officials if any correction, inclusion or objection is required. The SIR exercise is aimed at ensuring that the electoral rolls remain accurate and updated by identifying eligible voters and addressing discrepancies in voter records.

Relief for HYDRAA Commissioner Ranganath as Telangana HC Stays Removal Order

Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

H Y D R A A Commissioner A.V. Ranganath, IPS, received temporary relief from the Telangana High Court on Tuesday after a division bench suspended the single judge's order directing the State Government to remove him from the post. The single judge had ordered Ranganath's removal while hearing a contempt petition filed by Shanta Sriram Constructions Pvt Ltd, which alleged that HYDRAA had violated court directions during demolition proceedings at its property. Ranganath subsequently challenged the order before the division bench. During Tuesday's hearing, former Himachal Pradesh High Court Chief Justice Rajiv Shakti appeared on behalf of the HYDRAA Commissioner. After hearing the arguments, the division bench temporarily suspended the single judge's directions. The earlier case relates to HYDRAA's demolition drive on August 17 at around 40 acres of land in Survey Nos. 1 and 2



of Lothkunta village in Malkajgiri mandal of Medchal-Malkajgiri district. Justice Jukanti Anil Kumar, who heard the contempt petition, had taken a serious view of the alleged violation of court orders and directed the State Chief Secretary to remove Ranganath as HYDRAA Commissioner and appoint another officer in his place. The single judge had also expressed concern over the number of contempt proceedings pending against Ranganath. The court noted that while 9,290 contempt cases had been pending across the State over the previous five years, 63 contempt petitions involving Ranganath had been filed within about 18 months. The judge had observed that the situation

was unusual for an officer of secretary rank and raised concerns over what the court described as repeated and wilful disregard of judicial directions. The court had further stated that continued violation of court orders by an officer could undermine the rule of law and called for stringent action against officials found guilty of such violations. It had also highlighted that protecting government properties, particularly those within GHMC limits, is among HYDRAA's key responsibilities under GO 99, through which the agency was constituted. With the division bench now putting the removal order on hold, Ranganath will continue to remain HYDRAA Commissioner for the time being, as the appellate proceedings move forward.

Munsif Urged to Uphold Journalistic Values, Remain Independent and Neutral



A dedicated English newspaper for the Muslim community can play an important role in ensuring wider and meaningful coverage of the community's issues, achievements and activities, while also serving as a bridge between citizens, the community and the government. For years, Muslim organisations, institutions and individuals have largely depended on mainstream media to highlight their concerns and events. However, many such stories often receive limited coverage due to editorial priorities and space constraints. In this context, Munsif has been urged to use its platform to educate readers about their rights and responsibilities and highlight the commu-

nity's contributions to society. The newspaper has also been encouraged to maintain a neutral and independent editorial approach, free from political influence, social bias and group interests. It should avoid a narrow or sectarian outlook and instead remain committed to the core principles of journalism — truth, fairness, justice and public service. The hope was also expressed that Munsif would uphold integrity, wisdom and fairness in its reporting and emerge as a responsible and credible sahiba for the community. Heartfelt best wishes were conveyed to Editor Abdul Jaleel and the entire Munsif team on the launch of the English daily, with hopes that the publication will make a meaningful contribution to journalism and society.

Indira Priyadarshini Government Degree College Hosts Colourful Freshers' Party



Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Indira Priyadarshini Government Degree College, Nampally, organised a colourful Freshers' Party for first-year students, providing them an opportunity to showcase their talent through various cultural, entertainment and interactive activities. Dasari Malini, Mrs India USA, attended the programme as the chief guest

Tolichowki SI Caught Taking 10,000 Bribe

Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Tolichowki SI R. Pandu Naik was caught red-handed by the ACB while allegedly accepting a ₹10,000 bribe to stop a case and prevent passport seizure. He was arrested and produced before the ACB court.

and added to the event's attraction. Several competitions were organised for the students, with the beauty contest emerging as one of the major highlights. Dasari Malini hosted the final round of the beauty contest and, in her address, emphasised the importance of self-confidence, hard work, dedication and a positive approach towards life. The student who performed exceptionally well in the competition was crowned Miss Fresher. Students enthusiastically participated in various other competitions, and those

who excelled were presented with prizes in recognition of their performances. Addressing the gathering, college Principal Prof. Chandra Mukherjee said the Freshers' Party was organised to help new students become familiar with the academic environment and provide them with a pleasant platform to express their creative, cultural and hidden talents. The successful conduct of the programme was appreciated, with the efforts of the college management, faculty members and organisers being acknowledged.

Hit-and-Run Case: Art Director Anand Sai's Son Sandeep Arrested



Munsif Bureau
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Rayadurgam police have arrested Sandeep, son of TTD Board member and noted art director Anand Sai, in connection with a fatal road accident in Hyderabad. The accident occurred on the road from the ORR rotary towards Khajaguda Main Road. Police said Sandeep was allegedly driving at high speed when his car hit Nandulal, a native of Bihar, while he was crossing the road. A student, Zaid Shah Qadri, stopped to help

the injured man and was taking him to a hospital when another speeding Mahindra car reportedly collided with Sandeep's vehicle. Nandulal later succumbed to his injuries, while the Mahindra car fled the spot. Rayadurgam police launched an investigation using CCTV footage and technical evidence and traced both vehicles. The cars have been seized, and Anand Sai was also questioned. Police subsequently arrested Sandeep, while further investigation into the accident is underway.

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla Offers Prayers at Tirumala

NSS
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Telangana Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla, accompanied by his family members, offered prayers at several prominent temples in Tirupati and surrounding areas on Tuesday. The Governor had darshan of Lord Sri Venkateswara at the Tirumala temple and offered special prayers. Vedic scholars later performed Veda Ashirvachanam, while temple authorities presented him with sacred Theertha Prasadam. Shukla and his family subsequently visited Sri Siddheshwar Teerth at Sri Brahmamathi Ashram, C. Ramapuram, and offered prayers to Lord Sri Lakshmi Narayana. Later, the Governor visited the Sri Kalahasteswara Temple at Srikalahasti, where he offered prayers to Lord Shiva.

AI, ANPR Cameras to Strengthen Transport Surveillance: Ponnamp

NSS
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

Telangana Transport Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar on Tuesday said the State government has initiated steps to install 60 Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras to detect traffic violations and strengthen enforcement. Speaking to the media, the Minister said the government was also planning to use Artificial Intelligence (AI) to make surveillance across the transport system more effective and efficient. He said the Transport Department had recently

appointed 113 Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspectors, 50 constables, 20 junior assistants and four Motor Vehicle Inspectors. Check-posts have been abolished to prevent harassment, while enforcement teams have been strengthened across the districts. Ponnamp said TGSRTC was more than just a transport organisation and served as a lifeline for poor and middle-class people across Telangana. He appreciated the efforts of drivers, conductors and other employees in providing reliable public transport services. The Minister said the government, under

the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka, was providing the necessary funds to strengthen the Transport Department and RTC. He expressed confidence that improved technology, efficient administration and the dedicated efforts of employees would help transform TGSRTC into the No. 1 public transport organisation in the country. Special Chief Secretary (Transport) Vikas Raj, TGSRTC MD Y. Nagi Reddy, Transport Commissioner Ilambarthi and JTC Chandrasekhar Goud were among those present.

Traditional Fishermen Seek Priority in Jalasiri Fish Pond Allocation

NSS
Hyderabad, 1st Sep

The Telangana Gangaputra Sangam has urged the State government to give priority to traditional fishermen families in the allocation of fish ponds under the Jalasiri programme. TGS State Secretary T. Rajesh Khanna Gangaputra submitted a representation to State Planning Committee Vice-Chairman and Prajavani in-charge Dr. G. Chinna Reddy during the Prajavani programme at Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Prajavanavan on Tuesday. Khanna said the State government's decision to

construct 50,000 ponds and lakes under Jalasiri could provide a major livelihood opportunity for traditional fishing communities. He pointed out that a large number of traditional fishermen families have depended on fishing for generations but continue to face economic difficulties. Giving them preference in the allocation of fish ponds, he said, would help strengthen their livelihoods and improve their financial condition. The Sangam urged the government to ensure that traditional fishermen receive the benefits of the scheme.



Members of Anjuman-e-Rekhta Goyan felicitated The Munsif Editor-in-Chief Mohammed Abdul Jaleel on the relaunch of The Munsif English Daily. Seen in the picture are Dr Javed Kamal, Editor, Rekhta Nama; K.N. Asif, senior journalist; Syed Mujeebullah Hussaini, Manager, Advertising Department; Zubaida, retired Ministry of Defence officer; Nazima, Academic In-charge, MS School; and Dr Rubina Shabnam, Secretary, Bazm-e-Jauhar.



At a Glance

Two Youths Missing

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Patna, Sep. 01

Two youths went missing after being swept away by strong currents while trying to cross a flooded diversion on a motorcycle in Bihar's Bhojpur district on Tuesday, officials said. The incident occurred at the Cher river diversion on the Shahpur-Banahi Road. Three youths returning from Rudranagar village attempted to cross the flooded stretch despite the strong current. All three were swept downstream along with their motorcycle, but local residents rescued one. Sachin Ravani, 21, and Sandeep Ravani, 20, both from Shobhitola in Shahpur, remain missing. Police, local divers and rescue teams launched a search operation. The strong current has hampered efforts. An SDRF team has been called in, while large nets are being used downstream to locate the missing youths. Their families are waiting at the site for updates.

Vijay Opens Mettur Dam for Cauvery Delta Irrigation Amid Water-Sharing Dispute

IANSS
Chennai, Sep. 01

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister C. Joseph Vijay on Tuesday opened the sluice gates of the Stanley Reservoir at Mettur, releasing water for irrigation in the Cauvery delta after a delay of nearly three months due to inadequate rainfall and low storage. The government plans to continue the release for 45 days, subject to inflows and water availability in the reservoir. The discharge is expected to benefit farmers in the delta districts who have been awaiting water for cultivation. Water from Mettur is normally released on June 12 for the kuruvai paddy crop. This year, the opening was delayed



due to deficient rainfall in the Cauvery catchment and inadequate reservoir storage. The release comes amid the continuing Cauvery water-sharing dispute between Tamil Nadu and Karnataka. The Supreme Court on Monday adjourned the matter to September 15 after Tamil Nadu sought directions to Karnataka to clear the accumulated shortfall in

water releases. Tamil Nadu told the court that Karnataka had failed to make good the shortfall, while Karnataka disputed the allegation and said it had been releasing more water than required. Karnataka's counsel said 9,888 cusecs was released on August 30 against the required 9,000 cusecs, with the discharge later exceeding 11,000 cusecs.

Elderly Woman Stops Adhikari's Convoy, Seeks old-age Pension

IANSS
Kolkata, Sep. 01

An elderly woman on Tuesday stopped West Bengal Chief Minister Suwendu Adhikari's convoy in Madhyamgram, North 24 Parganas, and complained that she had not been receiving her old-age allowance. The 68-year-old woman, Swapna Das, approached Adhikari as his convoy reached Jessore Road after a programme. She told him about her



financial difficulties and said repeated applications for the allowance had yielded no result. Adhikari assured her that arrangements would be made for her pension under the old-age pension

scheme. He also directed BJP Barasat organisational district president Rajib Poddar to send her documents to his office for necessary action. Das, who lives in a rented one-room house

Russian Envoy Meets Nitin Nabin, Discusses India-Russia Ties

IANSS
New Delhi, Sep. 01

Russian Ambassador Denis Alipov met BJP president Nitin Nabin at the party headquarters in New Delhi on Tuesday and discussed the strengthening of India-Russia relations. Nabin highlighted the close ties between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Russian President Vladimir Putin. The two sides discussed Modi and Putin's meeting at the SCO Summit in Bishkek and prospects for further engagement ahead of the BRICS Summit in India. They also stressed people-to-people ties, skilled Indian professionals in Russia and plans to mark 80 years of diplomatic relations in 2027.



to help address trade barriers. The article said the agreements on geology, mining, nuclear energy and critical minerals were particularly significant. India and Uzbekistan plan to pursue cooperation in exploration, mining, processing, value-added production and recycling, while encouraging Indian companies to develop Uzbek mineral deposits. The two sides have

also advanced a long-term framework for Uzbek uranium supplies to India for civil nuclear cooperation. The article noted that such minerals and processed materials are important for electric vehicles, power grids, electronics, defence equipment and solar energy systems. According to the article, Uzbekistan produced 7,000 tonnes of uranium in 2025 and its government says identified reserves stand at

139,000 tonnes. For India, the arrangement could diversify a critical nuclear fuel supply, while Uzbekistan could gain from greater domestic processing and industrial cooperation. The article cautioned that agreements alone cannot eliminate commercial, safety and market risks, but said they could reduce India's dependence on a limited number of suppliers.

NEET-UG Paper Leak Case: Sanjeev Mukhiya Gets Court Relief as CBI Files No Chargesheet

IANSS
New Delhi, Aug 31

Sanjeev Mukhiya, whose name emerged prominently in the 2024 Patna NEET-UG question paper leak case, has received relief from a special court after the CBI did not file a chargesheet against him. The court passed the order during a hearing on Monday evening, when Mukhiya appeared through video conference. After considering the status of the CBI investigation and the absence of a chargesheet against him, the court ordered his release from judicial custody in the case, subject to furnishing the required bail bonds. However, Mukhiya will remain in jail in connection with another case. Mukhiya came under the scrutiny of investigating agencies after his alleged links to the network involved in the

Govt Cuts Sugar Stock Limit for Dealers to 2,000

IANSS
New Delhi, Sep. 01

The government has reduced the stock holding limit for sugar dealers across the country from 4,000 quintals to 2,000 quintals for the festive season, effective September 15 to November 30, 2026, to prevent hoarding and speculative trading and ensure adequate domestic supplies. According to the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, dealers will not be allowed to hold sugar for more than 30 days from the date of receipt or keep more than 2,000 quintals at any time and place across the country. The existing limit of 4,000 quintals will, how-



ever, continue in Kolkata and its extended metropolitan areas. The government said the region sources sugar from Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra and supplies it to eastern India, including the Northeast. The government has also intensified monitoring and physical verification of sugar stocks at mills, dealers and traders. The exercise has detected cases of excess holding, non-disclosure and irreg-

ularities in the movement and sale of stocks. The government said the measures, along with improved market availability, had contributed to a decline of around 20 per cent in ex-mill sugar prices in recent days. Retail prices have also started declining and are expected to follow the trend. Physical verification of sugar stocks will continue across the country in the coming weeks.

Three killed as Car Overtakes on NH-4 in Karnataka

IANSS
Karnataka, Sep. 01

Three people were killed and three others seriously injured after a car overturned on NH-4 near Venkatapur village in Dharwad taluk around 2.30 a.m. on Tuesday.

The deceased, identified as K.U. Vinayak, 25, Manjunath, 29, and Basavaraja, 34, were from Davangere and had come to Dharwad for catering work. Police said the accident occurred when a lorry allegedly ap-

peared suddenly in front of the car. The driver, Basavanagowda, braked abruptly, lost control and rammed into the divider before the car overturned. The injured were shifted to Dharwad District Hospital. Garag police are investigating.



leakage and distribution of the NEET-UG question paper surfaced. The CBI questioned him and examined his possible role in the case. During its investigation, however, the agency did not file a chargesheet against him. The court also took into consideration the absence of sufficient evidence to proceed against

him in the case. The CBI has investigated several accused in the NEET-UG paper leak case and, according to reports, filed chargesheets against 45 people. The probe examined the alleged chain of events from the leakage of the question paper to its distribution among candidates. The case came to light in

2024, after which the Bihar Police initially investigated the matter. The Centre subsequently handed over the probe to the CBI. The CBI registered its case on June 23, 2024, as RC-224/2024. The Bihar Police had earlier registered a separate case at Shastri Nagar police station in Patna as Case No. 358/2024. After taking over the investigation, the CBI questioned suspects, examined documents and probed the alleged network involved in the leak and distribution of the question paper. The court's latest order provides Mukhiya relief from continued judicial custody in this particular case. It does not, however, amount to a judicial finding that the allegations in the broader NEET-UG paper leak case have been disproved.

MPSC Drug Inspector Exam Case: Crime Branch Arrests Seventh Rank-Holder

IANSS
Mumbai, Sep. 01

The Mumbai Police Crime Branch on Tuesday arrested Rutuja Patil, who ranked seventh in the provisional merit list for the Maharashtra Public Service Commission's (MPSC) Drug Inspector Group-B examination. The arrest came days after the commission cancelled the recruitment process over alleged malpractice.

Patil, 25, was arrested in Nandurbar. Seven people, including three MPSC officials, have been arrested in connection with the alleged question paper leak in the screening examination held earlier this year. The examination, conducted for the Food and Drug Administration Department, was cancelled after a preliminary inquiry found alleged irregularities. Police said at least one candidate

had received the question paper before the test and benefited from it. According to the allegations, Patil received the leaked paper through her father and passed it to her boyfriend, Gaurav Patil, on March 20, two days before the March 22 examination. Patil recently told reporters that she had allegedly been instructed to answer 10 questions incorrectly so that a perfect score would not raise suspicion.

The leak came to light after a fallout between Patil and Gaurav. He approached the police and submitted digital evidence of questions allegedly shared with him, prompting the Crime Branch investigation. Complainants alleged that some candidates obtained the paper in advance and that it was circulated through social media and other electronic platforms to prospective buyers. The investigation is continuing.



At a Glance

Jaishankar Meets SCO FM's

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Bishkek, Sep. 01



External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar met Tuesday met the foreign ministers of China, Russia, Iran, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan on the sidelines of the 26th SCO Summit in Bishkek, discussing bilateral and regional issues.

Jaishankar met Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, Iranian Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi, Uzbek Foreign Minister Bakhtiyor Saidov and Tajik Foreign Minister Sirojiddin Muhridin. His talks with Wang came weeks after their discussions in Manila on bilateral ties and border stability. With Saidov, Jaishankar reviewed cooperation in energy, infrastructure, trade, defence, education and culture.dates.

PM Modi-Iran President Meeting Sent ‘Very Powerful Message’ to Mecca Pact Signatories: M J Akbar

IAN'S
New Delhi, Sep. 01

The meeting between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian on the sidelines of the SCO Summit in Bishkek sent a “very powerful message” against the backdrop of the recent Mecca Pact between Saudi Arabia, Turkey and Pakistan, former Minister of State for External Affairs and journalist M.J. Akbar said on Tuesday.

Modi and Pezeshkian held extensive discussions in the Kyrgyzstan capital on Monday, covering bilateral ties and recent developments in the West Asia conflict. The two leaders also exchanged views on the evolving regional situation.

“The most important meeting on the agenda of Prime Minister Modi on his visit to the SCO at Kyrgyzstan was, in fact, his first meeting which was with the Iran President. By the very meeting, they sent a very powerful message be-



cause the meeting itself was against the background of the Mecca Pact,” Akbar told IANS in an interview.

He said the meeting conveyed that wars and military alliances were not the solution to international problems and that negotiations and peace should remain the focus.

During the meeting, Modi expressed concern over the escalation of

tensions in the region and reiterated India’s position that all issues should be resolved through dialogue and diplomacy.

Akbar said India and Iran had used what he described as “flexible realism” to strengthen their bilateral relationship. He highlighted trade discussions between the two countries, particularly in the context of US sanctions and tariffs affecting

Iran.

He also underlined the importance of the Chabahar port to India-Iran ties, saying the facility had assumed greater significance amid the current regional crisis.

“In my view, the most important bilateral element was the discussion over Chabahar port. That port has taken on an extremely critical importance in the present

crisis,” Akbar said.

He said the port had been part of the India-Iran agenda for a long time and gained momentum during the first five years of Modi’s tenure.

Akbar also said National Security Adviser Ajit Doval’s recent visit to Beijing had a positive impact on India-China relations. He noted that border management had remained a major source of tension between the two countries for decades.

He said the understanding reached in 1988 had helped both sides manage differences while exploring other areas of cooperation.

Akbar also pointed to Chinese President Xi Jinping’s scheduled visit to New Delhi for the BRICS Summit, saying the visit could have a significant bilateral component alongside the multilateral agenda.

He expressed hope that a substantive meeting between Modi and Xi would help ease existing tensions and create conditions for greater cooperation.

Afghanistan Seeks US Investment, Sanctions Rethink

IAN'S
New Delhi, Sep. 01



Afghanistan is seeking greater US engagement and investment in mining, infrastructure, agriculture and trade amid sanctions and stalled development projects, reports said.

Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttaqi has urged Washington to look beyond two decades of conflict and focus on future cooperation.

Muttaqi told the Financial Times that Afghanistan would welcome US investment and called for the reopening of the US Embassy in Kabul and removal of sanctions. However, he said any return of US forces or takeover of Bagram Air Base would be unacceptable.

Afghanistan has attracted more than \$7 billion in mining investments since 2021, involving countries including China and Iran. US geological assessments estimate its mineral reserves at more than \$1 trillion, including copper, iron ore, lithium, cobalt, gold

and niobium.

A SIGAR report, cited by Tolo News, said nearly \$145 billion had been appropriated for reconstruction and related activities by June 2021. Major projects have faced delays, including CASA-1000, the TAPI gas pipeline and the Khaf-Herat railway.

Reports cited instability, corruption and poor management as factors affecting development. The World Bank said Afghanistan’s economy grew by more than 7 per cent annually on average between 2000 and 2019, but remained heavily dependent on foreign aid.

Muttaqi’s appeal seeks greater economic and diplomatic engagement with Washington while rejecting a renewed US military presence.

China’s Brahmaputra Mega-Dam Raises Concerns Over Potential ‘Water Bomb’

IAN'S
Prague, Sep. 01

China’s construction of a massive hydropower project on the Yarlung Tsangpo, known downstream as the Brahmaputra, in Tibet has raised fresh concerns over geological risks and its potential impact on downstream countries, according to a recent report.

Writing for Project Syndicate, Brahma Chellaney, Professor

Emeritus of Strategic Studies at New Delhi-based Centre for Policy Research, said the project is located in the Himalayan seismic belt, one of the world’s most earthquake-prone regions.

Chellaney cited a recent paper in the Beijing-linked journal Sedimentary Geology and Tethyan Geology, which reportedly warned of geological instability at the construction site.

The researchers described the terrain as

having a “loose structure and weak cohesion” and warned that fault movement or an earthquake could trigger large-scale instability, potentially threatening the reservoir and surrounding infrastructure.

The Brahmaputra is vital to agriculture, fisheries, wetlands and millions of livelihoods in northeastern India before flowing into Bangladesh, where it is a major freshwater source.

The report warned

that the project could alter transboundary flows and restrict the downstream movement of nutrient-rich sediment that supports river ecosystems and farmland.

Chellaney also raised concerns that a structural failure or emergency release of water following seismic damage could cause severe flooding in downstream areas of India and Bangladesh.

He argued that China’s control over the Tibetan

Plateau, the source of several major Asian rivers, has gained strategic significance. The report also raised concerns over dams on transboundary rivers, hydrological data-sharing and the absence of water-sharing treaties with downstream countries.

The report said warnings from Chinese geologists underline the need for greater transparency and attention to the project’s potential transboundary consequences.

Russia Warns Japan

IAN'S
Moscow, Sep. 01

Russia has warned of possible countermeasures over Japan’s deployment of US Typhon missile systems, Russian Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said.

Zakharova said Moscow had told the Japanese Embassy that deploying the weapons, even under the pretext of military exercises, was “absolutely unacceptable” and posed a threat to Russia’s security. She said Russia had warned

of retaliatory steps to protect its national security.

The Typhon system, deployed at Kanoya Air Base in Kagoshima for the Valiant Shield exercises, can carry Tomahawk missiles with a range of up to 1,600 km.

Zakharova urged Japan to return to its pacifist policy and said Russia’s sovereignty over the Southern Kuril Islands was not open to question. Russia also lodged a diplomatic protest over the planned exercises.

States Help India Withstand Global Shocks: Sitharaman

IAN'S
Asheville, Sep. 01

Cooperation between the Centre and states, reduced compliance burdens and regular engagement with businesses have helped India maintain strong economic growth despite global challenges, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said.



Nepal Flood Death Toll Crosses 1,000; Nearly 4,000 Remain Missing

IAN'S
Kathmandu, Sep. 01

The death toll from last week’s devastating floods in Nepal has crossed 1,000, while nearly 4,000 people remain unaccounted for as search and rescue teams continue operations across the worst-affected districts.

According to the latest update from the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Authority (NDRRMA), 1,003 bodies have been recovered so far. The highest number of bodies was recovered in Chitwan, where 321 were found, followed by 216 in Nawalparasi East, 170 in Nawalparasi West and 95 in Nuwakot.

The NDRRMA said 3,916 people, including 583 foreign nationals, remain out of contact. The missing include mem-



bers of the Nepali Army, Nepal Police, Armed Police Force and other government employees.

As many as 639 people associated with hydropower projects along the Bhotekoshi and Trishuli river corridors are also reported missing, making the damaged power projects a major focus of ongoing rescue operations.

A total of 279 people have been injured, while 11,884 people have been rescued so far, according to the authority. The government has deployed

21,314 security personnel for search, rescue and relief operations, including 9,199 from the Nepali Army, 7,912 from Nepal Police and 4,203 from the Armed Police Force.

Unidentified bodies have been kept at 21 locations for identification and proper management as authorities continue efforts to establish the identities of victims.

The Nepali Army said it was continuing search and rescue operations at several hydropower projects with assistance

from foreign experts. Operations are underway at the Chilime, Langtang, Upper Trishuli-1 and Trishuli-3A projects, among others.

During the immediate rescue effort, 279 people were brought out alive from hydropower project areas, including 221 from Upper Trishuli-3A and 33 from Upper Trishuli-1, the Army said.

Helicopters and other resources are being used to reach stranded communities and deliver relief supplies as damaged roads and difficult terrain continue to hamper rescue efforts.

The disaster has devastated parts of Nepal following a glacial collapse and subsequent flash floods, with hydropower infrastructure, roads, bridges and settlements among the worst affected

30-Member Myanmar Parliament Delegation Begins India Visit

IAN'S
Naypyidaw, Sep. 01

A cross-party delegation of 30 Myanmar parliamentarians from six national and nine ethnic parties is visiting India from September 1 to 8 for a capacity-building programme organised by the Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE), the training and research wing of the Lok Sabha Secretariat.

The Indian Embassy in Myanmar said the delegation would also hold friendly meetings during the visit. The MPs were received by Indian Ambassador to Myanmar Abhay Thakur on Monday and seen off on Tuesday.

Thakur said the delegation was diverse, youthful and dynamic, with several young and first-time parliamentarians among its members.

The delegation represents 15 political

parties, including the Union Solidarity and Development Party (USDP), Kachin State People’s Party (KSPP), National Unity Party (NUP), Shan Nationalities Democratic Party (SNDP), People’s Party (PP) and People’s Pioneer Party (PPP).

It also includes representatives of Naga, Pa-O, Karen, Danu, Inn, Arakan, Zomi, Wa and Kayah ethnic parties, as well as nominated MPs from the Myanmar Armed Forces.

Thakur said the delegation’s broad representation reflected a cross-party consensus in Myanmar’s Parliament on maintaining close relations with India.

The visit comes in the first year of Myanmar’s newly convened Parliament following the general elections held in December 2025-January 2026.

“The establishment of new parliamentary institutions represents

an important stage in Myanmar’s political evolution,” Thakur said.

The visit also follows Myanmar President U Min Aung Hlaing’s official visit to India earlier this year, his first foreign visit after assuming office.

During the visit, President Hlaing and Prime Minister Narendra Modi reviewed bilateral cooperation in areas including political exchanges, trade, investment, defence, culture, education and development assistance.

They also discussed India-backed connectivity projects, including the Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Corridor and the Kalewa-Yagyi section of the India-Myanmar-Thailand Trilateral Highway, along with border trade, management and security.

Thakur said the presidential visit had given fresh momentum to the multifaceted India-Myanmar relationship.

She credited states for supporting ease-of-doing-business reforms and said more than 1,000 laws had been removed and 40,000 regulations simplified. The government was also engaging with industry and trade bodies while pursuing bilateral trade and investor-protection agreements.

Sitharaman said foreign currency deposits and overseas Indian investments reflected confidence in India’s banking system and economic fundamentals.

India recorded 7.8 per cent growth in the first quarter of 2026-27, with manufacturing expanding 9.2 per cent and financial and professional services 12.1 per cent. Foreign exchange reserves stood at about \$700 billion.

She said the strong first-quarter performance showed the resilience of the Indian economy despite continuing external pressures.

The New Sun of Indian Politics: Rahul Gandhi



By Dr. Shujath Ali Sufi, Veterna Journalist

In view of the rapidly changing political circumstances, a question is increasingly being discussed in Indian politics: Is the era of Narendra Modi’s political dominance moving towards decline, and is Rahul Gandhi emerging as a

new political force?

There was a time when Narendra Modi appeared to be like a sun shining brightly on the horizon of Indian politics, whose influence seemed almost impossible to challenge. But political circumstances never remain the same. Times change, public priorities change, and the political landscape also takes a new shape. Today, Rahul Gandhi’s growing political activities and increasing public presence suggest that a new political alignment is taking shape in India.

Over the past few years, Rahul Gandhi has significantly increased his political activities. His speeches in Parliament, his statements on public issues, and his political engagements across different parts of the country have strengthened his position as one of the most important faces of the opposition. His role as Leader of the Opposition has further enhanced his importance in Indian parliamentary politics.

Employment, inflation, farmers’ issues, the future of young people, social justice, and democratic institutions have remained prominent themes in his politics. These issues have generated considerable political debate among the public. In particular, questions related to employment and the future of young people have become important subjects in Indian politics.

Another important aspect of Rahul Gandhi’s politics is his emphasis on secularism and social harmony. India is a country of diverse religions, languages, cultures, and communities. In such a nation, unity and mutual respect among different sections of society are essential for a healthy democratic system. Rahul Gandhi has repeatedly highlighted this idea in his political discourse.

However, it is also important to acknowledge that Rahul Gandhi faces several challenges. Political success in India cannot be achieved through popularity alone. It requires a strong organisational structure, effective leadership at the state level, public support, and better coordination among different political parties.

For the Congress party, one of the biggest challenges will be to strengthen its organisation across different states and maintain unity among opposition parties. Regional parties remain an important force in Indian politics, and therefore the success of any broad opposition alliance will depend greatly on mutual understanding and political consensus.

The performance of the opposition alliance in politically significant states such as Uttar Pradesh could also have a major impact on national politics. Various surveys and political analyses periodically present different possibilities, but surveys cannot be considered a guarantee of the final election results. Ultimately, the people’s votes will determine the outcome.

For this reason, while discussing Rahul Gandhi’s prospects of becoming Prime Minister, political realities cannot be ignored. If the Congress party and its allies secure the required majority in the Lok Sabha and Rahul Gandhi receives the support of the alliance, the path towards his becoming Prime Minister could become possible. At this stage, however, it should be described as a possibility rather than a certainty.

At the same time, Narendra Modi and the Bharatiya Janata Party also face a number of political questions. The government’s performance, public concerns, and voters’ preferences in future elections will determine whether the current political forces are able to maintain their position or whether the political landscape changes.

This is also the strength of Indian democracy: the people have the final say. A political force that appears powerful today may not necessarily retain the same strength tomorrow. Likewise, a leader who is in opposition today can potentially become the country’s leader in the future.

Against this backdrop, Rahul Gandhi’s political rise cannot be ignored. His growing public presence, active role in Parliament, and focus on public issues have established him as an important national leader in Indian politics.

Ultimately, it would be more appropriate to say that a new political contest is unfolding in India. Which political sun will rise and whose light will shine for longer will not be decided by political slogans or surveys, but by the votes of the people. The road ahead is open for Rahul Gandhi, but reaching the destination will require public trust, a strong organisation, and effective political alliances.

In this context, the following famous lines by Allamah Iqbal beautifully express the spirit of hope and ambition:

You are a falcon; soaring is your nature,
There are still more skies beyond your reach.

Rising violence, intimidation could drive Hindus out of Bangladesh



Bangladesh’s Hindu community is facing mounting fear, intimidation and insecurity amid continued violence and weak institutional protection, said lawyer and minority rights activist Chaitali Chakraborty, warning that the situation could push increasing numbers of Hindus to leave the country.

In an interview with Salah Uddin Shoaib Choudhury, editor of the Bangladesh newspaper ‘Blitz’, Bangladesh Supreme Court lawyer Chakraborty said that the situation for religious minorities in the country has sharply deteriorated since the political upheaval of August 5, 2024.

Chakraborty said that the growing sense of insecurity is not confined to Bangladesh’s Hindu community, with ordinary citizens across the country also feeling increasingly vulnerable. However, she stressed that Hindus bear an added burden because of their religious identity, while those who speak out for minority rights can themselves become targets of intimidation.

“From August 5 until today, we are really in an unstable environment, and we have no security,” she told Blitz.

Her warning comes against a backdrop of intensifying global scrutiny of Bangladesh over allegations of communal violence, attacks against minorities, alongside concerns over institutional weakness and the effectiveness of law enforcement.

Speaking about the brutal murder of four mem-

bers of a Hindu family in Bangladesh’s Rangpur city and mounting questions over the police probe, Chakraborty said that fear of retaliation was preventing local residents from sharing crucial information.

The incident occurred on August 20, with police recovering the bodies of all four family members two days later, on the night of August 22.

The deceased were identified as retired Rangpur Zilla School teacher Ganapati Chakraborty, 65; his wife, Pritilata Chakraborty, 50; their daughter, Agami Chakraborty Prarthi, 23; and their son, Priyam Chakraborty, 12.

She argued that the brutality of the killings called for an impartial and comprehensive probe, saying the seemingly deliberate and organised nature of the attack raised questions about the possible involvement of professional or ideologically driven perpetrators.

Expressing grave concern over the deteriorating situation in Bangladesh, Chakraborty said the most serious warning concerned the long-term demographic consequences of insecurity. She noted

that continued unchecked violence, intimidation and discrimination could lead to a substantial decline in the country’s Hindu population, as people are forced to choose between abandoning their ancestral homeland and living amid the growing insecurity.

She warned that Bangladesh could be left with no Hindu population within a decade if the situation she described persists.

Her warning reflects a longstanding concern among minority-rights advocates that communal violence does not necessarily lead to mass displacement overnight, but that persistent insecurity, property disputes, social intimidation, economic pressure and fear can steadily push minority families to migrate, Blitz reported.

Chakraborty urged international lawmakers and policymakers to take note of the persecution and intimidation targeting Hindus, calling on legislators in the United States, Britain and the European Union to raise the issue with Bangladesh and press its authorities to ensure the protection of minority citizens.

SCO leaders sign Bishkek Declaration at 26th Summit

The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) members on Tuesday signed the Bishkek Declaration after the group’s 26th summit in Kyrgyzstan.

A number of documents were signed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and other heads of state of the SCO members in the declaration on the 25th anniversary of the SCO. They also signed a protocol on amendments and additions to the charter of the SCO of June 7, 2002.

The SCO leaders signed a document on the regulation of the Universal Centre for Countering Security Challenges and Threats to SCO Member States. The leaders also signed a document on the regulation of the Executive Committee of the SCO Anti-Narcotics Centre.

The leaders decided to have a program of co-operation among SCO member states on combating drug addiction through 2030. They also agreed on a program of SCO member states on coordinating measures to combat the spread of synthetic drugs and their precursors for the period until 2030.

The SCO leaders signed the document on a plan of cooperation among the member states on ensuring International Information Security for 2026–2028. They agreed on the initiative on the Conservation and Sustainable Management of Biodiversity in SCO Member States for 2026–2031.

The leaders agreed on

a cooperation program among SCO Member States on establishing the ‘Green Technology Corridor’ (Scientific and Technological Cooperation) for 2026–2030, and an Action Plan (Roadmap) for the development of ports and logistics centres of SCO member states for 2026–2030.

Earlier, in his address at the 26th SCO Summit, PM Modi delivered a strong message against terrorism at the SCO Summit in Bishkek on Tuesday, calling for dismantling the entire ecosystem of terror financing, recruitment, radicalisation and safe havens, stating that it cannot be used as a “strategic asset for anyone”.

PM Modi stressed that terrorism continues to pose a serious challenge to humanity and asserted that there can be no room for double standards on terrorism.

“Terrorism continues to pose a serious challenge to humanity. In our fight against it, we cannot limit ourselves to a mindset of action and reaction. We must dismantle the entire ecosystem of terrorist financing, recruitment, radicalisation, and safe havens,” the Prime Minister said.

“We must speak with one voice that there can be no room for double standards on this serious issue. Those countries which make terrorism a tool of their policy, provide shelter and support to terrorists, will have to be given a strong message that terrorism cannot be a strategic asset for anyone,” he added.

America’s economic offensive not likely to work against Iran’s hardline regime



The US has changed its operational strategy against Iran as it is now actively re-engaging with a muscular military response along with a more institutionalised, economic response that differs from Operation Economic Fury that was initially launched in the Middle East conflict, according to a new report.

However, with the regime in Iran now taken over by IRCG hardliners this strategy is not likely to work. History shows that “massive sanctions and economic coercive measures have failed against regimes with hardline ide-

ologies and institutional and structural resilience,” according to an article in India Narrative.

While the shift in strategy is notable at the structural and operational level, the impact seems less significant. ‘Operation Economic Outcast’ mounts an economic offensive on a full spectrum, meaning complete isolation of Iran and cutting off any direct and indirect economic support that Iran gets. The earlier operation, ‘Economic Fury’, did the same thing but with targeted and limited intensity, the article states.

But since conventional firepower is gradually failing to push Iran to the margins, the US security establishment has considered readjusting its strategic focus and applying non-military options alongside military power.

In short, this means economic coercion with full force. This shift may offer two benefits. First, it slows exhaustion of ammunition stocks, and second, it recalibrates strategies by using the diplomatic window while maintaining sustained pressure on Iran, the article observes.

The kinetic exhaustion of

the US is real. According to reports, the U.S. military has burned through roughly 80 per cent of its THAAD interceptor inventory and half of its Patriot supplies.

The long-range missile stockpile is also under pressure, and some reports say months of sustained

operations have sapped it heavily. This worrisome state of the US’s kinetic reserves, coupled with a hit to its capacity for sustained kinetic action, raises serious questions about its global readiness and “ability to counter threats in other theatres”, the article opines.

ISI eyes smaller Indian towns for home-grown honey-trap network;

The ISI’s honey-trap module has become one of India’s biggest security challenges. With each passing day, the agencies are arresting scores of people both common citizens as well as officials who have been accused of sharing sensitive information with Pakistan’s ISI after being honey-trapped. While dealing with this issue has become an ongoing operation for the Indian agencies, the new problem lies in the fact that the ISI wants to make these honey-trapping modules completely home-grown in nature and also use Artificial

Intelligence-generated images.

An Intelligence Bureau official says that this would pose a fresh challenge for the Indian agencies. All these years, the honey-trapping modules were being run exclusively from Faridkot in Pakistan.

Between 2015 and 2019, the ISI had earmarked a huge budget of Rs 3,000 crore to run this module. This only suggests the scale at which the ISI has been undertaking operations, the official also said.

However, the ISI now wants the module to be

completely shifted out of Pakistan and to be run exclusively in India alone.

This aligns with the ISI’s policy of ensuring that all terror related acts where India is concerned are home- grown so that the trail does not lead back to Pakistan.

An official said that the ISI would however be focusing not on major cities to put up such modules. It would look for smaller towns or villages to set up such modules so that the heat is lower.

An official said that earlier the ISI had its recruits in Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Uttar Pradesh



who would report to their Faridkot handlers. Now the ISI is looking to move even into the southern

towns to set up similar modules.

However, the main focus would be on smaller towns where it is easier to recruit people by offering

them a good amount of money, the official said.

Another official said that recent investigations

appointed a good number of pretty looking girls to set traps and then extract information particularly relating to the defence forces, the official said.

Now, with the advent of Artificial Intelligence (AI), the job of the ISI has become even easier. AI generated images and videos of women would be created and traps would be set. Now this would pose an even bigger problem for the Indian agencies as in many cases, they would not even be dealing with a real accused person, the official also added.

Moving the honey-trap-

ping modules to the smaller towns of India and then using AI to set traps makes the problem even more complex for the Indian security agencies. They are already dealing with the problem on a major scale and latest Intelligence reports even suggest that the ISI has set its eyes on the newly appointed Agniveers.

Such persons could easily fall prey as there is not much awareness, especially on the technological front.

Such persons could easily fall prey to the AI generated videos or images as they would not be able to

tell easily between what is real and fake.

Officials say that the ISI’s primary interest is to gather information about the Indian armed forces. Such information could be used to gain the upper hand during a battle. It would also be used to embarrass the Indian armed forces.

Post Operation Sindoor, the cases of honey-trapping have gone up multi-fold. The operation that was carried out to avenge the Pahalgam terror attack exposed the entire Pakistani eco-system while also calling out their nuclear bluff.



School Games Federation of Telangana Inaugural Programme Held at L.B. Stadium

Hyderabad, Sept 1 (Munsif Bureau)

Indian rally veterans Naveen Puligilla and co-driver Musa Sherif made an impressive comeback to secure another WRC3 podium, finishing third at Rally del Paraguay. This event was the 11th round of the FIA World Rally Championship and marked their third consecutive podium in the class.

The Duran Racing team achieved a notable milestone with a hat-trick of WRC3 podiums. They finished 2nd at the season-ending Rally Saudi Arabia in November 2025, marking Naveen as the first Indian driver to reach a WRC class podium. Alongside Musa, they became the first all-Indian driver-co-driver duo to accomplish this feat. In March, they secured third place at the Safari Rally Kenya. In their second WRC rally of the season, Hyderabad's Naveen and experienced co-driver Musa from Kasaragod, driving a Ford Fiesta Rally3, com-

pleted the event in 5 hours, 10 minutes, and 54.9 seconds, including penalties. Out of 58 entries across all classes, only 44 cars finished the challenging 22 red-gravel Special Stages (SS) covering 357.64 km.

"We are absolutely thrilled with this result. Despite the ups and downs, we stayed focused and fought till the very end. To stand on the podium holding the Indian flag is a very proud moment," said Naveen, who is supported by Ashya Group and Yula Globus. After going off the road in Special Stage 3 on Friday, which led to penalties for missing six stages, the team made a remarkable comeback on Saturday. Remaining calm, they gradually moved up the WRC3 standings, posting competitive stage times from SS10 onward. Despite incurring another 15-minute penalty for a turbo change, their efforts culminated on Sunday. Naveen delivered a fast run in the brief SS20 before finishing strong with second place in class in the



Chief Guest Sri Mahesh Kumar Goud, MLC and President of the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC). International Karate player and Black Belt taking salute from NCC students at 70th School Games Federation of Telangana was held on September 1, 2026, at L.B. Stadium, Hyderabad.

final Power Stage, SS22, behind WRC3 winners Bolivian Nataniel Bruun and co-driver Mario Javier. Musa Sherif, an eight-time Indian National Rally co-driver champion with

35 years of experience and more than 350 rallies to his credit, said, "Each rally has tested us differently – from the deserts of Saudi Arabia to the unforgiving terrain of Kenya.

China Masters: Unnati Hooda bows out after losing opening-round match

Shenzhen, Sept 1

India's Unnati Hooda's China Masters campaign came to an early end on Tuesday as the 18-year-old was beaten in straight games by South Korea's world No. 12 Kim Ga-eun in the women's singles first round at the Shenzhen Sports Centre Gymnasium.

Ranked 25th in the world, Unnati was beaten 21-10, 21-18 in 37 minutes by Kim Ga-eun in their first meeting on the BWF World Tour. Kim, who arrived in China in strong form after winning the Macau Open in June, controlled the opening exchanges and never allowed the Indian to establish a sustained rhythm.

The Korean quickly moved 4-0 ahead and built a sizeable 11-3 cushion at the interval. Unnati could not close the gap after the restart as Kim continued to dictate the rallies and wrapped up the opening game with relative ease.



The second game followed a different pattern. Unnati made a bright start, moving 3-0 in front, but Kim gradually turned the momentum around to lead 7-5.

The Indian then found her footing and regained the advantage at 15-14, keeping the contest finely balanced. Kim responded when it mattered most. With Unnati trailing 18-16, she fought back to level the score, only for the Korean to take the next three points and end the match. For Unnati, the defeat comes shortly after her debut at the BWF World Championships in New Delhi, where she advanced to the second round. The teenager remains one of India's notable young

prospects on the international circuit.

Kim, meanwhile, strengthened an already impressive profile. Along with her Macau Open triumph earlier this year, she was part of South Korea's gold-medal-winning women's team at the 2023 Asian Games. There was also disappointment for India in the men's doubles, where MR Arjun and Hariharan Amsakarunan were forced to retire during their opening match against China's Chen Boyang and Liu Yi. The Indian pair withdrew while trailing 11-8 in the first game. Several leading Indian players will begin their China Masters campaigns on Wednesday, with Lakshya Sen, Kidambi Srikanth and Tanvi Sharma scheduled to take the court. Devika Sihag will also be in action, while the top-seeded men's doubles combination of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty will headline the Indian challenge.

Misbah-ul-Haq resigns as Pakistan selector

New Delhi, Sept 1

Misbah-ul-Haq has offered his resignation as selector of Pakistan's men's selection committee after the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) made sweeping changes to the squad for the ongoing three-match Test series against England.

Misbah was part of the four-member selection committee, which also includes Aaqib Javed, Sarfaraz Ahmed, and Asad Shafiq and was formed in March earlier this year.

However, according to a Cricinfo report, the former Pakistan captain has offered to resign from the selection panel. The PCB has yet to accept his resignation, although Misbah has also reportedly resigned from his role as batting consultant at the National Cricket Academy in Lahore.

This came a day after the PCB released seven players and head coach and bowling coach Sarfaraz Khan and Umar Gul from the Test squad, following their recent drubbing against England at Lord's.

Naveen, Musa complete WRC3 podium hat-trick in Paraguay

New Delhi, Aug 29

The Harmanpreet Kaur-led Indian women's team will aim to put 2024's complacency behind them and show their muscle in a battle for Asia Cup glory. The continental showpiece, hosted in the UAE, kicked off on Friday with Thailand beating Hong Kong China in the opener, but the most successful

side in the competition's history, India, will take the field on Sunday against Thailand.

India enter the Asia Cup on the back of their second consecutive group-stage exit at the T20 World Cup, despite an unprecedented ODI world crown to their name. They largely field the same squad that played the T20 World Cup in England earlier this year,

with only Yastika Bhatia, Shreyanka Patil (fitness) and Jemimah Rodrigues (hamstring injury) missing from that roster.

Pratika Rawal's maiden T20I call-up for the Asia Cup, as a replacement for Rodrigues, came as a surprise to many, as she last played a T20 game in November 2024. The Women in Blue have dropped Yastika, while

leg-spinner Prema Rawat, who replaced Shreyanka at the World Cup, kept her place. The bowling front remains unchanged, with a Renuka Singh-led pace attack that also includes Arundhati Reddy, Kranti Gaud and Nandani Sharma, and will look to assert its authority. The spin department features Radha Yadav, Deepti Sharma and Shree Charani.

Meanwhile, Vaishnavi Sharma, Pooja Vastrakar and Asha Sobhana have not made the cut for the squad. Eyes will also be on how India field their Playing XI, especially who replaces Rodrigues, and the game against Thailand could offer a glimpse of their mindset when selecting combinations. Smriti Mandhana and Shafali Verma are likely to be

at the top, while it could come down to Pratika or Kamalini battling for Rodrigues' spot at No.3. Harmanpreet Kaur, Deepti Sharma, Richa Ghosh and Bharti Fulmali are likely to form the middle order, while the toss-up will be among the pacers. Radha Yadav and Charani will be pushing for a place if India decide to pick two spinners.



Nani joins Keerthy Suresh's Onam celebration over video call



Mumbai, Sept 1

Southern beauty Keerthy Suresh treated the netizens with joyful glimpses from her Onam celebration with her businessman husband, Antony Thattil, and other loved ones on Tuesday.

Joining the festivities, her co-star Nani also made a digital appearance with his wife, Anjana Yelavarthy. These two were seen chatting with Keerthy and Antony through a video call.

The caption on the Instagram post went, "A packedddd yet beautiful Onam with some of my best people...Thulped a number of Sadhyas, laughed a little too much, and obviously took a while to get all this to the gram (sic)."

Keerthy chose a traditional cream, gold and red kasavu saree for the festival. She accessorized her ethnic look with some light golden jewellery and open hair. On the other hand, Antony went for a green kurta and mundu.

The album also included a peek into her sadhya

(food served on a banana leaf). Keerthy further unloaded some adorable selfies with her friends and family members, clicked during the festival.

Nani also reacted to Keerthy's latest post on social media with three red heart emojis.

It must be noted that Keerthy and Nani have shared screen space in not one but two movies.

They were initially paired on screen back in 2017 for the Telugu drama 'Nenu Local'.

Directed by Trinadha Rao Nakkina, the film revolves around a carefree boy (Played by Nani), who falls in love with a girl (Played by Keerthy).

Keerthy and Nani once again came together for Srikanth Odela's 'Dasara', which reached audiences in 2023.

Both these projects turned out to be a success at the ticket counters.

After being in a relationship for 15 years, Keerthy and Antony finally got hitched in Goa on December 12, 2024. The couple got married as per both Hindu and Christian traditions.

Jackie Shroff's daughter Krishna Shroff reveals how she builds mental and physical strength

Mumbai, Sept 1



Fitness entrepreneur and reality TV personality Krishna Shroff has opened up about the principles that help her develop both mental resilience and physical strength.

Known for her disciplined approach to fitness, Krishna believes that a strong body and a strong mind are closely connected. In an exclusive quote shared with IANS, she shared five key principles

that have shaped her approach to fitness and everyday life. For Krishna, discipline comes before motivation. She believes that making a commitment to show up consistently, even on days when motivation is low, is what helps create lasting progress.

Jackie Shroff's daughter believes that discipline is one of the most important aspects of building lasting physical and mental strength. "Motivation is temporary. Discipline is what gets you up when the motivation is completely gone. I made a decision a long time ago to show up, no matter what, and that decision has changed everything for me."

Krishna also placed greater emphasis on consistency than intensity. "I

used to think I had to go all out every single session. But the sessions that have built me the most are the ones I almost didn't show up for. Showing up consistently, even at 60%, will always beat going hard once and burning out."

Strength training is another important part of Krishna's approach to fitness. She mentioned, "Strength training changed my body, but more than that, it changed how I carry myself. There is something that happens to your confidence when you realise what your body is actually capable of. And I want every woman to feel that." At the same time, Krishna also emphasized that recovery should be considered an essential part of training. She believes rest is necessary for the body to repair and rebuild after exercise and stresses the importance of adequate sleep, rest days and active recovery.

Gal Gadot says she won't likely return as Wonder Woman

Los Angeles, Sept 1 (IANS): Hollywood actress Gal Gadot has hinted that she would not likely return as Wonder Woman if ever there's a third movie in the franchise. The actress also defended her choice of working in a film fully mounted using AI. The actress recently appeared on the 'Happy Sad Confused' podcast to promote her upcoming action film 'The Runner', and said, "For me to go to do another 'Wonder Woman', I am not sure I would at this point in my

life with four children and different schools and all of that. To check out from all of them for such a long period of time, it doesn't work for my life anymore at this point".

The actress played Wonder Woman in Zack Snyder's DC Universe, debuting in 2016's 'Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice' before headlining 'Wonder Woman', which was released in 2017.

The film, directed by Patty Jenkins, was a blockbuster raking in \$824 million at the world-



wide box office. The actress went on to appear in 'Justice League' the same year before reuniting with Jenkins for 'Wonder Woman 1984'.

Emraan Hashmi reflects on 'Awarapan', says original didn't find its audience 20 years ago

Emraan Hashmi

has reflected on the journey of "Awarapan" as the franchise returned with its much-awaited sequel, "Awarapan 2."

The 'Murder' actor opened up about the significance of the film's return, noting that the original did not find its audience when it released nearly two decades ago. Describing 'Awarapan 2' as a "rarest-of-rare phenomenon" and an "unprecedented feat", Emraan said he feels proud to be part of a film that is getting another opportunity to connect with audiences. Speaking about his personal connection with "Awarapan 2," Emraan went on to call it his "best film yet."

The 'Chehre' actor shared a note that read,



"There are films you work on, and then there are films you are genuinely proud to be a part of. Awarapan 2 belongs to the latter. It has become a rarest-of-rare phenomenon — an unprecedented feat. A film that didn't find its audience two decades ago returning with a sequel, determined to rewrite history at the box office."

"An emotionally charged action musical, mounted on a stunning visual scale and powered by incredibly diverse, timeless music, this is a

of us. It was never mine. I was always just a vessel. This is Hollywood", she added.

The actress also spoke about her upcoming role in Doug Liman's 'Bitcoin', which has been criticised for using AI to create the movie's sets and lighting.

Talking about the film, she said, "This was the longest contract I have ever worked on. It was six months from my lawyers to go through every scenario we could think about as far as the AI component of it.

Hirani celebrates 20 years of 'Lage Raho Munna Bhai'

Mumbai, Sep 1 (IANS): Filmmaker Rajkumar Hirani commemorated his satirical comedy 'Lage Raho Munna Bhai' completing 20 years of release on Tuesday with a sweet social media post.

Sharing a video compilation of some memorable scenes from the movie on his official handle, the director wrote, "20 years of a film that taught us - pyaar se, baat se, aur thodi si Gandhigiri se... sab mumkin hai. (red heart emoji) 20 years of Lage Raho Munna Bhai. (Clapperboard emoji) #LageRahoMunnaBhai (sic)."

Netizens also joined in the celebration in the comment section. One of the Insta users wrote, "One of the finest and everyone's favourite cult classic. Can't believe it's been 20 years of this masterpiece. Still feels fresh" Another one penned, "What a truly special and unforgettable film it has been. It touched so many hearts with its warmth, humour, emotions and beautiful message. The film taught us that kindness, compassion, humanity and treating people with love can make a real difference. Even after 20 years, its message still feels so fresh and meaningful. A timeless film that will always hold a special place in people's hearts. (sic)."

"it was a package of entertainment," read the third comment. Written, edited and directed by Rajkumar Hirani, 'Lage Raho Munna Bhai' has been backed by Vidhu Vinod Chopra under the banner Vinod Chopra Films.

Family Uses Newlywed's Dupatta To Rescue Biker Stuck On Flooded Road In Himachal Pradesh

A family, especially a newlywed woman, became the saviour of a biker who got trapped in a powerful flash flood. The incident happened in Himachal Pradesh's Chamba district, when the family was passing through a heavily flooded stretch of the road when they noticed the struggling biker. They stopped and risked the strong current to help him out of the situation.

The family was driving on the Kakiara-Tunuhatti road in the Bharmal area of Bhattiyat after heavy rainfall caused water to surge across the roadway. The force of the current turned the road into what appeared to be a raging stream, leaving a biker struggling to maintain his balance.

As seen in a video posted on X, the rid-

er got stranded in the fast-moving water as it continued to push against him. That's when a family travelling by a car noticed his plight and immediately stopped to help. Initially, a man from the family first moved towards the biker but found it difficult to reach him because of the strong flow of the water.

Amid the chaos, two women came up with an improvised solution. One of them, a newlywed, removed her dupatta and stretched it towards the stranded rider. After some effort, the biker managed to grab the cloth. The family members then pulled him towards safer ground, while another person joined the rescue effort.

"Insaniyat Abhi Bhi Zinda Hai"



The family's quick help and actions have won praise online, with many applauding their courage. "May God bless them. Empathy and compassion are all what we need in this world to be Happy," said a user.

"This's so overwhelming.. Dupatta: True virtue of our rich culture.... Proud to be Himachali," quipped another.

"Insaniyat Abhi Bhi Zinda Hai.....And that's the Beauty of life!!!!" commented an individual.

"The couple deserves recognition. Great presence of mind," a person said.

"Marvellous. God sent a messenger to save a life. Blessed are those who

care for others even at their own risk," someone else remarked.

Meanwhile, a different person said, "The man was more concerned about his bike than his life. How can he be that selfish when people are risking their own lives to save him? God bless the Couple."

Spending Rs 30 Lakh On Wedding 'Worst Mistake' Of Her Life

Renowned for their grandeur and opulence, Indian weddings have become even more extravagant in the social media era, with couples spending lakhs on the festivities. Now, a viral social media video has triggered a debate about the merit of spending lavishly after a woman highlighted

that splurging Rs 30 lakh on her upcoming wedding might be the "worst mistake" of her life.

Instagram user Pranati argued that she was about to spend Rs 30 lakh on festivities that might last only a few days, just because society had normalised this behaviour.

"I am going to spend 30 lakhs on my wedding and that is going to be the worst mistake of my life. Because I genuinely cannot understand why anyone in their 20s would spend the biggest chunk of their wealth on one day," said Pranati.

"Rs 30 lakhs isn't just a wedding budget. It is a

house's down payment. It's the first investment in your business. It's years of SIPs compounding its financial security, especially if you're a woman. But I need to do this because of society."

Pranati argued that this money, if saved, could be the difference in several major decisions that could

change the trajectory of anyone's life.

"That money can be the difference between staying in a job you hate or quitting. Between leaving a bad relationship or feeling trapped. Between taking a career break because you want to or because you have to. We have somehow normalised spending the largest amount of money we probably ever see in our 20s on an event that lasts a few hours," she said.

'2.37 lakh to remove a tooth?': NRI in US considers flying to India after seeing dental bill

An Indian man who has been living in the United States for the past 15 years has sparked a discussion online after sharing the high cost he was quoted for dental treatment. Comparing the expense with prices in India, he even wondered whether booking a flight home for treatment would make more financial sense.

Taking to Instagram, the man, identified as Nitin Malhotra, shared a video detailing his experience after visiting a dentist due to tooth pain.

Man shocked by dental treatment cost in US

"In America, \$2,500 just to take out a tooth? Even after factoring in your insurance, you have to pay \$2,500 out of your own pocket. Meanwhile in India, this work gets done within 15,000 or 20,000 rupees. Today my tooth was aching, and I went to the doctor to get it checked. They asked me, 'Brother, which insurance do you have?' I

showed them my insurance card, showing I have this dental insurance. First, they took an X-ray of my tooth. Well, they charged \$180 for the X-ray."

He went on to claim that the overall cost of his treatment before insurance adjustments was significantly higher.

"Then after checking everything, they said, 'Normally your bill would be \$8,000, but after insurance cuts/adjustments, you will have to pay \$2,500.' \$2,500? I checked flight tickets; my flight ticket to India comes to around \$1,200. If I go there and get it done, I'll get full teeth cleaning and everything taken care of... this... I need to get this broken tooth fixed."

At the conversion shared with the post, \$2,500 amounts to approximately ₹2,37,297.

'Should I go to India?'

Malhotra then asked viewers whether travelling

to India for dental care would be a better option.

"What do you think - should I go to India to get my tooth treated, or get it done in America? In America, a single dental treatment is \$2,500, whereas in India, if you want a root canal, teeth cleaning, and complete dental care, it gets done within 10,000 to 15,000 rupees."

The clip was shared with the caption, "USA Healthcare Reality."

The post drew several reactions from social media users, with many commenting on the difference in treatment costs. One user wrote, "At this point, just book the flight to India," while another said, "Dental care in the US is very expensive." A third person commented, "Healthcare costs in America are on another level," while another echoed the man's comparison, writing, "The flight is cheaper than the treatment."



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