

CM Chandra Babu Prioritizes Welfare, Development in Andhra Governance Push



Amaravati: Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu directed officials to prioritize welfare, development, and good governance through coordinated efforts across departments. Chairing a meeting with ministers, Chief Secretary K. Vijayanand, and department secretaries from the Amaravati Secretariat on Monday, Naidu addressed district collectors via video conference. He emphasized seamless inter-departmental coordination to achieve state objectives.



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53 migrants dead or missing after boat capsizes off Libya: IOM



Tripoli, Feb 9: Fifty-three migrants, including two infants, were dead or missing after their rubber boat capsized off the coast of Libya, the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) said Monday. The vessel, which was carrying 55 people, overturned on Friday north of the city of Zuwara, northwestern Libya. Only two survivors, both Nigerian women, were rescued by Libyan authorities, Xinhua news agency reported. One survivor reported losing her husband in the wreck; the other lost her two children, the IOM said. The boat departed from the western city of Al-Zawiya late on February 5. Survivors told the UN migration agency the craft began taking on water and capsized about six hours into the journey. The IOM said its teams provided emergency medical aid to the women. The Central Mediterranean remains one of the world's deadliest migration routes, with the latest tragedy bringing the 2026 death toll to at least 484.

Delhi Police bust high-profile cyber fraud module with international links

New Delhi, Feb 8: The Crime Branch of Delhi Police has busted a high-profile cyber fraud module with international linkages and arrested three accused involved in an organised cyber-financial racket. The breakthrough was achieved by the Northern Range-1 (NR-1) team during its ongoing 'Cy-Hawk' operations, officials said on Sunday. According to an official press release issued by the Crime Branch, an E-FIR No. 53/2025 (60001651/2025) dated December 17, 2025, was registered under Sections 308/318(4)/319/340 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) at Police Station Crime Branch, Delhi. The case was filed on a complaint of Ranjan (56), a resident of Uttam Nagar, who alleged that he was cheated of approximately Rs 42.5 lakh in a stock market-related cyber fraud.

CM Revanth Reddy alleges Centre's discrimination against Telangana...

Hyderabad TSIT BUREAU: Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Monday accused the BJP-led Union Government of discriminating against Telangana in project approvals and fund devolution, while alleging clandestine ties between BJP and BRS for political gain.

Addressing a press conference, Reddy stated that no major state project received central approval since Telangana's formation. He highlighted pending clearances for Palamuru Rangareddy national project status, Pranahita-Chevella irrigation cooperation, Metro Phase-2, Musi rejuvenation, Warangal airport, and semiconductor proposals. The CM claimed Telangana receives minimal tax share returns, calling the devolution pattern unjust to southern states.

He targeted Union Ministers Bandi Sanjay and G. Kishan Reddy, accusing them of failing to secure state interests or fulfill GHMC poll promises, including Hyderabad flood compensation. Reddy alleged BJP promotes religious polarization in local elections instead of addressing civic issues, and claimed BRS leaders escape

Targets BJP and BRS....



HIGHLIGHT POINTS:

■ CM Revanth Reddy accused the BJP-led Centre of discriminating against Telangana by denying approvals and funds for key projects, while alleging a tacit understanding between BJP and BRS for political benefit.

■ He urged voters to reject both BJP and BRS, highlighting Congress government's welfare initiatives and commitment to social justice and long-term development ahead of municipal polls.

scrutiny due to the purported BJP-BRS understanding. The Chief Minister urged voters to evaluate BRS's decade-

long rule and BJP's central governance since 2014 ahead of municipal polls.

He highlighted his government's welfare measures: enhanced Aarogyasri coverage up to Rs.10 lakh, free RTC bus travel for women, new ration cards, farm loan waivers, Rythu Bharosa support, Indiramma housing, mass government recruitment, and new skill and sports universities. Reddy emphasized commitment to social justice and long-term development, positioning Congress as the alternative to both regional and national opposition parties.

India Announces \$175 Million Economic Package for Seychelles, Modi Calls Ties "Beyond Diplomacy"

New Delhi (TSIT) India on Monday announced a Special Economic Package of USD 175 million for Seychelles, underscoring a deepening strategic and developmental partnership between the two Indian Ocean nations, as Prime Minister Narendra Modi said bilateral ties go "far beyond mere diplomatic engagement".

Addressing a joint press meet with Seychelles President Patrick Herminie, Prime Minister Modi said the relationship between the two countries was rooted in centuries of shared history, trade and people-to-people contact shaped by the Indian Ocean. "For centuries, the waves of the Indian Ocean have connected our peoples. Along its shores, trade flourished, cultures intertwined, and traditions of trust grew stronger," Modi said, adding that India and Seychelles were connected "not just by geography, but by history, trust and a shared vision for the future".

Announcing the USD 175 million Special Economic Package, the Prime Minister said development cooperation had been the cornerstone of India-Seychelles relations. "Development partnership has been a



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strong foundation of India-Seychelles relations. All our efforts have been guided by Seychelles' priorities and needs," he said.

According to Modi, the newly announced package will support "concrete projects" across key sectors, including social housing, e-mobility, vocational training, health, defence, and maritime security, reflecting India's focus on capacity-

building and sustainable development in the Indian Ocean region.

The announcement comes against the backdrop of India's broader engagement with island nations in the Indian Ocean, where New Delhi has sought to position itself as a reliable development partner while enhancing maritime cooperation and regional security.

Highlighting the human dimension of bilateral ties, Modi said people-to-people relations formed the strongest pillar of India-Seychelles friendship. "The greatest strength of India-Seychelles relations lies in our people-to-people ties," he said. He also acknowledged the role of the Indian diaspora in Seychelles, noting that the community had made "a notable contribution to the country's social and economic life" while strengthening bilateral bonds across generations.

The visit and the announcements made during the joint press meet signal India's continued emphasis on strengthening partnerships with key Indian Ocean neighbours through development assistance, cultural links and strategic cooperation.

Kerala CM calls for united resistance against communalism



Kasaragod (TSIT) Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan on Sunday called for a united resistance against communalism and a collective fight against the ideology of a theocratic state, while addressing the valedictory function of the centenary conference of Samastha Kerala Jemiyathul Ulama at Kuniya in the district. Vijayan said Samastha has consistently worked for secu-

larism and has effectively countered communalism, making its role highly relevant in the current social environment.

He observed that the country is facing a political crisis, with sustained attempts to undermine its multi-religious character and diverse cultural heritage.

He emphasised that communalism cannot be countered with another form of communalism and urged all secular forces to join hands to thwart the communal agenda. At the conclave, Samastha adopted several resolutions, including a demand that the government declare three days of official holidays for Eid-ul-Fitr and Eid-ul-Adha celebrations. Other resolutions sought the fixing of school examination schedules without obstructing Friday prayers.

10 days of 'severe' air quality in Delhi during winter season: Govt tells LS

NEW DELHI (TSIT): Delhi saw 10 days of 'severe' air quality during the winter season (October-January) in 2025-26 as against 31 days in 2016-17, Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav said on Monday. He shared the information in response to a written question by Congress MP Manish Tewari in the Lok Sabha.

"The total number of days with Severe AQI levels (AQI>401) in Delhi during the winter season (October-January) in 2025-26 were 10 days as compared to 31 days in 2016-17," Yadav said. He said focused actions by 130 cities under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) have shown positive results, with 103 cities showing a reduction in PM10 concentration



in 2024-25 as compared to 2017-18. Of these, 64 cities have shown a reduction in PM10 levels by more than 20 per cent and 25 of these cities have achieved a reduction of more than 40 per cent. "A total of 22 cities have met National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) and have PM10 concentrations less than 60 µg/m3. With coordinated actions, the average AQI of Delhi has shown improvement at AQI of 201 in 2025 as against 225 in 2018.

Rahul Gandhi accuses govt of stifling debate,

row erupts over army chief's memoir



New Delhi (TSIT): The heated exchanges inside the Lok Sabha spilled beyond Parliament on Monday, with Leader of the Opposition Rahul Gandhi launching a sharp attack on the Union government, accusing it of fearing open debate and resorting to what he termed "ill-founded and untenable" conspiracy claims to silence the Opposition.

Speaking to reporters after the House was adjourned, Rahul Gandhi levelled a series of allegations against the Narendra Modi government and Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, claiming that different standards were being applied to ruling party and Opposition lawmakers with the intent of muzzling dissent.

At the centre of the controversy was Rahul Gandhi's reference to the memoirs of former Army Chief General M.M. Naravane. He claimed the book had already been published and alleged that the government was preventing him from citing "uncomfortable facts" from it in Parliament — an assertion strongly denied by the Centre. "The defence minister lied about the book. It has been published and is in the public domain. Yet when we tried to raise it, the Leader of the Opposition was stopped from quoting it," Rahul Gandhi said. Reacting to insinuations made

Rahul Gandhi accused the Union government and the Lok Sabha Speaker of silencing the Opposition and fearing open debate, amid a sharp standoff over his attempt to cite former Army Chief General M.M. Naravane's memoirs in Parliament.

by the Speaker about a "planned attack" on Prime Minister Narendra Modi by Opposition MPs, Rahul Gandhi dismissed the claim as baseless and a diversion from substantive issues. "If there is any truth to this, an FIR should be filed immediately and those involved must face the law," he demanded.

The Congress leader also pointed to the passage of the Motion of Thanks to the President's address on February 5 without a reply from the Prime Minister, alleging that Modi's response was dropped at the last moment following what he described as the Speaker's advice.

Expressing disappointment over parliamentary conduct, Rahul Gandhi alleged that BJP members were allowed to make "vile and disparaging" remarks against former Congress Prime Ministers, while Opposition MPs were blocked, curtailed, or suspended for voicing protest. During the debate on the Motion of Thanks, at least eight Opposition MPs were suspended after tearing papers and throwing them toward the Chair.

SC warns against obstructing bengal SIR exercise

NEW DELHI (TSIT): The Supreme Court on Monday declared it will not permit anyone to create impediments in the ongoing Special Investigation Report (SIR) exercise in West Bengal, issuing a stern warning against obstruction.

The apex court's observation came during hearings concerning the SIR process, which involves examination of critical matters requiring judicial oversight. The bench emphasized that any attempt to hinder the investigation would face serious consequences, reinforcing judicial authority over the procedure.

While specific case details remain under proceedings, the court's intervention signals heightened scrutiny of potential interference in investiga-

THE SUPREME COURT FIRMLY WARNED THAT NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO OBSTRUCT THE ONGOING SIR INVESTIGATION IN WEST BENGAL, ASSERTING ITS AUTHORITY TO ENSURE THE PROBE PROCEEDS WITHOUT INTERFERENCE AND WARNING OF SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES FOR ANY ATTEMPT TO HINDER IT.



tive processes. The SIR exercise typically encompasses fact-finding missions into matters of public importance, often involving sensitive administrative or law enforcement issues.

Legal experts note that the Supreme Court's proactive stance reflects concerns about maintaining institutional integrity and ensuring unhindered fact-finding operations. The warning applies broadly to

all parties involved, including state authorities, private entities, and individual actors.

The development carries significant implications for governance in West Bengal, where the SIR exercise has

reportedly faced operational challenges. By asserting its authority, the apex court aims to secure compliance and prevent disruption of judicially mandated investigations.

The bench did not specify particular obstruction incidents but indicated awareness of attempts to delay or derail the process. Observers interpret the statement as preemptive deterrence against anticipated resistance. The court's intervention underscores the judiciary's role in safeguarding administrative accountability, particularly in cases involving state-level investigations. Further directions regarding the SIR exercise are expected as proceedings continue.

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SINO.-2 Ref No. 03/SARFAESI/13(2)/JAN/2026 Date: 27-01-2026 1) Mrs. Ariga Mani (Applicant), D/o. Mr. Ramana Matlapati, R/o. Flat No. 3, C Block, 3rd Floor, Navayuga Apartments, Navya Nagar Colony, Beerungudi, Hyderabad, Telangana-500010. Also at: Mrs. Ariga Mani (Applicant), D/o. Mr. Ramana Matlapati, Senior Manager at Paper Boat Technologies India Pvt. Ltd., P.O. No. 126, 5th Floor, Santa Siram Building, PSR Prime Towers, Cyber city, Gachibowli, Hyderabad, Telangana-500032. Property Address: Mrs. Ariga Mani (Applicant), D/o. Mr. Ramana Matlapati, Flat No. 501 in fifth floor, in "TANNIR RESIDENCY" SBH Colony, Venture-11 Bahadurguda Village, Saromagar Revenue Mandal, Hyderabad-500086. Loan A/c Number: PHR0081255272 & INR008012562004. NPA Date: 08-01-2026, Demand Notice Date: 27-01-2026, Outstanding amount: Rs. 71,15,724.75/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakhs Fifteen Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Four and Seventy Five Paise Only) being the amount due as on 17-01-2026 this amount includes interest till 17-01-2026 together with further interest thereon from 17-01-2026, SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY: All that the Part and parcel of Flat No. 501 in fifth floor, in "TANNIR RESIDENCY" House No. 3-1-398/2/502/PTIN. 1040300765 having plinth area of 1260 Sq.Ft. (including common areas) Car parking admeasuring 100 Sq.Ft. together with an undivided share of land admeasuring 42.9 Sq.Yrds Out of 429.30 Sq.Yrds, on plot No. 33 & 34/1, situated at SBH Colony, Venture-11 Bahadurguda Village, Saromagar Revenue Mandal, Rangareddy District, under GHMC LB Nagar Circle, and bounded by: Boundaries of Entire Land: North: Neighbors Compound wall; South: 40' Wide Road; East: Plot No.29; West: Plot No.31(H.No. 3-1-472); Boundaries of Flat No. 501, in 5th Floor: North: Open to Sky; South: Open to Sky; East: Corridor, Lift & stair case; West: Open to Sky.

SINO.-3 Ref No. 06/SARFAESI/13(2)/Jan/2026 Date: 27-01-2026 1) Mr. Jayaram Ravipati (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Seshagiri Rao Ravipati, R/o. 2-1/153 Dattatreya Colony, Kukatpally near Gandhi Sate Yellabandla, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Hyderabad, Telangana-500077. Also At: Mr. Jayaram Ravipati (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Seshagiri Rao Ravipati, Service Consultant at Nodog Online Services Pvt Ltd., 12-13-97, Flat No.407, Tara Tkyon, Secunderabad, Telangana-500017. Property Address: Mr. Jayaram Ravipati (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Seshagiri Rao Ravipati, Flat No. 502 in fifth floor, in "TANNIR RESIDENCY" SBH Colony, Venture-11 Bahadurguda Village, Saromagar Revenue Mandal, Hyderabad-500086. Loan A/c Number: PHR0081255493, INR00812561115. NPA Date: 08-01-2026, Demand Notice Date: 27-01-2026, Outstanding amount: Rs. 71,72,505/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakhs Seventy Two Thousand Five Hundred and Five Only) being the amount due as on 17-01-2026 this amount includes interest till 17-01-2026 together with further interest thereon from 17-01-2026, SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All that the Part and parcel of Flat No. 502 in fifth floor, in "TANNIR RESIDENCY" House No. 3-1-398/2/502/PTIN. 1040300765 having plinth area of 1260 Sq.Ft.(including common areas) Car parking admeasuring 100 Sq.Ft. together with an undivided share of land admeasuring 42.9 Sq.Yrds out of 429.30 Sq.Yrds, on plot No. 33 & 34/1, situated at SBH Colony, Venture-11 Bahadurguda Village, Saromagar Revenue Mandal, Rangareddy District, under GHMC LB Nagar Circle, and bounded by: Boundaries of Entire Land: North: Neighbors Compound wall; South: 40' Wide Road; East: Plot No.29; West: Plot No.31(H.No. 3-1-472); Boundaries of Flat No. 502, in 5th Floor: North: Open to Sky; South: Open to Sky; East: Open to Sky; West: Corridor, Lift & stair case; West: Open to Sky.

SINO.-4 Ref No. 06/SARFAESI/13(2)/Jan/2026 Date: 27-01-2026 1) Mr. Kavalir Srinam (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Kavalir Chennappa, R/o. H.No. 238/A/11, Taranganagar, Serilingampally, Rangareddy Dist, Bharath PetrolPump, Telangana-500019. Also At: Mr. Kavalir Srinam (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Kavalir Chennappa, Proprietor for Shroyas Enterprises, Plot No. 1, 238/A/11, Opp. Bharath PetrolPump, Taranganagar, Rangareddy Dist, Hyderabad, Telangana-500019. 2) Mrs. Kavali Chennappa (Co-Applciant), C/o. Mr. Hanmiah, H.No. 238/A/11, Taranganagar, Serilingampally, Rangareddy Dist, Bharath PetrolPump, Telangana-500019. Also at: Mrs. Kavali Chennappa (Co-Applciant), C/o. Mr. Hanmiah, H.No.13-92, Rangareddy, Shekhpaly, Rangareddy Dist, Hyderabad, Telangana-500037. Property Address: Mr. Kavalir Srinam (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Kavalir Chennappa, Plot No.11 in category MIG of the Tarangan Residential Complex, Serilingampally (V& Mandal) Hyderabad-500019. Loan A/c Number: LTR18170508703, LPR07390427908, NPA Date: 06-01-2026, Demand Notice Date: 27-01-2026, Outstanding amount: Rs. 41,47,099/- (Rupees Forty One Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand and Ninety Nine Only) for Loan No. LTR18170508703 & Rs. 30,35,216/- (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Two Hundred and Eighteen Only) for Loan No. LPR07390427908 being the amount due as on 17-01-2026 this amount includes interest till 17-01-2026 together with further interest thereon from 17-01-2026, SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All that the Part and parcel of Plot No.11 in category MIG of the Tarangan Residential Complex (Survey No. 36/B/2, 37, 38, 39, 40/A, B, C, & 42 & 43, 45/12, 46/12, 46/2 at Serilingampally (V& Mandal) RRI Dist, under Registration Sub Dist, Hyderabad west in Serilingampally Panchayat admeasuring 216.00 Sq.Mts(258.33 Sq.Yrds) and bounded by: Boundaries: North: 9.00m Wide Road; South: Plot No.MIG; East: Plot No.12; West: Plot No.10 MIG.

SINO.-5 Ref No. 03/SARFAESI/13(2)/JAN/2026 Date: 27-01-2026 1) Mrs. N. Hansi Ranji (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Chinnna Babu Sunnapu, R/o. Plot No.01, Sri Nagar Town Ship, Opp. Vijay PG College, Torru, KV Rangareddy, Hyderabad, Telangana-501511. Also at: Mrs. N. Hansi Ranji (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Chinnna Babu Sunnapu, Proprietor at RRI Industries, 9-42, S/O. No. 1415, Nandigam Village, Kottur, Hyderabad-502228. 2) Mr. Nirmanna Mani raj (Co-Applciant), S/o. Mr. Nimmanna Nagewara Rao, R/o. Plot No.01, Sri Nagar Town Ship, Opp. Vijay PG College, Torru, KV Rangareddy, Hyderabad, Telangana-501511. Property Address: Mrs. N. Hansi Ranji (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Chinnna Babu Sunnapu, Flat bearing No. 102 in "Sai Nivas", Munagooru Village, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Rangareddy District, Turkygami Municipality-501511. Loan A/c Number: PHR113407322651. NPA Date: 08-01-2026, Demand Notice Date: 27-01-2026, Outstanding amount: Rs. 33,39,815/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifteen Only) being the amount due as on 17-01-2026 this amount includes interest till 17-01-2026 together with further interest thereon from 17-01-2026, SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY: All that the part and parcel of Residential Flat bearing No. 102 in "Sai Nivas" in the first floor having a plinth area of 1150 Sq.ft (including common areas) and one car parking, together with a proportionate undivided share and interest in the land admeasuring an area of 43 Sq.Yrds or its equivalent to 35.94 Sq.Mts out of the total extent of Land admeasuring 867 Sq.Yrds or its equivalent to 724.89 Sq.Mts constructed on plot No. 37, in survey No.31/A, situated at Munagooru Village, Abdulapuram Revenue Mandal, Rangareddy District, under Turkygami Municipality, under registration Sub District Vasaahatnagar and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: 30' ft. Wide Road; South: Neighbors Land; East: Plot No. 38; West: Plot No. 36.

SINO.-6 Ref No. 06/SARFAESI/13(2)/Jan/2026 Date: 27-01-2026 1) Mr. Sompalli Srinivasa Rao (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Sompalli Narasimha Rao, R/o. Flat No.2-10-14, 19 to 21, Flat No.23, Banjara Enclave, Madha Bollarum, Hyderabad, Telangana-500018. Also At: Mr. Sompalli Srinivasa Rao (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Sompalli Narasimha Rao, R/o. 1-17, Karunamchi, Guntur, Sarvaipararam, Guntur, Andhrapradesh-522646. Also At: Mr. Sompalli Srinivasa Rao (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Sompalli Narasimha Rao, Proprietor at Sunshine Care Care, Devarayya MJ, Shameppet, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Hyderabad, Telangana-500078. 2) Mrs. Banda Aruna Kumari (Co-Applciant), C/o. Mr. Banda Anjaneyulu, R/o. Flat No.2-10-14, 19 to 21, Banda Aruna Kumari (Co-Applciant), C/o. Mr. Banda Anjaneyulu, Hyderabad, Telangana-500010. Also at: Mrs. Banda Aruna Kumari (Co-Applciant), C/o. Mr. Banda Anjaneyulu, 1-173, Karunamchi, Guntur, Sarvaipararam, Guntur, Andhrapradesh-522646. Property Address: Mr. Sompalli Srinivasa Rao (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Sompalli Narasimha Rao, Plot No.34 Mallampet Village, Dundigal Municipality, Medchal- Malkajgiri District, Telangana-500078. Loan A/c Number: LTR002706267080, PHR02707743660, NPA Date: 08-01-2026, Demand Notice Date: Rs. 29,40,552.93/- (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakhs Four Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Two Only) for Loan No. LTR002706267080 & Rs. 17,15,225.4/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Fifteen Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Five Only) for Loan No. PHR02707743660 being the amount due as on 17-01-2026 this amount includes interest till 17-01-2026 together with further interest thereon from 17-01-2026, SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All that the Part and parcel of Plot No.34 admeasuring 170 Sq.Yrds Or 142.12 Sq.Mts in Survey No.208, situated at Mallampet Village, Dundigal Municipality, Dundigal-Gandimisamma Mandal, Medchal- Malkajgiri District, Telangana State and bounded by: Boundaries: North: Plot No.33; Plot No.35; East: 30-0' Wide Road; West: Neighbors Land.

SINO.-7 Ref No. SARFAESI/13(2)/JAN/2026 Date: 31-01-2026 Mr. MADHUSUDHANA RO SIRIPURUPI, S/O SURAJAH SIRIPURUPI, PLOT NO. 474, BHAGATHI SINGH NAGAR, NEAR SHARODA SCHOOL KPHE COLONY, KUKATPALLY, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA - 500085. Loan A/c Number: 915030015022550. NPA Date: 30-04-2025, Demand Notice Date: 29-01-2026, Outstanding amount: Rs. 21,03,014/- (Rupees Twenty-One Lakh Three Thousand Fourteen Only) as on 05-04-2025 being the amount due on termination of the agreement this amount includes interest plus penal charges till 05-04-2025 with further interest from 05-04-2025 and at the contractual rate of interest, (Description of the immovable properties): All that part and parcel of the Residential Building with RCC Roof Ground and First Floor Building bearing No. 6.3 384 (N/A), 6.3 137 (Old), having built up area of RCC Roof Ground Floor: 728.63 sq. ft. and RCC Roof Toilets built up area: 46.60 sq. ft. and RCC First Floor area: 156.60 sq. ft., RCC roof toilets area: 46.60 sq. ft., with electricity fittings and all other fixtures, with compound wall on four sides, along with appurtenant site measuring to an extent of 162.50 sq. yards or 135.85 sq. mts., in and out of S.No. 283/A, Plot No. 8/A, situated at Bank Colony, Khanapuram Haveli, within the area of Khannam Municipal Corporation, Khannam City & District, standing in the name of Mr. Siripurupi Madhusudhan Rao, S/o Surajah, vide doc No. NO.135220/212 with the following boundaries: North: 30' 0" Wide Road, South: Vacant site occupied by the adjacent building belonging to the Scheduled Property, H.No. 6.3 383, of Vendee in Plot No. 8/B and joint middle wall, West: H.No. 6.3 385 of Namburi Krishna Murthy in Plot No. 9, own middle wall belongs to Schedule Property.

SINO.-8 Ref No. 03/SARFAESI/13(2)/JAN/2026 Date: 27-01-2026 1) Mr. Yedukondalu Kativarapu (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Ramiah Kativarapu, R/o. H.No.33-6-486, Sri Sai Nagar, Thimmapur, Khilia Warangal, Telangana-506005. Also at: Mr. Yedukondalu Kativarapu (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Ramiah Kativarapu, Police Constable Government Railway Police, Vijayawada, Andhrapradesh-520001. 2) Mrs. Kativarapu Elshamma (Co-Applciant), S/o. Mr. Moshe Anaparthi, R/o. H.No.33-6-486, Sri Sai Nagar, Thimmapur, Khilia Warangal, Telangana-506005. Property Address: Mrs. Kativarapu Elshamma (Co-Applciant), S/o. Mr. Moshe Anaparthi, SP: H.No.6-79/2/Old, 6-24/3/New, Sri Sai Nagar, Thimmapur, H.N.141, Hammakonda Mandal, Warangal - 505527. Loan A/c Number: PHR028268432950, NPA Date: 08-01-2026, Demand Notice Date: 27-01-2026, Outstanding amount: Rs. 33,39,815/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Nine and Eighty Three Only) being the amount due as on 17-01-2026 this amount includes interest till 17-01-2026 together with further interest thereon from 17-01-2026, SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY: All that the part and parcel of House with open place bearing in Sri Sai Nagar, Thimmapur, (V) an extent of 250.00 Sq.Yrds or 206.02 Sq.Mts situated at Sri Sai Nagar, Thimmapur,(V), Hammakonda Mandal, Warangal District, within the GP Board; Thimmapur, and within the registration District Warangal and it is in the jurisdiction of the sub-registrar, Warangal- Fort and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: 17' ft. Wide Road; South: Open Plot No.9/2(Part); East: 20' feet Wide Road; West: Open Plot of Others.

SINO.-9 Ref No. 03/SARFAESI/13(2)/FEB/2026 Date: 04-02-2026 1) Mrs. Chandor Vineeth (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Ashok Chandor, R/o. H.No. 1-2-608 to 620, Flat No. C-905, Jalayalu Towers, Lower Tank Bund, Secunderabad, Telangana-500080. Also At: Mrs. Chandor Vineeth (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Ashok Chandor, Proprietor for Iotica, 2nd 4-1-363/B/1, Shakuntala Complex, Abids, Hyderabad, Telangana-500001. 2) Mr. Rucha Shashikiran Gadam (Co-Applciant), S/o. Mr. Shashi Kiran Gadam, R/o. H.No.1-2-608 to 620, Flat No. C-905, Jalayalu Towers, Lower Tank Bund, Secunderabad, Telangana-500080. Also at: Mr. Rucha Shashikiran Gadam (Co-Applciant), S/o. Mr. Shashi Kiran Gadam, Proprietor, Siddhi Vinayak Traders, Shakuntala Complex, Abids, Hyderabad, Telangana-500001. Property Address: Mrs. Chandor Vineeth (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Ashok Chandor, Flat No. B-101 in 1st Floor of Wing-B, "FORTUNE ONE" ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad- 500034. Loan A/c Number: PHR113412297547, LTR11412362266, NPA Date: 03-02-2026, Demand Notice Date: 04-02-2026, Outstanding amount: Rs. 2,05,26,057.79 J/- (Rupees Two Crores Five Lakhs Twenty six Thousand Fifty Seven Rupees and Seventy Nine Paise Only) for Loan PHR113412297547 & Rs. 99,47,338/- (Rupees Ninety Nine Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Eight Only) for Loan LTR11412362266 being the amount due as on 03-02-2026 this amount includes interest till 03-02-2026 together with further interest thereon from 04-02-2026, SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY OWNED BY M/S JADE RELATORS (VENDOR NO.1): All that the part and parcel of an extent of 9610 Sq.Yrds belonging to M/s. Jade realtors of land Owners in Survey No.s 12931 completed to TS No.3(Part) situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.141; Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.141; Banjara Hills, South: 40' Wide Road; East: Balance Land in TS3 owned by the 2nd land owner West: Neighbors property. SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY OWNED BY M/S BANJARA PARK AVENUE ESTATES (VENDOR NO.2): All that the part and parcel of an extent of 3078 Sq.Yrds belonging to M/s. Banjara park avenue estates of land Owners in Survey No. 12948 correlated to TS No.3(Part) & TS No.8 (Part) situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.12; Banjara Hills, South: 40' Wide Road; East: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; West: Land Owned by the 1st Land Owner in TS No.8; SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY OWNED BY M/S BANJARA PARK AVENUE ESTATES (VENDOR NO.2): All that the part and parcel of an extent of 2219 Sq.Yrds belonging to M/s. Banjara park avenue estates of land Owners in Survey No.s 12948 correlated to TS No.8 (Part) situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.12; Banjara Hills, South: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 1st Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "D" PROPERTY OWNED BY M/S BANJARA PARK AVENUE ESTATES (VENDOR NO.2): All that the part and parcel of an extent of 1373.20 Sq.Yrds belonging to M/s. Banjara park avenue estates of land Owners in Survey No.s 12948 correlated to TS No.8 situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; South: 40' Wide Road; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "E" PROPERTY (COMBINED PROPERTY OF SCHEDULE "A" TO "D"): All that Respective extents in schedule "A" to Schedule "D" adjacent, abutting and contiguous to each other forming a compact block of land totally admeasuring 16,280.20 Sq.Yrds in Sy. No.12931 & 12948 correlated to TS No.3 & TS No.8 situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.12; Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.12; Banjara Hills, South: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 1st Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "D" PROPERTY OWNED BY M/S BANJARA PARK AVENUE ESTATES (VENDOR NO.2): All that the part and parcel of an extent of 1373.20 Sq.Yrds belonging to M/s. Banjara park avenue estates of land Owners in Survey No.s 12948 correlated to TS No.8 situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; South: 40' Wide Road; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "E" PROPERTY (COMBINED PROPERTY OF SCHEDULE "A" TO "D"): All that Respective extents in schedule "A" to Schedule "D" adjacent, abutting and contiguous to each other forming a compact block of land totally admeasuring 16,280.20 Sq.Yrds in Sy. No.12931 & 12948 correlated to TS No.3 & TS No.8 situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.12; Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.12; Banjara Hills, South: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 1st Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "D" PROPERTY OWNED BY M/S BANJARA PARK AVENUE ESTATES (VENDOR NO.2): All that the part and parcel of an extent of 1373.20 Sq.Yrds belonging to M/s. Banjara park avenue estates of land Owners in Survey No.s 12948 correlated to TS No.8 situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; South: 40' Wide Road; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "E" PROPERTY (COMBINED PROPERTY OF SCHEDULE "A" TO "D"): All that Respective extents in schedule "A" to Schedule "D" adjacent, abutting and contiguous to each other forming a compact block of land totally admeasuring 16,280.20 Sq.Yrds in Sy. 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Banjara park avenue estates of land Owners in Survey No.s 12948 correlated to TS No.8 situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; South: 40' Wide Road; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "E" PROPERTY (COMBINED PROPERTY OF SCHEDULE "A" TO "D"): All that Respective extents in schedule "A" to Schedule "D" adjacent, abutting and contiguous to each other forming a compact block of land totally admeasuring 16,280.20 Sq.Yrds in Sy. No.12931 & 12948 correlated to TS No.3 & TS No.8 situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.12; Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Main Road No.12; Banjara Hills, South: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 1st Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "D" PROPERTY OWNED BY M/S BANJARA PARK AVENUE ESTATES (VENDOR NO.2): All that the part and parcel of an extent of 1373.20 Sq.Yrds belonging to M/s. Banjara park avenue estates of land Owners in Survey No.s 12948 correlated to TS No.8 situated at ward No.12, Block K, Shaikpet Village, Road No.12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and bounded as follows:- BOUNDARIES: North: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.8; South: 40' Wide Road; East: 40' Wide Road; West: Land Owned by the 2nd Land Owner in TS No.3. SCHEDULE "E" PROPERTY (COMBINED PROPERTY OF SCHEDULE "A" TO "D"): All that Respective extents in schedule "A" to Schedule "D" adjacent, abutting and contiguous to each other forming a compact block of land totally admeasuring 16,280.20 Sq.Yrds in Sy. No.12931 & 12948 correlated to TS No.3 & TS

BAJAJ FINANCE LIMITED
Registered Office: Bajaj Finance Limited, Co. Bajaj Auto Limited Complex, Mumbai Pune Road, Akurdi, Pune 411035
Branch Address: Bajaj Finance Ltd. 2nd Floor Gola Gokran Nath Ultra Pradesh 262802

POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)
(As per Appendix IV read with rule 9(1) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Bajaj Finance Limited (BFL), under the provisions of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 issued demand by registered post ("Notice") calling upon the Borrowers/Co-borrowers mentioned hereunder to repay the amount mentioned in the notice U/s. 13(2) of the said Act within a period of 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The Borrowers /Mortgagors /Guarantors named below having failed to repay the said amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers /Mortgagors /Guarantors and public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic Possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on me under Sec. 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002. The borrowers in particular and public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property and any dealing with this property will be subject to the charge of the Bajaj Finance Limited. For the amount mentioned herein below along with interest thereon at contracted rate. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

No.	Loan Account No./Name of the Borrower(s) /Mortgagor(s) /Guarantor(s)	Description of Property Schedule of Property	Date of Notice U/s 13(2) and U/s 13(2) Notice Amount and Date of Possession
1.	SPP/PAU7PB7166335 & P15EPFB12904388 1. Ramchandra Jaiswal S/o. Dayaram Jaiswal, R/o. Bh. Taha M N 52, Gali N 4 Munugan, Gola Gokran Nath Kheri Ultra Pradesh 262802. Contact : 9519867037, Email id: ramchandrajaiswal949@gmail.com. Also At : R/o. House No. 313, Mohalla Gola Bahar, Pargana Hyderabad, Tehsil Gola Gokran District Lakshimpur U.P. 262802. 2. Vimala Vimala W/o Ramchandra Jaiswal, R/o. Bh. Taha M N 52 Gali N 4 Munugan, Gola Kheri Gola Gokran Nath Kheri, Ultra Pradesh 262802. Contact : 9919667037, Email id: ramchand@gmail.com.	All the piece and parcel of House No. 313, Situated at Mohalla Gola Bahar, Pargana Hyderabad, Tehsil Gola Gokran District Lakshimpur U.P. 262802, along with proportionate share in common areas, Area. ad. : 1034 Sq.Ft. (as per property documents); 861 Sq.Ft. (as per site visit). Boundaries: As per Legal Documents : East : Field of Turkyia Hawai; West : Plot of Krishna Kumar; North : Kshaba Ram; South : 12'1" wide Road; As per Site Visit and Lethagal Report ; East : House Munna and North; Rizwan; West : House Ram Chandra; North : Plot Yadav Ji; South : 12'1" Wide Road and House Rizwan	20.11.2025 Rs. 20,93,381/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Ninety Three Thousand Eighty One Only) 07.02.2026 at 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Date: 07.02.2026, Place: Hyderabad For Bajaj Finance Limited, Authorized Officer

SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED
Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No. 14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032.
Administrative office: 6th Floor (level 2), Building No. Q2, Aurum Q parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Gansoli, Navi Mumbai-400710.

DEMAND NOTICE

Whereas the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors/mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from Shriram Finance Limited, (Formerly know as Shriram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shriram Transport Company Limited name Changed as Shriram Finance Limited) We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the borrowers/guarantors have committed various defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorized Officer of SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD. under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon the following borrowers /guarantors /mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices.

The notices issued to them on their last known addresses have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Name of the Borrowers(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantors	NPA DATE:	Date of Demand Notice:
(1) Racha Srinivas Reddy @ Alias Srinivas Reddy Racha, S/o: Racha Anantha Reddy @ Alias Anantha Reddy Racha, Age: 40 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H. No. 1-4-82, Pragathi Nagar, Yadadri - Bhongir, Nalgonda-508116, R/O: Proprietor of "Tent House", 9031519974, 9032519151. (2) Anitha Racha, W/o: Srinivas Reddy Racha, Age: 36 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O: H.No: 1-4-82, Pragathi Nagar, Yadadri - Bhongir (M), Nalgonda-508116, 9666675363. (3) Rajesh Shivashetty, S/o: Lingaiah Shivashetty, Age: 42 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H: No: 8-6-181/P/45E, Padmavathi Nagar Colony, Near F C I Colony, Yamashilpalluram, Hyderabad-500070, 799799934. ...Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs. BHONGIR: F100531009 - DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that the Open Plot Bearing No. 30, in Survey No. 144A and 145, Admeasuring an area of 400 Square Yards or equivalent to 334.4 Square Meters, Situated Revenue Village Hussainabad Bhongir Mandal, within the limits of Bhongir Municipality, in Ward No. 1 and Block No. 4, Yadadri-Bhuvanagiri District, SRO Bhongir and bounded as follows: Towards East: 20' Wide Road, Towards West: Vendor's Land, Towards North: House of P. Komuriah, Actual: Neighbors Open Plot, Towards South: Plot No. 31.	31.12.2020	12.01.2026
Outstanding Amount: Rs. 36,31,766/-	Loan Amount: Rs. 15,00,000/-	

Please note that under Section 13(13) of the said Act, No Borrower shall, transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

Date: 09.02.2026
Place: YADADRI - BHONGIR & HYDERABAD
Authorized Officer: SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD.

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Name of the Borrowers(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantors	NPA DATE:	Date of Demand Notice:
(1) Golla Ravi, S/o: Golla Sathaiiah, Age: 31 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H.No. 1-92 or 1-192, Maqta Masanpalle, Gajwel, SC Community Hall, Medak, Siddipet-502334, B/O: Proprietor of "Ravi Transport And Travels" At # Same as Resi Address, 9133131058. (2) Golla Raju, S/o: Golla Sathaiiah, Age: 32 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H.No. 1-92, Maqta Masanpalle, Gajwel, Siddipet-502334, 9951066918. (3) Ryakala Srikanth, S/o: Yadaiah @ Alias Ryakalla Yadaiah, Age: 30 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H.No. 1-55, Maqta Masanpalle, Gajwel, Siddipet, Medak- 502334, B/O. Proprietor of "Tiffen Centre", 9640385143. (4) Anitha Golla, W/o: Ravi Golla & D/o: Golla Yadaiah, Age: 32 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O: Address: H.No. 1-92, Maqta Masanpalle, Gajwel, Siddipet-502334, Address- II: H.No: 5-72, Tadwai, Nizamabad-503120, 9182904644, 9133131058. ...Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs. MHYNTYT210310005 - DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that the House Bearing No. 1-1/92 (Assessment No. 320624900073), Block No. 1, in all admeasuring an extent of 281.11 Square Yards, Consisting RCC Plinth Area 350-00 Square Feet, Situated At Makta Masanpalle Village, Gajwel Mandal, Siddipet District Under Makhthamasanpalle Gram Panchayat and Bounded as follows: Towards East: Park, Towards West: CC Road, Towards North: House of Kilgichuram Swamy, Towards South: CC Road.	08.07.2023	12.01.2026
Outstanding Amount: Rs. 21,20,174/-	Loan Amount: Rs. 10,00,000/-	

Please note that under Section 13(13) of the said Act, No Borrower shall, transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

Date: 09.02.2026
Place: SIDDIPET AND NIZAMABAD
Authorized Officer: SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD.

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(1) Patibandla Seshiah @ Alias P Seshiah, S/o. Patibandla Venkateswaru @ Alias Patibandla Venkateswaru, Age: 50 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: Address-I: Plot No. 63, Sanjana Apartment, Gayathri Banglore Store, R No: 1, Budha Nagar, Peeraziguda, Hyderabad-500039, Address-II: # 5-38/8, Budha Nagar, Near Uppal Bus Depot, Chaiteskar, Medipal, K V Rangareddy-500098, B/O: Proprietor of "Sri Gayathri Fancy & Banglore Stores", At # H.No: 3-110/5-G-6, Budha Nagar, Peeraziguda, Hyderabad-500039, 9700151288. (2) Bodduri Raghavendra, S/o: Bodduri Seshagiri Rao, Age: 55 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: Address-I: 2-47, G3, Sarda Apartments, Mallikarjuna Nagar, Uppal, Hyderabad-500098, Address-II: # 2-104/A, Mallikarjuna Nagar, Uppal, Address: Rangareddy, Rangareddy-500039, B/O: Proprietor of "M/s. Vishwajani Constructions", At # Srinivasa Hills, Parvathapuram, Uppal, 9849389438, 7386068098. (3) Patibandla Sujatha, W/o: Patibandla Seshiah, Age: 41 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O: Address-I: Plot No: 63, Sanjana Apartment, Gayathri Banglore Store, R No: 1, Budha Nagar, Peeraziguda, Uppal, Hyderabad-500039, Address-II: # 5-38/8, Budha Nagar, Near Uppal Bus Depot, Chaiteskar, Medipal, K V Rangareddy-500092, 9393084147. ...Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs. VANAST1603310020 - DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that the Shop No. 2, in Ground Floor of "Bajaj Construction" Area Admeasuring 320 Sq Ft., of Plinth Area Including Common Areas together with Undivided Share of Land admeasuring 9.75 Sq.Yards, or 8.15 Sq.Mtrs. Out of total land admeasuring 600 Sq.Yards, or 501.66 Sq.Mtrs, being Constructed Plot No. 143, in Survey No: 5 & 4/2 (Part of Survey No: 4) Fallen in Survey No: 5, Plot No: 142, Forming Part of Survey Nos: 5 & 4/2 (Part of S No: 4) and Plot No: 141 in Survey No: 5 and 4/2 (Part of S No: 4) Situated at Peeraziguda Village and Grampanchayat, Ghatkesar Mandal, Medchal, Maalkajgiri District, Item No: E. East: Plot No: 137, 135, West: 30 Ft Wide Road, North: Plot No: 140 And 139, South: Plot No: 144, Item No. II: East: Duct, Stair Case and Flat No G-2, West: 30 Ft Wide Road, North: Shop No. 3, South: Shop No: 1.	30.04.2020	09.01.2026
Outstanding Amount: Rs. 27,42,519/-	Loan Amount: Rs. 8,00,000/-	

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Date: 09.02.2026
Place: HYDERABAD
Authorized Officer: SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD.

TPCC Chief Goud Slams BJP, BRS in Nizamabad Rally



Nizamabad (TSIT): TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud addressed a campaign closing meeting in Nizamabad, urging voters to elect a Congress mayor for city development. He criticized MP Arvind for making statements "beyond his political stature" and demanded answers on asset growth. Goud accused BJP of provoking religious sentiments for political gain and failing to deliver promised jobs, while claiming central policies benefited only corporate groups. Highlighting state welfare schemes including new ration cards and Group-1 recruitments, he alleged Nizamabad missed Smart City opportunities due to poor parliamentary representation. Referencing Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's Rs.1,000 crore development pledge and pending airport project, Goud warned that voting BJP or BRS would stall civic progress.

SVN ROAD BRANCH, WARANGAL
15-4-321/322, SVN ROAD, NEAR KAKATIYA THEATRE JSR COMPLEX, Warangal - 506002, Ph.No. 08702440325

BANKING THAT'S TWICE AS GOOD
CORRECTION TO DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002
(This corrigendum forms an integral part of Demand notice issued under Section 13 (2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002)
Corrigendum to Demand Notice dated: 19.01.2026 issued by the Authorized Officer, Indian Bank, SVN ROAD BRANCH, Warangal in Loan Account No. 7703048842 in the name of M/s. Docile Online Mart Private Limited which was published in the newspapers namely "DISHA" (Telugu) and "THE SOUTH INDIA TIMES" (English) - on 08.02.2026
It is hereby informed to the public and concerned parties that due to inadvertent typographical errors in the earlier publication, certain particulars mentioned therein stand corrected as under:
Correction in Branch Address
The Branch address mentioned in the earlier publication shall be read as:
SVN ROAD BRANCH, WARANGAL 15-4-321/322, SVN ROAD, NEAR KAKATIYA THEATRE JSR COMPLEX, Warangal - 506002 Phone: 08702440325 Jurisdiction Branch: SVN Road Branch, Warangal
Correction in Description of Secured Asset - Property No. 1
Earlier (Incorrect) Description Published: "All that part and parcel of Residential Flat No. 405, Fourth Floor, Balaji Homes SJ 1507 and 1507/E situated at Prashanth Nagar, Siddipet Municipality, Siddipet Mandal admeasuring 76.59 Sq yards undivided share 19.76 sq yards"
Revised (Correct) Description to be Read as:
"All that part and parcel of Residential Flat No. 405, Fourth Floor, named Balaji Homes situated at SJ 1507 and 1507/E with a plinth area 1192.32 Sq. Ft. including proportionate common areas, balconies, and together with undivided share of land admeasuring 19.76 Sq. Yds. (equivalent to 16.50 Sq. Mtrs.), out of total land admeasuring 1192.00 Sq Yds. located at Prashanth Nagar, Siddipet Municipality, Siddipet Mandal, Siddipet District, Sub-Registrar Office, Siddipet (Urban)"
Important Note: All other terms and conditions of the Demand Notice dated: 19.01.2026 remain unchanged and shall continue to be in force.
Date: 09.02.2026
Place: Warangal
Sd/-AUTHORIZED OFFICER
Indian Bank

Union Bank of India
Kamareddy Main (024151)
Address: H.No.1-10-468 & 67/3URULLA RD, KAMAREDDY, 503111, kamareddy, Email: ubi0802153@unionbankofindia.bank.in

Sale notice for sale of immovable properties
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 Read with Provision to Rule 8 (b) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of KAMAREDDY MAIN BRANCH Union Bank of India Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 13-03-2026, for recovery of Rs. 28,16,149.02 (Rupees Twenty Eight Lacs Sixteen Thousand One Hundred Forty Nine and paise two only) interest* any other charges due to the Union Bank of India, KAMAREDDY MAIN BRANCH Secured Creditor from Mr. GADEELA RAGHAVENDRA S/O MR. G NARSIMLU (Borrower) and Mr. KASARLA BHANUCHANDHER S/O K NARSIMLU (Co-Obligatee).
The reserve price will be Rs. 32,97,000/- and the earnest money to be deposited will be Rs. 3,29,700/-
Borrower: Mr. GADEELA RAGHAVENDRA S/O MR. G NARSIMLU Address 1: CO Manama Gadda, H.No 4 33 268 6 Third floor Venkateswara Nagar, Jagadgiri Gutta, Hyderabad-500037 Address 2: H.No: 4-37-17, venkateswara Nagar, jagadgiri gutta, Bala Nagar, K.V. Ranga Reddy, Hyderabad-500037. Address 3: Plot No 53 & 54, Kalki Nagar, Road 1, Near Gangula colony, Lingapur Kamareddy-503111 Mob: 8977429528.
Co-Obligatee: Mr. KASARLA BHANUCHANDHER S/O K NARSIMLU H.No 3 126, Devenpally, Dist: Kamareddy-503111 Mob: 9666227599
Details of Secured Asset:- ALL THAT THE RCC HOUSE, CONSTRUCTED ON EASTERN PORTION OF OPEN PLOT NO. 53 & WESTERN PORTION OF OPEN PLOT NO. 54, LIES IN S.Y. NO. 97/15A, B. C. 109/A, B. C & 115/D, E, F, VIDE G.P.L.P. NO. 1/2002, DT.27-10-2002, admeasuring North to South: 52'-6" Feet and in East to West: 18'-4" Feet and the total area of which is 962.3 Sq. Feet, 106.9 Sq. Yards/ 89.3 Sq. Meters, in which plinth area covered: 578.48 Sft. Bounded by: North : Open Plot of Neighbors, South : 30.0 feet wide Road, East : Eastern Portion of Open Plot No. 54/ West : Western Portion of Open Plot No. 53
Encumbrances known to the secured Creditor: Not Known
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Union Bank of India Secured Creditor's website i.e. www.unionbankofindia.co.in and service Provider's website i.e. https://banknet.com
STATUTORY 30/15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(b)/Rule 9(1) OF STATUTORY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002
This may also be treated as notice u/s 8(b)/Rule 9(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 to the borrower/s and guarantor/s of the said loan about the holding of E-Auction Sale on the above-mentioned date.
Date: 10.02.2026
Place: KAMAREDDY MAIN
Sd/-Authorized Officer,
Union Bank of India

Union Bank of India
New Town - Kamareddy (19891)
Address: NG06 colony Kamareddy 503111
Email: ubi0819891@unionbankofindia.bank.in

Sale notice for sale of immovable properties
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 Read with Provision to Rule 8 (b) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of NEW TOWN KAMAREDDY BRANCH Union Bank of India Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 13-03-2026, for recovery of Rs. 21,08,715.87 (Rupees Twenty One Lacs Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Fifteen and Eighty Seven Paise only) interest* any other charges due to the Union Bank of India, NEW TOWN KAMAREDDY BRANCH Secured Creditor from Mrs. BALTHA VASANTHA, W/O BALTHA SRINIVAS (Borrower), Mr. BALTHA SRINIVAS/S/O BALTHA BALRAJU (Co-Borrower) and Mr. KODURI CHINNA SRINU S/O KODURI NAGI REDDY (Co-Obligatee).
The reserve price will be Rs. 54,40,000/- and the earnest money to be deposited will be Rs. 5,44,000/-
1. Borrower and Mortgagor: Mrs. BALTHA VASANTHA, W/O BALTHA SRINIVAS HNO 4-34 KAKATHIYA NAGAR COLONY, DEVENPALLY, KAMAREDDY-503111 Mob: +919952386679
2. Co-Applicant: Mr. BALTHA SRINIVAS, S/O BALTHA BALRAJU HNO 4-34 KAKATHIYA NAGAR COLONY, DEVENPALLY, KAMAREDDY-503111 Mob: +919952386679
3. Co-Obligatee: Mr. KODURI CHINNA SRINU S/O KODURI NAGI REDDY, HNO 5-8-89/11, ASHOK NAGAR COLONY, KAMAREDDY-503111, Mob: +91964010049
Equitable Mortgaged Property-
Details of Secured Asset:- All that newly constructed semi furnished RCC roof house consisting G+1 Floors constructed on open plot, lies in S.Y.No: 205/1, As per G.P.L.P.No: 31/197, in block No. 3, admeasuring in North to South 25.0 feet on eastern side, 55.0 feet on western side, and in east to west: 72.0 feet on Northern side, 70.0 feet on southern side the total area of which 2840.0 Sq feet (315.0 SQ YRDS) which is equal to 263.80 SQ Mts in which plinth area ground floor 1272.0 Sq. feet & First Floor 1272.0 Sq. Feet Bounded by: NORTH: Open plot No 34 & 37, in Shankarajah EAST: 20.0 feet wide road, WEST: 20.0 feet wide road
Encumbrances known to the secured Creditor: Not Known
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Union Bank of India Secured Creditor's website i.e. www.unionbankofindia.co.in and service Provider's website i.e. https://banknet.com
STATUTORY 30/15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(b)/Rule 9(1) OF STATUTORY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002
This may also be treated as notice u/s 8(b)/Rule 9(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 to the borrower/s and guarantor/s of the said loan about the holding of E-Auction Sale on the above-mentioned date.
Date: 10.02.2026
Place: NEW TOWN KAMAREDDY
Sd/-Authorized Officer,
Union Bank of India

DCB Bank Ltd.
Corporate & Registered Office: 6th Floor, Tower A, Peninsula Business Park, Senapati Bapat Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai - 400 013.
Jyothi Majestic, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad-Telangana 500 034

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002
Sale of Immovable Property Under Rule 9(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Public E Auction Notice for sale of Immovable Assets Charged to the DCB BANK under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to 8(b) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and to the borrower, co-borrowers and the guarantors in particular, by the Authorized Officer that the below mentioned property is mortgaged to DCB BANK LTD. The Authorized Officer of the Bank has taken the possession under the provisions of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. The property will be sold by E-auction as mentioned below for recovery of the below mentioned dues and further interest, charges and cost etc. as per the details set out in the table - The property will be sold "as is where is", "as is what is" and "whatever there is" condition.

Sl. No.	Details of the Secured Debt	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Time and Date of E Auction	Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.)	Date & Time Inspection	Type of Possession
1.	Rs. 1,55,49,955/- (As of 06-02-2026)	Rs. 97,00,000/-	From 11:30 am on 03-03-2026	Rs. 9,70,000/-	26-02-2026 (11 am to 4 pm)	Physical

Name and Details of the Borrower: 1) M/S VIJAYA SAI EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY (REPRESENTED BY MR. THIRUPATHI RAVALA) 2. MRS. VIJAYA RAVALA (Borrower) 3. MR. THIRUPATHI RAVALA (Co-Borrower) 4. MR. RAJENDHAR RAVALA (Co-Borrower)

Details of the immovable property: Schedule -I All that the Part & parcel of R.C.C house bearing H.No.3-101/2A, having ground floor plinth area 4205.25 Sq.Feet and first floor plinth area 4205.25 Sq.Feet, in the land admeasuring 1815.00 Sq.Yards or 1517.57 Sq.Meters in Sy.No.482/A, situated at Dharamaram (P.B.) Village, Jammunkota Mandal, Karimnagar District, Under the Jurisdiction of Registration Dist. Karimnagar, Sub-District Huzurabad, with the following boundaries: East : Land of Ravula Rajender ;West : Land of Polineni Laxman Rao ;North : Land of Polu Sammaiah ;South : Land of Polu Sammaiah. Schedule -II All that piece and parcel of land admeasuring 135.00 Sq.Yards or 154.66 Sq.Meters in Sy.No.481/E, situated at Dharamaram (P.B.) Village, Jammunkota Mandal, Karimnagar District, Under the Jurisdiction of Registration Dist. Karimnagar, Sub-District Huzurabad, with the following boundaries:-East : Plot of Thirupathi; West : Kaluva Road; North : Plot of Polineni Mangala Prada and another; South : Plot of Polineni Mangala Prada and another.

Date and time of submission of EMD on or before 02nd March 2026 before 5pm with request letter of participation KYC, Pan Card , Proof of EMD Contact Name No. : K.Kranthi Kumar & B142040928
The intending purchasers/bidders are required to deposit EMD amount either through DD/NET/RTGS in the name of the beneficiary, DCB Bank, Account Name - DCB BANK LOAN ACCOUNT NAME, Account No. DCB BANK LOAN ACCOUNT NUMBER. IFSC Code: DCBL0000037, LOWER PAREL, Branch - MUMBAI

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE E-AUCTION ARE AS UNDER:

- The properties are being sold on an "as is where is", "as is what is", "as is how is" & on a "No Recourse" basis without any kind of warranties & indemnities
- All Statutory Dues/Attendant Charges/ Other Dues including registration charges, stamp duty, taxes, etc. shall have to be borne by the purchaser and the Authorizes Officer or the Bank shall not be responsible for any charges, lien in encumbrances or any other dues to the government or anyone else in respect of the e-auctioned property not known to the bank. The Independent Bidder is advised to make their own independent enquiries regarding the encumbrances on the property including Statutory Liabilities, Areas of Property Tax, Electricity Dues etc..
- Contact : Jaya Prakash Reddy, Mob. No: 8142000663/6362. Back End Office : 8142000663/6362. Office mail Id : mfg@bankofindia.com & Mail Id: prakash@bankofindia.com in their web portal https://bankauctions.in/ on the dates as mentioned in the table above with Unlimited Extension of 5 Minutes. Bidders are advised to detailed terms and conditions of auction sale before submitting their bids refer to the link https://www.dcb.bank.in/mcs/showpage/page/customer-corner
- The interested bidders are required to register themselves with the portal and obtain login ID and Password well in advance, which is mandatory for e-bidding, from auction service provider (Auctioneer). Mob. No: 8142000664, MR. OFFICER: 8142000663/6362, Prospective bidders may avail online training on e-auction from their registered mobile number only.
- The EMD is refundable without any interest if the bid is not successful. The undersigned reserve the rights to accept or reject any or all the offers or adjourned / postpone the sale without assigning any reason therefor. If the offer is accepted, the purchaser will have to deposit 25% (less EMD Amount) of the sale price immediately on the auction day and if the purchaser fails to deposit the same, the amount deposited towards earnest money shall be forfeited and the property shall forthwith be sold again. The balance amount of purchase price shall be payable on or before the 15th day of confirmation of sale and in default of payment within the stipulated period, the deposit towards earnest money will be forfeited and property will be re-sold. All other statutory dues/taxes/ stamp duty/registration fee/transfer fee to be borne by the buyer separately.
- Online E-auction participation is mandatory in the auction process by making application in prescribed format which is available along with the offer/bidder document on the website
- The sale shall be subject to rules/ conditions prescribed under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

Date: 10-02-2026
Place: Karimnagar
Sd/-Authorized Officer
DCB Bank Limited

IDBI BANK
IDBI Bank Limited, 3 rd floor, D. No: 5-9-89/1 and 2, Chapel Road, Hyderabad-500001, Telangana, www.idbibank.in, Email: dv.krishna@idbi.co.in

CIN: L65190MH2004GOI148838
Ref: SAR11699763701722282526 Dated 22/01/2026

(Demand Notice - Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act.)

1.DEVASANE MALLESHAM FLAT NO G-7 S V PRIDE, KESHAV NAGAR, BODUPPAL, HYDERABAD-500092. DEVASANE MALLESHAM H No:3-6, SEETHARAMNAGAR MANDAL-GUDUR, DIST:WARANGAL, TELANGANA-506134. UDAYA BHANU KUSUMA FLAT NO G-7 S V PRIDE, KESHAV NAGAR, BODUPPAL, HYDERABAD-500092. UDAYA BHANU KUSUMA H No:3-6, SEETHARAMNAGAR MANDAL-GUDUR, DIST:WARANGAL, TELANGANA-506134

Financial assistance sanctioned to you by IDBI Bank Limited - Defaults committed - Statutory notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of the Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

- We, IDBI Bank Limited ("IDBI Bank"), through the Authorized Officer, do hereby issue this statutory notice to you, under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of the Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 ("the Act") in the circumstances narrated below:
- IDBI Bank, granted financial assistance to you, DEVASANE MALLESHAM, UDAYA BHANU KUSUMA, comprising of 1169675100008099; HOUSING PURPOSE on the terms and conditions contained in the Loan Agreement (s) dated and the security documents including the guarantee(s) and other securities ("the Security Documents"), the particulars whereof are given in Annexure 1A.
- As security for the Financial Assistance, you, have created security interest in favour of IDBI Bank, inter alia, by way of hypothecation in respect of movable properties. You, DEVASANE MALLESHAM had also mortgaged immovable property situated at Kowkoo Village, 135, Alwal, Medchal-Malkajgiri, Telangana. The above immovable property is hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Secured Asset", particulars whereof are given in Annexure - 1B.
- Pursuant to the above, you, DEVASANE MALLESHAM has availed the disbursement aggregating Rs. 3690000.00 from time to time.
- In terms of the Loan Agreement read with the Security Documents, you, DEVASANE MALLESHAM has agreed to repay

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT our client SMT. WASEEM UNNISA BEGUM W/O MOHD. ABDUL SALEEM, aged 45 years, occupation Housewife, R/o. H.No. 3-2-19/4, Meesa Masjid, Mahabubnagar, who is the rightful owner of the Open Plot No. 93, in Sy.No.923/2, measuring 200.55 Square Yards situated at Bandameedipally Sivar & G.P. H/o. Mahabubnagar Mandal & District, on 27.01.2026 she has lost Registered Link Document No. 2473/2007 of Registered Document No. 14064/2018, dated 30.10.2018 while travelling from Mahabubnagar to Hanwada by motor cycle. She made her efforts to trace the missing Link document, but it is lost beyond recovery. Any person(s) having found the above mentioned original Link Document in respect to the said property will be rewarded and the same are required to intimate to the below mentioned address.

Telangana Municipal Polls on February 11



Hyderabad, TSIT: The Telangana State Election Commission announced municipal elections will be held on February 11 from 7 AM to 5 PM. All logistical and security arrangements are in place, with district collectors and police instructed to ensure peaceful polling. Voters must carry valid ID proofs including voter ID, Aadhaar, passport or driving licence. Polling staff and materials will be dispatched in advance. The Commission urged maximum voter participation, with counting to follow as per schedule.

Minister Komatireddy Leads Roadshow in Five Divisions, Seeks Record Majority



Hyderabad: State Roads & Buildings and Cinematography Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy on Monday intensified the Congress campaign for the upcoming civic polls by leading a large roadshow across multiple divisions of Nalgonda Municipal Corporation and appealing to voters to deliver a record majority to Congress candidates. Campaigning in Divisions 14, 15, 16, 17 and 3, the Minister said that comprehensive and planned development of Nalgonda town remains his top priority. He urged citizens to elect Congress corporators to ensure faster execution of civic and welfare works. He stated that several pending infrastructure works, including underground drainage systems and CC roads, are being taken up and completed in a phased manner. The government is also working towards making all colonies problem-free and has initiated measures to ensure round-the-clock drinking water supply across municipal areas.

The Minister said the upgradation of Nalgonda into a Municipal Corporation would significantly enhance the flow of funds from both the State and Central governments, enabling accelerated infrastructure and civic development. He noted that development works worth approximately 2,200 crore are currently in progress within the Corporation limits. Assuring that there will be no shortage of funds for the city's growth, he said all division-wise assurances would be fulfilled once Congress candidates are elected. He cautioned voters against supporting leaders who frequently switch parties, stating that such instability harms long-term public interest.

Lions Club Supports Poor Student's Australia Studies



Hyderabad (TSIT): Lions Club of Secunderabad North extended Rs.1.30 lakh financial aid to Sripathi Uday Kumar, a meritorious student from Suraram Colony, for pursuing Post-Graduation in Microbiology in Australia. MLAKP Vivekananda facilitated the support after the student approached him citing weak financial conditions. The club mobilized funds within two days. The MLA appreciated the gesture and urged service organizations to assist underprivileged students, noting ongoing support for professional courses like medicine and engineering in his constituency.

SIDDIPET MAIN BRANCH Address- 11-1-151, Medak Road, Siddipet Contact No: 8919551105

Sale notice for sale of Immovable properties E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 Read with Proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of SIDDIPET MAIN BRANCH Union Bank of India Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is what is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 13-03-2026, for recovery of Rs. 35,16,314.92 (Rupees Thirty Eight Lacs Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen and Paise Ninety Two only) + Interest + Other Charges due to the Union Bank of India, SIDDIPET MAIN BRANCH Secured Creditor from Mr. Sanavala Vijay Kumar (Borrower) and Mrs. Korani Savanthi alias Dapu alias Sanuvala (Mortgagor & Guarantor). The reserve price will be Rs. 13,68,500/- and the earnest money deposited will be Rs. 1,36,850/-.

SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY Follow us on @SCRailwaysIndia Details of the Tender Notices of S.C. Railway can be seen on our website: www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

TENDER NOTICE No. 08 to 14 DRM_W_HYB_26 dt. 05/02/2026

On behalf of the President of India, Divisional Railway Manager/Works, Hyderabad Division, South Central Railway, Secunderabad invites Open Tenders for the following works through e-procurement up to 15.00 hours of 04/03/2026

Tender No.: 08_DRM_W_HYB_26 Name of the work : SC-MUE SECTION: CESS REPAIR IN CONNECTION WITH YARD IMPROVEMENT AND UPGRADEMENT WORKS IN SSE/PW/EMD SECTION Approx Value (₹): 1,06,53,570 EMD (₹): 2,03,300

Tender No.: 09_DRM_W_HYB_26 Name of the work : A) Provision of yard material Stacking form at six yard each under SSE/P.Way/UMRI & NZB B) Hyderabad Division - Sleeper Matting at station and PWI offices C) Hyderabad Division - UMRI - Provision of boundary wall at MUE end (500 Meters) D) Hyderabad Division - Repair to Drain work (800m on both LH and RH side) and Stone pitching at (KMC E) Hyderabad Division - UPW - Side drain raising (Stone masonry) for (300m F) Hyderabad Division - Repair to Drain work 800m on either side LH and RH of point 13B at UPW G) Hyderabad Division : Proposed Drain construction at IDL near LC at Km 482/600-900 (H) Hyderabad Division - Provision of Grating cum bailing of accumulated water between Good Loop and Loop line-2 I) Hyderabad Division - Provision of toe wall from Km. 458/900-500 for 300m J) Hyderabad Division - Provision of Buffer stops as a part of extension of dead end with concrete sleeper at BDHN and other stations (Non-Track Portion) Approx Value (₹): 8,80,66,798 EMD (₹): 5,90,300

Tender No.: 10_DRM_W_HYB_26 Name of the work : HYB Division - SC-MUE Section - Raising of Platform level from existing RL to HL platforms at Brahmanapalli, Thippapur, Fakrabad, Samrala and Shelganah Stations Approx Value (₹): 9,21,10,891 EMD (₹): 6,10,600

Tender No.: 11_DRM_W_HYB_26 Name of the work : A) HYB Div - Raising of RL to HL Platform at Gandhikap Bochan Halt station. B) HYB Div - Merchant room, Hamals shed at 2 goods shed viz SIPT, JKM and Open Showers of 6 Nos each at 02 Goods sheds viz KMC and BDHN Approx Value (₹): 2,79,91,723 EMD (₹): 2,90,000

Tender No.: 12_DRM_W_HYB_26 Name of the work : SC-DHNE Section: Replacement of existing Steel Girders with PSC Slab on Br No 121(3x12.20m) at Km 53/15-54/1, Br No 155 (6x12.20 m) at Km 73/8-9, Br No 178 (5x12.20 m) at Km 84/3-4 and Br No 466 (3x12.20m) at Km-257/8-9 (Total 17 Spans) Approx Value (₹): 11,82,14,159 EMD (₹): 7,41,100

Tender No.: 13_DRM_W_HYB_26 Name of the work : A) Construction of Boundary wall at KCG, MLY and CKL (3km) Under ADEN/Estates-II/HYB B) Construction of Boundary wall to prevent Encroachments at Adadagutta under jurisdiction. SSE/W/EMD Approx Value (₹): 5,38,29,865 EMD (₹): 4,19,200

Tender No.: 14_DRM_W_HYB_26 Name of the work : SC-MUE section: Cess repair work in connection with yard improvement and up gradation works under SSE/PW/UMRI and SSE/PW/NZB Section Approx Value (₹): 2,62,43,120 EMD (₹): 2,81,200

For further details visit the website www.ireps.gov.in

Divisional Railway Manager/ Works/Hyderabad Tender Notice No: G/E-29/TR/ Tender Notice/50/2025-26

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer/Tractor / Guntakal acting for on and behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders for the following works.

Tender No.: GTL-TRD-29-eTN-81-2025-26 Name of work: GTL Div: Provision of Crossovers for Common loop facilities to UP loop line at Mangapatnam station in Gooty-Renigunta Section Approximate Value (₹): 60,95,243.60/- EMD (₹): 1,21,900/-

Tender Closing date & time: 02.03.2026 at 15.00 hrs Note: 1. Tender Document may be downloaded from www.ireps.gov.in by tenders, free of cost.

For Bidding the tender and other details login to http://www.ireps.gov.in or Corrigenda if any will be issued online only. Sr.Divisional Electrical Engineer, Traction, Guntakal

TENDER NOTICE No. 15 DRM_W_HYB_26 dt. 06/02/2026

On behalf of the President of India, Divisional Railway Manager/Works, Hyderabad Division, South Central Railway, Secunderabad invites Open Tenders for the following works through e-procurement up to 15.00 hours of 04/03/2026.

Tender No.: 15_DRM_W_HYB_26 Name of the work: MANOHARABAD-SIDDIPET Section : LAKDARAM Ballast Depot: Supplying stacking of 50mm gauge hard and durable machine crushed stone ballast to railway's specifications at LAKDARAM Depot (Depot Collection) and loading the same in to railway hoppers / traffic ballast wagons by mechanical means. (Qty:40000 Cum) Approx Value (₹): 4,45,87,200 EMD (₹): 3,72,900

For further details visit the website www.ireps.gov.in

Divisional Railway Manager/ Works/Hyderabad NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER (through http://ireps.gov.in)

Senior Divisional Electrical Engineer, Traction Distribution, Secunderabad invites e-tender on behalf of the President of India for the following works in Single packet system of tendering.

S.No.: 01 NIT No.: C/E-29/TRD/SC/67/2025-26 Name of the work: Tender No. C/E-29/TRD/ SC/67/2025-26 Dt. 05.02.2026 SC Division: WD-SC & SC-KZJ sections: Hyderabad: Stewing of Point no 41, Road no 5 and 6 CSR Ballast station at Hyderabad. Estimate Cost (₹): 1,64,24,866.48 Completion period: 120 days Date of closing: 04.03.2026 at 15:00 hrs

S.No.: 02 NIT No.: C/E-29/TRD/SC/68/2025-26 Name of the work: Tender No. C/E-29/TRD/ SC/68/2025-26 Dt. 05.02.2026 SC Division: Separate Isolation arrangement of Common loops for improvement operational safety in KZJ-WD section. Estimate Cost (₹): 3,35,81,978/- Completion period: 180 days Date of closing: 06.03.2026 at 15:00 hrs

1) For bid document and other details, please login to website http://ireps.gov.in

2) Tenderers should participate through e-tendering only and no manual offers may be considered.

3) Tender conditions/other particulars are available in the Tender documents on IREPS website at ireps.gov.in which can be downloaded, can be participated and can view any modifications if any.

4) All the prospective tenderers are requested to remit Cost of tender form & EMD through online payments only.

SHIRAM Finance Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No. 14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032. Administrative office: 6th Floor (level 2), Building No. Q2, Aurum Q parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400710.

DEMAND NOTICE Whereas the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from M/s. Shiram Finance Limited (Shiram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shiram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shiram Transport Company Limited name Changed as Shiram Finance Limited by its Incorporation Certificate dt. 13-11-2022), is a company registered under the Companies Act, 2013 and also registered with RBI to do Non-Banking Finance business having its registered office at Sri Towers, Plot No. 14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai- 600032 and branch office at Mancherla, (hereinafter referred as Company/ Lender). We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the borrowers/guarantors have committed various defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorized Officer of SHIRAM FINANCE LTD. under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon the following borrowers /mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices.

Table with columns: Name of the Borrowers(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantors, NPA DATE, Outstanding Amount, Date of Demand Notice, Loan Amount. Includes details for Odelu Uday Kashavena S/o. Malliah, Ramnagar, Teegalapahad, Naspur, Mancherla, and Thangallapalli Chandrakha W/o. Chandralaxmi.

IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES AS AFORESAID, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.

PLEASE NOTE THAT UNDER SECTION 13 (13) OF THE SAID ACT, NO BORROWER SHALL, TRANSFER BY WAY OF SALE, LEASE OR OTHERWISE ANY OF HIS SECURED ASSETS REFERRED TO IN THE NOTICE, WITHOUT PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE SECURED CREDITOR.

Authorized Officer SHIRAM FINANCE LTD. Whereas the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from M/s. Shiram Finance Limited (Shiram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shiram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shiram Transport Company Limited name Changed as Shiram Finance Limited by its Incorporation Certificate dt. 13-11-2022), is a company registered under the Companies Act, 2013 and also registered with RBI to do Non-Banking Finance business having its registered office at Sri Towers, Plot No. 14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai- 600032 and branch office at Godavarkhani, (hereinafter referred as Company/ Lender). We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the borrowers/guarantors have committed various defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorized Officer of SHIRAM FINANCE LTD. under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon the following borrowers /mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices.

Table with columns: Name of the Borrowers(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantors, NPA DATE, Outstanding Amount, Date of Demand Notice, Loan Amount. Includes details for SM Steel Furniture Works and Show Room, Gandia Sathish, and Gandia Sathish S/o. Komuriah.

IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES AS AFORESAID, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.

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SHIRAM Finance Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No. 14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032. Administrative office: 6th Floor (level 2), Building No. Q2, Aurum Q parc, Gen 4/1, TTC, Thane Belapur Road, Ghansoli, Navi Mumbai-400710.

DEMAND NOTICE

Whereas the borrowers/co-borrowers/guarantors mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from SHIRAM FINANCE LTD. (Formerly known as Shiram City Union Finance Limited, amalgamated with Shiram Transport Finance Company Limited, subsequently Shiram Transport Company Limited name Changed as Shiram Finance Limited) We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the borrowers/guarantors have committed various defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as Non-Performing Asset in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorized Officer of SHIRAM FINANCE LTD. under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 calling upon the following borrowers /mortgagors to repay the amount mentioned in the notices together with further interest at the contractual rate on the amount mentioned in the notices and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. until the date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of notices.

Table with columns: NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors, NPA DATE, DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE, OUTSTANDING AMOUNT, LOAN AMOUNT. Includes details for Yadaiah Mettu, Nagamma Mettu, and Shekar Kukulta.

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: LBNGRF210227005-DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY. All That The House Bearing No.3-3. In Survey No.177/a. Admeasuring 151.33 Sq.Yards Or 126.58 Sq.mtrs. Situated At G.chennaram Village, Kanagal Mandal, Nalgonda District And Bounded As Follows: Towards East: Land Of Vendor. Towards West: Nalgonda To Deverkondu Pwd, R & B Road. Towards North: Land Of Vendor. Towards South: Land Of Panvalathu.

IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES AS AFORESAID, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and the applicable rules there under.

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Table with columns: NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors, NPA DATE, DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE, OUTSTANDING AMOUNT, LOAN AMOUNT. Includes details for Ramakrishna Pallapu, Balaiah Pallapu, and Sandeepanar Simha Ranga.

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: BHONGT6190239017- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY. All That The Open Plot Bearing No.20 In Survey No.158/4 Admeasuring 192 Square Yards Or 160.53 Square Meters Situated At Bramanapally Village, Bitanagar Mandal, Yadadri-bhongir District And Bounded As Follows: Towards East: 13' Ft. Wide Road. Towards West: 12' Ft. Wide Road. Towards North: Neighbours Land. Towards South: As Per Mo: Brahmanapally Bitanagar, Actual: 60' Wide Road.

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PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS: MDPTMTF2101260001-DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY. All That The Second Floor Bearing Municipal No.10-3-326/a, Within The Premises Bearing Mch No.10-3-326 (122 Rf) Admeasuring 839.80 Square Feet Along With Undivided Share Of Land 52.00 Square Yards Or 43.47 Square Meters Out Of 160.58 Square Yards Situated At Vijayanagar Colony, Hyderabad And Bounded As Follows: Towards East: Premises No.29/21/1, Actual: Open To Sky. Towards West: Road, Actual: Corridor. Towards North: Premises No. 11/2r1 (mch No.10-3-325), Actual: Open To Sky. Towards South: Premises No. 13/2r (mch No.10-3-327), Actual: Open To Sky.

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EDITORIAL

WHEN UNIVERSITIES BECOME SITES OF SILENT REPRESSION

Recent developments at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi, including protests directed at philosopher Divya Dwivedi, have brought into sharp focus a question Indian universities have been quietly postponing: what happens to disagreement when institutions stop treating it as an intellectual matter and begin managing it as a problem of order? The issue at stake is not the correctness of any one scholar's arguments, nor the intent of those who oppose them.

It is the growing tendency for universities to respond to contested ideas not through debate, critique, or counter-argument, but through procedural escalation, reputational anxiety, and administrative intervention. When philosophical disagreement over caste, feminism, or political thought is shifted from classrooms and seminars into committees and complaints, something fundamental changes in how democratic institutions relate to dissent. This is not an argument about individual guilt, intent, or the correctness of any particular scholarly position. Nor is it a defence of one person's views. It is an attempt to understand a broader institutional shift, one in which disagreement increasingly migrates from the domain of intellectual engagement into the terrain of discipline, procedure, and risk management. What that shift reveals is less about ideology than about the condition of democratic institutions today.

India continues to describe itself as a democracy committed to free expression. Constitutional guarantees remain intact, courts periodically reaffirm them, and censorship is officially disavowed. Yet writers, journalists, academics, and students continue to experience forms of silencing. Not through mass bans or explicit prohibitions, but through slower, more diffuse mechanisms that make speech costly, uncertain, and professionally risky. Episodes like the one at IIT Delhi are not aberrations. They are symptoms of this wider transformation. Censorship in contemporary India rarely announces itself. It does not arrive as a ban on books or a formal prohibition on speech. Instead, it operates through procedure. Through complaints, inquiries, notices, and committees. Through reputational anxiety and institutional caution. Through the quiet reclassification of disagreement as disruption, and critique as liability. At IIT Delhi, this logic has been visible in the way philosophical disagreement has been shifted out of the space of intellectual contestation and into administrative terrain. Work on caste, feminism, and political philosophy has been framed not simply as scholarship open to critique, but as material requiring institutional response. The question subtly changes from whether arguments are persuasive to whether they should circulate without consequence. This shift matters because it alters how disagreement is resolved. Not through argument, but through management. This is how democratic censorship often works today. It does not silence by decree. It silences by changing the costs of speaking.

The same pattern can be seen across India's public life. Journalists face legal harassment, access denial, strategic litigation, and economic pressure. Poets and writers encounter criminal cases, forced withdrawals, and sustained intimidation. Academics increasingly operate under reputational and political constraint rather than intellectual autonomy. Speech remains legally permissible, but institutionally hazardous.

Universities occupy a particularly revealing position within this landscape. They are meant to be spaces where disagreement is not only tolerated but constitutive. Yet increasingly, they resemble risk management institutions. Administrations must navigate donor expectations, government scrutiny, media attention, and social media outrage. In this environment, caution becomes a rational strategy. Silence begins to look like responsibility.

What has unfolded at IIT Delhi echoes developments at other institutions. At Ashoka University, political controversy around faculty research and public commentary has led to administrative distancing, resignations, and faculty protests over academic freedom. Even when courts intervene to protect scholars, the broader signal remains clear. Think carefully. Speak cautiously. Know the limits.

Public universities face an additional constraint. As state institutions, they are tasked with producing critical knowledge while remaining subject to intense political oversight. Faculty learn, often implicitly, that dissent can be reframed as indiscipline, critique construed as misconduct, and disagreement converted into administrative procedure. Universities do not ban ideas outright. They render certain ideas institutionally risky. It is important to be clear about what this argument is not. It is not a rejection of accountability, protest, or disagreement within universities. Contestation is essential to academic life.

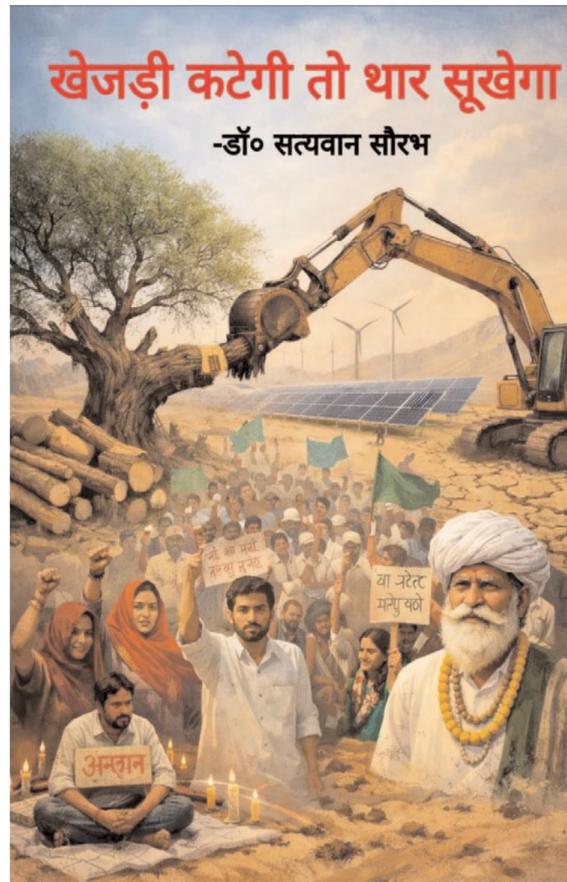
If Khejri is cut, Thar will dry up

Dr. Satyawan Saurabh

The Thar Desert of Rajasthan is not just a stretch of sand, but a complex and sensitive ecosystem whose lifeline is linked to native trees like the Khejri (*Prosopis cineraria*). In recent years, the rapid expansion of solar power projects in western Rajasthan—particularly in Jodhpur, Barmer, Nagaur, and Bikaner—has put this ecosystem under serious threat. Against this backdrop, the Khejri Bachao Andolan (Save Khejri) has become more than just a local protest, but has sparked a broader and deeper debate on current models of development, environmental justice, and democratic participation. Declaring the Khejri as the state tree of Rajasthan wasn't merely symbolic. This tree has been the foundation of water conservation, soil fertility, a pastoral-based rural economy, and biodiversity in the dry and harsh Thar climate. Its pods provide nutritious fodder for livestock, its leaves provide green food, and its deep roots hold groundwater. In the folk culture of desert societies, the Khejri is not just a natural resource but a symbol of life and dignity, aptly described as, "Even if the head is flat, it's still cheap." The widespread felling of such trees is not only a detriment to the environment, but also a breakdown of the centuries-old symbiosis between humans and nature.

India has made solar energy a pivotal area of development, aiming to become a global leader in renewable energy. Rajasthan, due to its geographical location, is being developed as a solar hub, and the state government is pursuing a target of approximately 90 gigawatts of solar power. However, the question arises: can green energy expansion be achieved at the cost of greenery destruction? Large-scale land acquisitions have been undertaken for solar parks in western Rajasthan, resulting in the wholesale felling of protected trees like the Khejri. In many cases, environmental impact assessments were either not conducted or merely a formality. This has resulted in the destruction of traditional grazing lands, impacting the livelihoods of pastoralists, and accelerating soil erosion in desert areas.

This situation directly conflicts with the concept of sustainable development, which considers energy security, environmental protection, and social justice equally important. The Save Khejri Movement highlights this contradiction. It emerged locally in 2024, but by 2026, it had transformed into an organized mass movement.



The Mahapadav held at Bikaner Polytechnic College on February 2, 2026, proved to be a decisive moment in this struggle. Markets remained closed, educational institutions declared a holiday, and thousands of people—saints, sadhus, women, and youth—gathered on a common platform. This scene clearly demonstrates that this struggle is not limited to a single community, but has become a matter of widespread social concern. The movement's organizers issued a clear warning to the government that if a strict tree protection law was not enacted at the state level, the movement would intensify. Pressure was exerted on the government through peaceful democratic measures such as relay hunger strikes, candlelight marches, and collectorate sieges. By February 4th, hundreds of hunger strikers had been recorded, with the significant participation of women

lending moral and social strength to the movement. This participation of women not only symbolizes protest but also expresses concern for rural livelihoods, folk culture, and future generations. This movement is deeply rooted in the historical consciousness of the Bishnoi community, which traces its roots to the Khejadli incident of 1730. The sacrifice made by Amrita Devi Bishnoi and her 363 companions to protect the Khejadli grove is considered the first organized example of environmental protection in world history. Standing on the same land nearly three hundred years later, this movement connects historical memory and current struggle. This continuity gives the movement not only emotional but also moral legitimacy, distinguishing it from typical environmental protests. The Rajasthan government has

declared the Khejri tree as the state tree, but the lack of an effective and binding legal framework for its conservation has long been felt. Despite tree protection directives issued by the National Green Tribunal and the Supreme Court, enforcement on the ground has been weak. The main demand of the protesters is that a strong Rajasthan Tree Protection Act be implemented across the state, making tree felling a last resort, not a prerequisite, for development projects. Temporary bans or partial orders in some districts cannot address this structural problem.

Although the movement claims to be apolitical, its influence on politics is clearly visible. Slogans like "No tree, no vote" have elevated the environment to the forefront as a crucial electoral issue. The silence of local MLAs and MPs is being questioned, and threats of social boycott represent a new form of democratic pressure. This indicates that the environment in India is no longer just a matter of policy, but a question of democratic accountability, the impact of which will be clearly felt in the upcoming elections.

This movement is not against solar energy or development. The protesters' argument is clear: while the energy transition is necessary, it cannot be synonymous with deforestation. Solutions include strict tree protection laws at the state level, mandatory green belts for solar projects, participation of local communities, prioritization of wasteland and rooftop solar, and reforestation campaigns. Internationally, models such as those being adopted in countries like China and the United States, where biodiversity conservation is integrated with solar parks, could be emulated for India. Ultimately, the Khejri Bachao Andolan reminds us that development cannot be limited to energy production, investment, and statistics. This movement underscores the power of democracy, where ordinary citizens can organize and change the direction of policies. From a researcher's perspective, it can be said that the Khejri Bachao Andolan has the potential to become an important chapter in the history of Indian environmental movements. If the government adopts a path of dialogue, balance, and sensitive policy, this struggle can become an example of sustainable development rather than conflict. Saving the Khejri is not just about saving a tree, but about protecting the identity of Rajasthan, the ecology of the Thar, and the rights of future generations.

The Great Claude Shakeout: What You, A 'Techie', Must Do To Stay Relevant

Are we shifting from Cloud Computing to Claude Computing? Pardon the pun, but it is time to look deeper at the future of the software industry, especially that of the people variously described as software engineers, programmers, cyber coolies, or, fashionably, code jocks. To understand what might be in store after a week of pessimism that roiled stock markets worldwide, you may want to look at journalists on the one hand, fashion designers on the other, and then, at the history of the software industry itself. An ability to connect such distant dots would hopefully keep some human minds worthwhile even if an economic tsunami triggered by artificial intelligence (AI) sweeps humanity, mixing the delicious optimism of getting things done fast with a delirious pessimism of job losses ahead. What Claude Brings To The Table Software As A Service (SaaS) has, in recent years, been a key driver of cloud computing, in which applications are available on tap over the Internet. Your familiar Gmail account is actually a SaaS product, as are Salesforce or Microsoft 365. SaaS got rattled after Anthropic released its Claude Cowork, an "agentic AI" model that threatens the worldwide \$300 billion per-hour billing industry that has for decades enriched coders in stock market darlings like Infosys, Wipro and Tata Consultancy Services (TCS). Claude, in its latest corporate-use release, can read, edit, create, rename and organise files inside a folder and offers 11 plug-ins that allow it to automate legal, sales, marketing and data analytics. Cowork is said to transform AI into "outcome-based execution" rather than a dumber dialogue style. A solid agentic AI like Claude can be likened to a cool mix of Jeeves, the efficient British butler created by humourist PG Wodehouse, and Alladin's Genie, which does every task obediently and quickly. SaaS is essentially nothing but loads of organised code rented by groups like a shared hostel dormitory. While you may joke, "Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Code Thi", the fact is that Claude potentially sends survival threats to coders as well as the



humongous SaaS bundles that do everything from writing and presentations to complex mathematical, corporate and algorithmic work. As the genie arrives to do big tasks on the fly, the cyber coolie gets hurt - or so thought the markets last week, when the benchmark Nifty IT index saw steep drops that wiped out Rs 200,000 crore worth of market value in two days. Elsewhere, Amazon, which offers a lot of industry-specific SaaS, saw its share drop by nearly 6% on Friday, eroding co-founder and executive chairman Jeff Bezos' estimated \$230 billion holdings in the company by well over \$12 billion on a single day. That had officially nothing to do with the layoffs of about a third of journalists employed by the Washington Post that Bezos owns in his individual capacity, unless you think it was his bad karma. Learn From The Layoffs But the scribe layoffs may give us a clue on what coders need to do to stay afloat. As a journalist, I have grown from the age of rickety typewriters, bland press releases and teleprinters to smartphones, the Internet and social media. I have experienced and adapted myself all along the way. SaaS applications like Grammarly or even Microsoft Word can now do 50% of what I got paid for as a young journalist editing news. Like myself, coders have to grow up and embrace new technologies and shift from hourly coding to innovative and adaptive techniques to grow. Admittedly, this is a challenging order

when an industry is getting fragmented. Bright young YouTubers, podcast hosts and Instagram Reels and video "jocks" now do what old newspaper "hacks" did. They offer cool, consumable packages for Gen Z appetites. Journalism is not dead, but its forms have changed, and challenges continue. This is likely to happen to software as well. Smart journalists of the old school were not exactly sleeping, and neither would code companies. Infosys in front of my eyes has embraced business process outsourcing, products and various industry solutions over the decades, and currently has its own "AgenticAI Foundry" as part of its Topaz software suite. Wipro has its ai360 and TCS its WisdomNext. The IT giants are also retraining lakhs of employees between them to embrace AI. But profitability now involves business and social knowledge and innovation, probably more than ever before, not to speak of constant learning. That implies a need to cut back hiring and stop taking the jam on their bread for granted. 'Alternative Careers' The future is not necessarily bleak, but is certainly cloudy - perhaps in a literal sense as cloud-based simplicity gives way to more customisable software apps. This is what probably led Sridhar Vembu, founder of SaaS firm Zoho, to say: "At this point, it is best for those of us who depend on writing code for a living to start considering alternative livelihoods.

WEST BENGAL BUDGET: SUBSTANCE OVER HYPE

This fortnight's column could have been about the historic appearance by a sitting Chief Minister in the Supreme Court. Or, a piece on the tepid Union Budget presented by the Finance Minister, which even the stock markets gave a thumbs down - Sensex saw its worst Budget-day fall in six years. Or, we could have written about how the Election Commission have completely botched up the Special Intensive Revision (SIR). Or, crafted a column on the canine habits of women MPs who were, absurdly, accused of being all set to injure the Prime Minister if he spoke in Lok Sabha. But, instead, let me write about how a state government, poised to comfortably win the forthcoming Assembly polls, turned out a Budget for the State that was low on hype and high on substance. Here are 15 stats you cannot ignore. State finance. West Bengal's Gross State Domestic Product grew almost five times in the last 15 years. Reducing unemployment. According to the Union government's PLFS data, unemployment in Bengal, among the age group 15 years and above, has been cut by almost half in the last eight years. Jobs. 2.5 crore jobs have been created in the state across private sector, public sector, and self-employment. Youth. Banglar Yuba Sathi scheme, introduced for unemployed youth between 21-40 years, ensures that Rs 1500 is transferred into their bank accounts every month till they get a job. In contrast, for the PM Internship Scheme, where Rs 10,800 crore was allocated, only 5% of that has been spent. Industry: 93 lakh MSMEs, the second highest in India, operate in Bengal. The state also has the highest share of women-led MSMEs in the country. Information Technology. IT sector exports have recorded growth of a whopping 677% in the last 15 years. Poverty alleviation. Over 1.72 crore people have been brought out of poverty. Healthcare. Bengal's Swasthya Sathi health insurance



scheme was launched in 2016. The Union government's Ayushman Bharat scheme followed two years later. 2.45 crore families in Bengal have been covered under the scheme, and more than one crore beneficiaries have availed services. The health card is in the name of the woman head of the family and parents of both spouses are included. Now, the scheme has been extended to gig workers as well. The girl child. Bengal's Kanyashree scheme was launched in 2013. The Union government's Beti Bachao Beti Padhao followed two years later. You can put a hard number to the Kanyashree scheme: financial assistance has been provided to over one crore girls. In comparison, the Union government's Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme has no data available to indicate how many lives have been touched. School transport. Students do not have to walk miles to reach school. The Sabooj Sathi programme has provided bicycles to one and a half crore students. Nobel laureate Amartya Sen's Prathichi Trust, in their assessment of the scheme, notes "a perfect union of policy, based on ideological commitment, and a sound implementation mechanism makes

the program unique". Food security. Now ensured to nine crore people by providing them subsidised food-grains. Women empowerment. The success of the Lakshmi Bhandar scheme, where money is transferred directly into the accounts of women, has inspired many states to adopt similar models. Over two crore women will now receive Rs 1500 per month, a 50% increase from the existing payout. Housing. This financial year, 32 lakh households have been provided housing under the Banglar Bari scheme. Overall, one crore families have benefited. Roads. Over two lakh kilometres of roads have been constructed, and another 30,000 kilometres are being built under Pathashree-Rastashree - one of the 95 schemes rolled out by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in the last 15 years. Water. Functional tap water connections have increased from two lakh in 2011 to nearly one crore households today. Beyond these statistics, some stories are worth telling. A girl from a poor family being able to continue her studies because she is now provided with real financial assistance. A student from a remote village cycling to school on her bicycle.



Brungi bahana seva held in srisailem sri bramarambika mallikarjuna swami temple

Sai Ratna Colony elects Ellamula Mallesh panel



Hyderabad : The biennial general elections of the Sai Ratna Welfare Association were held with residents electing a new managing committee to steer the affairs of the colony for the next two years. Ellamula Mallesh was elected President, while Narendra Naik secured the post of Vice-President. Sunkari Sandeep was elected General Secretary, Mamidala Ramesh as Treasurer, and Anuradha Madhava Rao as Joint Secretary. The elections were conducted smoothly with active participation from residents, reflecting sustained community engagement in local governance. The newly elected panel had campaigned on a manifesto focused on development, transparency, and unity, highlighting key issues such as sanitation, Manjeera water supply, street lighting, security, electricity, and improved coordination with municipal authorities. Addressing residents after the results were announced, President Ellamula Mallesh said the new team would put in its fullest efforts to resolve the colony's long-pending problems as promised in their election manifesto. He emphasized that the association would work collectively with residents and civic bodies to ensure timely implementation of development initiatives and improve overall quality of life in the colony. The new office-bearers are expected to begin consultations on priority issues identified during the election campaign.

Ramya Rao Campaigns for Congress in Gajwel-Pragnapur



Hyderabad: TPCC Campaign Committee Joint Convener Kalvakuntla Ramya Rao took part in the municipal election campaign on Monday, extending support to Congress-backed candidate Odem Sarika Srinivas Reddy, who is contesting from Ward No. 5 of Gajwel-Pragnapur Municipality. As part of the campaign, Ramya Rao participated in a door-to-door outreach programme, meeting residents and appealing to voters to support the Congress candidate. The campaign focused on local civic issues and the need for continued development in the ward. Party leaders and local supporters accompanied her during the house-to-house canvassing programme.

Bandru Shobharani Addresses Corner Meeting in Support of Congress Candidates

Hyderabad: State Women's Corporation Chairperson Bandru Shobharani addressed a corner meeting in Aleru town of Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district as part of the ongoing municipal election campaign, extending support to Congress-backed candidates.



No. 11 candidate Mallela Saritha Srikanth, and urged local residents to vote for the Congress party nominees to ensure development and effective civic administration. Speaking at the corner meeting, Shobharani highlighted the government's welfare initiatives for women and urban communities and appealed to voters to strengthen Congress leadership in the municipality.

Students Must Develop Competitive Spirit from a Young Age Dr. Pallepadu Damodar

Hanamkonda: Students should develop a competitive spirit from an early age and work with clear goals to achieve success in life, said Dr. Pallepadu Damodar, Secretary of Sarvodaya Youth Organization. He was speaking as the chief guest at an awareness programme organized by the Sarvodaya Youth Organization on Monday morning in Sangem mandal. The sessions were conducted at Zilla Parishad Secondary Schools in Kapula Kanaparathi and Gavicherla, as well as at Sangem Vidya Bharathi High School, focusing on the harmful effects of addictions and negative habits. Addressing students, Dr. Damodar advised them to set high goals during their student years and pursue their studies with dedication. He stressed that students must stay away from intoxicants and drugs, stating that those who overcome weaknesses become truly strong. He also encour-



aged students to focus not only on academics but also on sports and personality development. He said the Sarvodaya Youth Organization has been promoting student talent across the erstwhile Warangal district by conducting competitions such as elocution, essay writing, and drawing for nearly 500 students. Study material and encouragement are being provided to nurture creativity and confidence. Dr. Damodar added that

the organization is also creating awareness among students on social issues, child rights, protection laws, cooperative systems, and Child Helpline 1098. During the programme, bags and notebooks were distributed to 27 students who won prizes in competitions conducted by the organization. Headmistress Ramadevi, teachers Padmaja, Rajanna, Madhu, Sarvodaya Field Officer Vanitha, and students participated in the programme.

GITAM Congratulates Dr. R. Suhasini on Award of Ph.D. in Mathematics

Hyderabad (TSIT) GITAM Deemed to be University proudly congratulates Dr. R. Suhasini on the successful completion of her Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Mathematics. Her research, titled "A Numerical Study on MHD Micropolar Fluid Flow Over a Stretching Sheet with Nanoparticles," makes a significant contribution to the study of non-Newtonian fluid dynamics and heat and mass transfer phenomena. The research was carried out under the expert guidance of Dr. R. Srinivasa Raju, Associate Professor and Research Supervisor, Department of Mathematics, School of Science, GITAM Hyderabad. The study employs advanced numerical techniques to analyze the effects of various physical parameters on magneto-micropolar nanofluid flow, with validated results aligning closely with existing literature.



Dr. Suhasini's successful doctoral defense was warmly appreciated by the university leadership, including Prof. D.S. Rao, Pro Vice-Chancellor, GITAM Hyderabad; D.V.V.S.R. Varma, Resident Director; Dr. M. Reza, Principal, School of Science; and other distinguished faculty members. Her work focuses on magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) micropolar fluid behavior—an area critical to industrial applications such as polymer processing, cooling systems, and microfluidic devices. By

incorporating nanoparticles into the analysis, the research addresses modern thermal management challenges requiring enhanced heat transfer efficiency. The numerical methodology developed through this study provides engineers and scientists with reliable computational tools for predicting complex fluid behavior. Such predictive capabilities prove essential for optimizing manufacturing processes and designing advanced thermal systems across aerospace, automotive, and biomedical sectors. GITAM remains committed to fostering cutting-edge research that bridges theoretical advancement with practical implementation. Dr. Suhasini's achievement reflects the university's dedication to nurturing scholarly excellence and innovation within its academic community.

Harkara Venugopal Rao Campaigns in Ramagundam Municipal Corporation Limits

Hyderabad : Telangana State Government Advisor Harkara Venugopal Rao took part in the municipal corporation election campaign in Ramagundam constituency and toured several wards, urging voters to support Congress candidates in the upcoming polls. As part of the campaign, he visited



Malkapur, Srinagar Colony, Division-3, New Poratpalli, Shalapalli and

Jangalapalli Division-2. Interacting with residents and party workers, he appealed to the public to vote for the Congress party's "Hand" symbol in the municipal elections scheduled on the 11th and ensure a thumping majority for party nominees. He stated that continued development of the area would be possible only if candidates

of the ruling party are elected and called upon voters to stand with Congress for sustained civic progress and welfare measures. Division-3 candidate Mohammed Rahim, Division-2 candidate Vengala Babu, local Congress leaders and residents participated in the campaign programme.

Regulapati Ramya Rao Conducts Door-to-Door Campaign in Gajwel Municipal Ward

Siddipet: As part of the ongoing municipal elections in the state, TPCC Campaign Committee Coordinator and Municipal Elections Media Committee Member Regulapati Ramya Rao participated in a door-to-door campaign on Monday in Ward No. 14 of Gajwel Municipality in Siddipet district. She campaigned along with Siddipet District Congress President Thunkunta Anka Reddy, reaching out to residents and seeking support for the



Congress party candidates. The leaders interacted with voters, explained the party's development and welfare agenda, and appealed to them to vote in favor of Congress in the municipal polls. Local party leaders and workers also took part in the campaign programme.

Ban on campaign activities during polling

- TODDY AND LIQUOR SHOPS SHOULD BE CLOSED DURING POLLING AND COUNTING

WARANGAL, February 9, TSIT : Following the rules of State Election Commission regarding polling process for municipal elections in Narsampet and Wardhannapet towns where municipal elections will be held in the district, the ban on campaign activities will come into effect from 5.00 pm on 9th February. District Election Officer and Collector Dr. Satya Sharada said that the restrictions will remain in force till the end of the elections. She said that during the 48-hour silence period, no one should conduct public election campaign in the above towns. The Collector directed that FST,



SST, MCC teams and police officers should be alert and maintain strict vigilance. Meanwhile, in view of municipal election polling, the Collector ordered the concerned authorities to close the liquor and toddy shops from 5.00 pm on Monday till the end of polling on the 11th. Similarly, in honor of the vote counting process, liquor and toddy shops should be closed on the 13th of this month as well and the dry day will be in effect till the end of the counting.

Malaysia Sets Sights on 2.1 Million Indian Tourists; Hosts Major Sales Mission in Vizag

SOUTH INDIA TIMES ♦ VISAKHAPATNAM To strengthen its tourism footprint in South India and solidify ties with trade partners in Andhra Pradesh, the 'Tourism Malaysia Sales Mission 2026' was grandly held in the city on Monday. Organized in collaboration with the Malaysia Association of Tour and Travel Agents (MATTA), the event served as a strategic platform to showcase Malaysia's diverse travel offerings. Speaking at the event, Datuk Manoharan Periasamy, Chairman of Tourism Malaysia, highlighted the consistent growth of Indian visitors. He revealed that while 13.65 lakh Indians visited Malaysia in 2024, the number rose to 15.65 lakh



in 2025. "We have laid out a comprehensive roadmap to achieve a target of 2.1 million (21 lakh) Indian tourists by 2026," he stated. The Chairman noted that India currently operates 238 weekly flights from 14 cities to Malaysia, offering a total capacity of 47,399 seats. Significantly, South India remains the primary con-

tributor, accounting for 151 weekly flights and nearly 30,000 seats. Hishamuddin Mustafa, Director of Tourism Malaysia (Chennai), identified Visakhapatnam as an emerging and promising market. He mentioned that the mission is specifically tailoring packages to meet the rising demand for destination

weddings among Indians. Furthermore, enhanced facilities for business travelers and curated experiences for nature lovers are being prioritized. TOWARDS 'VISIT MALAYSIA YEAR 2026' Nuwal Fadhila binti Ku Azmi, Senior Director of Tourism Malaysia, described the Vizag summit as a major milestone toward the "Visit Malaysia Year 2026" campaign. The event saw active participation from 49 Malaysian vendors who engaged in B2B discussions with local trade representatives from Andhra Pradesh. The mission is supported by Batik Air as the official airline partner, while Scoot served as the partner for the Visakhapatnam leg of the mission.

IAS Officers of 2025 Batch Visit Visakhapatnam Port



SOUTH INDIA TIMES, VISAKHAPATNAM. As part of the winter study tour, a group of IAS trainee officers belonging to the 2025 batch visited the Visakhapatnam Port Authority on Monday. On this occasion, senior port officials gave them a grand welcome and explained the port's historical background, modern infrastructure, and operational efficiencies.

The trainee officers keenly observed the state-of-the-art infrastructure introduced as part of port management. Specifically, officials explained to them the cargo handling capacity, mechanization methods, and the 'covered storage' facilities set up for cargo storage. The measures being taken by Visakhapatnam Port for environmental protection were specially

mentioned during this visit. They explained the performance of the solar power plant being used for port needs, the water reuse system undertaken through STP for industries, and the precautions being taken to reduce dust and pollution during freight transport. The recently developed International Cruise Terminal and the Truck Parking Terminal built for transportation convenience especially

impressed the team of IAS officers. The officers discussed the opportunities and investment paths to further improve export-import operations. The IAS officers thanked the port management for the comprehensive information and excellent hospitality provided. VPA Heads of Departments and other senior officials participated in this program and cleared the doubts of the officers.

BJP Support Will Ensure Urban Development Dr. Vakulabharanam Krishna Mohan Rao

Hyderabad (TSIT): Senior BJP leader and former Chairman of the Telangana State Backward Classes Commission Vakulabharanam Krishna Mohan Rao participated in the municipal election campaign at Thorur on Monday as the State party's chief campaigner and addressed a public meeting in Ward No. 1. Speaking on the occasion, he said that voting for the Bharatiya Janata Party would strengthen development-oriented governance in urban local bodies. He stated that support for Prime Minister Narendra Modi represents a push for urban progress and infrastructure growth. He appealed to voters to elect BJP candidates with a clear



mandate to enable faster and more comprehensive town development. Dr. Rao said the municipal elections are significant in shaping the State's future political direction and stressed that Central government assistance plays an important role in strengthening urban infrastructure and civic services. He criticised the State

Congress government, alleging that several promises made during earlier elections remain unfulfilled, particularly in areas such as farmer welfare, youth employment, women's economic security, and urban development works. He said voters would respond to the gap between assurances and implementation in the ongoing polls.

SC upholds order prohibiting animal sacrifice, limited rights to prayers on Tiruparankundram

The apex court was hearing a plea which challenged the high court's order, claiming that it violated the fundamental right to freedom of religion.

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Monday upheld a Madras High Court's decision prohibiting animal sacrifice and granting Muslim devotees limited rights to prayers on the Tiruparankundram hills in Tamil Nadu's Madurai.

Underlining that the October 2025 order of the high court was balanced, a bench of Justices Aravind Kumar and P B Varale declined to interfere with it. The apex court was



hearing a plea which challenged the high court's order, claiming that it violated the fundamental right to freedom of religion. Senior advocate

Prashant Bhushan, appearing for the petitioner, said there had never been a law and order problem in the area, to which the bench said that there would not have been a peace committee meeting in the absence of such a problem. "It seems to be a very balanced order... We do not propose to interfere with the order. Without expressing any opinion on the rights of the parties, the impugned order stands upheld," the bench said.

The Madras High Court had permitted prayers and gatherings in the Nellihippu area during Bakrid and Ramzan, subject to the condition that it did not affect the traditional footsteps belonging to the Subramaniya Swamy temple. It had, however, said that animal sacrifice, cooking, carrying and serving of non-vegetarian food cannot be permitted until a decision was made by the competent civil court.



Chief Minister paid floral tributes to the statue of former Chairman of the Tata Group, Thiru Ratan Tata, at the inauguration ceremony of Tata Motors JLR's modern automobile manufacturing plant held at the SIPCOT Panapakkam Industrial Park in Ranipet District....

All you need to know about the Range Rover Evoque rolled out in Tamil Nadu, check out the details



CHENNAI: The rollout follows the inauguration of the Rs 9,000 crore Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles and Jaguar Land Rover (JLR) greenfield car manufacturing facility at SIPCOT Industrial Park in Panapakkam in Ranipet, positioning Tamil Nadu as a key hub in the global luxury automobile supply chain. Compact but premium, the Evoque combines modern design, advanced technology and a refined performance, expanding Land Rover's luxury portfolio for the Indian market.

Key features of the Range Rover Evoque

Powered by a 2.0-litre turbo petrol engine (247 bhp) or 2.0-litre diesel engine (201 bhp). Both are paired with a 9-speed automatic gearbox and feature All-Wheel Drive (AWD) as standard.

Air Ionisation with PM2.5 filter, Wireless Device Charging with Phone Signal Booster Equipped with mild-hybrid technology for improved efficiency

Land Rover's most advanced infotainment system, 'Pivi Pro', is now available.

Designed for both urban driving and light off-road capability

For safety: Emergency Brake Assist, Lane Keep Assist, a 360-degree camera, Driver Condition Monitor and Blind Spot Assist, along with multiple airbags.

Why does the Evoque stand out as a premium luxury SUV

Combines luxury, performance and compact dimensions

Premium craftsmanship, high-end materials and cutting-edge tech

High responsive interface with advanced 3D surround cameras and clear sight ground view.

Variants available

Offered in both petrol and diesel options. Colours available are Tribeca blue, Fuji white, Santorini black, and Carpathian Grey

The first Range Rover Evoque being rolled out from the Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles and Jaguar Land Rover (JLR) greenfield car manufacturing facility in Ranipet, by Chief Minister MK Stalin and Tata Motors and JLR Chairman N Chandrasekaran

CM Stalin inaugurates Rs 9,000-crore Tata Motors-Jaguar Land Rover plant in Ranipet; first Range Rover Evoque rolls out

Rates in the Indian showroom

Ex-showroom price: Rs 64.86 lakh

On-road price range: Approximately Rs 71 lakh to over Rs 82 lakh, depending on city

Approximate on-road prices by city (source: carwale.com)

Chennai: Rs 81.27 lakh

New Delhi: Rs 75.11 lakh

Mumbai: Rs 76.18 lakh

Bengaluru: Rs 82.20 lakh

Kolkata: Rs 75.07 lakh

Tamil Nadu archaeology department sent 45 excavation proposals for Centre's nod: Govt to Parliament

NEW DELHI: Tamil Nadu's state archaeology department has forwarded 45 proposals for seeking approval of the Centre for conducting archaeological excavations, the government told Parliament on Monday.

Eight of the twelve requests for digging sent in 2025 are "under consideration", the government further said.

DMK MP Kanimozhi also asked whether the government is aware that the Madurai bench of the Madras High Court has recently directed the

Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) to "positively consider and extend full cooperation to any request" made by the Tamil Nadu government for continuation of archaeological excavations at Adichanallur in

Thoothukudi. To this, Union Culture Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, in a written response, said, "Yes, sir."

Kanimozhi represents Thoothukudi in the Lok Sabha. Shekhawat was also asked year-wise details of the number of requests received by the ASI from the Tamil Nadu government "seeking permission or cooperation" for archaeological excavations during the last five years and the current year, and the details of the number of such requests approved, "rejected or pending along with the reasons for non-approval".

In his response, the Union minister shared year-wise details of the proposals forwarded by the Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology for "seeking approval of the government of India for conducting archaeological excavation" for 2021-2026.

According to the data, "45 proposals" have been forwarded by Tamil Nadu's state archaeology department for seeking approval of the Centre for conducting archaeological excavations.

In 2025, it sent 12 proposals, out of which four have been approved and the remaining eight are "under consideration", according to the data.

The number of proposals received from Tamil Nadu's state archaeology department in other years stood as: 12 in 2021, eight in 2022, three in 2023 and 10 in 2024. All these requests were approved, according to the data.

In August 2025, MPs Kanimozhi and S Venkatesan had also put queries to Shekhawat on the Keezhadi excavation in Tamil Nadu, which has been mired in controversy. The report on Keezhadi excavation for the first two seasons was "vetted" by experts, and "deficiencies in methodology, chronology, interpretation, presentation and analytical rigour were communicated to the lead excavator, the government had told Lok Sabha then. He was then also asked the reasons for the "delay" in publishing the excavation report of the Keezhadi archaeological site, despite the completion of multiple excavation phases.

"The excavation report for the 2014-15 and 2015-16 seasons was received by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in January 2023 and has since undergone expert vetting in accordance with standard protocol. This process is essential to ensuring academic integrity and is not intended to delay or diminish the significance of the findings," Shekhawat had said.

Six government nursing colleges to come up across Tamil Nadu

CHENNAI: The Tamil Nadu government will establish 6 new government nursing colleges across the State and issue appointment orders to 719 contract nurses later this week, Health Minister Ma Subramanian said on Monday.

The announcement was made at the graduation ceremony of 1,100 government nursing students held at the Golden Jubilee Hall of the Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University in Guindy, where the Minister conferred degrees on students from government nursing colleges and training schools.

Addressing reporters after the event, Subramanian said, "New nursing colleges will be set up in Tirunelveli, Tiruchy, Dharmapuri, Vellore, Erode and Tiruvannamalai. This will expand opportunities for young women and also improve the availability of trained nurses in the public health system."

Referring to employment measures, the Minister said that in response to demands raised during recent



nurses' protests, "appointment orders will be issued on February 13 to 719 nurses who had been working on a contract basis". The orders will be handed over in the presence of the Chief Minister, he said.

Highlighting the improvements in public health indicators, Subramanian said that maternal deaths, which stood at around 90% during childbirth-related complications before the DMK assumed office, have now reduced significantly. He added that the State's overall mortality rate had declined from 10.6% to 7.7% at present, attributing the improvement largely to the role played by nurses. "Nurses are the backbone of Tamil

Nadu's healthcare system. Their service is the reason the State continues to be regarded as a leader in public health in India," he said. The Minister noted that Tamil Nadu currently has 6 government nursing colleges and 25 government nursing training schools with 2,060 students, in addition to 285 private nursing colleges and 188 private training schools. Around 27,370 nurses graduate every year from these institutions.

"Over the last four years, more than 5,000 nurses have been given permanent appointments, while 38,209 appointment orders were issued across five years. The government has also created 17,000 new nursing posts," he added.

Measles surge in Mongolia crosses 14,000 cases, health authorities urge full vaccination

Ulan Bator, Feb 9: Mongolia is witnessing a sharp rise in measles infections, with the total number of confirmed cases climbing to 14,123, the National Centre for Communicable Diseases (NCCD) announced on Monday.

Health officials said most of the newly reported infections have been detected among school-going children who had received only a single dose of the measles vaccine. Citing this trend, the NCCD strongly advised parents to ensure that children complete the recommended two-dose vaccination schedule to guard against what can be a serious and potentially life-threatening illness.

Measles is among the most contagious viral diseases known. It spreads through direct contact with respiratory secretions released when an infected person coughs or sneezes, as well as through airborne transmission. The virus can remain infectious in the air or on surfaces for up to two hours, making it



extremely easy to spread. Experts note that one person with measles can infect as many as 18 others.

Although measles can affect people of all ages, children are particularly vulnerable. Health authorities emphasised that vaccination remains the most effective defence, protecting individuals from severe illness while also preventing community transmission. The measles vaccine is considered safe and highly effective in helping the body build immunity against the virus.

Before the measles vaccine was introduced in 1963 and widely adopted, outbreaks occurred every two to three years and were responsible for an estimated 2.6 million deaths annually worldwide. Despite the availability of an affordable and reliable vaccine, measles continues to claim lives. In 2023 alone, an estimated 107,500 people — mostly children under the age of five — died from the disease. Symptoms typically appear 10 to 14 days after exposure. Early signs include a runny nose,

persistent cough, red and watery eyes, and small white spots inside the mouth. A characteristic rash usually develops between 7 and 18 days after infection, starting on the face and upper neck before spreading across the body, including the arms and legs. The rash generally lasts five to six days before gradually fading.

Health authorities in Mongolia have reiterated the importance of timely vaccination to curb the outbreak and prevent further spread, especially among children.

Epilepsy treatable, stigma still keeps patients away from care: doctors

New Delhi, Feb 9: Epilepsy, a neurological disorder marked by repeated seizures due to abnormal electrical activity in the brain, affects more than 15 million people in India. Yet, despite its high prevalence, doctors say many patients delay or avoid medical treatment because of fear, social stigma and deep-rooted misconceptions, particularly in small towns and rural areas.

Medical experts emphasise that epilepsy should be treated like any other chronic condition such as diabetes or hypertension. With regular medication, nearly 70 per cent of patients can achieve good seizure control. For those who do not respond to drugs, advanced treatment options now available in India offer renewed hope and improved quality of life. Explaining the condition, Dr Madhukar Bhardwaj, Director and Head of Neurology at Aakash Healthcare, said seizures occur when the brain's electrical signals behave abnormally for a short duration. This can cause symptoms such as shaking, falling, blank



staring or loss of awareness. While some seizures are mild and brief, others can be severe and disruptive.

Dr Bhardwaj pointed out that myths continue to discourage people from seeking hospital care. "Many still believe epilepsy is caused by ghosts or black magic, that it spreads through touch, or that patients cannot study, work or marry. Another harmful belief is putting objects into the mouth during a seizure. All these are false and can endanger the patient," he said.

Dr Neha Kapoor, Associate Director and Head of Neurology at Asian Hospital, said epilepsy has multiple causes and, in many cases, no clear cause is identified. Genetic factors, head injury,

brain infections like meningitis, stroke, lack of oxygen at birth and abnormal brain development are some known reasons. She clarified that while stress, sleep deprivation and alcohol can trigger seizures, they do not directly cause epilepsy.

Highlighting diagnostic challenges, Dr Praveen Gupta, Chairman of Marengo Asia International Institute of Neuro and Spine, said epilepsy is often missed because not all seizures involve convulsions. "Some seizures appear as brief confusion or staring spells, which leads to delayed diagnosis. Early detection is critical for effective treatment," he said. Dr Gupta added that epilepsy affects people across all age groups, but

fear and misinformation result in late referrals to specialists. With timely diagnosis and proper treatment, most patients can lead completely normal lives.

He also noted that epilepsy surgery is being successfully performed in India for patients with drug-resistant epilepsy. Surgeons identify and treat the specific brain area responsible for seizures, and advanced techniques, including neuro-robotic procedures, are improving outcomes.

Addressing another lesser-known aspect, Dr Vineet Malhotra, Principal Consultant in Urology and Andrology at SCM Healthcare, said epilepsy can also affect men's sexual health. Seizures, stress and some anti-seizure medications may impact hormones, energy levels and libido. However, he reassured that with counselling, lifestyle changes and medication adjustments, these issues can be effectively managed. Doctors collectively stressed that epilepsy is a medical condition.

PVR INOX brings a new entertainment landmark to hyderabad with 9-screen cinema launch at Lakeshore mall, Kukatpally

Hyderabad, February 09, 2026: PVR INOX, India's leading multiplex chain, today announced the launch of its newest 9-screen cinema at Lakeshore Mall, Y-Junction, Kukatpally, further strengthening its footprint in Hyderabad. This marks the company's 18th cinema in the city, taking the total PVR INOX screen count in Hyderabad to 111 screens. Strategically located at one of Hyderabad's busiest and fastest-growing hubs, the cinema is housed within Lakeshore Mall, a large, metro-connected shopping and entertainment destination near Balanagar Metro Station on the Red Line. Positioned at a high-traffic junction with strong youth and working-professional footfall, the mall is fast emerging as a popular hang-out for Gen Z and young millennials, offering a mix of fashion, food, and social spaces. The newly launched multiplex features 9 state-of-the-art auditoriums with a total seating capacity of 1,476 seats, anchored by two distinctive formats designed for diverse audience segments. PXL, PVR INOX's large-format screen, delivers a powerful, immersive experience



built for tentpole blockbusters and event cinema. Playhouse offers a vibrant, safe, and engaging environment curated especially for children and young families. The remaining seven mainstream auditoriums cater to a wide range of films across languages and genres—from mainstream entertainers and regional cinema to youth-driven content, pop culture titles, and global releases that resonate strongly with Gen Z audiences. Technology-led design defines the cinema experience. The PXL auditorium is powered by 4K laser

projection and Dolby Atmos immersive sound, complemented by RealD 3D for a large-format, blockbuster-ready experience. Among the mainstream auditoriums, five screens feature Dolby Atmos immersive sound, while two screens are equipped with DTS:X immersive sound systems, ensuring rich, spatial audio across viewing formats. Playhouse is designed to deliver an engaging cinematic experience calibrated for younger audiences. This launch also marks PVR INOX's second PXL screen in Hyderabad, fol-

lowing the recent introduction of the format at Inorbit Mall. Premium seating options such as Front Row Loungers and Celebrity Recliners add comfort and flexibility, appealing to young moviegoers who view cinemas as social, experiential destinations rather than just viewing spaces. The cinema also introduces PVR INOX's latest cinema food court concept, featuring multiple counters, quick-service favourites, and fresh offerings. Designed as a bright, social space, the food court complements Gen Z prefer-

ences for shared experiences, convenience, and casual dining before and after shows. Commenting on the launch, Mr. Ajay Bijli, Managing Director, PVR INOX Limited, said: "Hyderabad is a dynamic, future-facing cinema market, with a strong youth and Gen Z audience that seeks immersive, social, and high-quality experiences. Kukatpally is rapidly evolving into a key lifestyle hub, and our new 9-screen cinema at Lakeshore Mall reflects our focus on combining technology, comfort, and curated formats to make moviegoing more relevant, accessible, and exciting for the next generation of audiences." Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Bijli, Executive Director, PVR INOX Limited, added: "This cinema has been designed to align with evolving audience preferences—from premium formats and immersive sound to flexible seating and social food spaces. Whether it's families, working professionals, or Gen Z movie lovers discovering content across languages and cultures, the Kukatpally cinema delivers a contemporary moviegoing experience that fits seamlessly into today's lifestyle."

Japanese stocks surge as Takaichi secures historic election victory

Japanese stocks surged to a record high on Monday, as Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi's Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) basked in a historic election victory. The LDP secured 316 out of 465 seats in Sunday's election, the first time a single party has won a two-thirds lower house majority since Japan's parliament was established in its current form in 1947. The Japan Innovation Party, the LDP's coalition partner, won in 36 more constituencies, taking their combined total to 352 seats. The resounding mandate is a gamble that paid off for Takaichi, who now faces the challenge of reviving Japan's moribund economy and tackling cost-of-living woes. The Nikkei 225 index rallied by more than 5% in early trade on Monday, briefly crossing the 57,000 mark for the first time. It then gave up some gains, but still closed up 3.9% at a record high of 56,363.94. The LDP's decisive win will help Takaichi advance her pro-business policies without having to negotiate extensively with opposition parties. Takaichi told reporters on Sunday that she would pursue a "responsible yet aggressive" fiscal policy and would not reshuffle the Cabinet, which was formed less than four months ago. Japan's first



female prime minister called the snap election last month, just a few months after taking office in October. Her success is in marked contrast to her two predecessors, under whom the party lost its parliamentary majority, battled corruption scandals and struggled to curb rising costs. Markets commentators say Takaichi's policies could boost the Japanese economy. The election outcome and upcoming moves like "stimulus, tax tweaks, and deregulation" will be "additional fuel for an existing bull trend", investment analyst Yuka Marosek told the BBC. Chris Scicluna, head of research at Daiwa Capital Markets Europe, said Japanese stock investors had "long been believers in Takaichi". "They're confident that Japanese firms will benefit from her pledge to end austerity, they love her promises of more investment to boost growth,

[and] they like the fact she's identified several strategic sectors such as defence and AI to benefit from extra policy support," he told the BBC's Today programme. However, he added that investors in Japanese government bonds and the yen were "a lot more agnostic if not downright sceptical" about Takaichi's intentions. "Japanese government debt's extremely high and investors in bonds and the yen want to know how she intends to finance her plans," he said. Historically low inflation in the country has made it very sensitive to the rising cost of living over recent years. At this election, voters at polling stations told the BBC that they were worried about the increasing costs of groceries and rent. The economy is also under pressure from the country's ageing population, which has seen a shrinking workforce and ballooning social care costs.

Stock markets trade higher in early trade tracking rally in Asian peers

Mumbai: Equity benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty opened on a positive note on Monday, February 9, amid foreign fund inflows, a rally in Asian markets and optimism following a fresh trade agreement between India and the US. The 30-share BSE Sensex climbed 441.77 points, or 0.53 per cent, to 84,022.17 in the morning trade. The 50-share NSE Nifty rose 129 points, or 0.50 per cent, to 25,822.70. Among the 30-share Sensex constituents, State Bank of India, Titan, Eternal, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Bharat Electronics Ltd, Tata Steel, Sun Pharmaceuticals, Larsen & Toubro, Adani Ports, IndiGo, Reliance Industries and Bharti Airtel were the gainers. On the other hand, PowerGrid, ITC, Hindustan Unilever, Bajaj Finance, Trent, Infosys, ICICI Bank, Axis Bank, NTPC, Tech Mahindra, Tata Consultancy Services, HDFC Bank were among the laggards. Foreign institutional investors bought equities worth Rs 1,950.77



crore on Friday, according to exchange data. "A big positive for the market is that FIIs who were sustained sellers in the market have bought in the cash market in three out of the last four trading days. The fact that the derivatives market continues to be heavily net short might impart resilience to the market, on expectations of short covering," VK Vijayakumar, Chief Investment Strategist, Geojit Investments Ltd, said. He added that the recent 'Anthropic shock' will continue to impact sentiments in the IT sector. On the contrary, banking stocks are likely to gather strength on news of

improving credit growth, which will have positive fall out for GDP growth and corporate earnings in FY27. In Asian markets, Japan's Nikkei 225, South Korea's Kospi, Shanghai's SSE Composite index and Hong Kong's Hang Seng index trading higher. Devarsh Vakil, Head of Prime Research, HDFC Securities said Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party, led by Sanae Takaichi secured a decisive victory pushing the Nikkei to record highs. He noted that Indian equities stand to gain as Japanese capital pivots away from China under Takaichi's "Economic Security" policy, with billions in FDI expected to

flow into Indian infrastructure and technology sectors, he said. Vakil further said India and the US on Saturday reached an interim trade agreement ending their ten-month tariff war, with Washington reducing tariffs on Indian goods from 50 per cent to 18 per cent. India successfully protected sensitive agricultural sectors like dairy while committing to purchase USD 500 billion in US goods over five years, focusing on energy, aircraft, and defence technology. The deal strategically integrates India into the US-led "Pax Silica" initiative for critical minerals and AI supply chains, positioning India as a counterweight to China in the Indo-Pacific, he added. US markets ended more than 2 per cent higher on Friday. Brent crude, the global oil benchmark, declined 0.94 per cent, to USD 67.41 per barrel. On Friday, the 30-share BSE Sensex advanced 266.47 points to settle at 83,580.40, while the NSE Nifty climbed 50.90 points to end at 25,693.70.

GODREJ AGROVET LAUNCHES NEW INSECTICIDE TAKAI

February 9, 2026: Godrej Agrovet Limited (Godrej Agrovet), one of India's leading diversified agri-businesses, has launched a new insecticide TAKAI, developed for rice crops. Powered by Cyclapryn™ technology developed by ISK Japan, TAKAI is effective against key rice pests, Stem Borer and, also controls Leaf Folder. When applied at a dose of 160 ml at 15-30 Days After Transplant (DAT) and again at 40-60 DAT, it provides an extensive protection window for the rice crop. The company is in process of getting label approval in Maize, Chilli, Cabbage, Soybean, Chickpea and Sugarcane crops too for TAKAI. Stem Borer cause 30% - 40% yield loss during severe outbreaks, whereas leaf folder infestation can result in 20% - 30% yield loss under severe conditions, often attacking the crop at early and mid-growth stages when detection and timely intervention are challenging. Hence, although India is the world's largest producer of rice, with production of 150.18 million tonnes, its per-



hectare yield remains significantly low at ~2.9 tonnes/hectare compared to global best of 5 tonnes/hectare. Sunil Kataria, MD & CEO, Godrej Agrovet, said, "Effective pest management determines the success of the Indian rice

farmer. Through TAKAI, we intend to enable rice farmers to protect their crops from pest attacks by offering them a solution that offers quick control and is effective for a longer duration thereby improving crop health." "At Godrej Agrovet, our endeavor

is to deliver crop protection solutions that address environmental and market challenges faced by our farmers. Today's launch of TAKAI is in sync with our strategy of strengthening our portfolio across key crops by leveraging our research expertise and strong on-ground reach that empower farmers and uplift farming families," he added. Rice, being a multi-season crop - Kharif, Rabi and Summer, is grown in warm, humid and water-logged conditions making it ideal for pest attacks throughout the year. In the early critical stage, i.e. vegetative stage during 15-30 DAT, Stem Borer damages the plant and makes it difficult for farmers to detect early. Later at reproductive stage during 40-60 DAT, both Stem Borer and Leaf Folder attack the plant. Leaf Folder feeds on the leaf tissue by folding the leaves thereby reducing the plant's photosynthetic area and hence crop growth. It is at these stages that TAKAI should be applied at a dose of 160 ml when the crop is 15-30 days old and again at 40-60 DAT.

Businesses face extinction unless they protect nature, major report warns

Businesses risk extinction themselves unless they protect and restore the natural world, scientists across the globe are warning. A major new report sets out how companies can shift from harmful approaches to ones that help restore nature. It comes amid major concerns over UK nature loss. The assessment, by Ipbes (Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services), is based on contributions from leading scientists and approved by 150 governments. Businesses can either lead the way or "ultimately risk extinction... both of species in nature, but potentially also their own", said co-author Matt Jones, from the UN World CThe report pointed to everyday incentives that are driving nature's decline. Large subsidies that damage biodiversity rather than repair it, fuelled by lobbying from businesses and trade associations Confusion and a lack of meaningful action on how businesses measure



their impacts and reliance on nature. It said better stewardship of nature is not a distant environmental issue but a core challenge for every boardroom. Yet, less than 1% of publicly reporting companies mention their impacts on biodiversity in their reports. nervation Monitoring Centre in Cambridge. Ipbes found that all businesses, even those seemingly far removed from it, rely on the services nature provides for free, from clean water to fertile soils. Co-chair, Prof Stephen Polasky, said the loss of biodiversity is among the most serious threats to business, "yet the

twisted reality is that it often seems more profitable to businesses to degrade biodiversity than to protect it". Commenting on the report, Leigh Morris, International Director of the consortium of UK wildlife charities, The Wildlife Trusts, said we need "clear metrics and toolkits so businesses can get their own houses in order on biodiversity". For many UK businesses, engaging with nature protection has gone from a "nice-to-do" to a "must-do", he added. One example of how companies are working hand-in-hand with nature is at Steart Marshes in Somerset.

PLANE MAKERS CHASE ASIA'S SUPER-RICH WITH LUXE NEW PRIVATE JETS

Clean lines, sweeping wings and wide oval windows: Gulfstream's G700 is among the most eye-catching aircraft at the Singapore Airshow, Asia's largest aviation and defence trade fair. Parked in a quieter corner of the tarmac, away from passenger jets and bulky military aircraft, it has drawn long queues of visitors waiting in the heat for a glimpse inside - a sign of the enduring interest in one of the world's leading private jet manufacturers. The lines move slowly. Sales conversations are still taking place on board, as customers consider aircraft that can cost tens of millions of dollars. Step inside and the appeal is immediate. Light streams in through almost panoramic windows onto pale leather seats and polished wood veneer. Staff describe the cabin as having "living areas": one with a sofa and TV console, while at the rear, a bedroom they call a "grand suite with a shower."



This is more than a touch of luxury. It reflects a broader shift in aviation. As commercial airlines continue to chase large volumes of passengers, private jet makers are focusing on a much smaller but far richer group of customers. The numbers underline the trend. In 2025, global private jet flights reached roughly 3.7 million - up 5% from 2024 and around 35% higher than before the pandemic, according to aviation intelligence firm WingX. Between 2020 and 2025, the number of ultra-high-net-worth individuals

globally - defined as those worth more than \$30m (£22.2m) - has also grown by more than 70%. "We are seeing a big shift of business aircraft for larger corporations and high net worth individuals," said Scott Neal, Gulfstream's head of worldwide sales. "More companies are doing business globally, and they need to travel to more places around the globe, and the most efficient way to do that is on a business aircraft." Gulfstream is not alone: rivals including Dassault, Bombardier, Embraer and

Textron Aviation, which makes Cessna jets, are all competing in the space. But not everyone is cheering the trend, with environmental concerns being amongst the criticisms levelled at the industry. Nonetheless, plane manufacturers have sensed the business opportunity. Airlines - especially those offering long routes and full services - operate on thin profit margins. Airlines usually make a small amount of money from their operations, often just 2% to 4% above what they spend, according to the International Air Transport Association (IATA). Private jets are sold in small numbers but at very high prices. Plane makers also make money from support, parts and maintenance programmes. France's Dassault Aviation, best known for its military jets, is pushing its Falcon aircraft, saying that the technology developed for its combat planes improves the performance and com-

fort in its business jets. Dassault says corporations and governments are big customers, as well as high-net worth individuals. Private jets may cost tens of millions of dollars, but Carlos Brana, head of civil aircraft at Dassault Aviation says they make sense for frequent travellers. Customers that fly often may spend less over time than they would on multiple first-class tickets. He says most buyers are not chasing extravagance as much as efficiency. "I want to go from that point to that point as fast as I can and not lose time in stopovers or connections. That is the real stuff," he told the BBC aboard the company's flagship Falcon jet. "They are not necessarily chasing luxury. As you can see, this interior is elegant, well done, well made, with a high quality of materialism. It's not luxurious, not over-luxurious - we don't have chandeliers in the ceiling or anything like that."

EPSTEIN SURVIVORS CALL FOR FULL RELEASE OF FILES IN VIDEO

Survivors of late sex offender Jeffrey Epstein have appeared in an advert calling for the release of more files related to him. In the 40 second video from the World Without Exploitation group, released in the US on Super Bowl Sunday, survivors held up photographs of their younger selves and said "we all deserve the truth". The US Department of Justice (DOJ) was required by law to make all the files public in December last year. However, only some have been released - many with redactions. The DOJ said files not published were either unrelated, duplicates, or had been withheld under deliberative process or attorney-client privilege. Deliberative process privilege allows US government agencies to withhold documents which reflect decision-making processes, while attorney-client privilege is intended to protect the confidentiality of communications between lawyers and clients. Deputy US Attorney General Todd Blanche said last month that the most recent release of material, on 30 January, "marks the end of a very comprehensive



document identification and review process". Blanche also said there was a "built in assumption that somehow there's this hidden tranche of information of men that we know about that we're covering up or that we're not we're choosing not to prosecute", before adding "that is not the case". Sunday's advert featuring the survivors

began with a text slate on screen that said: "On November 19, 2025, the Epstein Files Transparency Act was signed into law." It continued with a statement that said: "3 MILLION FILES Still Have Not Been Released." The survivors appeared with black redaction marks over their mouths, addressed the camera directly and each said "we're stand-

ing together". The advert concluded with a call for people to "stand with us" and "Tell Attorney General Pam Bondi IT'S TIME FOR THE TRUTH". While the video was released on the day of the Super Bowl it was not aired on television during the match, which traditionally has the largest television audience in the US. The group told the

Reuters news agency it could not afford to air a commercial during the game, noting that a 30-second Super Bowl advertisement can cost "more than \$8 million (£5.9m)". The DOJ's release of documents has shed light on the disgraced financier's close association with many prominent people. However, the justice department has faced heavy scrutiny after missing the 19 December deadline to release all files as mandated in the Epstein Files Transparency Act, which passed Congress and was signed into law in November. Epstein was found dead in his prison cell in 2019 while awaiting trial on sex trafficking charges, with officials saying his death was an apparent suicide. Ghislaine Maxwell, the jailed associate of convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein, is scheduled to appear before the congressional committee investigating the federal government's handling of the Epstein files on Monday. She has agreed to testify under oath but her legal team previously said she would decline to answer questions under her constitutional right to remain silent unless she is granted legal immunity.

Outrage as South Korean official suggests 'importing' foreign women to boost birth rate



A South Korean official who suggested the country "import young women" from "Vietnam or Sri Lanka" to boost its birth-rate has been expelled from his party. Kim Hee-soo, the head of the southern Jindo County, said the woman could be married off to "young men in rural areas" during a town hall last week. The suggestion comes as South Korea continues to grapple with the lowest birth-rates in the world, which could see the country's 50 million-strong population drop by half in 60 years. But Kim's statement, which was televised, did not go down well - triggering a diplomatic protest from

Vietnam, days of public anger and his expulsion from the ruling Democratic Party. Attempts by Kim to defuse the outrage with an apology a day after the town hall appear to have failed. The town hall had been called to discuss a potential merger between the province where Jindo County is located and a nearby city - something regions with shrinking populations are looking at for administrative reasons. Kim said his comment had been intended to highlight population issues in rural regions but admitted the language he had used was "inappropriate", local media reported.

Bad Bunny makes history as Trump criticises 'terrible' Super Bowl show



Bad Bunny's Super Bowl half-time show was one big love letter to his native Puerto Rico, culminating in a message of pride in his home and the Americas, and an appeal for unity with the US. The 14-minute set included guest performances from Lady Gaga and Ricky Martin, along with cameos from the likes of Pedro Pascal, Cardi B, Karol G and Jessica Alba, who could be seen dancing on the porch of his famous casita, a staple of his shows designed to look like a traditional Puerto Rican home. The 31-year-old, who was the world's most-played artist in 2025 according to Spotify, made history by becoming the first musician to perform entirely in Spanish at a Super Bowl, which is normally the most-watched event on US TV. He did choose to say one line in English, "God bless America", before listing nations of Central, South and North America as dancers carried their

flags. Behind them, a billboard message read "The only thing more powerful than hate is love", and he held a football at the end of the segment bearing the slogan in English: "Together, We Are America." However, Bad Bunny, real name Benito Antonio Martinez Ocasio, did not use his performance to make any explicit political statements against the current US administration. Despite that, President Donald Trump, who did not attend this year's Super Bowl, called Bad Bunny's set "absolutely terrible, one of the worst, EVER!" on his social media platform Truth Social. He added that it was "an affront to the Greatness of America" and "nobody understands a word this guy is saying". An alternative event, the All-American Halftime Show, was organised by Turning Point USA and was headlined by Trump-supporting singer Kid Rock.

How off-the-shelf drones are changing jihadist warfare in West Africa

Jihadist groups are increasingly carrying out drone strikes in West Africa, raising alarm that they are building the capacity to wage a "war from the skies". A leading violence monitoring organisation, Acled, has recorded at least 69 drone strikes by an al-Qaeda affiliate in Burkina Faso and Mali since 2023, while two Islamic State (IS) affiliates have carried out around 20 - mostly in Nigeria, which has been battling numerous insurgent groups for almost 25 years. The latest drone attack took place in Nigeria's north-eastern Borno state on 29 January, when jihadists carried out a two-pronged assault - with multiple armed drones and ground fighters - on a military base. The military said nine of its soldiers were killed in the attack by the Islamic State of West Africa Province (ISWAP) -



identified by Acled as the "most prolific" IS African affiliate in "drone warfare". The jihadists tended to carry out strikes with "commercially available, relatively inexpensive quadcopter [unmanned] drones" that were "rigged with explosives", while also using them for reconnaissance and surveillance missions in preparation for ground attacks. Acled senior Africa analyst Ladd Serwat told the BBC. Despite the fact that Nigeria's government tightly controls the import of commercial and hobby drones and prohibits their use without official permission.

HONG KONG PRO-DEMOCRACY TYCOON JIMMY LAI GETS 20 YEARS' JAIL

Jimmy Lai, Hong Kong's pro-democracy media tycoon, has been jailed for 20 years for colluding with foreign forces under the city's controversial national security law. Rights groups called it a death sentence for the 78-year-old, whose family has raised concerns about his health, but Hong Kong's leader said it was "deeply gratifying". This is the harshest punishment to be handed down under the law, which China imposed after huge protests in 2019 demanding more freedom, and defends as essential for the city's stability. Lai, a British citizen, is the most prominent of the hundreds arrested under the law. A fierce critic of China, he often wielded his paper, Apple Daily, as a tool of protest. "It is

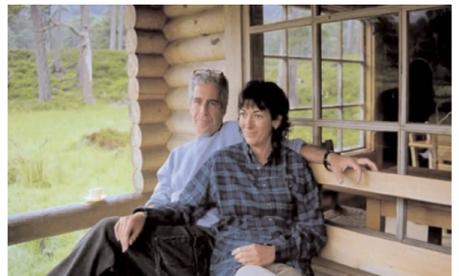


incredibly heartbreaking," Lai's son, Sebastian, told the BBC's Today programme, adding that he had repeatedly raised Lai's imprisonment with the UK government but "obviously my father is still in prison". Sebastian Lai and others have criticised Prime Minister Keir Starmer's recent visit to China as a wasted opportunity. The sentence "signifies the total

serious" category. On Monday morning, ahead of sentencing, there was a heavy police presence around the court. But there were also throngs of Lai's supporters, some of them having camped out for days hoping to get inside for his sentencing. "I just wish to greet Mr Lai in person in court... That's all I ask for, because I think it will be the last time I see him," said one supporter, who said he'd stood in line since Thursday night. Inside, Lai, who wore a white jacket and black glasses, smiled brightly at his family and other supporters. He nodded calmly when his sentence was announced, while some members of the public were heard sobbing. His wife Teresa held back tears as she left the court.

MAXWELL WON'T ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM CONGRESS, LAWYER SAYS

Ghislaine Maxwell, the convicted associate of sex offender Jeffrey Epstein, intends to invoke her right to remain silent during questioning by the US House Oversight Committee, according to her lawyer. Maxwell is expected to appear virtually for Monday's closed-door deposition from the Texas prison where she is serving a 20-year sentence for sex trafficking. "I can confirm that she will take the 5th," Maxwell's lawyer David Oscar Markus told the BBC on Sunday, referring to the right to avoid self-incrimination outlined in the Fifth Amendment of the US constitution. Instead, Maxwell



will read "a prepared statement at the outset of the deposition", Democratic Representative Ro Khanna said. Maxwell was convicted in 2021 for her role in luring underage girls for Epstein, her former boyfriend, to exploit.

he plans to ask Maxwell about a court document she filed last year saying there were "four named co-conspirators" and 25 others who were not indicted as part of the Epstein investigation. He also plans to ask about her and the deceased financier's "social relationship" with Donald Trump, and whether the US president ever discussed a potential pardon for Maxwell with her defence team. Trump has consistently denied any wrongdoing in relation to Epstein, with whom he says he severed contact decades ago, and has not been accused of any crimes by Epstein's victims.

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Venezuela's opposition says party leader kidnapped hours after being freed



Venezuelan opposition leader María Corina Machado said her opposition colleague Juan Pablo Guanipa has been kidnapped just hours after being released from detention. The Nobel Peace Prize winner said on Sunday that Guanipa, leader of the Justice First party, was taken in the Los Chorro neighbourhood of the capital, Caracas. "Heavily armed men dressed in civilian clothes arrived in four vehicles and took him away by force," she wrote on social media early on Monday. A former vice-president of the National Assembly, Guanipa spent eight months in prison and was among several political prisoners released since the US seized Venezuela's then-President Nicolás Maduro in January. Guanipa's centre-right party said he had been kidnapped by the "repressive forces of the dictatorship" while he was moving between locations. They added that those accompanying him said weapons were pointed at the group before Guanipa was loaded into a car. "We hold Delcy Rodríguez, Jorge Rodríguez, and Diosdado Cabello responsible for any harm to Juan Pablo's life,"

Justice First wrote on social media, referring to Venezuela's interim president, the National Assembly speaker, and the interior minister respectively. The party also called on the international community to demand the "immediate release" of Guanipa and an end to the Venezuelan government's "persecution of the opposition". Just hours earlier, Guanipa's son Ramón was celebrating his father's release on social media: "Our entire family will be able to hug again soon." He subsequently posted a video online in which he demanded immediate proof that his father was still alive. "I hold the regime responsible for anything that happens to my father. Enough of this repression," Ramón Guanipa said in the video. Guanipa was among at least 30 people freed on Sunday, according to Foro Penal, which provides assistance to political prisoners in Venezuela. The leader of the Justice First party, he was elected governor of the Zulia region in 2017 but was barred from taking office after he refused to swear an oath before Maduro's National Constituent Assembly.

POLICE PEPPER SPRAY PROTESTERS AS ISRAELI PRESIDENT VISITS SYDNEY

Australian police have used pepper spray against protesters in Sydney demonstrating against Israeli President Isaac Herzog's visit to the country. A number of people were arrested after scuffles with police officers broke out on Monday. Herzog earlier laid a wreath and two stones from Jerusalem at Bondi Beach, the site of a mass shooting at a Jewish festival in December during which 15 people - including a 10-year-old girl - were killed. Australia's senior Jewish leaders hope that Herzog's four-day visit will comfort a grieving community, but others have warned he should not have been invited due to allega-

tions he has incited genocide in Gaza - a claim he denies. The demonstration in the centre of Sydney was organised by the Palestine Action Group, despite restrictions on public protest brought in after December's shooting. Just a few days ago, the New South Wales government introduced additional "major event" powers effectively giving police authority to shut down areas of the city, search people and impose fines of up to \$5,500 (£2,839, US\$3,862) for non-compliance. Protest organisers had said the rally would still go ahead, with some 5,000 people expected. On Monday, crowds gathered in Sydney, many wear-



ing Palestinian headscarves and holding placards. "I'm not anti-semitic, I am anti-genocide," read one poster. "Arrest Herzog," read another. When the peaceful rally ended, protesters started chanting, "Let us march" - but a heavy police presence stopped them. There was growing

frustration and the atmosphere became more tense, with pepper spray used to disperse some protesters and police reinforcements also brought in. A protest was also held in Melbourne. Herzog was invited to visit the country by Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, who said the visit

would contribute to social cohesion and a "greater sense of unity" after the Bondi attack. As he laid a wreath at the site of the mass shooting, Herzog said: "When one Jew is hurt, all Jews feel their pain." He added that he was there to "embrace and console the bereaved families". When asked earlier on about the planned protests, Herzog answered: "I have come here in goodwill and in a message that... Australia and Israel are close friends and allies since the days of old. These demonstrations in most cases, what you hear and see, comes to undermine and delegitimise our right, my nation's right... of its mere existence

and it's contradictory to whatever was said and done by Australia". The Israeli president will now travel to Canberra and Melbourne, and will also hold talks with Albanese. Alex Ryvchin, co-chair executive of Australia's peak Jewish body, the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, on Monday said Herzog's visit was warmly welcomed. "For the victim families and for the survivors [of the Bondi attack], it means a great deal," he said. "His visit will lift the spirits of a pained community and we hope will lead to a much-needed recalibration of bilateral relations between two historic allies," he said.

ICC Turns Down Pakistan's Three Key Demands Amid T20 World Cup Boycott U-Turn Negotiation: One Was Bilaterals With India

The drama surrounding Pakistan's boycott of the T20 World Cup group-stage match against India - and a potential U-turn - is heading towards its final act.

The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB), Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) and the International Cricket Council (ICC) engaged in a meeting to end the stalemate over the costliest cricket match, which, according to some reports, amounts to over Rs 4,000 crore if all factors are taken into account.

The PCB placed several demands before the ICC. However, the Jay Shah-led global cricket body has rejected some of the key proposals, sources told. Here are Pakistan's demands and what the ICC said about them: Demand 1: No financial penalty for Bangladesh. The PCB



insisted that Bangladesh must receive its full ICC revenue share even though it did not play the T20 World Cup. ICC's response: It clarified that this was already its decision - the Bangladesh Cricket Board would not

be penalised. Demand 2: Compensatory ICC event for Bangladesh. The PCB sought an additional ICC event for Bangladesh in the next cycle. ICC's response: An Under-19 World Cup in the next cycle is being considered.

Demand 3: India-Pakistan bilateral series. The PCB pushed for ICC intervention to facilitate a bilateral series between India and Pakistan. ICC's response: The request was rejected, with the ICC stating that bilateral series

are outside its mandate, including during the World Test Championship cycle. Demand 4: India-Pakistan-Bangladesh tri-series. The PCB proposed a tri-series featuring India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh. ICC's response: The proposal was turned down, again citing lack of jurisdiction. Demand 5: India tour of Bangladesh in 2026. The PCB sought ICC involvement in securing an India tour of Bangladesh. ICC's response: It declined to intervene, reiterating that tours are decided bilaterally. Sources added that the ICC has given the PCB 24 hours after chairman Mohsin Naqvi sought time to consult Pakistan's Prime Minister. A follow-up meeting is expected shortly, with an official ICC announcement likely in the next 24 hours.

Virat Kohli, Rohit Sharma Demoted To 'Grade B' In BCCI's Central Contract List For 2025-26



BCCI Central Contracts: The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has announced the Annual Player Contracts for Team India Senior Men and Senior Women for the 2025-26 season (October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026). Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma have been demoted to Grade B in BCCI's central contract list for 2025-26. Thirty senior men's cricketers have been awarded cen-

tral contracts, with the BCCI doing away with the A+ grade. Only three cricketers - Test and ODI skipper Shubman Gill, Jasprit Bumrah and Ravindra Jadeja - have been placed in Grade A, the top tier as per the latest decision by the BCCI. As per the 2024-25 BCCI contracts, any player in Grade A would receive Rs 5 crore annually, while Grade B players would get Rs 3 crore. Grade C play-

ers would get Rs 1 crore. Earlier, Grade A+ players (Kohli, Rohit, Jasprit Bumrah, Ravindra Jadeja) used to receive Rs 7 crore. The BCCI has not yet officially declared whether the payment structure for 2025-26 will be any different. In Grade B, the following players have been included: Washington Sundar, Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli, KL Rahul, Mohammed Siraj, Hardik Pandya.

ZIMBABWE OUTCLASS OMAN, WIN WITH 6.3 OVERS TO SPARE

Zimbabwe vs Oman T20 World Cup 2026, Highlights: Zimbabwe put in a clinical bowling performance en route to a thumping victory over Oman in their T20 World Cup Group B opener in Colombo on Monday. Opting to bowl, Zimbabwe pacers Blessing Muzarabani, Richard Ngarava and Brad Evans caused havoc, taking three wickets each as Oman were bundled out for just 103. Oman were tottering at 27/5 at one stage. With the bat, Brian Bennett remained unbeaten on 48 as Zimbabwe chased down their target in just 13.3 overs to clinch a dominant win. Manic Monday continues - We are done with the second game of the day and so far, we have



seen two of the more experienced sides sweep away their opponents, albeit in contrasting fashion. Scotland did it by putting on a mammoth total on the board and then getting the chasing side under pressure. Whereas Zimbabwe laid the foundation with the ball and then chased the low total

with ease. The action now moves to Ahmedabad, where South Africa are all set to get their campaign underway against Canada. That game will begin at 1.30 pm GMT but you can switch tabs and join our build-up right away. Cheers! Sikandar Raza, the captain of Zimbabwe - Sikandar

Raza says his bowlers have stepped up whenever he asked them to. On Brendan Taylor, Raza says it is something that happened before, where he went on to play, so he didn't want to risk it. Mentions that Taylor felt it was bad, but they are waiting for the scans to get a clearer picture. Mentions this performance had courage and character from his players and hopes they show the same in the next matches as well. Sikandar Raza, the captain of Zimbabwe - Sikandar Raza says his bowlers have stepped up whenever he asked them to. On Brendan Taylor, Raza says it is something that happened before, where he went on to play, so he didn't want to risk it.

Olympic bosses investigate why medals are breaking

Milan-Cortina 2026 organisers say they are giving "maximum attention" to why Olympic medals are breaking after several athletes experienced issues with theirs. Two of the USA's gold medalists, Breezy Johnson and Alysa Liu, revealed the ribbon had come away from the medal soon after they received their prize. Johnson, who won gold in the women's downhill alpine skiing, showed her broken medal at the post-event media conference. "So there's the medal. And there's the ribbon," she told reporters. "And here's the little piece that is supposed to go into the ribbon to hold the medal, and yeah, it came apart." Liu disclosed a similar issue in a video on social media, external after she won gold as part of the



United States squad in the figure skating team event. The video shows Liu holding up the medal and ribbon in separate hands, with the text: "My medal don't need the ribbon." The issue also befell the German team who won bronze in the biathlon. An Instagram video, external shows the medal falling from the ribbon of one of the athletes as they jumped up and down in celebration at

because this is one of the most important moments for the athletes." A United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee spokesperson told BBC Sport they are waiting for organisers to resolve the issue. It has not yet been confirmed whether athletes will receive replacement medals. This is not the first time the quality of medals awarded at Olympic Games has been called into question. As of February 2025, a total of 220 requests have been made to replace medals won at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games because of wear and tear - roughly 4% of those awarded. Diver Yasmin Harper, who won Team GB's first medal of the 2024 Games, was among the athletes to notice her medal was showing signs of "tarnishing".

Dale Steyn Counters Fan Alleging Him Of Making "Subtle Jibes" On Team India



South Africa's Dale Steyn is one of the fiercest fast bowlers world cricket has ever seen. He played for the national team for around 16 years. The fast bowler went on to play 93 Tests for the Proteas, scalping 439 wickets. He appeared in 125 ODIs with 196 scalps to his name. Steyn also played 47 T20I matches and claimed 64 wickets in them. His impact was, however, way beyond numbers. Steyn's extreme pace, with the ability to swing the ball both ways, made him one of the best in the business during his playing days. His aggression just added to the charisma. Post his international career, Steyn is now actively involved in commentary and is quite vocal in expressing his opinions on social media as well, especially X. On Sunday, a fan accused Steyn of making "subtle jibes" at the Indian cricket team, and the former South Africa player responded to it with a fiery remark. "Really? Show me one example."

replied Steyn. He later added, "I pose the same question to you, show me what I've said that's negative or untrue about any player or the team? You can't." "That said, it's not my fault if the coaches make or say the wrong things, I just call it out, I think that's fair enough and also, my job! However, I also praise when they do well, that's called being unbiased and levelheaded." India were tested by USA in their very first game of the T20 World Cup 2026 but managed to clinch a 29-run win at the Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai, on Saturday. Suryakumar Yadav played a fighting knock, helping the hosts post a total of 161 for 9 after getting an invitation to bat first. The side got off to a horrible start, going down to 46 for 4 in the Powerplay. Abhishek Sharma fell to Ali Khan for a golden duck, while Shadley van Schalkwyk struck thrice in the final over of the Powerplay to dent India.

Gotterup wins play-off to claim Phoenix Open

-16 C Gotterup (US), H Matsuyama; -15 A Bhatia (US), N Hojgaard (Den), S-Woo Kim (Kor), S Scheffler (US), M Thorbjornsen. Selected others: -13 M Fitzpatrick (Eng); -12 V Hovland (Nor); -10 J Smith (Eng); -6 J Parry (Eng) Full leaderboard Chris Gotterup beat Hideki Matsuyama in a play-off to win the Phoenix Open. American Gotterup, who started the final round four shots behind overnight leader Matsuyama, shot five birdies in his last six holes to card a seven-under-par 64 and finish on 16 under. Japan's Matsuyama then bogeyed the final hole - his only dropped shot in a round of 68 - to miss out on



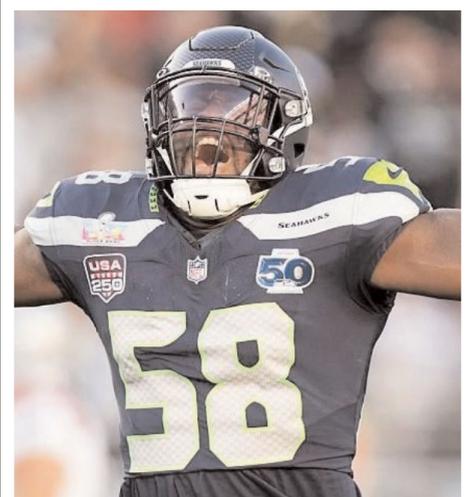
the title and take the tournament to a play-off. Matsuyama, the 2021 Masters champion, found the water on the first play-off hole at the 18th, while Gotterup's birdie secured

victory at TPC Scottsdale. Gotterup, who followed up a first-round 63 with rounds of 71 and 70, said: "I didn't think this would happen, especially after Friday and Saturday, but here we are.

"Hideki was playing great. I just figured I would stay loose." Victory gave Gotterup his fourth PGA Tour title, and his second of the season after the Sony Open in Hawaii last month. World number one Scottie Scheffler missed out on the play-off by one shot after going round in 64.

"I played pretty well - only one round where I didn't have my best stuff," said American Scheffler, who carded a first-round 73. "If I get in the house the first day with a couple under par, it's a little different story today." England's Matthew Fitzpatrick finished in ninth on 13 under after a 69.

From 1% chance of survival to Super Bowl winner



Derick Hall doesn't just feel blessed to be a Super Bowl champion. He feels blessed to be alive after being born with a 1% chance of survival.

The Seattle linebacker played a key role as the Seahawks beat the New England Patriots 29-13 in Sunday's NFL title decider, claiming two sacks in a dominant defensive display. But it is a wonder the 24-year-old is even here at all after being born four months premature in 2001. Hall weighed less than 3lb and was on life support when his mother refused to have it discontinued. Now 6ft 3in (1.91m) and 18st 2lb (115.2kg), he hugged his mother on the field in Santa Clara, California, after Seattle's second Super Bowl win.

"Everyone knows my story, what it took for me to get here, what it took for me just to be alive and have the chance," said Hall. "I'm very blessed - kudos to Mom. That was a special moment after the game. I feel like she's an unsung hero, an unsung warrior through this whole process. She always fought for me. She never gave up. "Just being able to play football and what this game has done for me and my life and my family... "I always love and respect playing this game, and I feel like I show that every single time I step on the field." After a difficult start to his NFL career, it seemed Seattle quarterback Sam Darnold was destined to become a journeyman back-up.

DRAMATIC OR DISTRACTING? OLYMPIC DRONE FOOTAGE CATCHES THE EYE

If you were watching the downhill skiing or luge at Milan-Cortina 2026 over the weekend, you will have noticed the dramatic new camera angles being provided at these Games. Drones have been used in Olympic coverage since 2014, but they have been much more prevalent at these Winter Games. Carrying cameras, the drones have been flown close behind athletes as they ski or slide, capturing dramatic footage which has never been seen at a Games before. But they have proved divisive for audiences, with social media split between admiring the footage or being put off by the noise. The whirring of the drone blades is audible in the live coverage. Some have described it as the Winters' answer to the vuvuzela, the infamous horns heard throughout the football World Cup in 2010. It has led



to concerns that the sound might be impacting the athletes, putting them off as they compete in the biggest events of their careers. "I spoke to a USA skeleton and luge coach and he said that the athlete can't hear it and aren't affected by it, but I think if I was competing with a drone I would be super aware of it," Lizzy Yarnold, two-time Olympic gold medalist in the skeleton for Great Britain, told BBC Sport. "Any small things or changes can put

athletes off their mental game." However, Games organisers say they have had no complaints from athletes or teams. Pierre Ducrey, International Olympic Committee sports director, said: "When you prepare a broadcast, you take a lot of time to test things, including with high-level athletes, to make sure there is minimum level of disturbance. That is something we have worked at a lot. "You saw the action at the weekend. We have to

make sure it does not come in way of performance. "It is an evolution. The integration seems to be something we can manage, so we are very happy." Games sports director Anna Riccardi said: "We tested drones before competitions. "We have listened to the athletes' community so that the impact would not affect their performances - would not bother them in any way. "Each athlete has a different level of sensitivity, awareness and capability for tackling innovation. "So far we have not received any complaints that might lead to the non-use of drones in the future." While drone pilots have been heaped with praise for their ability to control the tiny, flying cameras at such speeds, things have not been completely perfect. One of the drones crash-landed in the first downhill training, leaving debris on the course.

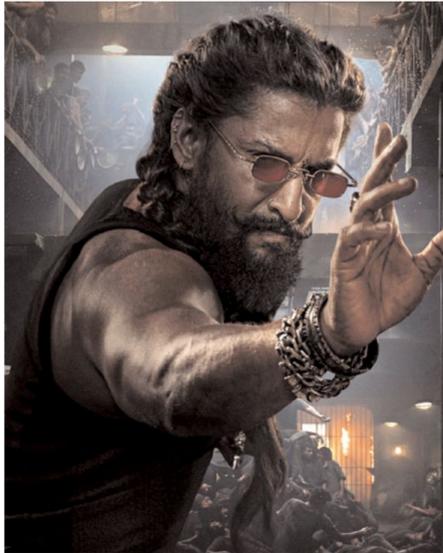
“YAMA YAMMA” THE 3RD SINGLE FROM FUNKY BRINGS A FULL-ON MASS BLAST!

The makers of Vishwak Sen's upcoming entertainer FUNKY have unveiled the film's third single titled "Yama Yamma...", a high-energy mass number that is sure to strike a chord with audiences. Written by Dev Pawar, the song is sung with electrifying vocals by Bheems Ceciroleo and Rohini Sorrat, with music composed by Bheems Ceciroleo, who once again delivers a foot-tapping chartbuster. Featuring Vishwak Sen and Kayadu Lohar, the track is packed with vibrant beats and energetic dance moves, choreographed by the Aata Sandeep Master, making it a complete treat for fans of mass songs. With the first two singles from the FUNKY album already emerging as huge hits, Yama Yamma... adds further momentum, strengthening the film's musical buzz. Meanwhile, the recently released trailer has been receiving a blockbuster response, drawing attention for KV Anudeep's trademark comedy, Vishwak Sen's impeccable timing. Bringing together a power-packed team synonymous with humour and entertainment, director KV Anudeep, known for the blockbuster Jathi Ratnalu, returns with his signature quirky storytelling, promising an even bigger and louder comic ride. The film



is produced by S Naga Vamsi and Sai Soujanya under the banners of Sithara Entertainments, Fortune Four Cinemas, and Srikrara Studios, known for their rich production values and stylish presentation. FUNKY is all set to deliver unlimited entertainment on the big screen this February 13, 2026, making it the perfect entertainer for the Valentine's Day weekend.

Natural Star Nani's Never-Before-Seen Intro Song Aaya Sher Shot In Style For The Paradise – Anirudh's Electrifying Mass Banger



Natural Star Nani is turning up the heat on the sets of his ambitious film The Paradise, currently filming at a rapid speed in Hyderabad. Directed by Dasara fame Srikanth Odela and produced by Sudhakar Cherukuri under the SLV Cinemas banner, the period action drama is building massive hype with its latest update from the shoot floor. The team has started filming for Nani's explosive introduction song Aaya Sher on a colossal set, swarming with hundreds of dancers. Rockstar Anirudh Ravichander delivered an electrifying mass banger packed with grit and high-adrenaline vibes, perfectly

tuned to Nani's raw, uninhibited dance style. Choreographer Sudhan Master, who recently worked for Vijay's Jana Nayagan, brings sharp, dynamic formations and fierce visual flair to elevate the song into a goosebump-inducing spectacle. Nani's trademark madness and dynamic moves promise to dominate the screen, marking this as one of the film's biggest highlights. Director Srikanth Odela is crafting The Paradise with prestigious attention to detail in every aspect of production. The film features Mohan Babu, Bollywood actor Raghav Juyal, and Sampurnesh Babu in prominent roles.

We will deliver entertainment worth every rupee the audience spends” – Hero Hemanth Kumar at ‘Alpha’ Trailer Launch Event



'Alpha' (sub-title: Men Love Vengeance), produced under the LA Productions banner, stars Hemanth Kumar, Ayana, and Gopika Suresh in lead roles. The film is directed by Vijay N and produced by Hemanth Kumar and Anand Kumar. The movie is set for release on February 20. The Telugu version is being distributed by Ravishankar and Manjunath. As part of promotions, the team recently held a grand trailer launch event, with noted director Samudra attending as the chief guest. The trailer opens with a powerful dialogue: "If everything happens by God's grace... then what about the demons?" It then showcases high-voltage action sequences, rowdy gang and mafia backdrops. The hero's dialogue "I entered the arena... not for the game" stands out as

a mass moment. The trailer also highlights romantic moments between the lead pair, along with strong father sentiment and family emotions through the dialogue "My past, present, and future... is my father." The shirtless six-pack reveal towards the end is expected to appeal strongly to mass audiences. Overall, the trailer suggests the film has action, emotion, romance, and family elements catering to all sections of the audience. Hero Hemanth Kumar said: "I love Telugu cinema. Watching Telugu films helped me learn the language. Thanks to director Samudra garu for supporting us. Ravishankar sir liked our content after watching the Kannada version and is releasing it in Telugu on a large scale. It feels great when newcomers like us are encouraged. We

will deliver entertainment worth the money audiences spend. We made this film very honestly. We are getting good response in Kannada, and we hope to receive the same love here." Director Samudra said: "The 'Alpha' trailer is excellent. The hero looks very handsome. Many Kannada heroes are succeeding here. I wish Hemanth achieves big success like Yash and Rishab Shetty. The lead pair performed very well. I hope audiences support 'Alpha' like they did for films like KGF and Kantara." Ayana said: "I played a police officer in 'Alpha', and it was a challenging role. The film has come out wonderfully. We believe audiences liked the trailer, and everyone who watches the movie will definitely enjoy it." Gopika Suresh said: "Thank you to everyone who attended the 'Alpha' event.

‘VIPLAVA VEERUDU’ MOVIE SHOOTING BEGINS

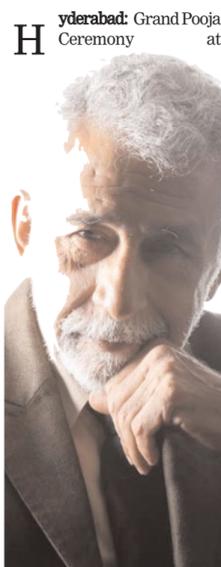
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shot, formally launching the shoot. Speaking on the occasion, Indira said, "This film beautifully and realistically portrays a story from the freedom struggle era. It highlights how ordinary people actively participated in the independence movement. The story revolves around a common man who transforms into a revolutionary hero and fights valiantly for freedom. I will be seen in the role of Rani Bhavani Devi.

The narrative focuses on how Indians confronted British rule. Producer Jayaram is making a meaningful film with a strong message, and I seek everyone's blessings." Hero Jaiswar stated, "I will be appearing before audiences in the role of Viplava Veerudu. This character is very special to me, and I believe the film will leave a lasting mark in cinematic history." Heroine Sonali setti said, "I am extremely grateful for this wonderful opportunity. This is my debut film, and I seek the blessings and support of everyone." Director S. Nagaraj Rao shared, "This is my dream project. We are presenting a historical story set during the British era. Indira garu plays a very significant role in this film."

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Actors Vikrant Massey, Tamannaah Bhatia forgo their fees for ‘O’Romeo’



Mumbai: Actors Vikrant Massey and Tamannaah Bhatia like to stick to their word when it comes to artistic pursuits. The actors, who will be seen in special appearances in the upcoming film 'O'Romeo', let go off their remuneration for the film as they found their parts to be intriguing. In fact, Vikrant did the film to keep a vow he made to director Vishal Bhardwaj. The film is mounted

on a substantial budget of INR 75-80 crore and will need to cross the INR 100 crore mark at the box office to be declared a hit. The film ranks among the big-budget projects of Shahid Kapoor's career and marks one of Vishal Bhardwaj's most ambitious directorial projects to date. Speaking about Vikrant Massey, Vishal Bhardwaj shared that Vikrant had committed to O'Romeo years ago when he was still an emerging talent. Despite becoming a major star after '12th Fail', Vikrant honoured that promise when approached again, choosing to do the role free of cost. The actor told Vishal Bhardwaj that watching 'Maqbool' inspired him to enter the film industry and changed his life forever.

making this special appearance his way of paying tribute. Vikrant shot for nearly 8-9 days, delivering a powerful performance that adds significant weight to the narrative. Vishal further revealed that Tamannaah Bhatia also agreed to be part of 'O'Romeo' without charging a single penny, despite budget constraints. Though her role is brief, it plays a crucial part in unveiling a major plot twist in the film. Tamannaah immediately said yes when approached and went on to shoot for nearly 12 days far more than initially planned, also participating in workshops and rehearsals to prepare for the layered character. Her commitment and generosity, Vishal noted, left a lasting

impact on the film. The film also stars Shahid Kapoor, Triptii Dimri, Avinash Tiwary, Nana Patekar, Farida Jalal, and Disha Patani. Presented by Sajid Nadiadwala, 'O'Romeo' is helmed by Vishal Bhardwaj, and produced by Nadiadwala Grandson Entertainment. The film is set to release on February 13, 2026. Tamannaah immediately said yes when approached and went on to shoot for nearly 12 days far more than initially planned. Meanwhile, Vishal Bhardwaj and the makers of O'Romeo have not responded to or denied these reports, even though they continue to circulate widely online. So far, neither the cast nor the production team has confirmed any official

details about fees or payments for the film. O'Romeo marks director Vishal Bhardwaj's third project with Shahid. They previously worked together on the highly praised films Kamney (2009) and Haider (2014), where Shahid delivered some of his most memorable performances. The film will hit cinemas on February 13 and will face competition from Shanaya Kapoor and Adarsh Gorav's Tu Yaa Main. Also Read: Akshay Kumar, Ajay Devgn's Golmaal 5 Is Not A Remake Of Amitabh Bachchan And Shashi Kapoor's Comedy Do Aur Do Paanch, Confirms Rohit Shetty Get Current Updates on India News, Entertainment News, Cricket News along with



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