

Gold, silver fall as dollar strengthens

Gold and silver prices declined on Monday amid a stronger US dollar following in-line US inflation data. On MCX, gold April futures fell 0.56% to Rs 1,55,023 per 10 grams, while silver March futures dropped nearly 2% to Rs 2,39,501 per kg.



GOLD RATE

X down globally: Users report issues logging in, accessing app



OUTAGE

CURRAN, OVERTON OVERPOWER BEN, GRANT'S CARNAGE AS ENGLAND BEAT ITALY TO QUALIFY FOR SUPER 8



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INBRIFS

28 schools in Ahmedabad and Vadodara get bomb threat

AHMEDABAD (TSIT): At least 28 schools in Ahmedabad and Vadodara in Gujarat received bomb threat emails on Monday, following which the campuses were evacuated, officials said.



Rohit Chaudhary said, "All the schools were instructed to immediately inform the nearby police stations and follow security protocol," he told reporters.

The managements of these schools informed the police control room. Subsequently, the local police, Special Operations Group (SOG), Crime Branch and Bomb Detection and Disposal Squads (BDDS) personnel carried out a sanitisation exercise and evacuation of students and teachers, he said.

Seven killed in chemical factory fire

JAIPUR: Seven people were burnt alive in an illegal firecracker-manufacturing factory in the Bhiwadi town of Rajasthan's Khairthal-Tijara district on Monday, officials said. "Seven persons have died in the incident. It was a garment factory but firecrackers were being manufactured inside it illegally," Sumitra Pareek, Additional District Magistrate, said.

Congress dominates Telangana mayoral polls, BRS fails to open account

District Collectors postponed the polling of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor posts to 11 Telangana municipalities.

HYDERABAD (TSIT): The State Election Commission, on Monday, February 16, announced the list of candidates declared as Mayors and Deputy Mayors for its seven municipal corporations in Telangana.



CONGRESS WINS TWO HUNG MUNICIPALITIES

Through crucial ex officio votes, the ruling Congress won Wardhannapet and Kesamudram, earlier declared hung municipalities in the recently announced poll results. In Wardhannapet, the Congress had bagged five seats, while six were won by the BRS.

Chairman and Vice-Chairman posts to 11 Telangana municipalities on Monday.

These municipalities are Yellandu, Sultanabad, Ibrahimpatnam, Kagaznagar, Ketanapally, Khanapur, Zaheerabad, Inderesham, Dornakal, Jangaon and Thorrur. The elections are likely to be held on Tuesday, February 17, an official from the Election Commission said, even as he did not mention the reason for the delay.

Modi hails Global Participation at India AI Impact Summit, Highlights Youth Potential

New Delhi (TSIT) Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday expressed pride over the growing international participation in the India AI Impact Summit, saying the event reflects both the rising stature of India in technology and the immense potential of its youth.



"The occasion is a testament to the fact that our nation is progressing rapidly in the fields of science and technology and is making a significant contribution to global development," Modi wrote.

He explained its meaning, noting that while excellence should be celebrated, it should not lead to astonishment, as the world is filled with extraordinary talent and virtues. The India AI Impact Summit has drawn participation from policymakers, technology leaders, researchers

and entrepreneurs from across the globe. The event focuses on the responsible development and deployment of artificial intelligence, innovation ecosystems, and India's role in shaping global AI governance.

India has been actively promoting digital transformation through flagship initiatives such as Digital India, expanding its startup ecosystem, and investing in emerging technologies including artificial intelligence, semiconductors and quantum computing. With a large pool of young engineers, researchers and startup founders, India is positioning itself as a key player in the global AI landscape.

AI Impact Summit 2026 begins in India, global tech leaders converge in New Delhi

New Delhi (TSIT): The AI Impact Summit 2026 begins on Monday, with leading technology figures and policymakers from across the world converging in India to deliberate on the future of artificial intelligence, its governance, and its transformative impact on economies and societies.

Bill Gates visits Real Time Governance Society Centre at Andhra Secretariat



Amaravati (TSIT): Gates Foundation Chairman Bill Gates on Monday visited Real Time Governance Society (RTGS) Centre at Andhra Pradesh Secretariat here to view utilisation of technology in governance. Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu explained to him how faster civic services are being provided and the results being achieved through Real Time Governance.

Bill Gates examined the way the state government is gathering public opinion on the implementation of various schemes and policies. The Chief Minister told Gates that the growth of the GSDP is being assessed regularly through Key Performance Indicators.

BJP attacks Rahul Gandhi, calls him 'failed dynast'

NEW DELHI: (Feb 16) The BJP on Monday attacked Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, alleging that he is a "failed dynast" as neither his own party leaders nor allies have any confidence in him. This came after Bhupen Borah, former president of the Assam Congress, sent his resignation letter to party president Mallikarjun Kharge, claiming he was being "ignored" by the party leadership and not being accorded his due in the state unit.

KTR slams Congress over 'undemocratic' municipal polls

Hyderabad (TSIT): Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) Working President K T Rama Rao on Monday strongly condemned what he termed as undemocratic and anarchic practices adopted by the ruling Congress during the ongoing chairman and vice-chairman elections in several municipalities across Telangana.

police officials and government machinery were being misused to influence the selection process of municipal chairmen through illegal means, including fake voting and misuse of ex-officio votes.

He described such actions as a blot on democracy. KTR also condemned attacks on former BRS ministers, MLAs, senior leaders and party activists, alleging police inaction despite incidents occurring in public view. He demanded immediate intervention by the State DGP and strict action against officials acting in favour of the ruling party. He further urged the State Election Commission to order a thorough inquiry into the alleged irregularities, register cases against those involved in kidnappings and attacks, and take steps to protect democratic processes.

India-Bangladesh ties will be reset, but incrementally

New Delhi (TSIT) Ahead of the swearing-in ceremony of BNP leader Tarique Rahman as Bangladesh's prime minister, Mandarins in India's South Bloc are working overtime on the country's outreach to its eastern neighbour. For Indian policymakers, the real challenge in resetting ties with Dhaka is not one of intent but of calibration, understanding what is politically feasible in Bangladesh's new landscape, and what is not.



External Affairs. The last one-and-a-half years are seen by South Bloc as "wasted time" on the Bangladesh front as the interim administration led by Muhammad Yunus was seen as jeopardising every attempt made at normalising relations. Pinak Chakravarty, former Secretary-Economic Relations in the Ministry of External

Affairs, told UNI, "There will be an incremental improvement in relations. The new PM has to settle in before decisions can be taken." Both countries may tackle issues such as "trade, rail connectivity and visas in the first instance, as these produce visible, tangible people-to-people benefits," added Riva Ganguly Das, former

Secretary-East in the MEA. Tarique Rahman has signalled a clear desire to stabilise relations with India. Throughout his campaign, he refrained from the familiar anti-India rhetoric that has periodically animated Bangladeshi politics. "Rahman has displayed considerable political maturity both during the campaign and in pronouncements afterwards," agreed Shantanu Mukharji, former National Security Advisor to Mauritius. The BNP leader's advisers have been unusually forthcoming, projecting goodwill and even extending an invitation to Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The tone, at least rhetorically, has been constructive. Yet rhetoric and governance are two different arenas.

PM Modi 'surrendered' before Trump, US trade deal will devastate farmers' livelihood: Cong

NEW DELHI (TSIT) The Congress on Monday alleged that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has "surrendered" before US President Donald Trump in agreeing to the India-US interim trade deal, which, it claimed, will "devastate" the livelihoods of crores of farmers across states. Slamming the Centre, Congress general secretary Randeep Surjewala said trade agreements should not become a path to slavery by "sacrificing a country's sovereignty".



Surjewala said at a press conference. "Trade agreements are the path to economic progress. The very foundation of trade agreements is mutual public interest on equal terms. Trade agreements should not be a path to slavery by sacrificing a coun-

try's sovereignty. National and public interests cannot be sacrificed under the guise of trade agreements," Surjewala said at a press conference. Tagging Surjewala's statement at the presser, Congress general secretary in-charge communications, Jairam Ramesh, said the former explained how this trade deal will "devastate" the livelihoods

Rs. 8 crore per ward assured in Sangareddy

CHANGE OF NAME

I, FATHIMA MAHEDI, W/O. MOHAMMED AYUB KHAN, R/O. H.NO. 12-127, SEETHARAMPURAM, MIRYALAGUDA, NALGONDA DISTRICT, TELANGANA STATE - 508 207, I HAVE CHANGE MY NAME FROM, FATHIMA MAHEDI, TO MOHAMMED KANES FATIMA, W/O. MOHAMMED AYUB KHAN.

Sangareddy (TSIT) Nirmala Jaggareddy said Rs. 8 crore would be secured for each ward in Sangareddy and Sadashivpet municipalities, assuring support from Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy if needed. She urged newly elected representatives to ensure inclusive and corruption-free governance. Sangareddy Chairperson Kona Vanitha Santhosh and Sadashivpet Chairperson Munipally Anjamma pledged model urban development. Vice-chairpersons were elected unanimously, strengthening the Congress party's position in both municipalities.



Dr Suvarna Drives Comprehensive Forest Conservation and Green Governance Push

Hyderabad TSIT BUREAU: Dr Suvarna, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF), is leading a renewed and result-oriented push for forest conservation, biodiversity protection, and sustainable green development across Telangana, with a strong focus on field implementation and community participation.



The department has intensified large-scale plantation drives, degraded forest land restoration, and urban green belt expansion. Special attention is being given to developing green corridors, strengthening wildlife habitats, and promoting native species plantations to improve long-term ecological balance.

In a series of recent high-level reviews with senior forest officials, Dr. Suvarna emphasized faster execution of plantation targets, scientific forest management practices, and the use of technology for monitoring forest health and protection. Officials were directed to strengthen ground-level surveillance, prevent encroachments, and improve survival rates of plantations through continuous follow-up and geotagging systems.

Environmental stakeholders and green volunteers have welcomed the department's proactive approach, noting that the coordinated strategy under Dr. Suvarna's guidance is helping improve forest governance, transparency, and measurable green cover outcomes across the state.

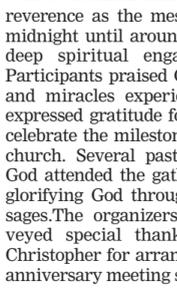
ment committees to link conservation with livelihoods. Initiatives involving non-timber forest produce, eco-tourism, and village-level green committees are being actively supported.

Department sources said capacity building of frontline forest staff, modernization of fire-response systems, and climate-resilient forestry planning are being taken up on priority. Training programs and periodic field audits are being conducted to ensure accountability and performance tracking.

Under her leadership, Dr. John Wesley Delivers Message at First Anniversary of Telugu Bethel Church in Israel

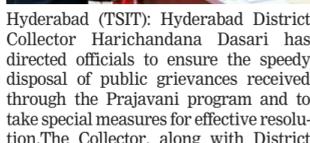
Dr. John Wesley Delivers Message at First Anniversary of Telugu Bethel Church in Israel

Hyderabad: The first anniversary celebrations of the Telugu Christian Bethel Church were held in a spiritually uplifting atmosphere in Yehud, Israel, with believers gathering in large numbers for a special night meeting and prayer service. On the occasion, God's servants International Evangelist Dr. John Wesley and Blessie Wesley delivered the Word of God and offered special prayers for all attendees. The congregation listened with devotion and reverence as the message continued past midnight until around 1:00 AM, reflecting deep spiritual engagement and faith. Participants praised God for the blessings and miracles experienced in Israel and expressed gratitude for the opportunity to celebrate the milestone anniversary of the church. Several pastors and servants of God attended the gathering and joined in glorifying God through prayers and messages. The organizers and members conveyed special thanks to Pastor Oguri Christopher for arranging and leading the anniversary meeting successfully.



Collector Dasari Harichandana Orders Quick Resolution of Prajavani Grievances

Hyderabad (TSIT): Hyderabad District Collector Harichandana Dasari has directed officials to ensure the speedy disposal of public grievances received through the Prajavani program and to take special measures for effective resolution. The Collector, along with District Revenue Officer E. Venkatachari, received petitions from citizens during the Prajavani grievance redressal meeting held at the Collectorate conference hall on Monday. Speaking on the occasion, the Collector instructed department officials to examine all petitions department-wise and resolve them at the earliest. She stressed that applications received through WhatsApp should also be treated with equal priority and processed promptly. She also ordered regular department-wise reviews of pending petitions to clear them without delay.



Congress Flag Flies High Over Aleru Municipality Birla Ilaiah Attends Chairman Swearing-In

Aleru: The Congress party marked a significant victory in Aleru Municipality as the newly elected Municipal Chairman and public representatives took oath in a formal swearing-in ceremony held on the occasion. Aleru MLA and Government Whip Birla Ilaiah attended the program as chief guest and extended his heartfelt congratulations to the newly elected municipal chairman and ward members. He stated that the victory reflects the people's trust in Congress leadership and assured full support for the town's development. State Women's Corporation Chairperson Bandru Shobharani also participated in



the ceremony and conveyed her best wishes to the new representatives. She emphasized that the new municipal body should work with commitment toward public welfare and women's empowerment initiatives. Leaders and party workers participated in large numbers, celebrating the Congress win and expressing confidence that Aleru will witness accelerated development under the new leadership.

Lulu Hypermarket Distributes Fruit Boxes to Devotees on Maha Shivaratri

Hyderabad: On the auspicious occasion of Maha Shivaratri, Lulu Hypermarket organized a thoughtful community initiative by distributing 2,500 fruit boxes to fasting devotees at Sri Vara Siddhi Vinayaka Temple in KPHB Colony Phase-3.



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PUBLIC NOTICE (Under Rule 3 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002) SUBSTITUTED SERVICE OF NOTICE U/s 13 (2) OF SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the Borrowers as mentioned below since they have defaulted in repayment of the Credit facility availed by them from Protium Finance Limited (Formerly known as Growth Source Financial Technologies Ltd. and before that known as Growth Source Financial Technologies Pvt. Ltd.), their loan credit facility has been classified as Non-Performing Assets in the books of NBFC as per RBI guidelines thereto. Thereafter, NBFC has issued demand notices to below mentioned respective borrower under section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFESI Act) on the last known addresses of the said borrowers thereby calling upon and demanding from them to pay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) within 60 days from the date of the respective Notice(s), as per details given below, together with further interest at the contractual rate on the below mentioned amount and incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. as stated in the said demand notices. However, the service is also being done by way of this publication as per Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (SARFESI Rules).

Sr. No.	Loan Account No./Name and address of Borrower and Co-Borrower/s	Date of NPA	Demand notice date on below date
1	LOAN ACCOUNT NO. - GS005LAP1558744 (Borrower) Sri Surya Tours Travels through its partners Arakatala Srinivas S/o Darshan, 1. Sai Baba Arakatala S/o Darshan, 2. Lakshmi Arakatala W/o Arakatala Srinivas, 3. Hemalatha Arakatala D/o Nagawara Rao A, 4. Arakatala Srinivas S/o Darshan. Address: H no 13 6 150, Karwan, Mahadipamam, Hyderabad, Telangana, Secunderabad, Telangana 500057 (Borrower); 13 6 150 Karwan Asifnagar Karwan Saha, Hyderabad, Telangana 500006 (Co-Borrower 1), (Co-Borrower 2), (Co-Borrower 3), (Co-Borrower 4.)	08.02.2026	11th Feb 2026

INR 2,30,58,918.77 (Two crore thirty lakh eight thousand nine hundred eighteen rupees and seventy seven paise only) as on 11th Feb 2026

DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURED ASSETS/MORTGAGED PROPERTIES- ITEM NO.1. (As Per The Regd. Partition Deed Doc. No.3520/2019, Dt.30-05-2019 At Sri, Golconda Sch-A To In The Name Of Mr. A. Srinivas); All The Piece And Parcel Of The Immovable Property House Bearing Municipal No. 13-6-150 Pin:1071305427, Consisting Of Ground And First Floors (Having Plinth Area Of 2060 Sq. Ft., Of Rcc And 785 Sq. Ft. Of Acc) Adm 338.50 Sq.Yds., Situated At Kulsumpur, Karwan, Hyderabad And Bounded By: North: Part Of H.No. 13-6-150, (Pin:131302801), Consisting Of Ground And First Floors (Having Plinth Area Of 1165 Sq. Ft., Of Rcc) Adm 338.50 Sq.Yds., Situated At Kulsumpur, Karwan, Hyderabad And Bounded By: North: 8 Feet Wide Passage South: Part Of H.No. 13-6-150 Allocated To Sri. A. Srinivas East: Road West: H.No.13-6-157

We hereby call upon the borrower stated herein to pay us within 60 days from the date of this notice, the outstanding amount of more particularly stated in respective Demand Notices issued, together with further interest thereon plus cost, charges, expenses, etc. thereto for which we shall be at liberty to sue, proceed against the above Secured Asset(s)/Immovable Property (ies) under Section 13(4) of the said Act and the applicable Rules not limited to taking possession and selling the secured asset entirely at the risk of the said borrower(s)/co borrower (s)/Legal Heir(s)/Legal Representative(s) at your own cost and consequences.

Please note that as per section 13(13) of the SARFESI Act, all of you are prohibited from transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise, the aforesaid secured assets without prior written consent of the Bank. Any continuation of the said secured assets without the prior consent as laid down under section 29 of the SARFESI Act and / or any other legal provision in this regard, please note that as per sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, if the dues of Protium Finance Limited (Formerly known as Growth Source Financial Technologies Ltd. together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by Protium Finance Limited (Formerly known as Growth Source Financial Technologies Ltd. are tenored to Protium Finance Limited (Formerly known as Growth Source Financial Technologies Ltd. at any time before the date fixed for sale or transfer, the secured asset shall not be sold or transferred by Protium Finance Limited (Formerly known as Growth Source Financial Technologies Ltd. and no further step shall be taken by Protium Finance Limited (Formerly known as Growth Source Financial Technologies Ltd. for transfer or sale of that secured asset.

Date: 17.02.2026, Place: Telangana Sd/-, For Protium Finance Limited, Authorised Officer

SHRIRAM Finance Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032, Administrative office: 6th Floor (Level 2), Building No.Q2, Arium 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 SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD. (Formerly known 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 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 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notices on respective dates mentioned herein below under Section 13(2) of SARFESI 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 BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors	NPA DATE: 07.06.2024	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE: 14.01.2026	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT: Rs.2168109/-	LOAN ACCOUNT: Rs.1500000/-
1) Shaik Munvarali, S/o: Mahamdhali Shaik @ Shaik Mohammed Ali, Age: 41 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H No. 4-48/2, Ravalkol(V), Medchal(D), Ravalkole, Kv Ranga Reddy-501401, B/c: Proprietor Of 'munvarali Transport', At # Same As Resi Address, 9393639896, 2) Shaik Siraj Begum, W/o: Shaik Munvar Ali, Age: 38 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O: H No. 4-48/2, Ravalkol(V), Medchal(M), Ravalkole, Kv Ranga Reddy-501401, 6300580674, 3) Shaik Munzarali, S/o: Mahamdhali Shaik @ Alias Shaik Mohammed Ali, Age: 34 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/O: H No. 4-48/1/1, Ravalkol(V), Medchal(M), Ravalkole, Medak-501801, 8008861491.				

.....barrowers/co-borrower /guarantors/ legal Heirs

PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS- HMYTFF2305020007-DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY.
All That The H No-5-4/2/I, (Assessment No. 1400) Admeasuring 200 Sq. Yds Equivalent To 167.2 Sq.mtrs With A Plinth Areaof 100 sq.ft Of Acc Covered Under The Limits Of Gramankantam, Situated At Ravalkole (Village), Medchal (Mandal), Medchal- Malkajgiri District Telangana State And Bounded As Follows: Towards East: Open Land Of Bandeda Pentahai, (present: Sabarali House), Towards West: House Of Manjor Ali, Towards North: Open Land Of Shaik Barakath Ali, Towards South: 20' Wide Road.

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.

Date: 16.02.2026 Place: MEDCHAL Sd/-Authorized Officer SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD.

NIWAS HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED (Formerly, Niwas Housing Finance Private Limited)

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POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1) and (2)]

Whereas, The Authorized Officer of the Secured Creditor mentioned herein, under 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 3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the borrower(s) to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower(s) and the public in general that the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of NHFL has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on the date mentioned against each property. 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.

The borrower(s) in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the NHFL for the amount mentioned below interest and other charges thereon.

Loan Account Number	Borrower(s) & Property Details	Amount & Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Possession Status
LNKUR0HL-03220023707	1.EMTIYAZ PASHA MD (BORROWER) 2.RESHMA (CO BORROWER)	Rs. 8,63,572/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Two Only) DATE: 18-Jul-2025	12-Feb-2026	SYMBOLIC POSSESSION
LNKRNLAP-11210019982	1.LAXMINARAYANA GOLLA (BORROWER) 2.BHAVANA G (CO-BORROWER)	Rs. 5,56,106/- (Rupees Five Lakh Fifty Six Thousand One Hundred Six Only) DATE: 14-Nov-2025	12-Feb-2026	SYMBOLIC POSSESSION

PROPERTY BEARING: ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE PROPERTY BEARING D NO.1-59, WARD NO.1, DHARUR(VI & GP), JOGULAMBA GADWAL (DT)-509125 ADMEASURING 100 SQUARE YARDS OR 900 SFT. PLINTH AREA 399 SQ.FTS R.C.C ROOF SITUATED AT DHARUR (VI & GP) JOGULAMBA GADWAL DIST, TELANGANA STATE THE FOLLOWING BOUNDARIES ARE EAST -GP ROAD, WEST-GP ROAD, NORTH-HOUSE OF VENKATRAMA, SOUTH-GANGA MAIN ROAD

PROPERTY BEARING: ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE PROPERTY BEARING D NO. - 44, WARD NO 04, MANOPAD (V & G.P) AND MANOPAD MANDAL, JOGULAMBA GADWAL DIST-509128, ADMEASURING 190.55 SQUARE YARDS OR 1715 SFT. SITUATED AT MANOPADU (V & G.P), MANOPADU (M),JOGULAMBA GADWAL DIST, TELANGANA STATE. THE FOLLOWING BOUNDARIES ARE NORTH BY: RAB ROAD, SOUTH BY: CC ROAD, EAST BY: CC ROAD, WEST BY: CC ROAD

Date: 17-02-2026 Place: Telangana Sd/- Authorized Officer NIWAS HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

SHRIRAM Finance Registered Office: Sri Towers, Plot No.14A, South Phase, Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai-600032, Office Address: - H.No.19-440 First Floor, Satyakamala Complex, Opp.DBS Bank Ltd, Sagar Road, Miryalaguda-508207 And Branch Office At: H.No.19-440 First Floor, Satyakamala Complex, Opp.DBS Bank Ltd, Sagar Road, Miryalaguda-508207

E AUCTION SALE NOTICE IN RESPECT OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES BELONGS TO: NAKKA GOPAL

E Auction Sale Notice for sale of the Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstructions of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules under Rule 9 (1) issued now after expiry of 30 days of the Intending sale Notice dated 29.01.2025. Since all of you have failed to exercise your right of redemption as contemplated under section 13 (8) of Act 54/2002 r/w Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules,2002, this notice for e-auction sale is issued. This is to inform the borrowers / guarantors/ mortgagors / co-applicants / co-borrowers

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/Co Borrower/Guarantor and Mortgagor that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis on 25.03.2026 11.00 A.M. to 01.00 P.M. for recovery of dues of Rs.71,96,452/- as on 11.08.2023 with further interest, costs other charges and expenses thereon from 11.08.2023 due to the Shriram Finance Limited, Secured Creditor as per Demand Notice dated 11.08.2023 issued U/s 13(2) of SARFESI Act, to the Borrower/Guarantor(s) mentioned below.

Agreement No: MRLGDTF180629002

- Name and address of the Borrower/Guarantor(s) 1. NAKKA KAMALA W/o.nakka Gopal Aged About 52 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O.No:18-182/15, Durga Nagar, Shanthi Nagar, Miryalaguda District. Pincode: 508207, Cell No: 9866299951, (Guarantor)
- GOURU ASHOK S/o. Satyanarayana Gouri Aged About 54 Years, Occ: Business, R/O.No:1-6-105/1, Shabu Nagar, Miryalaguda Mandal, Nalgonda District. Pincode: 944043996, (Guarantor)
- NAKKA NAVYATHA, D/o.nakka Gopal (deid) Aged About 35 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O.No:18-182/15, Durga Nagar, Shanthi Nagar, Miryalaguda District. Pincode: 508207
- NAKKA ANUSHA, D/o.nakka Gopal (died) Aged About 30 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O.No:18-182/15, Durga Nagar, Shanthi Nagar, Miryalaguda District. Pincode: 508207

(No. 1, 3 & 4 of you are Legal Heirs Of The Deceased Borrower NAKKA GOPAL and No. 1 of you is already on record and now No.3 & 4 of you are added as LR's of deceased borrower Mr.Nakka Gopal)

Description of immovable property: (Property belongs to Nakka Gopal) All That S.No. 477, Admeasuring 494 Sq.Yards, Equalent 412.98 Sq.mtrs, Situated At Yadagiripalli Grampanchayath And Revenue Village, Miryalaguda Revenue Mandal, Nalgonda District. Under Sri Miryalaguda. Vide Doc No.5840 Of 2018, and Bounded as follows: North: Kompalli Janahai Vendor Sold Land. South: Gadham Mattaihai Land. East: Yerra Canal. West: Cad Road 100 Feet Wide. Encumbrances, If any: NIL

AGREEMENT NO	RESERVE PRICE OF THE PROPERTY	EMD AMOUNT	BY WAY OF SUB EMD	BID INCREASE AMT	AUCTION DATE	EMD SUBMISSION DATE	PROPERTY INSPECTION DATE
MRLGDTF180629002	Rs.25,19,400/- (Rupees Twenty-Five Lakhs Nineteen Thousand and Four Hundred Only)	Rs.2,51,940/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Fifty-one Thousand and Nine Hundred and Forty only)	DD in favour of SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD	Rs.10,000/-	25.03.2026	24.03.2026	23.03.2026

The interested bidders required assistance in creating login ID & Password, uploading data, submitting bid, training on e-bidding process etc., may contact M/s. Shriram Auto Mail India Limited contact person: Mr.Gaurav Nambodini, Contact No.983922941 Mr.Gaurav Nambodini -sgaurav@samil.in and for any property related query may contact Shriram Finance Limited Authorized Officer, Ramakrishna Thandu, Ph. No: 9848216022, during office hours and working days.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all bids without furnishing any further reasons. The online auction will be conducted on website (https://eauctions.samil.in/home) of our auction agency Shriram Auto Mail India Limited, and for the place of Tender Submission/ for obtaining the bid form / Tender open & Auction, please visit the website https://eauctions.samil.in/home and for detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer to the link https://www.shriramfinance.in/auction provided in the Shriram Finance Limited website.

Note "It is informed that "SHRIRAM CITY UNION FINANCE LIMITED" has been amalgamated with "SHRIRAM TRANSPORT FINANCE LIMITED" as per order of NCLT, Chennai. Subsequently the name of "SHRIRAM TRANSPORT FINANCE LIMITED" was changed as "SHRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED" with effect from 30.11.2022 vide Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to change of name dated 30-11-2022."

Date: 16-02-2026 Place: Miryalaguda Sd/-Authorized Officer SHRIRAM FINANCE LTD.

पंजाब नैशनल बैंक **PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK** BRANCH OFFICE: ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT BRANCH HYDERABAD 6-3-865, 1 Floor, My Home Jupally Ameerpet, Hyderabad -500 016, Mobile No: 9538536789, E mail: es4732@pnb.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 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 constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Sl. No.	Name of the Branch	Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged/ Owner's Name (mortgagors of property(ies))	A) Dt. of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) of SARFESI ACT 2002		A) Reserve Price		Date/Time of E-Auction	Details of the encumbrances known to the secured creditors	
			B) Outstanding Amount as on 31.12.2025	C) Possession Date u/s 13(4) of SARFESI ACT 2002	B) EMD	C) Bid Increase Amount			
1	HYDERABAD SECOND LANCER BRANCH (156500)	All that the residential Flat No.301, consisting 1485 Sft., of super built up area, in Third floor of the residential Complex "SWATHI SAI PARADISE", at Premises, No.42-259, on Plot, No.39, with an undivided share of 69.25 Sq. Yds., or 57.89 Sq.Mtrs., out of its land area of 554 Sq.Yds., or 463.14 Sq.Mtrs., together with 100 Sft., of earmarked car parking place in the parking area provided thereto, under Survey No.353/1, Situated at Shramika Nagar Colony, Moulali, within the limits of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Malkajgiri Circle, RR District, under jurisdiction of Joint Sub- Registrar-11, Malkajgiri and District Registrar, Ranga Reddy (East), having: The Flat Bounded by: North: Open to sky, South: Open to sky, East: Open to sky, West: Corridor, Staircase & Lift, The Complex Bounded by: North: House on Plot, No.40, South: House on Plot, No.38, East: Road 40' 0" wide (Internal Road), West: Park.	A) 03.04.2018	B) Rs.1, 11,39,536.25 with further interest and other charges from 01.12.2025	A) Rs. 53,46,000/-	B) Rs. 5,34,600/-	C) Rs. 50,000/-	06.03.2026 From 11:00 AM to 04.00 PM	No encumbrances best known to the authorized officer. Bidders are requested to conduct their own due diligence before bidding.
2	HYDERABAD SECOND LANCER BRANCH (156500)	All that the residential Flat No.401, consisting 1485 Sft., of super builtup area, in Fourth floor of the residential Complex "SWATHI SAI PARADISE", at Premises, No.42-259, on Plot, No.39, with an undivided share of 69.25 Sq. Yds., or 57.89 Sq.Mtrs., out of its land area of 554 Sq. Yds., or 463.14 Sq.Mtrs., together with 100 Sft., of earmarked car parking place in the parking area provided thereto, under Survey No.353/1, Situated at Shramika Nagar Colony, Moulali, within the limits of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Malkajgiri Circle, RR District, under jurisdiction of Joint Sub- Registrar-11, Malkajgiri and District Registrar, Ranga Reddy (East), having: The Flat Bounded by: North: Open to sky, South: Open to sky, East: Open to sky, West: Corridor, Staircase & Lift, The Complex Bounded by: North: House on Plot, No.40, South: House on Plot, No.38, East: Road 40' 0" wide (Internal Road), West: Park.	A) 03.04.2018	B) Rs.1, 11,39,536.25 with further interest and other charges from 01.12.2025	A) Rs. 53,46,000/-	B) Rs. 5,34,600/-	C) Rs. 50,000/-	06.03.2026 From 11:00 AM to 04.00 PM	No encumbrances best known to the authorized officer. Bidders are requested to conduct their own due diligence before bidding.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions: 1) The properties are being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS", 2) The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorized Officer, but the Authorized Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. 3) The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website https://baanknet.com on 06.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M., 4) For detailed term and conditions of the sale, please refer https://www.baanknet.in and www.pnb.bank.in

Date: 13.02.2026, Place: Hyderabad Sd/- Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank, Secured Creditor

DCB Bank Limited Jyothi Majestic, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad-Telangana 500 034

DCB BANK

POSSESSION NOTICE

The undersigned being the authorized officer of the DCB Bank Ltd., under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice on below mentioned dates calling upon the borrowers (Borrower s and Co-Borrower s) to repay the amount mentioned in the notice as detailed below in tabular form with further interest thereon from within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower and Co-Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower, Co-Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 also r/w section 14(1) of the Security Interest Rules 2002 on 10th February, 2026.

The borrower, Co-Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property (Description of the immovable Property) and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the DCB Bank Ltd., for respective amount as mentioned here below.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (6) of Section 13 of the act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

1. Demand Notice Dated	28-09-2025
Name of Borrower(S) and (Co-borrower(S))	MR. UDDATALA SRINIVAS GOUD, MR. U NAGARAJU, MR. UDDHALA NAGENDER, MRS. UDDHALA NAGAMANI and MR. U RAMULU
Loan Account No.	DRMBSECO040343
Total Outstanding Amount.	Rs. 8,09,882.68- (Rupees Eight Lakh Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Two and Sixty-Eight Paise Only) as on 28th September 2025
Description of the Immovable Property	All That The House No. 1-6-202/19/9, Admeasuring 73.5 Sq.Yds., Or 61.02 Sq. Mtrs., Situated At Bajaji Nagar, Musheerabad, Hyderabad, 4 Bounded By:- North: Road 15' South: H.No. 6-202/18/4 Belonging To G. Rajaiiah, East: H.No. 1-6-202/19/10, West: H.No. 1-6-202/19/7 And 19/8 (The Secured Assets)
2) Demand Notice Dated.	29-11-2025
Name of Borrower(S) and (Co-borrower(S))	MR. MOHAMMED RAHEEMUDDIN and MRS. ASHRAF UNNISA
Loan Account No.	DRHLBAJ00554305
Total Outstanding Amount.	Rs. 27,84,442/- (Rupees Twenty-Seven Lakh Eighty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Two Only) as on 29th November 2025
Description of the Immovable Property	All That The Residential Flat No.102 On First Floor, Admeasuring 1150 Square Feet (including Common Areas) Together With An Undivided Share Of Land 15.68 Square Yards Out Of Total Land Area 266.66 Sq. Yards In The Building Complex Known As "a. K. Residency", In Premises Bearing Municipal No.9-4-116/14, On Plot No.14, Situated At Toichowki, Shaikpet Village, Hyderabad, Telangana State And Bounded By: North: Corridor & Staircase; South: Flat No. 101, East: Corridor, West: Open To Sky (The Secured Assets)

Date: 17-02-2026 Place: Hyderabad For DCB BANK LTD, AUTHORISED OFFICER

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DEMAND NOTICE

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NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors	NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE
1. M/S Ambha Bhavani Traders Rep by Its Prop Dashaarath, S/O Roop Singh, Aged About 45 Years, R/O. Plot No.5/A/Sy No. 90, Milra Nagar, Saijpur, Tandur(M), Vikarabad Dist, Pin: 501141, Ph: 877928469. 2. Dashaarath, S/O Roop Singh, Aged About 45 Years, Occ: Granite Marble And Tiles Supplier Business, R/O. Hno: 5-61, Navalgala(Vi), Tandur(M), Vikarabad Dist, Pin: 501143, Ph: 9949361022. 3. Anjali Bai, W/O Dashaarath, Aged About 41 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O. Hno: 5-61, Navalgala(Vi), Tandur(M), Vikarabad Dist, Pin: 501143, Ph: 8652519351. 4. Balram Lavanya, S/O Hanmya Nayak, Aged About 49 Years, Occ: Govt Employee(Teacher), R/O. Hno: 3-2-194/1, Inspektion Bangla, Venkateshwara Colony, Tandur (M), Vikarabad Dist, Pin: 501141, Ph: 9550506501. Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs	10.05.2023	12.01.2026

OUTSTANDING AMOUNT Rs.20,80,123.46/-
LOAN AMOUNT Rs.13,00,000/-

AMRPTF2101310002- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY All that the Open Plots No.44(P)45 & 46, in y.No.196 Admg.285 Sq.Yards, situated at Ward No.8,Block No.1, Old Tandur,Tandur Municipality, Vikarabad District under the Jurisdiction of registration Sub - registrar,Tandur,And bounded by:NORTH:20'-0" Wide Road,SOUTH:Land of Hameed Qureshi, EAST: Remaining Plot No.44 Part, WEST:Plot No.47.

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.

Dated: 12.01.2026 Place: Tandur(M),Vikarabad (Dt). Sd/-Authorised officer, Shiram Finance Ltd.

SHIRIRAM 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

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NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors	NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE
1. B.Naveen Kumar,S/O B.Yadagiri,Aged About 42 Years, Occ: Civil Contractor Business, R/O. Hno: 12-1-508/B/11, Sripur Colony, Lagalada Lalapet, Mouali, Hyderabad Dist, Pin: 500040, Ph: 9246211663. 2. Y.Pushpalatha, W/O B.Naveen Kumar,Aged About 41 Years,Occ: Govt Employee(Civil Asst Surgeon), R/O.Hno: 12-1-508/B/11, Sriipur Colony,Lagalada,Lalapet,Mouali,Hyderabad Dist, Pin: 500040,Ph: 7416165993.3. P.Sandeep,S/O P.Anjiah,Aged About 43 Years,Occ: Govt Employee (Police Constable), R/O. Hno: 12-1-334/B/1, 501,Skanda Nilayam, Lalapet,Hyderabad Dist,Pin:500017,Ph:9705605633. Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs	09.04.2025	21.01.2026

OUTSTANDING AMOUNT Rs.22,19,607.94/-
LOAN AMOUNT Rs.19,00,000/-

AMRPTF2407110012- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY All that the Part and Parcel of the Open Plot bearing No.177, in Sy.No.552,545, 548, 550,553A,552A and 548/R, admeasuring an area of 250 Sq.Yards, or equivalent to 209 Sq.Mtrs. Situated at 'Lova's Green Way', Israipally Kurta Bbinagar Village and Mandal, Yadadri Bhongir District, Located at 'Israipally Kurta' in Block No.6 and bounded by: NORTH:Plot No.176,SOUTH:Plot No.178,EAST:Plot No.160, WEST:30'Wide Road.

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.

Dated: 21.01.2026 Place: Lalapet,Hyderabad. Sd/-Authorised officer, Shiram Finance Ltd.

SHIRIRAM 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

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NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors	NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE
1. Bathini Surenndr Goud, S/O Narsimha Goud, T.Venkatesham, Aged About 43 Years, Occ: Travels Business, R/O. Hno: 19-3-965, Shamsher Gunj, Near SBI Bank, Hyderabad Dist-500053, Ph: 9392009544. 2. B.Sarala, W/O Bathini Surenndr Goud, Aged About 39 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/O. Hno: 19-3-965, Shamsher Gunj, Near SBI Bank, Hyderabad Dist-500053, Ph: 9392009544. 3. K.Naga Satish, S/O Rama Krishna, Aged About 34 Years, Occ: Private Employee, R/O.Hno: 15-28-328, West 328, Road No.2 Kphb Colony, Kukatapally, Hyderabad Dist-500072, Ph: 950565323. Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs	08.07.2023	28.01.2026

OUTSTANDING AMOUNT Rs.22,31,946.76/-
LOAN AMOUNT Rs.10,00,000/-

AMRPTF2301240004- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY All that the Piece and Parcel of the Open land bearing Plot No. A12 Eastern Part, admeasuring 83.33 Sq.Yards, & Eastern Part of Plot No. A11 Northern Part, admeasuring 16.66 Sq.Yards, total 100 Sq.Yards, in Sy.No.40, situated at Laskerguda Village, Abdulapuram Mandal, (Formerly Haidarnagar Mandal) Under Laskerguda Gram Panchayat, Rangareddy District and bounded by:NORTH: 25' Wide Road,SOUTH: Plot No. A11 Southern Part,EAST:Plot No. A1 and Plot No.42, WEST: Plot No. A12 Western Part & Western Part of Plot No. A11 Northern Part.

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.

Dated: 28.01.2026, Place:Kukatpally,Hyderabad Sd/-Authorised officer, Shiram Finance Ltd.

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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

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NAME OF THE BORROWER(S)/ Co-Borrower(S)/Guarantors	NPA DATE	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE
1. Boddu Ravindra Reddy, S/O Shankar Reddy, Aged About 38 Years, Occ: Fancy Shop Business, R/O.Hno: 2-22-298/2/39, Flat No: 505, Annapurna Towers, Bhayaganagar Colony, Kukatpally, Hyderabad Dist,Pin: 500072,Ph: 9551122222.2. Boddu Shankar Reddy, S/O Venkateshwar Reddy, Aged About 66 Years, Occ: Fancy Shop Business, R/O.Hno: 2-22-298/2/39, Flat No: 505,Annapurna Towers,Bhayaganagar Colony, Kukatpally,Hyderabad Dist,Pin: 500072,Ph: 988560443. 3. Challa Rajeswari, W/O Sathyanarayana, Aged About 48 Years, Occ: Sarees Business, R/O.Hno: 2-22-298/2/1, Flat No: 301, Annapurna Towers,Bhayaganagar Colony, Kukatpally, Hyderabad Dist,Pin: 500072,Ph: 9290124898. Borrowers/Co-borrower /Guarantors/Legal heirs	03.09.2015	20.01.2026

OUTSTANDING AMOUNT Rs.62,96,829.00/-
LOAN AMOUNT Rs.10,00,000/-

SANGRT1408260005- DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY All that the Piece and Parcel of Open Plot bearing No.162 in Sy.No.289 admeasuring 300 Sq.Yards Situated at Indira Nagar Colony, P.No.363/86 at Shankaralli Village and Gram Panchayath,Shankarapalli Mandal,Shankarapalli Sub - District,Ranga Reddy District, bounded on: NORTH: Plot No: 161, SOUTH: 40 Ft Wide Road,EAST:Plot No: 163, WEST:33 Ft Wide Road.

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.

Dated: 20.01.2026, Place:Kukatpally,Hyderabad. Sd/-Authorised officer, Shiram Finance Ltd.

CS K. Ramakrishna Rao Orders Action Plan to Secure Pending Central Funds

Hyderabad : K. Ramakrishna Rao directed senior officials to prepare a focused action plan to secure pending funds due to the State from the Central Government under various schemes. A high-level review meeting with Special Chief Secretaries, Principal Secretaries, and Secretaries of multiple departments was held on Monday at the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Secretariat.

The Chief Secretary instructed officials to work in a planned manner to mobilize all pending dues and scheme funds by the end of March. He asked departments to closely track releases under Centrally Sponsored Schemes, SNA funds, 15th Finance Commission grants, and other categories. He also suggested appointing a special officer in New Delhi to coordinate with Central ministries and speed up fund releases.

Department-wise reviews indicated that nearly 15,000 crore is due to the State



He said the plan would help guide newly elected local body representatives — including ward members, sarpanches, municipal councillors, and corporators — in implementing development and welfare schemes effectively following the recent local body elections. Departments were instructed to include sanitation drives, road repairs, summer drinking water management, and essential infrastructure creation in both rural and urban areas under the action plan. Proposals for the upcoming Cabinet meeting were ordered to be submitted by the next day.

100-Day Action Plan from March to June

As per the Chief Minister's directions, the Chief Secretary asked all departments to prepare and implement a 100-day action plan from March 2-3 to June 2 focusing on priority development works. Key sectors identified include rural development, municipal services, health, and education.

Senior IPS Officer Abhilasha Bisht Drives Reform-Oriented Citizen-Focused Policing

Hyderabad: Senior Indian Police Service officer Abhilasha Bisht is drawing appreciation for her result-oriented and citizen-centric policing initiatives, with a strong focus on public safety, women protection, and technology-driven enforcement systems. Through a series of strategic reviews and field-level directions, she has been strengthening operational efficiency and accountability across police units. In recent high-level review meetings with departmental officers, Abhilasha Bisht stressed the need for faster response mechanisms, transparent investigations, and proactive crime prevention. She directed teams to enhance coordination between law & order, investigation, and cyber units to ensure quicker case disposal and better service delivery to the public.



She has particularly emphasized women and child safety frameworks, calling for: Strengthening women help desks at police stations. Faster registration and tracking of complaints/Victim support and counseling coordination. Regular safety audits in vulnerable zones/Under her guidance, special drives have been encouraged on cybercrime awareness, digital fraud prevention, and safe social media usage.

Aganuru Baswam Takes Charge as Chairman of Shadnagar Municipality



RANGAREDDY : Aganuru Baswam was unanimously elected as Chairman and Ande Mohan as Vice Chairman of the Shadnagar Municipality at a meeting held at the municipal office on Monday. Earlier in the day, 28 newly elected ward councillors formally took oath. The council comprises 15 members from the Indian National Congress, 11 from the Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS), one Independent member, and one representative from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). Following the swearing-in ceremony, the election to the posts of Chairman and Vice Chairman was conducted, with both leaders being elected unanimously. Shadnagar MLA Veerpalali Shankar congratulated Aganuru Baswam and Ande Mohan on their election.

FORM NO. 14 (See Regulation 33(2))
By Regd. A/D, Dasti failing which by Publication.

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER - I/II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD (DRT 1)
3rd Floor, Triveni complex Abids, Hyderabad 500001

DEMAND NOTICE

Notice Under Sections 25 To 28 Of The Recovery Of Debts & Bankruptcy Act, 1993 And Rule 2 Of Second Schedule To The Income Tax Act, 1961.

RC/374/2025 30-01-2026

KARNATAKA BANK LIMITED
Versus
M/S. VISHAL AGRI SEEDS Maram

To
(CD 1) M/S. VISHAL AGRI SEEDS Maram Madhav Reddy Maram Narsimhaiah PARTNERSHIP FIRM, REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGING PARTNER: MR. MARAM MADHAV REDDY, OFFICE AT: D.No.8-5-16, TEACHERS COLONY, NEAR WATER TANK, MAHABUBNAGAR, TELANGANA A-509001.
(CD 2) MR. MARAM MADHAV REDDY, S/O. MARAM NARSIMHAIAH, AGED ABOUT 56 YEARS, OCC: BUSINESS, R/O. DOOR NO.8-5-16, TEACHERS COLONY, NEAR WATER TANK, MAHABUBNAGAR, TELANGANA-509001.
(CD 3) MR. MARAM VIKAS, S/O MARAM MADHAVAGED ABOUT YEARS, OCC: BUSINESS, R/O. DOOR NO.8-5-16, TEACHERS COLONY, NEAR WATER TANK, MAHABUBNAGAR, TELANGANA-509001.
(CD 4) MR. SYED AHMED, S/O. SYED MAHEBOOB SAB, AGED ABOUT YEARS, OCC: BUSINESS, R/O. DOOR NO.1-3-21/6/2, RAJENDRANAGAR, MAHABUBNAGAR, TELANGANA-509001.

This is to notify that as per the Recovery Certificate issued in pursuance of orders passed by the Presiding Officer, DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL HYDERABAD(DRT 1) in OA/145/2025 an amount of Rs.3612616.99 (Rupees Thirty Six Lakh Twelve Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen and Paise Ninety Nine Only) along with pendente lite and future interest @ 16.10% Simple Interest Yearly w.e.f. 11/04/2025 till realization and costs of Rs.76520 (Rupees Seventy Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Only) has become due against you (Jointly and severally) Fully/Limited.

2. You are hereby directed to pay the above sum within 15 days of the receipts of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made in accordance with the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 and Rules there under.

3. You are hereby ordered to declare on an affidavit the particulars of your assets on or before the next date of hearing.

4. You are hereby ordered to appear before the undersigned on 06/03/2026 at 10:30 a.m. for further proceedings.

5. In addition to the sum aforesaid, you will also be liable to pay:
(A) Such interests as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the certificate / execution proceedings.
(B) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and warrants and other processes and all other proceedings taken for recovering the amount due. Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date 30/01/2026

RECOVERY OFFICER
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, HYDERABAD (DRT-1)

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

DCB BANK

WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Ref No: 03/Mort/DCB/Inventory Removal Intimation Notice/2025-2026 Date: 07.02.2026

1. Mr. Kovoor Pradyumna Rao, Having Address At, H.No.1-69 Kankur Gummada Velly, Ibrahimpatnam Hyderabad-501506 Also At: Mr. Kovoor Pradyumna Rao, Plot No. 301 Sy No. 365, Nadergul Village, Saroomagar, Badangpet, Rangareddy, Hyderabad-501510

2. Mrs. Kovoor Bharathi, Having Address At, H.No.1-69 Kankur Gummada Velly, Ibrahimpatnam Hyderabad-501506. Also At: Mrs. Kovoor Bharathi, Plot No. 301 Sy No. 365, Nadergul Village, Saroomagar, Badangpet, Rangareddy, Hyderabad-501510.

Dear Sir/Madam

Sub: Notice For Removal Of Existing Inventories From The Secured Property Seized U/s 14 Of Sarfaesi Act

1. As you are aware that we had taken possession of below mentioned secured property on 04 Feb 2026, which is mortgaged, by Mr. KOVOOR PRADYUMNA RAO and Mrs. KOVOOR BHARATHI with DCB Bank Limited under loan account No. DRHLBAJ0043575 and DRBLBAJ00525471 when the possession of the property was taken over, you had not removed the inventories existing inside.

2. We would like to inform you that we were selling the Property through E-Auction Sale on this month of February 2026 For realization of the total loan outstanding under the said Loan account, by following due process of law, the said property need to be vacated by removing your inventory, movables belongings and documents for handing over to the auction purchaser.

3. As such, you requested to remove your inventory, movables belongings and documents from the secured property premises on or before 27th February 2026 with time 11.00 am to 5.00 pm in the presence of Authorized Officer of DCB Bank Ltd.

Description of the Immovable Property

All That Piece And Parcel Of Land Bearing Plot No.301 In Survey No.365 Admeasuring 277 Sq.yards Equivalent To 231.60 Sq.mtrs Rest Of Area Situated At Nadergul And Gram Panchayat Saroomagar Rev.mandal Ranga Reddy District Within The Jurisdiction Of The Sub Registrar Champangad. And Bounded By: North-plot No.302, South-neighbour's Land, East-30'wide Road, West-plot No.300 Please take notice that, if you fail to remain present at the scheduled date and time and remove the inventory, we will be forced to dispose the same at your cost and risk.

Date: 17/02/2026 for DCB Bank Ltd, Authorized Officer

Place: Hyderabad

SHIRIRAM Finance
Head Office: Level-3, Woohard Towers, East Wing C-2 Block, BandraKurla Complex, (Bandra East), Mumbai 400 051; Tel:022 4241 0400, 022 4069 3100; Website: http://www.shriramfinance.in/Auction Branch Office Address: #11-384, 2nd, New Chaitanyapuri Colony, Kazipet, Warangal - 506003. Authorized Officer address: Shiram Finance Ltd, Zonal office, #1-8-588, 3rd, Nakkalagutta, Hanamkonda, Warangal - 506001.

Notice to the Borrower Informing about Sale (30 days' notice) 8 (6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002

To: 1) Ravi Kumar Sathigari S/O Veeraswamy, Age: 50 Years, Occ: Business, R/O. H.No. 9-38, Velair (V&M), Hanamkonda Dist - 506 142. Cell : 9000628687. And Also At Ravi Kumar Sathigari S/O Veeraswamy, Age: 50 Years, Occ: Business, # Open Plot 1573.00 Sq.Yards, 1315.02 Sq.Mtrs in Sy.No.974/A/2/2, Velair Village, Velair Mandal, Hanamkonda District. -Borrower
2) Sathigari Aruna W/O. Ravi Kumar, Age: 44 Years, R/O. H.No. 9-38, Velair (V&M), Hanamkonda Dist - 506 142. Cell : 9000828687 Co Borrower /Guarantor.
3) Pothana Raja Babu, S/O. Venkataiah, Age: 56years, R/O.H.No.1-6/109, Kondapur, Station Ganpur, Jangaon Dist - 506 145. Co Borrower /Guarantor

Sub: Sale of property belonging to Ravi Kumar Sathigari (Borrower/Guarantor) in the account of HANDATF2401300006 for realization of amount due to Shiram Finance Limited under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. Shiram Finance Limited, Hanamkonda Branch, the secured creditor caused a demand notice dated 12.07.2025 under section 13(2) of The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, calling upon you to pay Rs.41,37,180/- (Rupees Forty One Lakhs Thirty Seven Thousand One Hundred And Eighty Only) within the time stipulated period thereon. Since you failed to comply the said notice within the stipulated period, the Authorized Officer, has taken symbolic possession of the immovable secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rule 8 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on 16.12.2025, you have not paid the amount due to Shiram Finance Limited. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction after 30 days from the date of receipt of this notice through online mode. The date and time of e-auction along with the Reserve Price of the property and the details of the property, in which the e-auction to be conducted, shall be informed to you separately. Therefore, if you pay the amount due to Shiram Finance Limited along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by Shiram Finance Limited before the date of publication of sale notice, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as stipulated in sec. 13(8) of the Act.

Schedule of Property (Property holder Name is SATHIGARI RAVI KUMAR Mortgage deed dated 30.01.2024 Registered as Document No.398/2024 on the file of the office of Sub-Registrar at BHEEMADEVARAPALLY) Open plot to an extent of 1573.00 Sq.Yards or 1315.02 Sq.Mtrs in Sy.No.974/A/2/2 Situated at Velair village, Velair Mandal of Hanamkonda District within the limits of Grampanchayath Velair and SRO Bheemadevarapally is bound by: East: Land of Sompalli Ravi West : BT Road North: Land of Koyyada Thirumal. South : Land of Manda Srinivas

Note It is informed that "SHIRIRAM CITY UNION FINANCE LIMITED" has been amalgamated with "SHIRIRAM TRANSPORT FINANCE LIMITED" as per order of NCLT, Chennai. Subsequently the name of "SHIRIRAM TRANSPORT FINANCE LIMITED" was changed as "SHIRIRAM FINANCE LIMITED" with effect from 30.11.2022 vide Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to change of name dated 30-11-2022."

Date: 16.02.2026, Place: Hanamkonda Sd/-Authorised officer, Shiram Finance Ltd.

HINDUJA HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
Corporate office at #167-169, 2nd Floor, Little Model, Saicappel, Chennai- 600 015.

APPENDIX -IV [Rule 8(1)] Possession Notice (For Immovable Property)

WHEREAS The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the Hinduja Housing Finance Ltd., under the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (ACT NO.54 OF 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice to below mentioned Borrower/s / Guarantor/s. After completion of 60 days from date of receipt of the said notice, The Borrower/s / Guarantor/s having failed to pay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s / Guarantor/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken **Physical Possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on them under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this.

Application No. Borrower and Co Borrowers Name and Address	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Total Outstanding amount as on	DATE OF PHYSICAL POSSESSION
1. Mr. Kotta NarsimuluBorrower 2. Mrs. Kotta Kalavathi 3. Mrs. Kotta Archana Co-Borrower H.No.2-3-53/1 ambedkar nagar, ambedkar nagar., Urban, Siddipet, Telangana, India -502103 LAN NO: PWGLGSDPH/A00000174	22.11.2024 and Rs.6,69,933/- (Rupees Six Lacs Sixty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Three Only)	16-02-2026. Rs. 8,74,966 /-	14-02-2026

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY : All that the RCC House bearing Door No.2-3-53/3/2, with admeasuring 73-50 Sq.yards, or 61-45 Sq.meters, Ground Floor RCC Plinth area 361-0 Sq. feet, Situated at HARIJANAWADA Village, Mandal Siddipet District, Under the Jurisdiction of Sub Registrar Siddipet(Urban) and District Sangareddy, Telangana State within the limits of Municipality Siddipet, bounded by BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPERTY: East: Road, West: House of Guni Laxmi, North: Road, South: House of Lachava

Application No. Borrower and Co Borrowers Name and Address	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Total Outstanding amount as on	DATE OF PHYSICAL POSSESSION
1. Mr. ATI BABUBorrower 2. Mr. ATI JyothiCo-Borrower H.No.1-45 CHINNAKODUR KODUR, MEDAK, SIDDIPET-502276 Also, Mr. ATI BABU Mr. ATI Jyothi H.No.17-10/7 LINGAREDDYPALLY, Siddipet, Telangana, India - 502103 LAN NO: APWGLKRN/A000000 161 AC/CP/CP/POF/A000001622	27.02.2024 and Rs.3,64,996/- (Rupees Nine Laks Sixty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Six Only)	16-02-2026. Rs. 9,57,725/-	14-02-2026

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY : House bearing No.17-10/7, Constructed in this place in Sy.No.559, Plot No.514 admeasuring 60-50 Sq. Yds and Plot No.515 admeasuring 60-50 Sq. Yds. Total extent 121 Sq. Yards, situated at Lingareddypally, within the limits of Siddipet of Municipality, Siddipet proper and district: BOUNDARIES: EAST: Road, WEST: Plot No.502 and 503, NORTH: Plot No.516, SOUTH: Plot No.513

The Borrower/s / Guarantor/s in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Hinduja Housing Finance Limited, for an above-mentioned demanded amount and further interest thereon

Place :Karimnagar Sd/-Authorised Officer
Date : 16-02-2026 For Hinduja Housing Finance Limited

AXIS BANK LIMITED
(CIN: L65110GJ1993PLC020769)
#5-2-183/184, 3rd Floor, Modi Square, RP Road, Secunderabad-500003.

APPENDIX-IV [Rule -8(1)] POSSESSION NOTICE

WHEREAS The Authorized Officer of the Axis Bank Ltd (Formerly known as UTI Bank Ltd.), having its Registered Office: "TRISHUL", Opposite Samartheswara Temple, Near Law Garden, Ellisbricks, Ahmedabad-380005, against the parties whose Branch office at Axis Bank Ltd., Retail Asset Centre, D.No.5-2-183/184, 3rd Floor, R.P. Road, Secunderabad Branch, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice 13-10-2025 under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act calling upon the borrower / guarantors / mortgagors: 1) Mr. Girikala Yashoda (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Girikala Ramulu, R/o. H.No.4-132/30, Plot No.20 NP Synergy 9, Sub station Road, Turkayyampal, KV Rangareddy, Hyderabad-501510. Also At: Mr. Girikala Yashoda (Applicant), S/o. Mr. Girikala Ramulu, Home Guard at Govt of Telangana police department-500060 2) Mr. Jajula Shiva Shankar (Co-Applliant), S/o. Mr. Jajula Narsimha

व्यावसायिक : द्वितीय अतिरिक्त प्रधान न्यायाधीश भूषेन्द्र, कुदुवु प्रधान न्यायाधीश इन्दिरा (ए. प्र.)
प्रवर्धन : IRSC HM/1602/2024
 वेतन दिनांक 05.03.2026

मुर्शिदुल इस्लाम नदी विभा मोहम्मद इस्लाम नदी
उम, र्व, व्यवसाय
निवासी 311. अपुस नगर, इन्दौर म. प्र. प्राची

रिचुद
नोशाबा खानुत पति मुर्शिदुल इस्लाम नदी
उम, र्व, व्यवसाय - गृहकार्य
निवासी : 18-7-198/B/70, मोलेशा नगर,
लालाबा कट्टा, धारमिनार, हैदराबाद **प्रातिप्राची**

प्राची मुर्शिदुल इस्लाम नदी विभा मोहम्मद इस्लाम नदी
भार नोशाबा खानुत पति मुर्शिदुल इस्लाम नदी के रिचुद
एक आर्सेनल का वर्कशॉप 28.1 (एसेनल वर्कशॉप जेडन
की पुनःस्थापना) मुस्लिम कानून के तहत वापस किया है।
रिचुद हेतु आय इस न्यायालय में दिनांक 05.03.2026
को दिन के 11 बजे घरे में अपना एक रकने हेतु उपस्थित
होने के लिए आकरे-नोडिन रिवाजात है।
आय रिवाज दिनांक को इस न्यायालय में घरे हजरि/
उपस्थित रहे। आकरे एक की निर्देश दिया जाता है कि
आय रिवाज अपनी प्रतिक्रिया का लिखित कमान करिब
आय रिवाज को ही देकरे जो कि आकरे को
या कानून में ही देकरे, जिस पर आकरे प्रतिक्रिया सुनवाई
कराया जायगी।
यदि किसी कारणवश आय रिचुद को पीठसोन अधिकारी
अवकाश पर हो या न्यायालय का पद रिक्त होने की दशा
में अगामी रिचुद दिनांक की जानकारी न्यायालय को
शिका/म्याक लिखिक में प्राप्त करे और किसी
कारणवश आय रिचुद दिनांक को यासकी अवकाश
वापस हो जाते है तो प्रत्यय की सुनवाई अगले दिन की
जायेगी। आकरे पठित किया जाता है कि, यदि आय ऊपर
बनाई गई दिनांक 05.03.2026 को इस न्यायालय में
हजरि (जय-जमान) नहीं होगी तो घरे की सुनवाई तथा
उपस्थित आकरे अनुपस्थित में किया जायेगा। हजे
सुनवाई अगले दिनांक 28.01.2026 को घरे
हस्ताक्षर तथा न्यायालय की मुसलमान जारी किया गया
सुरा कुमार चौधे
द्वितीय अतिरिक्त प्रधान न्यायाधीश
भूषेन्द्र व्यावसाय, इन्दौर (म. प्र.)

SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY
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 website: www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

Open e-Tender Notice No. : DR/M/Works/SC/13-23/2026/OT, Dated : 13-02-2026

For and on behalf of President of India, the undersigned invites e-tender for the following works up to 14:00 hours on 13-03-2026.

SI.No. : 01. e-Tender No. : 13_CO_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : BPQ - KZJ, KZJ - KI, WD - SC & SC - KZJ Sections ; Welding of Rail joints 60kg/52kg by means of Mobile Flash Butt Welding Plant in site at various locations under Sr.DEN/North/SC, Sr.DEN/West/SC & DEN/Central/SC sections in connection with complete Track Renewal (S) & Through Rail Renewal (S) works.

Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 3,95,43,994/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 3,47,700/- Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 60 (Days).

SI.No. : 08. e-Tender No. : BPQ - KZJ Section : Sipur Kazanagar - Provision of Ballast less track for Road 5 and Quick watering system between Road 5 & 6 at SipurKazanagar Railway Station.

Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 8,66,60,525/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 5,83,300/- Completion period in Months : 09. Maintenance period in Months : 12. (Days).

SI.No. : 02. e-Tender No. : 14_CR_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : WD - SC - KZJ section : Through Turnout Renewal of Exg. 52kg/60kg switches, lead rails and crossings in running lines with new 60kg curved switches/Thick web switches, lead rails and CMS/WCMSC under DEN/Central/SC section.

Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 3,71,35,873/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 3,35,700/- Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 60 (Days).

SI.No. : 03. e-Tender No. : 15_NW_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : VKB - PRLI Section : BDR - Provision of Ballast less track and quick watering arrangements for Road No.1 & Road No.3 at BIDAR Railway Station. (Two packet system).

Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 14,22,70,793/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 8,61,400/- Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36. (Days).

SI.No. : 04. e-Tender No. : 16_NW_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : PDPL - NZB Section : Provision of Ballast less track and quick watering system for Loop Line-1 at Karimnagar Railway Station.

Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 8,66,60,525/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 5,83,300/- Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36. (Days).

SI.No. : 05. e-Tender No. : 17_NW_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : VKB - PRLI Section : Proposed Ancillary works (left over works) such as RUB approaches, retaining walls, drainage arrangement and etc. for the Road under bridge (RUB) at LC.No.79 (M) Km 428/9-11 between Kesamudram and Tadalupasapalli stations.

Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 4,14,61,307/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 3,57,300/- Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 60 (Days).

SI.No. : 11. e-Tender No. : 23_S_C_26_OT. Name of the Work : KZJ - BZA Section - Proposed Ancillary works (left over works) such as RUB approaches, retaining walls, drainage arrangement and etc. for the Road under bridge (RUB) at LC.No.79 (M) Km 428/9-11 between Kesamudram and Tadalupasapalli stations.

Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 2,94,83,318/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 2,97,400/- Completion period in Months : 06. Maintenance period in Months : 06. (Days).

SI.No. : 06. e-Tender No. : 18_NW_SC_25_OT. Name of the Work : SW 1 VKB - PRLI Section : SSE/P Way/BDR jurisdiction : Proposed safety related yard improvement & upgradation works at various yards. SW 2 BDR - GR Section : SSE/P Way/HMBD jurisdiction : Proposed safety related yard improvement & upgradation works at various yards.

Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 2,72,84,458/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 2,86,500/- Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 60 (Days).

SI.No. : 07. e-Tender No. : 19_N_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : BPQ - KZJ Section : Provision of Safety Fencing / Boundary Wall of along the Track for speed 130 kmph and above using Fixed Knot fencing made from high tensile steel wire coated with suitable protective coating as per relevant IS codes for 15 km fencing length (Ph-I).

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KUNA VANITHA SWORN IN AS SANGAREDDY CHAIRPERSON



Hyderabad (TSIT) Kuna Vanitha Santosh was sworn in as Chairperson of the Sangareddy Municipality, while Shaik Shafi Hafeez took oath as Vice-Chairperson at a formal ceremony on Monday. Public representatives, corporators, and party leaders attended the event. Vanitha thanked councillors and residents for their support and promised focus on civic infrastructure, sanitation, drinking water, and development works. Hafeez assured coordinated and transparent governance. Local leaders, including Jagga Reddy and Nirmala Jaggarreddy, extended their congratulations.

TELANGANA CIVIC POLLS: CONGRESS CAPTURES POWER IN 84 MUNICIPALITIES



Hyderabad, Feb 16 : The Congress government in Telangana captured power in 84 out of 105 municipalities, six out of seven municipal corporations where chairpersons, vice-chairpersons, mayors and deputy mayors were elected on Monday. Though elections were held for 116 municipalities on February 11 and results were declared on February 13, chairpersons and vice-chairpersons could not be elected by newly-elected Councillors in 11 municipalities. Principal Opposition Bharat Rashtia Samithi (BRS) took control of 17 municipalities while Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) bagged one municipality in the state. Independent candidates were elected as chairpersons of three municipalities. Though, Congress had secured majority in 66 municipalities, its Councillors were elected as chairpersons and deputy chairpersons in another 18 municipalities with the support of other parties and independents. The Congress captured power in two municipalities with the support of BJP in Telangana. The BJP backed the Congress for the chairperson's post of Narsapur municipality in Medak district. The ruling Congress in return ensured election of BJP Councillor as the vice-chairperson. A similar arrangement was made by the BJP and Congress in Aliyad and Medchal Malkajgiri district. The BRS secured

the post of chairpersons of Amangal municipality in Rangareddy district with the support of BJP. The BRS backed the BJP to elect its candidate as vice-chairperson. The elections had thrown as many as 34 hung municipalities. Out of seven municipal corporations for which elections were held along with 116 municipalities, the Congress bagged the posts of both mayor and deputy mayor in four municipal corporations - Mahabubnagar, Mancharla, Nalgonda and Ramagundam. Mood Ganesh of the Communist Party of India (CPI), an ally of Congress, was elected Mayor of Kothagudem Municipal Corporation. S. Lalitha Kumar of the Congress was elected the Deputy Mayor. The two parties had won 22 seats each in the 60-member corporation. In Nizamabad Municipal Corporation, Congress's K. Uma Rani was elected Mayor with the support of All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM). Salma Tahseen of the AIMIM was elected the Deputy Mayor. The ruling Congress thus succeeded to stop the BJP, which had emerged as the single largest party.

Three held for duping Hyderabad trader of Rs 19 crore via fake KYC site

Hyderabad: The Cyber Crime Police in Hyderabad arrested three people for allegedly robbing cryptocurrency worth Rs 19 crore (USD 21,04,089) from a 44-year-old trader via a fake KYC verification website. According to the trader's complaint, he was approached by accused Sushim Shripati Gaikwad from Pune and Srikanth from Hyderabad, who expressed interest in buying United States Dollar Tether (USDT).

DR/M/Works/SC/13-23/2026/OT, Dated : 13-02-2026

SI.No. : 01. e-Tender No. : 13_CO_SC_26_OT. Name of the Work : BPQ - KZJ, KZJ - KI, WD - SC & SC - KZJ Sections ; Welding of Rail joints 60kg/52kg by means of Mobile Flash Butt Welding Plant in site at various locations under Sr.DEN/North/SC, Sr.DEN/West/SC & DEN/Central/SC sections in connection with complete Track Renewal (S) & Through Rail Renewal (S) works.

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Approximate Tender Value in Rs. : 14,22,70,793/- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs.) : 8,61,400/- Completion period in Months : 12. Maintenance period in Months : 36. (Days).

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Name of the Borrower(s)/Co-Borrower(s)/Guarantors

(1) **Vutukuru Seetharammarao, S/o. Vutukuru Venkateswar Rao**, Aged About 50 Years, Occ: Construction Business, R/o. H.No: 11-12-3502/504, Jagadees Residency, R.K. Puram, Road No. 5, Saroor Nagar, Ranga Reddy Dist., Pin: 500035, Ph: 9397823978.

(2) **Vutukuru Saritha, W/o. Vutukuru Seetharammarao**, Aged About 40 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/o. H.No: 11-12-3502/504, Jagadees Residency, R.K. Puram, Road No. 5, Saroor Nagar, Ranga Reddy Dist., Pin: 500035, Ph: 9849453335. (3) **V.V.K. Shekar, S/o. V.L.N.C.V. Chary**, Aged About 52 Years, Occ: Trading Business, R/o. Flat No: 22, Surya Towers, Road No: 7, Telephone Colony, Ranga Reddy Dist., Pin: 500035, Ph: 8866763636.

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CDNGRTF1806300024 - DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that the Plot No. 56/A & 61/B in S/N.No. 418, 418/A/1, 418/Ru, 419, 419/A/1, 419/Vu, 419/Vu/1, 419/E & 419/Vu/1, measuring 283.33 Sq.Yds., Situated at POLEPALLY Village and Grampanchayat, Jadhcherla Mandal, Mahabubnagar District and bounded as follows: North: 33' - 0" Wide Road, South: 0' - 0" Wide Road, East: Plot No. 55 & 62, West: Plot No. 56/B & 61/A.

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Dated: 19.01.2026
 Place: SAROOR NAGAR, RANGA REDDY (DT).
 Authorized Officer
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(1) **Umesh Modila, S/o: Ram Chandrarajiah**, Age: 32 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No: 1-54, Tooprahkud, Maheshwaram Mandal, Mahabub Nagar, Ranga Reddy-509325, B/o: Proprietor Of 'trends Mens Wear', At # Kothur (ct), Near Govt School, Ranga Reddy-509228, 9618118104, (2) **Modila Babitha, W/o: Modila Umesh**, Age: 30 Years, Occ: House Wife, R/o: H.No: 1-54, Tooprahkud, Maheshwaram, Ranga Reddy-509325, 7842538191, (3) **Tuppra Prasad, S/o: Yadaiah Tuppara**, Age: 54 Years, Occ: Self Employee, R/o: H.No: 5-82, Kothur, Ambedkar Colony, Ranga Reddy-509228, B/o: Proprietor Of 'Mis pras Bricks And Supply' At # Same As Elect Address, 886639959.

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PROPERTY ADDRESS OF SECURED ASSETS- HMVYTF2303180007 - DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that The Part And Parcel Of The House Bearing No.1-47 And Adjoining 204.00 Sq.Yds, Plinth Area Of 450.00 Sq.ft., With Acc Roof Situated At Tooprahkud Village And Gram Panchayat, Maheshwaram Mandal And Ranga Reddy District, Telangana State And Bounded As Follows: Towards East: House Of Bandi Yadaiah,, Towards West: 12'0 G.P. Road,, Towards North: House Of Deshala Kistamma,, Towards South: House Of D. Yadaiah & D. Narsing Rao.

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TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud Thanks Voters After Congress Gains in Nizamabad Municipal Polls

Hyderabad: Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud addressed a media conference in Nizamabad and expressed gratitude to the voters of the undivided Nizamabad region for supporting the Congress party in the recent municipal elections.

He conveyed special thanks to the people of Nizamabad town for electing Congress candidates and said the party was able to secure a majority of municipalities in the district under the leadership of Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy.

Mahesh Kumar Goud said that the Congress party won the Nizamabad Mayor seat



after nearly 20 years and congratulated the newly elected Mayor Umarami, noting that her rise from a fruit vendor to the city's first citizen reflects the inclusive nature of the Congress party. He stated that only in Congress can an ordinary grassroots worker grow to such a position.

Highlighting the government's performance, he said the party effectively utilized every opportunity in the past two years to deliver development and welfare. He added that voters rejected attempts to polarize them in the name of caste and religion and instead voted

for development. He listed key development initiatives including an engineering college, an agriculture college, and road works worth 680 crore for the district. He said people believe that with a Congress Mayor, Nizamabad will develop into a leading city in the state.

Mahesh Kumar Goud noted that sentiment-driven campaigning by rivals led to the narrow loss of around seven seats. He also pointed out that Congress won five seats against AIMIM candidates and said cooperation with AIMIM would help in district development. He added that the lone winner from BRS has also extended support to the Congress.

TELANGANA TO SET UP WORLD-CLASS HEALTH CITY

Hyderabad TSIT BUREAU: Telangana will develop a world-class Health City as part of the proposed Bharat Future City project, aiming to create India's most integrated healthcare and medical innovation ecosystem, said IT and Industries Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu on Monday.

Speaking at a fireside chat during the TAL Hospitals Health Fest 2026 organised by Touch A Life Foundation at T-Hub, the Minister said the Health City will be built to international standards and serve as a model healthcare and innovation hub for other States.

He said Telangana is working to shift healthcare from a reactive model to a predictive and preventive system powered by advanced technologies. The proposed Health City will integrate modern medical infrastructure, research institutions,



innovation clusters, and digital health platforms under a single ecosystem. Sridhar Babu stated that emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Quantum Computing, and Blockchain will be leveraged to improve access to quality healthcare, especially in remote and underserved areas. The initiative is part of the State's broader plan to position Telangana as a global destination for medical

tourism through a focused healthcare policy centered on quality, affordability, and global competitiveness. Highlighting preventive care, the Minister said the government is moving toward creating a comprehensive health profile for every citizen. Large-scale cancer screening programmes for women are already being implemented to ensure early detection and better outcomes.

SANT SEVALAL JAYANTI CELEBRATED IN KUKATPALLY



SERILINGAMPALLY TSIT: The 287th Jayanti of Sant Sevalal Maharaj was celebrated in Kukatpally under the aegis of local Congress leaders. TPCC Vice President Bandi Ramesh attended as chief guest and paid floral tributes to the saint. He praised Sant Sevalal's role in uniting and uplifting the Banjara (Lambadi) and other nomadic communities, assuring continued support to the community.

VEERABHADRA SWAMY KALYANAM HELD GRANDLY AT KURAVI



Mahabubabad (TSIT) The celestial wedding of Veerabhadra Swamy and Goddess Bhadrakali was celebrated with grandeur at the Kuravi temple in Mahabubabad district on the occasion of Mahashivratri. Thousands of devotees from Telangana and neighbouring states attended the Kalyana Mahotsavam.

KOTHAGUDEM, SIX MUNICIPALITIES ELECT NEW CHIEFS

Khammam (TSIT): Elections concluded in Kothagudem Municipal Corporation and six municipalities in the erstwhile Khammam district, while polling in Yellandu was postponed. In Kothagudem, Moodu Ganesh (CPI) was elected Mayor and Siripurapu Lalitha Kumari (Congress) as Deputy Mayor. In Edulapuram, Wyra, Kalluru, Sathupalli, Madhira, and Aswaropeta, new chairpersons and vice-chairpersons were elected. In Aswaropeta, Jupalli Shashikala and Jupalli Ramesh, a husband-wife duo, were chosen as Chairperson and Vice-Chairman.

INTERNAL RIFT HITS CONGRESS IN MARIPEDA

Mahabubabad (TSIT) The Congress party is facing internal unrest in Maripeda Municipality of Mahabubabad district over the chairman post selection. Party activists have raised concerns over alleged sidelining of senior loyalists and the emergence of fresh political equations. Questions are being raised over the "sealed cover" decision and reports of factional politics within the party. Local leaders allege growing dissatisfaction and claim the controversy could impact the party's image despite its recent electoral successes in the constituency.

URBAN POLL WIN REFLECTS TRUST IN CONGRESS: BHATTI



Madhira (TSIT): Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka said the Congress party's sweeping victory in municipal elections reflects public trust in the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy. He stated that the party secured around 90-95 municipalities, calling it an unprecedented urban mandate. Vikramarka said the government will continue blending development with welfare and focus on structured reforms, balanced urban growth, and long-term economic expansion.

WANAPARTHY COUNCILLORS SWORN IN

Wanaparthi (TSIT) Thirty-three newly elected councillors of Wanaparthi Municipality took oath at the municipal office in the presence of officials. Mididoddi Madhavi was elected Chairperson and Gurrakonda Madhusudan Goud as Vice-Chairperson. The ceremony was held under the supervision of district election authorities, with MLA Thudi Megha Reddy and local Congress leaders attending the event.

RS. 1,000 CRORE SOUGHT FOR GULF WORKERS' WELFARE

Mancherial (TSIT): Kalleeda Bhoomaiah, Founder-President of the Telangana Gulf Workers Welfare Association, urged the State government to allocate Rs.1,000 crore in the 2026-27 Budget for migrant workers' welfare. He said nearly 15 lakh Telangana workers in Gulf countries remit about Rs.36,000 crore annually and deserve a dedicated Gulf Welfare Board, compensation support, legal aid, and streamlined repatriation procedures. He warned of agitation if the demands are ignored.

SWARMAHATHI LITTLE CHAMPS RELEASE "SHIVA LINGASHTAKAM"

SERILINGAMPALLY TSIT: Swarmahathi Sangeetaly's Little Champs unveiled their debut devotional audio "Shiva Lingashtakam" in Serilingampally. The album was released by Arekapudi Gandhi, who praised the children for their devotion and talent.

KCR BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED IN WANAPARTHY

Early birthday celebrations of former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao were held at the Polytechnic College in Wanaparthi district centre. Leaders and party workers garlanded his statue and organised a grand event.

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA REVENUE (LA) DEPARTMENT PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION FORM - VI

(See Sub-Rule (1) of Rule-19 and Section -11(f) of the Act-30(2013) G1/20/2026 Date : 17-01-2026 No. G4632/2025 Date : 31-12-2025

Whereas it appears to the Government of Telangana/Collector, Nalgonda that a total of Ac. 06.32 1/2 gts of land is required in the Thunukinithala Village of Thirumalagiri Sagar Mandal in Nalgonda District for Public purpose, namely, acquisition of land for Construction of pumping station on foreshore of Nagarjuna Sagar Reservoir near Nilalil village with vertical turbine pumps with motors, including supply, erection, testing and commissioning of electro-mechanical works and allied civil works viz., approach channel, pressure main, delivery system and gravity canals etc. including O&M works in Thirumalagiri Sagar Mandal in Nalgonda District for Public purpose, namely, acquisition of land for Construction of pumping station on foreshore of Nagarjuna Sagar Reservoir near Nilalil village with vertical turbine pumps with motors, including supply, erection, testing and commissioning of electro-mechanical works and allied civil works viz., approach channel, pressure main, delivery system and gravity canals etc. including O&M works in Thirumalagiri Sagar Mandal in Nalgonda District project from the applications of the Provisions of chapter I and chapter II of the RCFCT in LAR & R Act, 2013 to this project.

The Government of Telangana I&CAD, Department have issued G.O. No. 06, I & CAD Dept., Dated: 17.03.2023 exempting for the Construction of pumping station on foreshore of Nagarjuna Sagar Reservoir near Nilalil village with vertical turbine pumps with motors, including supply, erection, testing and commissioning of electro-mechanical works and allied civil works viz., approach channel, pressure main, delivery system and gravity canals etc. including O&M works in Thirumalagiri Sagar Mandal in Nalgonda District project from the applications of the Provisions of chapter I and chapter II of the RCFCT in LAR & R Act, 2013 to this project.

There it is notified that for the above said project in the Thunukinithala Village of Thirumalagiri Sagar Mandal in Nalgonda District land measuring, more or less Ac.06.32 1/2 gts of standard measurement, whose detailed description is as mentioned below, is under acquisition:

SCHEDULE

Village: Thunukinithala, Mandal: Thirumalagiri Sagar, District: Nalgonda

S.No.	Survey No.	Sub Division No.	Type of Land	Area (Acgts. Yds)	Name of the Paddar / Enjoyer and S/o or W/o	Depth of Burrows, etc. in the Burrows	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	0.01 25		Budida Mogalaha S/o. Chilikahai				
2	0.02 50		Budida Ramiah S/o. Muthyala				
3	0.03		UFC				
4	0.01		Budida Nagaraju S/o. Ramahai				
5	0.03 25		Budida Ravi S/o. Venkataiah Budia Anjaneyulu S/o. Venkataiah				
6	0.03 25		Budida Ravi S/o. Venkataiah Budia Anjaneyulu S/o. Venkataiah				
7	0.03 25		Kelavath Ramesh S/o. Pulya				
8	0.03 25		Panduga Venkattamma W/o China Rangalah				
9	0.03 50		Budida Somaiah S/o. Maraiiah				
10	0.07		Budida Govindiah S/o. Lachiah				
11	0.03 75		Budida Venkateswarlu S/o. Govindiah				
12	0.0050		Donka				
13	0.03		Nenavath Naresht S/o. Soman				
14	0.00 94		Ramavath Ravindhar S/o. Balu				
15	0.03 49		Ramavath Ramulu S/o. Bhasha				
16	0.01 76		Ramavath Naresh S/o. Balu				
17	0.03 49		Ramavath Kiranmay S/o. Aleenah				
18	0.03 83		Ramavath Sunitha W/o. Dhasra				
19	0.01 24		Ramavath Chandu S/o. Mathru				
20	0.02 33		Ramavath Mohithai S/o. Mathru				
21	0.02 83		Ramavath Lalitha W/o. Ravi				
22	0.01 99		Ramavath S/o. Sava				
23	0.03 90		Palthi Dhasra S/o. Bikari				
24	0.01 00		Temple (Muthyalamma gudi)				
25	0.01 00		Kelavath Hushara S/o. Sanyia				
26	0.04 06		Kelavath Dhasra S/o. Purniya				
27	0.03 83		Kelavath Dhasra S/o. Purniya				
28	0.02 25		Kelavath Dhasra S/o. Purniya				
29	0.05 00		Kelavath Laxmi W/o. Hanumanthi Kelavath Sulatha W/o. Javaram				
30	0.00 29		Kelavath Rupesingh S/o. Purniya				
31	0.01 21		Kelavath Dasrath S/o. Purniya				
32	0.01 61		Kelavath Dersingh S/o. Purniya				
33	0.01 08		Kelavath Rupesingh S/o. Purniya				
34	0.01 09		Kelavath Padma W/o. Sirram				
35	0.01 49		Kelavath Seetharam S/o. Purniya				
36	0.01 50		Korra Haiya S/o. Papa				
37	0.01 71		Korra Balu S/o. Papa				
38	0.01 25		Korra Lala S/o. Papa				
39	0.02 50		Ramavath Samil W/o. Manya				
40	0.00 84		Korra Cheena S/o. Neelya				
41	0.00 92		Korra Helaya S/o. Chintya				
42	0.01 70		Korra Balu S/o. Papa				
43	0.00 73		Korra Lingsingh S/o. Neelya				
44	0.00 69		Korra Ramingsingh S/o. Neelya				
45	0.01 59		Korra Samil W/o. Manya				
46	0.01 09		Ramavath Lakshmi S/o. Hanuma				
47	0.00 63		Ramavath Beeku S/o. Lakpathi				
48	0.01 45		Korra Manya S/o. Valya				
49	0.00 76		Korra Thulchya S/o. Valya				
50	0.01 21		Korra Pulimsha S/o. Bicha				

EDITORIAL

Pakistan Cricket And Lessons In How To Destroy A Sport, Completely

I am not entirely certain who I felt more sorry for after the conclusion of the latest instalment of the India vs Pakistan cricket "rivalry" (if one can still call it that). My heart went out to the ticket-buying public in Colombo. According to news reports, about 18,000 Indian and 12,000 Pakistani fans travelled to Sri Lanka for this match, which was a sellout. Did those in the stadium get their ticket's worth? Not to mention the money they spent on travel, stay, food, etc? Definitely not. One also felt a twinge of sadness for the broadcasters. How could you expect each and every cricket fan who had tuned in to stay interested in a "contest" that was pretty much done and dusted in the first five overs of the second innings (by which time Pakistan had been reduced to 34/4 in their chase of 176)? How many people would have just lost complete interest in the match at the time?

Did I feel sorry for the Pakistan team and their entire cricketing establishment, though? Not really. After all, what I witnessed on Sunday didn't surprise me one bit. Sure, this was the biggest margin of victory ever by runs (61 runs) for India in a T20 match against the neighbours, but did we really expect this to be an even contest? Disappointing, Not Surprising

In the answer to that question lies the root of the disappointment we all felt, despite India's commanding performance that officially took them into the Super Eights stage. Most of us wanted to see an even, well-fought contest. While we did see India play good, solid cricket, we didn't get to see a good cricket match. But then, India vs Pakistan cricket, which at one time was billed as a contest that rivalled the Ashes and maybe even overshadowed the hallowed Test series, is just not a rivalry anymore. The "mother of all cricket battles", as TV headlines screamed at one time, is now the mother of all no-contests. There's no bilateral Test cricket that is played between the two countries anymore, of course, and India is way ahead in white-ball cricket. And at the end of the day, Team India stamped their authority on the "contest" yet again, while Pakistan cricket, as their white-ball cricket Head Coach Mike Hesson (who is no stranger to Indian cricket fans) admitted "...probably took a little step back", at least when it comes to adapting to different conditions. For the record, this was India's 13th win in their last seventeen T20 matches vs Pakistan. This particular India vs Pakistan World Cup match had an extra layer of political sheen to it after the 'boycott saga'. Such was the level of humiliation the Pakistan fans felt after the 61-run thrashing that many of them said that the PCB should have just stuck to their stance of boycotting the match against India - it would have saved them the embarrassment of being reminded of the huge gulf that exists between the two teams in terms of overall quality and mental strength. This Team India, if you squeeze them, more often than not, will focus. Pakistan tend to fold.

A Bygone Era

However, while India's on-field prowess cannot be questioned, their policy of not shaking hands with the Pakistani cricketers (something that we see now also in senior women's international cricket and U-19 cricket) continues to raise a few eyebrows. There are certain things that fall within the bracket of "spirit of the game", and if two teams are playing each other, irrespective of what is happening between the two countries off the field, not shaking an opponent's hand can be seen as a mark of going against one of the longest traditions of the game. It just feels wrong. But make no mistake about it. This is here to stay. The moment the decision was taken not to shake hands with Pakistani cricketers on the field in the Asia Cup last year, the on-field relations between the two teams, which had been quite friendly for a long time, hit rock bottom. On Sunday, the call to continue to give the opponents the cold shoulder also added an icy element to the clash. Not only were there no handshakes, but the players barely even looked at each other. I was actually expecting some sledging from the players, but there were no words exchanged at all - either polite or nasty. Ironically, off the field, before the match began, former India captain Rohit Sharma, who is also the brand ambassador of the tournament, hugged and shook hands with Pakistan legend Wasim Akram.

What's Behind The US-Iran Nuclear Deadlock? Four Risks, Four Interests



When India's extended neighbourhood, the Gulf, is calm, India's economy enjoys an invisible subsidy. When it is tense, India receives a fresh invoice. That is why the United States-Iran engagement through the Oman channel matters to Delhi even if India is not in the room. The realistic hope is not reconciliation. It is something rarer in West Asia: predictability. This negotiation is shaped by four fears and four interests. Each side is trying to reduce one risk without paying for another. Washington wants an Iran that cannot sprint to a bomb. The Trump administration prefers diplomacy, but it is negotiating with escalation still on the table. President Trump is letting the talks continue while maintaining maximum pressure and reinforcing the regional posture by deploying a carrier strike group. This is coercive bargaining: talk seriously, or prepare for pressure that will not stay financial. Tehran wants sanctions relief and the political dignity of having its right to enrich acknowledged. It is willing to bargain over ceilings, sequencing, and monitoring. But it has drawn a line around missile capability. For Iran, missiles are not an add-on. They are deterrence in a region where hostile intent is assumed. Tehran warns that any American strike would trigger the atre-wide retaliation, including against US bases in the Gulf and Israel. That is how it prices deterrence, turning escalation into a regional bill. Israel is focused on one

idea: warning time. A nuclear agreement that trims enrichment while leaving delivery systems and regional networks intact looks, in Tel Aviv, less like a settlement and more like a postponement. A narrow nuclear deal reduces one danger while leaving another alive. Israel, therefore, pushes for missiles and the proxy ecosystem to be in frame, or for coercion robust enough to roll back Iran's capacity. The Gulf states sit closest to the blast radius. They want de-escalation that protects ports, pipelines, cities, and investor confidence without rewarding coercive tools. They lean toward diplomacy because they pay first for escalation, but they prefer constraints that bite. They want the crisis defused, not Iran empowered. Taken together, the overlap sits mainly on uranium enrichment. It thins quickly on missiles and proxies. That is why the Oman channel points to a thin deal: not a grand bargain, not Armageddon. That thinness is not a weakness; it is the only bargain available. The alternative is a sharper crisis. As President Trump warned, "Otherwise, it's going to be very traumatic." Enrichment is where progress is most realistic, because it is measurable. Cap levels, reduce stockpiles, neutralise the most sensitive material, restore tight monitoring, and sequence partial relief. If Washington can tolerate accepted enrichment, and Tehran can accept low ceilings, small quantities, and tight IAEA oversight, an agreement is possible. Even on the

nuclear file, the hinge is not enrichment alone. It is verification. The IAEA has described large declared stockpiles and a continuity of knowledge problem. That combination, scale plus uncertainty, turns every promise into a credibility challenge. Enriched uranium you can measure can be capped, blended down, or shipped out. The quantities you cannot account for are a crisis. Verification gaps turn any ceiling into a guess, and guesses do not survive crises. Ask the deal to carry every grievance, and it collapses. Here, the choice is between a workable compromise and a beautiful failure. Missiles are where the thin deal hits reality, and where the overlap disappears. The United States has, at times, signalled that it would prefer missiles and proxies in the frame. Iran refuses. Israel wants to shrink the warning time and insists missiles and proxies be in frame. The Gulf wants constraints because it lives with vulnerability every day. This is where diplomacy runs into doctrine. Missile capability is harder than centrifuges to verify because it can be dispersed and is dual-use. Moreover, missiles sit inside deterrence logic rather than inside a negotiable technical programme. At best, you get informal risk reduction measures: hotlines, notification norms, or tacit restraint. A missile inspection regime strong enough to satisfy Washington and Israel would look like strategic nakedness in Tehran. You can negotiate centrifuge

numbers. You cannot negotiate a nation's sense of vulnerability. One more truth sits awkwardly beneath the rhetoric. In the Western narrative, support for the Iranian people is voiced loudly. In real negotiations, it recedes quickly. When nuclear risk, missiles, and sanctions relief are on the table, the Iranian people become a secondary priority in hard power bargaining. Washington may still speak of protestors and repression, but the negotiating priority becomes containment and verification. Human rights rhetoric, in Tehran's ears, often sounds like regime change pressure by another name. Israel prioritises threat reduction. Gulf states prioritise stability. This is not cynicism. It is the logic of crisis diplomacy. The bigger the security stakes, the smaller the space for moral clarity. India's interest is clear. Avoid panic in the Gulf. We should not romanticise a deal, nor should we posture against one. A thin, verifiable nuclear stabilisation, even if it leaves missiles untouched, is still valuable. It reduces the probability of a regional scare that spikes energy prices, disrupts shipping, and unsettles the Indian diaspora across the Gulf. The downside of conflict there far outweighs any plausible upside. The talks may move to Geneva, for discretion and convenience, but the Oman channel endures. Geneva is geography, Oman is the channel. The Oman channel, however, will not deliver trust. It may deliver something useful: fewer surprises.

Sonia-Rahul To Maken, Why Mani Shankar Aiyar Keeps Ditching His Verbal 'Filter'

Mani Shankar Aiyar has been known to create political storms with his words. The former Rajya Sabha parliamentarian used to joke that in the time of Rajiv Gandhi, he was always on "arsh" (cloud nine) while in the UPA regime under the then Congress chief, Sonia Gandhi, he was brought down to "farsh" (ground).



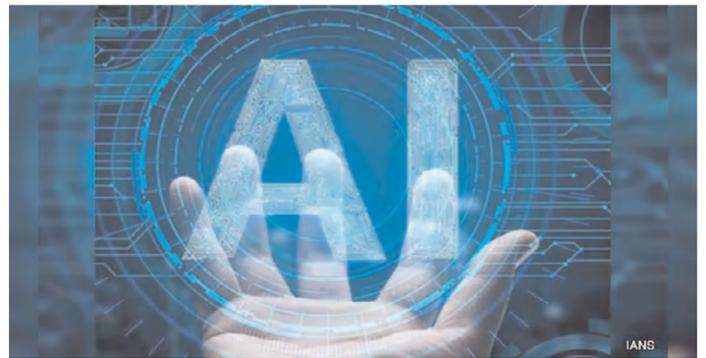
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with the internal goings-on in the grand old party point towards Jairam Ramesh, the chairman of the AICC's communication department. The rivalry between Jairam Ramesh and Mani Shankar Aiyar dates back to the 1980s and requires a separate volume. Priyanka's Snub Aiyar's disillusionment with the Congress hit its peak when his third autobiographical account, titled A Maverick in Politics 1991-2024, was released in New Delhi, and no member of the Nehru-Gandhi family turned up at the India International Centre on December 16, 2024, for its launch. Aiyar had earlier gone to campaign for Priyanka Gandhi at Wayanad during the Lok Sabha bypolls. Priyanka had reportedly agreed to release his book, but her office feigned ignorance, declining to give any time or date. Aiyar isn't new to courting controversies. From alluding to a party colleague as a "gangster's moll" - when Arjun Singh, Sheila Dikshit and some others rebelled against then Prime Minister PV Narasimha Rao in 1995, Aiyar had alluded to Sheila as a "gangster's moll" in his magazine column - to calling Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee "nalayak" (useless person), the career diplomat in Mani Shankar Aiyar has let just one too many un-diplomatic gaffes to blot his political track record. He had once called Narendra

Modi a "neech kism ka aadmi" (indecent man) in retaliation for a remark the Prime Minister had made at the inauguration of the Ambedkar International Centre, about the Congress undermining the legacy of BR Ambedkar. "Nalayak Neta" And Other Gaffes In November 1998, Aiyar, appointed Congress spokesperson, had dubbed Atal Bihari Vajpayee a "layak vyakti, nalayak neta" (competent person, useless leader). "I have subsequently learned that the expression I used could have an unparliamentary connotation," he said in his apology. "Not being a native Hindi speaker, I seem to have inadvertently used an improper expression, for which I wish to tender my apologies to the Prime Minister for any offence unintentionally caused." Aiyar had told this correspondent. He said he had initially been "tempted to use the Hindi word 'ayogya' (undeserving), but in Tamil [Aiyar's mother tongue] it has a different and rather derogatory meaning". So, said Aiyar, he consulted a dictionary and surmised that there was a word, "nalayak", to describe a person as weak. Ahead of the 2014 Lok Sabha elections, Aiyar had infamously dismissed Modi as a "chaiwala" (tea seller), prompting the BJP leader to portray the remark as an insult to his "humble roots" and project the Congress as arrogant.

India's AI Summit 2026: Clarifying The Rules For Data That Powers AI

With AI ambitions in focus, India must now clarify how its data protection framework governs the personal data that trains and improves AI systems. Setting the Stage: AI Summit 2026 The Indian AI Impact Summit 2026 opens today at Bharat Mandapam with an ambitious agenda: Three Sutras: People, Planet and Progress and Seven Chakras covering Human Capital, Safe and Trusted AI, Inclusion, Science, Resilience, Democratizing AI Resources, and Economic Growth. The focus is clear: build computing capacity, strengthen data infrastructure, and position India as a central player in the global AI ecosystem. A Vision for Human-Centric AI IT Secretary S. Krishnan has described India's AI vision as "human-centric and inclusive", emphasising "democratic access to AI resources". Prime Minister Narendra Modi is expected to meet global AI leaders, including Sam Altman, Sundar Pichai, Dario Amodei, and Demis Hassabis. India signals that it aims not merely to adopt AI but to shape its trajectory globally. Yet, alongside infrastructure, a quieter but crucial question remains: how is the personal data used to train AI systems governed? The Legal Framework: DPDP Act 2023 India's Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 provides a comprehensive framework: Section 6 mandates consent for processing, Section 16 regulates cross-border transfers, and Section 33 prescribes penal-



ties for non-compliance. "Processing" is defined broadly, covering automated operations on personal data, which would appear to include AI training where identifiable data is involved. The Missing Guidance for AI Training Data However, neither the statute nor the draft DPDP Rules 2025 offer guidance on how consent, purpose limitation, and transparency principles apply when personal data contributes to model training and refinement. The law is technologically neutral, but neutrality is not clarity. India's Strategic Opportunity and Global Attention This matters strategically as India's digital ecosystem is large, diverse, and highly engaged with AI. Global firms see this environment as invaluable for testing, localisation, and iterative improvement. Offering AI tools at low or no cost immediately benefits users while creating rich feedback loops that refine models. In effect, access and data contribution are intertwined, a nuance policymakers can-

not afford to overlook. Learning from Europe: GDPR as a Benchmark Europe's GDPR guidance provides a useful benchmark. Supervisory authorities there have clarified how consent, purpose limitation, and automated decision-making apply to AI, creating an interpretive structure even without AI-specific statutes. India faces a similar inflexion point: infrastructure and investment alone will not establish leadership. Governance clarity must follow. Guidance for AI Training and Data Use Rather than suggesting entirely new rules, India could clarify how existing principles apply in AI training contexts, including: Consent in AI training scenarios: guidance on whether interactions with AI require explicit consent for use in model training. Purpose limitation for AI reuse: clarity on how secondary uses, like training, align with consented purposes. Transparency norms for training datasets: recommendations on what dislo-

sure companies should provide about Indian data used to improve AI systems. Regulatory guidance on data provenance and model accountability: defining what documentation or reporting fiduciaries should maintain for AI training and validation datasets. Operationalising human-centric, ethical AI: concrete guidance on implementing principles of safety, inclusion, and trust in AI model development. These are not new mandates but practical clarifications to make India's AI framework actionable, strategic, and globally credible. Beyond Infrastructure: Completing the AI Architecture As the AI Summit deliberates on "Safe and Trusted AI", the conversation must extend beyond data centres and investment. Democratisation is not just about access to tools; it is about clarity on how the data powering these systems are used. India has laid the foundations of data protection. Its AI ambition now calls for completing that architecture.

Indian Navy's Aerial Show Enthralls Crowd at RK Beach

THE South India Times, Visakhapatnam : The aerial maneuvers held on Monday at the RK Beach in Visakhapatnam left tourists and city residents spellbound. The Indian Navy showcased its prowess through daring stunts performed over the sea using state-of-the-art fighter jets and helicopters from its formidable arsenal.

Key Highlights of the Display:
 • **Fighter Jet Excellence:** The main attraction was the display by MiG-29K fighter jets, which operate from the aircraft carriers INS Vikrant and INS Vikramaditya. These jets sped across the ocean surface and performed the breath-taking 'Vertical Charlie' maneuver.
 • **Maritime Surveillance:** The P-8I Poseidon, a massive reconnaissance aircraft designed to detect enemy submarines deep underwater, surprised the audience by flying at an incredibly low altitude close to the beach.
 • **Helicopter Feats:** Sea King & Kamov-31: Primarily used for rescue and surveillance, these helicopters demonstrated their ability to hover steadily in mid-air.
 • **Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH):** Indigenously developed, these helicopters performed various formations in the sky.
 • **Chetak:** These helicopters welcomed guests and the public by showering flower petals.



vided a thrilling experience for the spectators.
Search and Rescue (SAR) Demonstrations:

The Navy also showcased its humanitarian side by demonstrating how people are rescued during maritime accidents. Scenes showing commandos descending from helicopters to lift "victims" using stretchers highlighted the Navy's service-oriented spirit. For the safety of the event, the Visakhapatnam airspace was temporarily closed to other flight traffic. These same maneuvers will be performed even more grandly amidst colorful fireworks during the 'City Parade' scheduled for the 19th of this month.

ARO Visakhapatnam Announces Agniveer Intake for 2027
 South India Times, Visakhapatnam. The online registration and application window for recruitment into the Indian Army under various categories are now open for aspiring candidates to submit their applications.

The notification for the recruitment of unmarried youth under the various categories of Agniveer has been published on www.joinindianarmy.nic.in on 13 February 2026 for the Recruiting Year 2027. Applications are invited from domiciles of all the 13 districts of Andhra Pradesh State under the Army Recruiting Office, Visakhapatnam i.e Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Parvathipuram Manyam, Anakapalli, Visakhapatnam, Alluri Sitharama Raju, Kakinada, Eluru, East Godavari, West Godavari, Konaseema, Krishna & NTR. The recruitment will be for the categories of Agniveer General Duty, Agniveer Technical, Agniveer Clerk/ Store Keeper Technical, Agniveer Tradesman 10th Pass and Agniveer Tradesman 8th Pass. The Agniveer candidates can apply any two categories based on their eligibility. The upper age limit for all categories of Agniveer has been increased from 21 to 22 year.

Vice Admiral Sanjay Bhalla opens naval village for exercise MILAN 2026

Visakhapatnam, Feb 16 : Vice Admiral Sanjay Bhalla, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command, inaugurated the Indian Navy's MILAN Village that reflects the spirit of camaraderie and cultural connect as part of international naval exercise MILAN 2026, an official said on Monday.

Speaking at the inauguration event at the Eastern Naval Command on Sunday, Vice Admiral Bhalla said, "MILAN Village reflects the spirit of camaraderie and cultural connect that complement professional naval engagement."

As Visakhapatnam hosts International Fleet Review, MILAN and Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) in close succession, this convergence represents a significant moment in India's maritime outreach and cooperative engagement with partner navies, he said. The opening of the MILAN Village also marked the beginning of a broader sequence of engagements and events being conducted at Visakhapatnam by the Indian Navy, said a statement.

Exercise MILAN (Multilateral Naval Exercise) 2026, being held at Visakhapatnam from February 15 to February 25, forms a key pillar of India's historic maritime



convergence alongside International Fleet Review (IFR) 2026 and the IONS Conclave of Chiefs. As one of the largest multilateral naval exercises in the Indo-Pacific, MILAN 2026 will bring together navies from across the globe to strengthen interoperability, maritime domain awareness, and collective response capabilities, said the statement.

The Harbour and Sea Phases of the exercise will focus on complex maritime operations, including anti-submarine warfare, air defence, search and rescue, and cooperative security missions, reinforcing a shared commitment to free, open, inclusive, and rules-based seas, it said. MILAN 2026 represents a major operational

manifestation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's MAHASAGAR (Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions) vision, reaffirming India's role as a preferred security partner and a responsible stakeholder in the global maritime commons, said the statement.

The MILAN Village has been conceptualised and created as an experience zone that brings together delegates and naval personnel from over 70 countries in an atmosphere of camaraderie and friendship. It serves as a hub for social and cultural exchanges, enabling engagement beyond professional horizons.

A central feature of the MILAN village is its

emphasis on cultural exchange, offering a rich and immersive glimpse into India's diverse heritage and tradition, the statement said. The village will host live performances by vocal artists, traditional folk-dance performances and cultural ensembles reflecting the vibrant artistic legacy of India.

The village features a variety of stalls featuring naval souvenirs, handicrafts, and handloom products. Together, they showcase craftsmanship from across the country. In addition, visitors will be treated to mouth-watering Indian cuisine, offering a diverse range of regional flavours and tastes of India, said the statement.

TELANGANA CIVIC POLLS:

BJP wins Mayor's post in Karimnagar, Cong bags Nizamabad



Hyderabad (TSIT) : Telangana's opposition BJP captured power in Karimnagar Municipal Corporation, while the ruling Congress party bagged the seat of Mayor in Nizamabad Municipal Corporation with the support of AIMIM on Monday. Kolagani Srinivas was elected as the first BJP Mayor of Karimnagar in a keen contest.

The BJP, which had emerged as the single largest party with 30 seats in the 66-member municipal body, reached the magic figure of 34 with the support of Independent corporators. Y. Sunil Rao, also of the BJP, was elected as Deputy Mayor. Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar, who was also an ex officio member, played a key role in mustering the required support for the party to bag the post of mayor.

The Congress party, which had only 14 members, could get the support of seven other corporators, including three of the All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul

Muslimen (AIMIM), Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS), which had secured nine seats, abstained from voting.

In a dramatic twist ahead of the election, five Independent corporators joined the Congress party on Sunday. The ruling party had also shifted its corporators and the Independents, who joined it, to Hyderabad as part of the strategy to deny the Mayor's seat to the BJP. Though the BJP also emerged as the single largest party in Nizamabad Municipal Corporation by winning 28 of the total 60 divisions, the party failed to get the magic figure of 31. The Congress party, which won 17 divisions, bagged the Mayor's post with the support of AIMIM, which had secured 14 divisions. The lone corporator of BRS also backed the Congress party.

Uma Rani of Congress was elected as Mayor, while Salma Tahseen of AIMIM was elected as Deputy Mayor. With this, Congress has taken control of five of the seven

municipal corporations, elections for which were held on February 11, along with 116 municipalities across the state.

Elated over the BJP's victory in Karimnagar, Bandi Sanjay termed it a historic moment. "Today is not just a political victory. It is an emotional moment. It feels like a dream that many of us carried quietly for years. I bow my head to the voters who placed their trust in Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi ji's vision and chose development with dignity. From being a corporator, walking ward to ward, to standing here and watching a BJP Mayor take oath as the saffron flag flies over Karimnagar Municipal Corporation, this is personal," he posted on 'X'. The MoS stated that this victory belongs to every 'karyakarta' who gave their sweat and strength to this fight.

"Those who faced pressure, threats, insults and still refused to bend, this day belongs to you. You did not just campaign. You carried belief on your shoulders. In the very ward where the Majlis party office stands, our karyakartas hoisted the saffron flag. That sight will stay with me forever. It speaks of courage. It speaks of change. Despite conspiracies, pressure tactics and every attempt to break our morale, BJP stood firm. We did not step back. We did not compromise. We said we will win.

Student Unions Demand Action against Unauthorized Groups at Andhra University Campus

SOUTH INDIA TIMES

VISAKHAPATNAM : The student community has reacted strongly against the recent untoward incidents at Andhra University. On Monday, a massive protest was organized by SFI and AISF at the Andhra University Out-Gate, demanding action against forces acting in violation of university rules and inciting communal hatred. Speaking on the occasion, SFI District Secretary Venkataramana and AISF District Secretary Nagaraju stated that it is deeply unfortunate to create communal rifts in Andhra University, which stands as a symbol of "Unity in Diversity." They alleged that individuals belonging to the RSS had trespassed into the campus without permission, carrying sticks and roaming around. They expressed



concern that such actions are creating fear among students and polluting the educational environment. "Educational institutions should be centres of knowledge, not platforms for political propaganda," the leaders clarified. They warned that if immediate action is not taken, they would

unite student unions across the state and launch large-scale protests. Student leaders M. Anjali, J. Abhishek, committee members, and a large number of students participated in this program.
Key Demands
 • Immediate ban on organizations entering the university without per-

mission.

• Appointment of an independent committee to conduct a transparent inquiry into the incidents.
 • An official statement ensuring the safety and security of students.
 • Strict action against individuals promoting religious and political hatred. Memorandum to the Vice-Chancellor (VC) Following the protest, the student leaders met the University Vice-Chancellor and submitted a memorandum. Responding to this, the VC assured that action would certainly be taken regarding the incidents that occurred without authorization. However, the leaders demanded that the management should not stop at mere assurances but must issue a public statement immediately to provide confidence to the students.

Two-Day Telugu Celebrity Cricket Festival in Visakhapatnam

● GANTA AND VAMSI KRISHNA SRINIVAS RELEASE THE EVENT POSTER



THE SOUTH INDIA TIMES, VISAKHAPATNAM : Bhimili MLA Ganta Srinivasa Rao announced that the Telugu Celebrity Cricket League competitions will be held on February 29 and March 1 at the ACA-VDC Stadium in Madhurawada. During a media briefing held on Monday at Hotel Meghalaya, along with South Visakhapatnam MLA Ch. Vamsikrishna Srinivas, the details of the tournament were revealed. A total of 110 celebrities will participate across 7 teams. Two teams consisting of Tollywood and TV actors. Individual teams representing the Police department, Bureaucrats, and Politicians. The revenue generated from these matches will be donated towards the education of underprivileged children, the Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF), and other philanthropic activities. MLA Ganta stated that the government is developing Visakhapatnam into an international sports hub. He mentioned that an international-level Integrated Sports Complex and a specialized stadium for the differently-abled will soon be available in Kommadhi. He noted that since the coalition government took office, facilities at the Madhurawada Cricket Stadium have significantly improved with the support of the BCCI, leading to Visakhapatnam being prioritized for ODI, T20, and IPL matches. The league organizer, Rambabu, shared that following the suggestions of MLAs Ganta Srinivasa Rao and Vamsi Krishna, it has been decided to provide free entry for the public to watch the matches. The matches are designed in the style of the IPL to ensure high entertainment value. The official poster for the Tollywood Celebrity Cricket League was released during the event, which was attended by prominent businessmen including Kankatala Mallik, Pyda Krishna Prasad, Kashi, and Nagaraju.

10-Bed ICU Cardiology Unit Renovated and Handed Over at Gandhi Hospital

Secunderabad: In a significant boost to public healthcare services, Arpan Promoters, in association with Rogi Sahayata Trust, has successfully renovated, equipped and handed over a 10-bed ICU (Intensive Cardiac Care Unit) Cardiology facility at Gandhi Hospital, Secunderabad.

The upgraded unit, completed in a record time of just one month, has been fitted with advanced life-saving cardiac equipment and modern infrastructure. The facility is expected to considerably strengthen emergency cardiac care and benefit a large number of economically weaker patients who depend on government hospitals for treatment.

The initiative was undertaken with the guiding phi-



losophy of service to humanity through devotion and social responsibility. The project was made possible through the collective efforts, dedication and generous contributions of donors and well-wishers. Major donors who supported the project include: SVS Refcomp Pvt. Ltd.; Khivraj Manik Surana Family Hariprasad Gopikishan Badruka Trust; Cyberabad One Round Table 374;

Cyberabad One Ladies Circle 203; Fantastic Five; and Sanjeevni Foundation. Team Arpan expressed heartfelt gratitude to all donors, volunteers and supporters whose encouragement helped transform the vision into reality. Representatives said that strengthening critical cardiac care in a government hospital will directly serve the common public and help save many lives.

GITAM SCHOLAR EARNS PHD IN CHEMISTRY

Hyderabad (TSIT): GITAM Deemed to be University, Hyderabad, has congratulated Dr. Sadineeni Kumara Swamy on the successful completion of his PhD in Chemistry under the guidance of Dr. Sharathbabu Haridasam, Department of Chemistry, School of Science.



His doctoral research, titled "Design, Synthesis, Pharmacological Evaluation and In-silico Docking Studies of 1,2,3-Triazole Derivatives," focused on developing novel triazole-based tetrazole and imidazole

ole compounds with significant antimicrobial and anticancer potential. The study integrated advanced drug design, synthesis,

pharmacophore modelling, molecular docking, and drug-likeness analysis to identify promising therapeutic candidates in medicinal chemistry.

University leaders, including Prof. D. S. Rao, D. V. V. S. R. Varma, Dr. M. Reza, and Dr. Gousia Begum, praised his achievement and contribution to cancer and antimicrobial research. The accomplishment reflects GITAM's strong commitment to high-impact research and innovation addressing global health challenges.

EO Bhavani Shankar Meets Chief Minister Revanth Reddy

Hyderabad: Yadagirigutta Temple Executive Officer Bhavani Shankar paid a courtesy visit to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Monday. During the meeting, the EO briefed the Chief Minister on the ongoing administrative, developmental, and pilgrim service initiatives at the Yadadri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple. Discussions were also held on improving facilities for devotees, strengthening temple management systems, and enhancing arrangements ahead of upcoming festival seasons. Chief Minister appreciated the efforts being made for better pilgrim amenities and smooth temple operations, and advised officials to continue focusing on infrastructure, sanitation, and crowd management measures to ensure a comfortable spiritual experience for visiting devotees.





Chief Minister received Part-I report of the High-Level Committee on Union-State Relations, chaired by former Supreme Court Judge Thiru. Kurian Joseph, at the Secretariat - English Version...

Tamil Nadu signs MoUs for Rs 5900 cr investment in semiconductor, aerospace sectors

This project is slated to create 1,400 jobs, with more than 40 per cent of the roles designated for high-skilled technical personnel, stated the press release.

CHENNAI: The Tamil Nadu government on Monday signed two separate Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with Japanese electronics major MinebeaMitsumi and Bengaluru-based Aequs Group, involving a combined investment of Rs 5,980 crore.

The agreements, signed in the presence of Chief Minister M K Stalin at the Secretariat, here, are expected to generate employment for 8,400 people across the semiconductor and aerospace sectors, an official release said.

NMB Minebea India Private Limited, a subsid-



ary of Japan's MinebeaMitsumi, has committed an investment of Rs 1,980 crore to establish a manufacturing and research and development centre in Tiruvallur district. The facility, to be located at the Mahindra Origins Industrial Park, will focus on a complete

high-skilled technical personnel, stated the press release.

In another significant development, the Aequs Group has pledged Rs 4,000 crore to bolster the state's aerospace manufacturing capabilities at the SIPCOT-Shoolagiri Industrial Park in Krishnagiri district. The group proposes to establish a specialised aerospace and defense manufacturing cluster for the production of aircraft engines, gearbox components, and precision engineering parts. This initiative is expected to provide employment to 7,000 individuals.

The release stated that these investments align with the Tamil Nadu government's ongoing efforts to maintain its position as a leading industrial and economic hub in the country while creating job opportunities for the youth and women.

The event was attended by Industries Minister T R B Rajaa, Chief Secretary N Muruganandam, and senior executives from both companies, including MinebeaMitsumi Director and President Katsuhiko Yoshida and Aequs Co-founder and Managing Director Rajeev Kaul.

MK Stalin is best man to consolidate INDIA bloc: Congress leader Mani Shankar Aiyar

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THIRUVA NANTHAPURAM: Veteran Congress leader Mani Shankar Aiyar on Monday suggested that DMK chief and Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin as the "best man to consolidate" the INDIA bloc, while emphasising that a united national opposition requires strong leadership and strategic coordination.

Aiyar reasoned that Stalin focuses on raising substantive issues rather than sloganeering and would not stand in the way of Rahul Gandhi becoming Prime Minister.

Speaking to ANI, the Congress leader said, "What Stalin has done over the past one year is to raise every single point that is relevant to federalism in India." "He has never said 'suit-boot ki sarkar.' He has never said 'chowkidar chor hai'... He has the great virtue that he won't stand in the way of Rahul Gandhi becoming the Prime Minister," Aiyar said.

Further, Aiyar he drew a historical parallel between Stalin and former Congress chief K Kamaraj, who had declined the prime minister-ship after Jawaharlal Nehru, stressing that leadership roles should prioritise unity over personal ambition.

The Congress leader seemed to imply that Stalin could play a kingmaker role similar to that of former Congress president K Kamaraj. "If the INDIA bloc is consolidated, I think the best man to consolidate it is MK Stalin. When Kamaraj was asked to become the PM of India in succession to the Jawaharlal Nehru, he had



one sentence to say to everybody who asked him - "No English, No Hindi. How?" So, MK Stalin is in same position. Rahul Gandhi can become the PM of India, provided there is somebody to spend all his time consolidating the INDIA bloc," he said.

Aiyar's endorsement of Stalin to unify the national opposition alliance came amidst a critique of his own party's leadership. The senior Congress leader also did not hold back his criticism of key figures of his party, expressing "complete contempt" for spokesperson Pawan Khera. "How stupid can a party be than to make Pawan Khera the spokesman... He's not a spokesman, he's a parrot. He is saying whatever Jairam Ramesh tells him," Aiyar said. He also took a sharp jibe at AICC General Secretary KC Venugopal, calling him a "rowdy." "Can you imagine what is the condition of a party which raises a rowdy like KC Venugopal to the

level of the Sardar Patel to Rahul Gandhi?" Aiyar said. Aiyar also predicted a win in the upcoming Kerala Assembly polls for the ruling Left Democratic Front (LDF), despite his personal wish for a United Democratic Front (UDF) victory. "As a Congressman, I want the UDF to come to power. As a Gandhian, I'm telling the truth that after the brilliant achievements of the Pinarayi government, the Left government is bound to come to power," he said. "The electorate of Kerala is the most intelligent and the most independent thinking of any people in India. So, therefore, I want the UDF to come, but I'm afraid, as a Gandhian who's required to tell the truth, I cannot see anyone but the LDF coming to power," he said. Aiyar's remarks sparked a row and Congress has distanced itself from his statement and called Aiyar not a part of the party.

ECI allots 'Whistle' symbol to TVK for Puducherry Assembly polls



CHENNAI: The Election Commission of India has allotted the 'Whistle' symbol to actor Vijay's Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK),

for the forthcoming Puducherry Assembly elections, extending a similar concession granted earlier in Tamil Nadu.

In a communication dated February 12, the Commission informed Chief Electoral Officers concerned that the party's request for allotment of a common symbol under Paragraph 10B of the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968, had been accepted.

According to the order, the 'Whistle' symbol has been allotted to TVK for all Assembly constituencies in the Union Territory of Puducherry for the upcoming general elections. The concession enables candidates set up by registered unrecognised parties to contest under a common symbol during the election.

Express train to continue origination, termination from Tambaram

CHENNAI: Due to the ongoing re-development works at Chennai Egmore Railway Station, two express trains will continue to originate/terminate from Tambaram from February 20 to April 6, said a Southern Railway press release. Train No 22662 Rameswaram - Chennai Egmore Sethu Express will continue to short terminate at Tambaram from February 19 to April 5. The arrival time at Tambaram is 6.35 am. Train No 22661 Chennai Egmore - Rameswaram Sethu Express will continue to originate from Tambaram from February 20 to April 6. The departure time from Tambaram is 6.25 pm.

5 of family killed in head-on crash in Thoothukudi

THOOTHUKUDI: Five persons, including two children, died in a road accident on the East Coast Road near Vaippar-1 village under Villathikulam taluk in Thoothukudi district around 5 pm on February 15, 2026. According to news agency ANI, Gurusamy (40), a resident of Pallakulam village, was travelling on a two-wheeler along with his relatives. They were pro-

ceeding towards Pallakulam when the two-wheeler collided head-on with a tourist van coming from Sayalkudi in Ramanathapuram district towards Thoothukudi. The impact of the collision led to the death of all five people travelling on the two-wheeler on spot. They were identified as Gurusamy (40), Mary (52), Muthalakshmi (48), Mugil Arasan (5) and

Sumithran (3). Police officials from the jurisdictional station rushed to the spot after receiving information and began inquiry into the accident. The bodies were later shifted for post-mortem examination. Chief Minister M.K. Stalin announced a relief assistance of Rs 3 lakh each to the families of the deceased from the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund.

India aims for 60% childhood cancer survival by 2030, says health official

New Delhi, Feb 16: The Union government has set an ambitious target to achieve a 60 per cent survival rate for childhood cancer by 2030, Deputy Director General of Health Services L. Swasticharan said on Sunday. Speaking at an event marking International Childhood Cancer Day, observed globally on February 15, he emphasised the need to save every child and build a "Viksit Bharat 2047."

Swasticharan assured support for innovative funding models to improve access to treatment and financial assistance for children with cancer and their families. While India currently lacks a dedicated National Policy on childhood cancer, he said the existing health framework is flexible enough to incorporate initiatives aimed at universal health coverage for affected children. He also lauded nine states for signing



THE UNION GOVERNMENT HAS SET AN AMBITIOUS TARGET TO ACHIEVE A 60 PER CENT SURVIVAL RATE FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER BY 2030, DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF HEALTH SERVICES L. SWASTICHARAN SAID ON SUNDAY.

MoUs prioritising childhood cancer and urged governments to work closely with stakeholders to leave no child behind.

The event, organised by CanKids KidsCan, highlighted progress in access to care, which has doubled from 27 per cent in 2019-20 to over 54 per cent in 2025. Experts stressed the next steps: achieving 100 per cent access, full financial protec-

tion, and the 60 per cent survival goal in line with national health priorities and the WHO Global Initiative for Childhood Cancer.

Professor Sameer Bakshi of AIIMS underlined the importance of capturing more childhood cancer cases to raise the national survival rate from 50 per cent to 60 per cent. He called for stronger coordination

among stakeholders to reduce system fragmentation and enhance outcomes.

Poonam Bagai highlighted the need for policy integration, dialogue, and actionable solutions, which the newly formed Technical Expert Group on childhood cancer aims to facilitate. Bagai, who also chairs CanKids KidsCan and serves as Vice Chairman of Pallium India, emphasised that even as a low-income country, India has made significant strides in treating childhood cancer and changing societal perceptions. The event also featured support from prominent figures including former IAS officer Karan Avtar Singh, CSR advocate Nikhil Pant, and banker Piyush Gupta. Childhood Cancer Survivors Excellence Awards were presented to Dr Tanveer Ahmed and Asian Youth sports climbing medallist Shivani Charak.

Google pulls AI health summaries amid safety concerns

San Francisco, Feb 16: Google has removed some of its AI-generated search summaries after an investigation found misleading health advice that experts warned could put users at risk. The controversy centred on Google's AI Overviews feature, which had provided incorrect information about critical liver function tests. In some instances, users were reportedly given inaccurate "normal ranges," raising concerns that patients with serious liver infections or diseases could mistakenly believe they were healthy.

Following the findings, Google removed AI Overviews for certain search terms, including queries such as "what is the normal range for liver function tests" and "what is the normal range for liver blood tests."

A recent study by search engine optimisation platform SE Ranking further raised alarm, revealing that Google's AI Overviews often relied on YouTube as a primary cited source for health-related queries rather than established medical websites. The study, which anal-

ysed over 50,000 health searches in Germany, found that YouTube accounted for 4.43% of all AI citations — 3.5 times more than netdoktor.de, one of Germany's largest consumer health portals, and more than twice the citations of the respected medical reference MSD Manuals. Only 34.45% of citations came from reliable medical sources, while government health institutions and academic journals together accounted for roughly 1%.

Researchers highlighted that YouTube is a general-purpose video platform, not a medical publisher, and hosts content from a wide spectrum of creators, including those without formal medical training.

Experts pointed to particularly dangerous examples. In one case, Google's AI allegedly advised pancreatic cancer patients to avoid high-fat foods — advice medical professionals said was the opposite of recommended dietary guidance and could increase health risks. AI Overviews related to women's cancer screening tests also reportedly contained incorrect information that

might lead patients to dismiss genuine symptoms. The rise of AI-driven health advice is not limited to search engines. According to OpenAI, nearly 40 million people globally use ChatGPT daily for healthcare-related queries. A 2026 survey by the Canadian Medical Association found that roughly half of Canadians surveyed consult Google AI summaries or ChatGPT for medical advice.

However, users who relied on AI-generated advice for self-diagnosis and treatment were reportedly five times more likely to experience adverse effects than those who did not.

Studies have also raised concerns about chatbot accuracy. A 2025 study by researchers at the University of Waterloo found that GPT-4 provided incorrect answers to open-ended health queries around two-thirds of the time. Another 2025 study by Harvard researchers suggested chatbots often failed to challenge flawed assumptions in user queries, instead offering compliant but misleading responses.

AM/NS India expands value-added steel portfolio with world-class branded offerings Vibrance and Optima to power appliance and industrial manufacturing

Mumbai/ Delhi, 16 February 2026: ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India (AM/NS India) today announced the strengthening of its value-added portfolio with AM/NS Vibrance and AM/NS Optima – two world-class, premium branded steel solutions engineered to meet the increasingly design-led needs of Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) across appliance and industrial manufacturing ecosystems. With demand rising for steel that combines consistent surface quality, tight tolerances and reliable performance at scale, AM/NS India is expanding its value-added portfolio with branded offerings that reduce reliance on imports while making premium, internationally benchmarked quality available domestically. These two branded coated offerings now form part of a value-added product portfolio that includes Optimal®, Magnelis®, Optimal® Prime, Optimal® Pinnacle, and others – each validated for consistency, efficiency, and durability across diverse applications. Mr. Ranjan Dhar, Director and Vice President – Sales & Marketing, ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India (AM/NS India), said: “For Original Equipment



Manufacturers (OEMs) focused on precision manufacturing and consistent brand quality; material choice directly impacts productivity, cost, and long-term performance. Against this backdrop, the addition of AM/NS Vibrance and AM/NS Optima is a significant step in expanding our branded steel portfolio to support OEMs productivity and value creation. These two coated steel offerings strengthen our position as a preferred solution provider with innovative, high-quality steel solutions in line with our brand promise – ‘Smarter Steels, Brighter Futures’. By making world-class value-

added steels available domestically, we are contributing to the ‘Make in India’ vision, while enabling our customers to build differentiated products with confidence and gain competitive advantage domestically and globally. The appliance and industrial manufacturing ecosystems continue to be key growth pillars for our value-added steel portfolio, as we advance purpose-led innovations that help our customers become increasingly ‘Aatmanirbhar.’ AM/NS Vibrance – Premium colour-coated steel AM/NS Optima is a premium colour-coated steel solution for appliance OEMs, combin-

ing strength, precision, and superior surface aesthetics. As appliances become increasingly visible design features in homes and commercial settings, manufacturers need materials that combine consistent colour, controlled gloss and refined finishes with durability and efficient manufacturability. AM/NS Vibrance meets these requirements through advanced coating technology applied over precision-engineered steel substrates, ensuring reliable performance from fabrication through end use. AM/NS Vibrance ensures that manufactured appliances are visually appealing and built to

last. It is well-suited for diverse appliance applications, including refrigerators, washing machines, microwave ovens, and water dispensers. AM/NS Optima – True Zero-Spangle Galvanised Steel AM/NS Optima is one of India’s most premium True Zero-Spangle Galvanised Steel products. It offers a higher degree of surface uniformity and control than conventional Galvanised Steel, enabling manufacturers to achieve cleaner, more consistent finishes. Built on superior precision-engineered substrates with uniform thickness and tightly controlled surface quality, AM/NS Optima steel bends predictably, offers finishes with visual harmony, and performs consistently across production runs. It empowers manufacturers to create highly refined, precise, and flawless surfaces that fulfil the most exacting applications. It is well-suited for multiple applications, including AC outdoor units, panels, and cleanroom installations. India’s consumer durables market – expected to become the world’s fourth largest by FY27 – is rapidly premiumising, driven by rising demand for appliances that offer flawless finishes and complement design-led living spaces.

IDFC FIRST Bank launches FD backed Hello Cashback Credit Card with up to 5% Cashback

Hyderabad, February 2026: IDFC FIRST Bank launches Hello Cashback Credit Card, a fixed-deposit-backed offering designed to make credit more accessible for digitally savvy customers, especially young adults aged 18+ with online-first and UPI-led spending habits. The card enables customers to begin building their credit history while benefiting from a strong and clearly differentiated cashback proposition on everyday digital payments. Hello Cashback features a powerful tiered cashback structure, offering 5% cashback on online spends above 10,000, 3% cashback on online spends up to 10,000, and 1% cashback on in-store, contactless, and UPI transactions. Uniquely, the 1% cashback also extends to essential categories such as utilities, education, and insurance. The card is priced at a joining fee of 1,000 and an annual fee of 1,000, with the joining fee waived until March 31, 2026, and the annual fee waived on annual spends of 2,00,000 in the previous year, making it a compelling combination of rewards, access, and credit building.

- 10 Unique benefits of the Hello Cashback Credit Card
1. Everyone is eligible.
 2. Up to 5% Cashback on Online Spends: 3% cashback on online spends up to 10,000 per statement cycle, and 5% cashback on incremental online spends beyond 10,000, with cashback on online spends capped at 1,000 per statement cycle. No merchant restriction.
 3. 1% Cashback across In-store, UPI, & Essential Spends: 1% cashback on in-store purchases, UPI spends via the Bank’s app, and essentials including utilities, education, insurance, FASTag recharge, railway bookings, govt. payments, rent, jewellery, and wallet & gift card loads.
 4. Bonus Cashback on Travel Bookings: Additional 1% Bonus Cashback on flight and hotel bookings made via IDFC Bank app. Total cashback on travel bookings goes up to 6%.
 5. Monthly Cashback Cap of 1,500 across all categories per statement cycle.
 6. One fixed deposit. Two returns. The fixed deposit earns interest and powers cashback on every card spend.

7. 100% FD-Linked Credit Limit: Credit limit equal to 100% of fixed deposit value.
 8. Access to FD Funds via Card: ATM cash withdrawal limit up to 100% of FD value, interest-free for up to 45 days, with a nominal 199 + GST withdrawal fee.
 9. Instant Credit Limit Enhancement: Flexibility to link additional fixed deposits and increase credit limit instantly.
 10. Built-In Safety & Convenience includes insurance covers, purchase protection, lost card liability, roadside assistance, and 1% fuel surcharge waiver, making credit safer & convenient for first-time users.
- Fees & Eligibility**
The Hello Cashback Credit Card is available against a fixed deposit starting at 10,000. The joining fee of 1,000 + GST is waived until March 31, 2026 as an introductory offer. The annual fee of 1,000 + GST is: 100% reversed on annual spends of 2 lakh or more, or 50% reversed on annual spends between 1 lakh and 2 lakh. This makes it one of the most affordable and rewarding secured credit cards in the market.

GOBOULT Expands Mustang Partnership as It Targets 3,000 Crore Revenue by FY27-28

Hyderabad, February 16, 2026: GOBOULT, one of India’s fastest-growing wearables and audio brands, has announced a multi-year growth strategy focused on premiumisation, profitability, and long-term brand strength. After closing FY25 with revenues of roughly 800 crore, the company is now growing toward 3,000 crore by FY27-FY28. The strategy marks a shift away from discount-driven expansion toward a more focused and continually growing premium product portfolio. A key driver of the company’s momentum has been a long-term partnership with Mustang, which has evolved into a core pillar of the company’s premiumisation strategy. Now entering its third year, the partnership has expanded beyond audio into a broader ecosystem spanning wearables and audio. GOBOULT is the only Indian company to incorporate a global automotive performance icon like Mustang into an audio and wearable ecosystem. The partnership has influ-



enced design decisions, material choices, and product experience rather than serving as a logo-led association. As part of this series expansion, GOBOULT today announced the launch of a new Mustang-led range comprising three smartwatches, Stallion, Racer, and Muscle, along with the Mustang Sprint TWS. The Mustang series marks an extension of GOBOULT’s premium offerings and

shows a clear signal of how the company is shaping its product roadmap. The portfolio has also gained steady traction, with Mustang-led products expected to scale from approximately 2 crore to 12 crore over the next phase. Varun Gupta, Co-founder, GOBOULT, said, “We are building toward a 3,000 crore wearables and audio business by FY27 / FY28 after closing FY25 at roughly 800 crore. What sets this

next phase apart is how we’re doing it. We are the first Indian wearables brand to build a deep, design-led partnership with a global automotive performance icon like Mustang. This experience and ecosystem is thoughtfully designed to reflect the DNA of a Mustang, with the intent to bring the confidence and character associated with Mustang into the everyday lives of consumers.” Currently, GOBOULT derives approximately 70% of its revenue from audio and 30% from wearables. Going forward, wearables are likely to account for a significantly larger share as GOBOULT expands into the mid-premium and premium segments. Premium and mid-premium items are planned to contribute around 70% by FY26, directly enhancing profitability and cementing the brand’s premium positioning. Offline revenue contribution is set to increase from 20% to 40%, owing to a higher presence and demand in Tier-2 and 3 cities.

TOUCH-A-LIFE FOUNDATION HOSTS TALHEALTHFEST 2026 IN HYDERABAD

Hyderabad, India — February 16, 2026 — TALHealthFest 2026, a premier global healthcare and wellness conference hosted by Touch-A-Life Foundation, successfully brought together policymakers, clinicians, technologists, researchers, and social impact leaders for a transformative day of dialogue and collaboration focused on reshaping the future of healthcare. TALHealthFest serves a vital purpose: to build partnerships that expand healthcare access through TALHospitals, a pro bono network connecting underserved patients with hospitals providing free surgeries and life-saving consultations. Held at T-Hub, Hyderabad, the conference commenced with registrations and networking, followed by the inaugural address by Shri N. S. Boseraju, Hon’ble Cabinet Minister, Government of Karnataka. The welcome keynote emphasized the urgent need to integrate innovation, trust, and access-



ability to create sustainable healthcare ecosystems. Sai Gundavelli, CEO of Touch-A-Life Foundation, remarked, “Through Touch-A-Life Foundation, we’re leveraging technology to expand healthcare access where it’s needed most. TALHospitals connects underserved patients with hospitals providing pro bono care, proving that healthcare is truly global - not just local. Today, we’re launching TALMedora, a global platform connecting doctors worldwide. With

India spending just \$3 billion on healthcare for 1.4 billion people, we believe technology and collaboration can bridge this gap - not through money, but through people volunteering their time and expertise.” “When we invest in science and technology, we invest in solving global challenges. Technology can create tremendous impact - even a person in a rural village can benefit from world-class healthcare through innovation. We aim to position India as a global inno-

vation leader, and platforms like TALHealthFest accelerate this mission. The Government of Karnataka is committed to supporting this innovation ecosystem and ensuring that technological advancement reaches every citizen,” the Minister stated. Sri Govinda Hari, Founder of AHPI and President of AHPI Telangana, emphasized, “Post-COVID, partnerships between government, non-profits, and hospitals are essential for expanding both quality and access.”

Tata Motors Launches 17 Next-Generation Trucks, sets New Standards for Safety, Profitability & Progress



New Delhi 2026: In a landmark move set to transform the Indian trucking landscape, Tata Motors, India’s largest commercial vehicle manufacturer and mobility solutions provider, today launched its next-generation portfolio of 17 trucks, spanning 7

to 55 tonnes, setting new benchmarks in safety, profits and progress. This comprehensive launch introduces the all-new Azura series, the cutting-edge Tata Trucks.ev range, and significant upgrades to the established Prima, Signa, and

Ultra platforms. Engineered to conform to stringent global safety standards (ECE R29 03), these trucks maximise earning potential, reduce total cost of ownership and enhance vehicle uptime to deliver greater success to transporters.

“THE SECRET BEHIND WINNING THE T20 WORLD CUP? ROYAL STAG REVEALS THE #RS CODE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ROHIT SHARMA AND PADDY UPTON”

16 February 2026: At a time when cricket fever is at its peak, Seagram’s Royal Stag Packaged Drinking Water has unveiled the Royal Stag Code of Large (#RS Code), a first-of-its-kind, data-backed initiative with brand ambassador and former team India captain Rohit Sharma and Mental Conditioning coach Paddy Upton that goes beyond celebrating success to decoding it. Rohit Sharma, the only Indian to win two ICC T20 World Cups, embodies fearless individuality and success - living life his own way, authentic and perfectly aligned with Royal Stag’s philosophy of living it large. The #RSCode is the outcome of an in-depth data analysis of Rohit Sharma’s career using data science combined with Royal Stag’s brand ethos centered around celebrating the philosophy of Living in the moment and Living it Large. The process unearthed 4 unique personality traits that lay the foundation of decoding Success, the manifestation of which would be unique to every individual. The four defining traits consistently underpin Rohit’s success — traits that are a true reflection of Royal Stag’s long-standing philosophy. To bring credibility to the whole initiative, the campaign features



Paddy Upton, who anchors the initiative as a subject-matter expert, translating performance data into meaningful insights. This RS Code is built on four traits — Selfless, where team success always outweighs personal milestones; Driven where every moment is celebrated and is seen as the stepping stone for a new beginning; Fearless, which tests one’s ability to adapt to higher responsibilities and Inspiring, where one’s leadership is not only motivational but contagious. Together, these form the

Royal Stag Code of Large, #RSCode, a philosophy that transcends beyond cricket and applies to life. The RS Code is brought to life through a phased, digital-first campaign designed to build intrigue and engagement. It began with a teaser by Rohit Sharma and Paddy Upton, which sparked curiosity around the RS Code, followed by the official reveal through a high-impact Talk show between Rohit Sharma, Paddy Upton hosted by Vikram Sathe. It seamlessly blends data-backed

insights with storytelling and real moments, including a surprise appearance by Suryakumar Yadav that reinforces the ‘Inspiring’ trait of the RS Code. The campaign is powered by an innovative AI-driven #RSCode Finder that invites audiences to discover their own personalised Code of Large. By answering a few simple questions, consumers can decode their unique code, which is then revealed through a personalised video message from Rohit Sharma - creating a highly engaging and personal brand experience. Speaking about the campaign, Debasree Dasgupta, Chief Marketing Officer, Pernod Ricard India, said, “Speaking about the campaign, Debasree Dasgupta, Chief Marketing Officer, Pernod Ricard India, said, “Royal Stag as a partner of ICC, allows us to deliver a truly ‘Live it large’ experience to die-hard cricket fans everywhere. This year, we are giving each fan the power to craft their own Live It Large Story through this unique AI platform that integrates with the brand’s commitment to relishing every moment in their journey to success. The Royal Stag Code brings our ‘Live It Large’ philosophy to life in a meaningful way.”

TRUMP'S NEW WORLD ORDER HAS BECOME REAL AND EUROPE IS HAVING TO ADJUST FAST

Downtown Munich is best-known for chic shops and flashy fast cars but right now its streets are bedecked with posters advertising next generation drones. "Europe's security under construction" boasts the slogan on an eye-catching set of sleek black-and-white photographs, festooned across a scaffolding-clad church on one of this town's best known pedestrian boulevards. Such an unapologetic public display of military muscle would have been unimaginable here just a few years ago, but the world outside Germany is changing fast, and taking this country with it. The southern region of Bavaria has become Germany's leading defence technology hub, focusing on AI, drones and aerospace. People here, like most other Europeans, say they feel increasingly exposed - squeezed between an expansionist Russia and an economically aggressive China to the east, and an increasingly unpredictable,

former best pal, the United States, to the west. According to a recent Eurobarometer poll, more than two-thirds of Europeans (68%) feel their country is under threat. This autumn, Germany's Federal Office of Civil Protection and Disaster Assistance warned for the first time since the Cold War that war is no longer "unlikely". While emphasising that this is a safe country, it also recommends that Germans keep food supplies to last three to ten days at home. Just in case. Germany is the number one single donor of military and other aid to Ukraine, now that the US has halted any new direct aid. Opinion polls suggest voters here want to feel better protected at home too. The question for this country, along with others in Europe is whether traditional alliances with the US, in Nato and the EU can suffice, or whether they should be diversifying into ad-hoc coalitions alongside other like-minded nations



such as Australia, South Korea and Japan? By 2029, the German defence budget will be higher than the UK and French equivalents combined. Nato's Secretary General Mark Rutte pointed out to me. He described the 150bn they say they will spend on defence as "a staggering amount". It's some-

thing the United States notices and appreciates, he said. Donald Trump is far from the first US president to insist that Europe do more for its own security, though his tone has been noticeably more threatening than that of his predecessors. The precarious state of transatlantic relations was the main focus

of the Munich Security Conference (MSC) this weekend. It's the world's biggest annual defence meeting, bringing leaders, security experts and defence industries together. While it's easy to dismiss speech-heavy get-togethers like this as wind-baggy talking shops, in the turbulent times we live in, they can make a difference - especially the informal private huddles between global decision makers, far away from the glare of the cameras. The most eagerly - and for some the most anxiously - anticipated speech at this year's conference was that of the US Secretary of State, Marco Rubio, who represented the Trump administration here. European leaders and top diplomats were seriously on the edge of their seats. But why was a simple 30-minute address given so much importance? It's because Europe-US relations have never been so frayed as they are now, over the last 80 years since World War Two.

And this isn't a bust-up between buddies that will easily blow over. Denmark still furious in the just over 12 months since Trump returned to the White House, he has at times insulted and undermined European leaders, slapped big tariffs on their exports, and most shockingly of all to his allies in Nato, threatened Danish sovereignty over its territory, Greenland, refusing for a while to rule out taking the island by force. Speaking at the MSC on Saturday, Denmark's still clearly furious prime minister, Mette Frederiksen, said Trump's designs on Greenland remained "the same" despite ongoing trilateral talks between representatives of Greenland, the US and Denmark. Trump has ruled out taking Greenland by military force for now, and he's backed away (for the moment, at least) from slapping economic sanctions on allies, including the UK, France and Germany.

Navalny's mother says she always knew he was murdered after poison finding



The mother of the late Russian opposition figure Alexei Navalny says the assessment that her son died of poisoning has validated her belief that he was murdered. On Saturday, the UK and European allies put out a statement saying Navalny, who died in 2024, was killed using a poison developed from a dart frog toxin, and that "only the Russian state had the means, motive and opportunity to deploy this lethal toxin". "This confirms what we knew from the very beginning," Lyudmila Navalnaya said while visiting her son's grave in

Moscow on Monday - the second anniversary of his death. "We knew that our son did not simply die in prison, he was murdered." Russia has firmly rejected the accusations. "Of course, we do not accept such accusations. We disagree with them, we consider them biased and unfounded. And, in fact, we resolutely reject them," Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said on Monday. Navalny's widow Yulia has also marked the two-year anniversary of his death, writing in a social media post: "We have achieved truth and we will achieve justice one day too."

Nigeria warns against enlisting abroad after reports of deaths in Ukraine



Nigeria's foreign ministry has issued an urgent warning over what it describes as the increasing illegal recruitment of its citizens to fight in foreign conflicts. It comes after Ukrainian officials said they found the bodies of two Nigerians who they said were killed in combat last year. Nigeria has not confirmed those deaths but in a statement on Sunday, foreign ministry spokesperson Kimiebi Imomotimi Ebienfa revealed that "several Nigerians who have fallen victim to such unfortunate situations were deployed to combat zones after being misled and coerced into signing military service contracts". Kenya has issued a similar warning to its citizens. According to Nigerian officials, investigations and security reports indicate that some nationals were enticed with promises of well-paid employment, security work, educational opportunities or migration incentives, only to find themselves thrust into active war zones. In some cases, victims were allegedly forced to sign

contracts written in foreign languages without proper legal advice, and their travel documents were confiscated upon arrival. Intermediaries are also said to arrange travel using tourist or other non-military visas. Ebienfa cautioned Nigerians against accepting such offers, emphasising that they not only endanger lives but may also violate Nigerian and international laws concerning mercenary activities and foreign enlistment. The Nigerian government stated it was working with local and international partners to investigate these cases and enhance public awareness. Its diplomatic missions abroad have been directed to strengthen consular support and issue advisories to citizens. Ukrainian intelligence estimates that more than 1,400 individuals from 36 African countries have been recruited to fight for Russia. Ukraine itself has previously faced criticism for attempting to recruit foreign nationals, including Africans, to fight on its side.

BONDI BEACH SHOOTING ACCUSED FACES COURT FOR THE FIRST TIME

Accused Bondi Beach gunman Naveed Akram faced court for the first time on Monday, two months after he and his father allegedly carried out Australia's worst mass shooting in almost 30 years. The 24-year-old appeared in a Sydney court for about five minutes via video link from prison. He faces 59 charges relating to the Bondi Beach shooting, including 15 counts of murder and one of committing a terrorist attack. Naveed and his father, Sajid, allegedly attacked a Hanukkah event at the famous beach on 14 December, killing 15 people and injuring more than 40. Sajid, 50, was shot dead by police at the scene, while Naveed was critically injured and later trans-

ferred from hospital to prison. Monday was the first time Akram had been seen on screen and spoken since his arrest - saying just one word when Deputy Chief Magistrate Sharon Freund asked if he heard a discussion about an extension of suppression orders: "Yeah". The court orders cover the identities of those who survived the shooting, but allow the survivors to self-identify if they wish. Outside court, Akram's lawyer, Ben Archbold, said it was too early to say what plea his client would enter, according to the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. He said Akram was doing "as well as can be expected" while in custody in Goulburn supermax prison.

'It's never too late': Savannah Guthrie's new plea for mother's release as FBI analyses glove

Savannah Guthrie has issued a plea for her 84-year-old mother's release two weeks after she disappeared in a suspected kidnapping, telling anyone involved that "it is never too late to do the right thing". In her latest video appeal, the US TV anchor addresses "whoever has her, or knows where she is" - adding that Nancy Guthrie's loved ones "still have hope". It comes as investigators analyse DNA found on a glove that they recovered. The glove being studied appears to match one that was worn by a suspect who appeared in doorbell-camera footage taken the night Nancy Guthrie went missing. Authorities believe the suspect in the video kidnapped Guthrie in the early hours of 1 February. The FBI said on



Sunday that investigators recovered the glove from a field near the side of the road about two miles (three km) from Guthrie's home in Tucson, Arizona. The agency collected about 16 gloves from various locations near her home, though most turned out to have been discarded by people

searching for Guthrie. "The one with the DNA profile recovered is different and appears to match the gloves of the subject in the surveillance video," the FBI said. The agency said it has received preliminary DNA test results on the glove and is still waiting for "quality control and official confir-

mation" before entering an "unknown male profile" into its database. Earlier this week, investigators released video footage taken from a doorbell camera at Guthrie's front door that showed a masked man wearing gloves and a backpack. In the video, the suspect walks toward the camera and tries to cover it with his gloved hand before grabbing some brush from the front yard to block the camera's view. After conducting a forensic analysis of the video, the FBI announced earlier this week that it believed the man was between 5ft 9in and 5ft 10in (175-177cm) tall with an average build. The FBI also highlighted the backpack the suspect was wearing in the video, identifying it as a 25-litre Ozark Trail Hiker Pack.

Pressure grows for release of remaining Venezuelan political prisoners

Pressure is growing on the Venezuelan interim government to free the remaining political prisoners being held in the country. A pressure group campaigning on detainees' behalf, Foro Penal, said on Sunday that it had been able to verify that 444 political prisoners had been released since US forces seized Venezuelan leader Nicolás Maduro last month. But hundreds more remain behind bars, according to a tally kept by Foro Penal, even though the Trump administration has pressured Venezuelan officials to speed up their release. Activists say the health of some relatives who have gone on hunger strike



to demand the release of their loved ones is quickly deteriorating. Opposition party Vente Venezuela posted footage of one of the relatives - who appears to be unconscious - being tended to by others outside the Zona 7 detention centre in the cap-

ital, Caracas. According to a pressure group, 10 people went on hunger strike on Saturday to demand that their relatives, who are being held at Zona 7, be freed. They have been holding a vigil outside the police detention centre since 8

January, when the head of Venezuela's National Assembly, Jorge Rodríguez, first announced that "a significant number" of prisoners would be freed as a goodwill gesture to demonstrate what he said was the interim government's will "seek peace". While the Trump administration has praised Venezuela's interim government for the progress it has made so far, activists within the South American country have denounced delays and a lack of transparency in who is being freed. Members of the opposition have also denounced that those who have been released have been barred from speaking out publicly.

Bondi criticised after saying all Epstein files have been released



The US Department of Justice (DoJ) has said it has released all of the files required by the Epstein Files Transparency Act, but lawmakers have argued the release is insufficient. A letter sent to members of the US Congress on Saturday from US Attorney General Pam Bondi and her deputy said all documents held by the DoJ had been released. It contained a list of names appearing in the files. Kentucky Republican Representative Thomas Massie, who co-wrote the law, called for the DoJ to also release internal memos outlining past decisions on whether to charge Jeffrey Epstein and his associates. Millions of new files relating to the late sex offender Epstein were released by the DoJ earlier this month. At the time, the deputy attorney general said three million pages were not released. This was due to the existence of personal medical files, graphic depictions of child abuse or other material that would jeopardise investigations, said Todd Blanche on the day of the documents dump. In the latest letter, Bondi and Blanche wrote: "In accordance with the requirements of the Act, and as described in various

Department submissions to the courts of the Southern District of New York assigned to the Epstein and Maxwell prosecutions and related orders, the Department released all records, documents, communications and investigative materials in the possession of the Department that relate to any of nine different categories." No records were withheld from the DoJ's release "on the basis of embarrassment, reputational harm, or political sensitivity", the letter added. The individuals listed in the letter include people who "are or were a government official or politically exposed person", and whose name appeared at least once in the files, the letter says. The names appear in the files in a "wide variety of contexts", including some people who had "extensive direct email contact with Epstein or Maxwell" and others who were merely referenced in documents or news articles contained in the files, Blanche and Bondi wrote. Donald Trump, Bill Gates, Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor, and Bill Clinton - who are included in the list - all had documented past relationships with Epstein and Maxwell.

IRAN MUST ABANDON ENRICHED URANIUM AND NOT PRODUCE MORE, NETANYAHU SAYS

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu says the US must require Iran to relinquish all of its enriched uranium and be barred from enriching more, as part of any nuclear deal with Tehran. In a speech in Jerusalem on Sunday, he outlined several conditions he wanted, including that "all enriched material has to leave Iran" and that "there should be no enrichment capability". His comments come as Iranian and US officials prepare for a second round of talks in Switzerland on Tuesday. Iran will consider compromises to reach a nuclear deal if the US is willing to discuss lifting sanctions, Iranian deputy foreign minister Majid Takht-

Ravanchi told the BBC in Tehran. However, Iran regards zero enrichment as a red line and a violation of the nuclear non-proliferation treaty. The US has piled pressure on Iran to reach a deal and has built up its military capabilities in the Middle East, sending two aircraft carriers - including its largest-ever warship - to the region. Additional American naval forces will protect against any potential threats in the region, US Secretary of State Marco Rubio told a news conference in Slovakia. He said US President Donald Trump "prefers diplomacy and an outcome of negotiated settlement" over direct attacks on Iran. Trump's top envoy Steve Witkoff and son-



in-law Jared Kushner are set to meet Iranian negotiators, including Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi, who is travelling to Geneva. "No-one's ever been able to do a successful deal with Iran, but we're

going to try," Rubio said. Under the 2015 nuclear deal, from which Trump withdrew, Iran had agreed to limit its nuclear activities and allow international inspections in return for the lifting

of crippling economic sanctions. Ahead of the latest round of talks, Takht-Ravanchi told the BBC Tehran has offered to dilute its 60%-enriched uranium as evidence of its willingness to compromise. Highly enriched uranium, at near weapons-grade level, has deepened suspicions that the Islamic Republic is moving towards the development of a nuclear weapon, something it has always denied. "We are ready to discuss this and other issues related to our programme if they are ready to talk about sanctions," Takht-Ravanchi told the BBC. He would not confirm whether this meant lifting all or some sanctions. He also did not say whether Iran

would consider agreeing to ship more than 400kg of highly enriched uranium out of the country. Washington has been pushing for a deal with Tehran, but Netanyahu said he raised "scepticism" with Trump during a recent meeting at the White House. "I said that if a deal is to be reached, it should have several components... that we believe are important not only for the security of Israel, but for the security of the world," Netanyahu said. One of Israel's key demands include curbing Iran's development ballistic missiles, which have been used to strike Israel. Tehran has so far refused to discuss its ballistic missile programme with US officials.



WESTON & STOECKER WIN GB'S SECOND GOLD OF DAY

Team GB made history by winning two Winter Olympic titles on one day for the first time as Matt Weston and Tabitha Stoecker clinched mixed team skeleton gold in thrilling style. It came after Charlotte Bankes and Huw Nightingale won the snowboard cross mixed team event earlier on Sunday. Weston produced a stunning race to make more of his own history in Cortina - he is the first Briton to win two gold medals at a Winter Olympics having claimed individual gold just two days ago. Stoecker, 25, had given Weston a tough task with her run of 1:00.77, 0.18 seconds off the pace of the Germans, with the British pair - ranked top seeds - the last to run. But 28-year-old Weston, who won Team GB's first medal at the Games, showed why he is the best skeleton racer in the world with a sublime 58.59secs run to clinch a second medal with a final time of



1:59:36. It is also the first time Great Britain have won three gold medals at a single Winter Olympics. "The individual event is amazing but doing it as a team when we're normally an individual sport is amazing," said Weston. "To have my team-mate by my side as Olympic champions, two-time for me which is

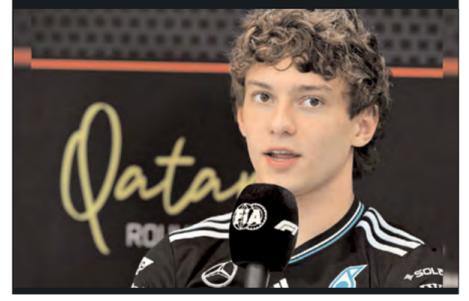
crazy. I'm looking forward to the celebrations!" A second British team, Marcus Wyatt and Freya Tarbit, missed out on a medal by an agonising 0.01secs as the two German teams of Christopher Grotheer and Jacqueline Pfeifer and Axel Jungk and Susanne Kreher took silver and bronze, respectively. The

mixed event, making its debut at Milan-Cortina, sees the sliders hurtle down the track one after the other with a quick reaction time crucial as five red lights going out prompts them to set off. Pushing off before the lights go out results in heavy penalties or even disqualification and that led to many of the

sliders erring on the side of caution with some hesitant starts. Janine Flock, who won gold on Saturday in the women's event, blew the Austrian team's chances when she incurred a one-second penalty for reacting too soon at the start, opening the door for both British teams to get on the podium. But the two German teams were too good and the only way Wyatt and Tarbit could have got on the podium would have been if Weston and Stoecker had not. Two-time world champion Weston came into this Games stating that only gold would be good enough and he will now walk away as the most decorated man in British Winter Olympics history. After finishing 15th in Beijing four years ago, Weston's rise in the sport has been meteoric and his two Olympic golds add to the three Crystal Globes - overall World Cup titles - he won consecutively from 2024.

KIMI ANTONELLI LEADS GEORGE RUSSELL AS MERCEDES TOP FINAL DAY OF 1ST WEEK'S F1 TESTING IN BAHRAIN

Mercedes drivers Kimi Antonelli and George Russell were the fastest at the end of three days of Formula 1 pre-season testing in Bahrain on Friday. Antonelli topped the afternoon session, replacing Russell behind the wheel. Russell led the way in the morning as the teams can run only one car on track in the test. Three more days of testing are scheduled next week in Bahrain, after a secretive "shakedown" test in Spain last month. Russell said Mercedes still has work to do before the first race of the season, the Australian Grand Prix on March 8. "Barcelona was very smooth, and probably smoother than we actually anticipated, in terms of reliability, in terms of performance," he said. "We've got to Bahrain and in both regards we've taken a step back. "We've got another test, a month until Melbourne. We're obviously very focused on the performance but you've also got to finish the race if you want to fight



for the result. Being a driver, you're always focused on the performance, and a number of the team members are really focused on reliability and working hard on that." Seven-time world champion Lewis Hamilton tested for the entire day and was second to Antonelli by more than half a second. McLaren's Oscar Piastri also participated in both sessions and placed fourth. Red Bull's Max Verstappen and Isack Hadjar followed. The drivers are testing new cars amid sweeping changes for 2026 that have made cars smaller and lighter and highlighted

the strategy of charging an on-board battery and using electrical energy to boost speed. Hadjar praised team's new power unit, saying it "seems so far reliable, powerful, so I'm very happy so far. Very surprised already from the Barcelona shake-down to here, like how many laps we managed to achieve. "It just seems easier to push to the limit compared to last year's car. It's a bit slower in general, and also lighter, smaller." Charles Leclerc led the way for Ferrari on Thursday, going fastest by half a second from champion Lando Norris.

"Never Count Him Out": Sania Mirza Backs Novak Djokovic Amid Grand Slam Drought

Indian tennis legend Sania Mirza has backed Serbian legend Novak Djokovic, insisting that it is far too early to write off the great tennis player despite his Grand Slam title drought since the end of 2023. Speaking to ANI, Mirza dismissed suggestions that time may be running out for the 24-time Grand Slam champion, emphasising that champions of Djokovic's calibre should never be underestimated. "We can never count Novak Djokovic out. That is the truth about it. He beat Jannik Sinner at the Australian Open 2026 semifinals. And he's somebody who has clearly



shown us that, even after all these years and at this age, he can still beat the best players in the world and be among the best. So you can never count Novak out," Mirza said. Djokovic last won a Grand Slam title after defeating Daniil Medvedev in the final of the 2023 US Open.

Since then, the Serbian legend has featured in two finals - 2024 Wimbledon, where he lost to Carlos Alcaraz, and the 2026 Australian Open, where he lost again to Alcaraz. Djokovic's recent performances have reignited the debate around his longevity and ability to continue

competing at the highest level. His victory over world No. 2 and Italian star Jannik Sinner at the 2026 Australian Open semifinals served as a reminder of his enduring class and competitive spirit. As the season progresses, all eyes will remain on the former world No. 1 to see whether he can add to his already historic Grand Slam tally and further cement his legacy as one of the sport's greatest players. Mirza also believes that replicating Serena Williams's dominance is no easy feat, but sees potential in a handful of current players who could shape the next era of women's tennis.

Sumit Nagal Bows Out Of Chennai Open; Doubles Top Seeds Niki Kaliyanda Poonacha-Pruchya Isaro Through To Semi-Finals

Former champion Sumit Nagal bowed out of the Chennai Open ATP Challenger with a 6-4 6-7 3-6 loss to Russian Petr Bar Biryukov in the second round on Thursday. The India No. 1 won the first set against big-serving left-hander Biryukov, ranked No. 305 in the world. Nagal also had three break points in the second set on Biryukov's serve, but failed to convert them. With no breaks of serve, the set went into a tie-break, which Biryukov won before taking a 3-0 lead in the decider. Although Nagal fought back to level the final set at 3-3, Biryukov earned another decisive break in the eighth game and held serve to close out the game in two



hours and six minutes. In the longest match of the day, fourth seed Ilya Simakin overcame Australia's Philip Sekulic 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (1) in just under three hours. Simakin will

next face Biryukov for a spot in the semi-finals. Earlier in the day, Indian qualifier Sidharth Rawat, ranked No. 715 in the world, was defeated by Maks Kasnikowski, ranked

No. 419, in straight sets. The Pole advanced to the last eight with a 6-2, 6-3 win. In the doubles draw, top seeds Niki Kaliyanda Poonacha/Pruchya Isaro advanced to the last four with a 6-4, 6-1 win over wildcard duo Lohithaksha Bathrinath/Abhinav Sanjeev Shanmugam. They will next face the all-Indian pairing of S.D. Prajwal Dev/Nitin Sinha. The third seeds made it through to the semi-finals with a 4-6, 6-2, 10-8 win over fellow Indians Ishaque Eqbal/Manish Sureshkumar. Second seeds Siddhant Banthia/Saketh Myneni were knocked out 7-5, 6-4 in the last quarter-final of the day by the Indo-British duo of Sasikumar Mukund/Jay Clarke.

Vinicius Jr Bags Brace As Real Madrid Beat Real Sociedad To Claim Top Spot In La Liga



Vinicius Junior won and converted two penalties as Real Madrid thumped Real Sociedad 4-1 on Saturday to move provisionally top of La Liga. An impressive performance from Trent Alexander-Arnold on his first start in two-and-a-half months also helped Los Blancos move two points clear of champions Barcelona, who visit Girona on Monday. Madrid's convincing display inflicted a first defeat for visiting American coach Pellegrino Matarazzo, in his 10th match at the helm of Real Sociedad. Young striker Gonzalo Garcia and Fede Valverde were also on target for Alvaro Arbeloa's Madrid, who face an important Champions League play-off match against Jose Mourinho's Benfica on Tuesday in Lisbon. "We did great work in attack and in defence... you could tell that we were defending as a team during the whole game," Valverde told Real Madrid TV. "We've had long weeks where we've

been preparing a lot, and now we will fight for La Liga and the Champions League." Fit to start his first game since early December after a thigh injury, it did not take Alexander-Arnold long to make an impact. The England defender's cross was met with a delicate finish by Garcia, starting in place of French superstar Kylian Mbappe, who was feeling some knee discomfort. "Trent is a very intelligent boy, who understands the game very well, and has quickly understood what we want from him," Arbeloa told reporters. "We're lucky to have a player like this, who can play inside or outside... at set-pieces, with his kick he can set us off on the counter-attack very well, he's a great player." Real Sociedad pulled level after 21 minutes when Yangel Herrera was clumsily felled by Dean Huijsen in Madrid's box. Mikel Oyarzabal powered the spot-kick down the middle, but La Real's joy was short-lived.



'Extremely stupid' - ski jumper disqualified over boots

Mohun Bagan Beat Kerala Blasters 2-0 In Season Opener As Delayed And Truncated ISL Finally Begins

Defending champions Mohun Bagan Super Giant began their Indian Super League campaign with a comfortable 2-0 victory over Kerala Blasters in the season opener at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharathi Krirangan in Kolkata on Saturday. A first half strike from Jamie Maclaren (36th minute) and a second half injury-time goal from Tom Aldred (90'6) secured three points for the Mariners. Mohun Bagan SG head coach Sergio Lobera named a very strong lineup with all the familiar faces, including Dimi Petratos, Jamie Maclaren and Alberto Rodriguez, taking the field for the Spaniard's first match in charge of the Mariners. New signings Mehtab Singh, Robson Da Silva, and Amey Ranawade were the fresh faces in the whole match-day squad. On

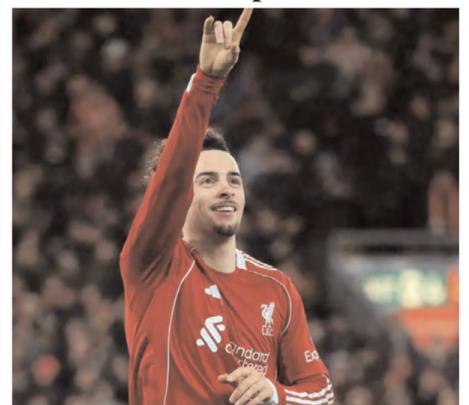


the other hand, David Catala named a young lineup in his first ISL match with foreign signings Oumar Ba and Victor Bertomeu making their debuts along with midfielders Y Ebindas and Rowllin Borges. The defending champions had the better possession in the first half with Anirudh Thapa and

Lalengmawia Ralte (Apulia) controlling the midfield, allowing Robson and Liston Colaco to find space to attack through the wings. Dimi Petratos returned to his preferred No. 10 role behind Jamie Maclaren and the Australian almost gave his side an early lead. Liston Colaco found Petratos inside the box but

the forward snatched his shot which went wide of the goal. The Mariners were dominating possession, but were finding it difficult to break down the stubborn defence of Kerala Blasters. They did manage to take the lead after the water break through Jamie Maclaren. He was found inside the box by Petratos and the Australian striker turned Aiban Dohling and found the net through a composed left-footed finish for the first goal of the ISL season. Mohun Bagan ended the first half with the one goal lead, registering 10 shots on goal with six on target at the end of the half. Catala made two changes in the start of the second half bringing in Naocha Singh and Marlon Trujillo while Subhasish Bose was replaced by Amey Ranawade for Mohun Bagan.

Liverpool Outclass Brighton, Newcastle United Beat Aston Villa In FA Cup 4th Round



Liverpool advanced to the fifth round of the FA Cup by defeating Brighton & Hove Albion 3-0 at Anfield. Curtis Jones opened the scoring in the round-four tie after 42 minutes to set the hosts on their way. The Reds' spot in Monday night's draw was confirmed by a Dominik Szoboszlai hit and penalty from Mohamed Salah in the second half. Earlier, Manchester City moved into the fifth round with a 2-0 win at home to League Two rivals Salford City. Pep Guardiola's team went ahead in the sixth minute when Rayan Ait-Nouri's cross deflected in off Alfie Dorrington. City controlled the game, but it wasn't until the 81st minute when Marc Guehi tapped home with a close-range finish that made the win safe. Elsewhere, Sandro Tonali scored twice as Newcastle United produced an impressive second-half fightback to win 3-1 away to Aston

Villa. Aston Villa had taken the lead with Tammy Abraham's first goal since joining in January, but Unai Emery's side was reduced to 10 men on the stroke of halftime when goalkeeper Marco Bizot was sent off for committing a foul outside of his penalty area. Tonali turned the game around after the break and Nick Woltemade assured the win in the 88th minute of the game. Premier League struggler Burnley were the victim of a giant-killing act at home to League One's Mansfield Town, who fought back from Josh Laurent's opener for Burnley with second-half strikes from Rhys Oates and Lewis Reed. League One struggler Burton Albion took West Ham to extra time, with Crysencio Summerville hitting a 95th-minute winner for the top-flight side, who ended with 10 men after Freddie Potts' 101st-minute red card.

“Hey Balwanth” will fully entertain the audience: Heroine Shivani Nagaram

The successful duo Bunny Vas and Vamsi Nandipati, who recently delivered blockbuster films like Little Hearts, Raju Weds Rambhai, and Eesha, are now coming before the audience with a full-length out-and-out entertainer titled “Hey Balwanth” (title changed from Hey Bhagavan). The film is being produced by B. Narendra Reddy under the Trishul Visionary Studios banner, directed by Gopi Acharya, and presented by Nandipati Entertainments and Bunny Vas Works. The movie stars Suhas, Shivani Nagaram, senior actor Naresh, and anchor Sravanti in key roles. The film is set to release on February 20.



On this occasion, heroine Shivani Nagaram interacted with the media on Monday. Here are the highlights:

■ WHAT KIND OF MOVIE IS “HEY BALWANTH”?
This is my second film with Suhas and the third film in my career. In the previous movie with him, my character was very intense and the story was intense too. But in this film, it is much lighter and more entertaining. I really enjoyed doing this role. The entire movie will entertain the audience fully. At the end, the father-and-son emotion will also touch everyone. My character has innocence along

with comedy.

■ WILL THIS FILM COMPLETE YOUR HAT-TRICK OF HITS?
The movie is very good. I strongly believe it will definitely be a hit. The characters of Sudarshan, Suhas, and mine will make you laugh a lot. Naresh and Vennela Kishore's characters are hilarious. The interval bang will be a surprise and very enjoyable.

■ WHAT MADE YOU

ACCEPT THIS FILM?
I always pick the best story among what comes to me. My first film didn't have comedy, the second was full comedy, and this film also has comedy. I liked both the story and my character as soon as I heard it.

■ WHAT IS THE BUSINESS SHOWN IN THIS FILM? ARE YOU CONNECTED TO IT?
No, that is Naresh sir's family business in the film. I'm not connected to it. You

should watch it in theatres and enjoy. You will laugh a lot.

■ HOW IS THE MOVIE GOING TO BE OVERALL?
It is a full entertainment film with colorful visuals and good music. Naresh and Vennela Kishore's comedy will entertain. Every character will make you laugh.

■ WE HEARD YOU ARE ALSO A SINGER?
I learned Kuchipudi and music. I am a singer turned actor. I did a small humming bit in Little Hearts and sang a song in Aarambham. I'm open to singing if opportunities come.

■ HOW WAS WORKING WITH SUHAS AGAIN?
He is very friendly and supportive, and a very good actor. Our combination will entertain in this film. Audiences will enjoy our scenes together.

■ DID YOUR FAMILY SUPPORT YOUR DECISION TO ENTER FILMS?
My family is very supportive. I proved myself with good films using the opportunity they gave me. They are very happy.

■ HOW ARE YOU MANAGING OFFERS AFTER THE SUCCESS OF LITTLE HEARTS?
I take success as an advantage and move to the next film, but I accept a film only if I like the story, irrespec-

tive of the combination. I see if I connect with the story and how important my role is. That is important to me.

■ WHAT KIND OF FILMS DO YOU WANT TO DO?
I didn't initially plan to become an actor seriously, but now I have recognition. I got lucky with good films, good teams, and good co-actors. I choose the best among what comes to me. I don't want to do 100 films; even if I do five, they should be good stories.

■ IF YOU GET OFFERS WITH STAR HEROES, WILL YOU ACCEPT WITHOUT CARING ABOUT THE STORY?
For me, cinema is cinema. If I like the story and my role, I will accept it. I came without any background. Maintaining the value given by the audience is important.

■ HOW ARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOU AS A TELUGU HEROINE?
Very happy. Now there are more writers and directors along with actors. Telugu girls are getting more opportunities. There is no big or small film difference now. Small films are also becoming big hits. Many people said if you don't do films continuously, you will disappear, but I want people to say that I always choose good films. I want to be selective like many other heroines.

Raashii Khanna Offers a Soulful Prayer to Mahadev This Maha Shivratri with ‘Shiv Kailashon Ke Waasi’

A Dream Close to My Heart, I Share it With You as an Offering”. Raashii Khanna's Soulful Vocals in ‘Shiv Kailashon Ke Waasi’ Leave Fans Surprised Raashii Khanna's Prayer in Melody Surprises Fans This Maha Shivratri: “I Offer Shiv Kailashon Ke Waasi as My Prayer to Mahadev” As the sacred chants of echo across the country this Maha Shivratri, Raashii Khanna offers a deeply personal tribute with her vocals to Lord Shiva and surprises fans and audience, with her soulful rendition of “Shiv Kailashon Ke Waasi.” Known for her luminous beauty and commanding cinematic presence, the celebrated and versatile actress, who has built an impressive body of work across Tamil, Telugu, and Hindi cinema, steps into a space of pure devotion. Replacing spectacle with stillness and glamour with grace, Raashii embraces a quieter, more introspective expression of her artistry. She shared the devotional bhajan with a heartfelt note, captioning, “On this divine day, I offer Shiv Kailashon Ke Waasi as my prayer to Mahadev, sung from a place of faith, surrender, and gratitude. A dream close to my heart, I share it with you as an offering, with the hope that it brings calm, strength, and blessings. Har Har Mahadev.” Check out the post: “Shiv Kailashon Ke Waasi” is a reverent invocation of Mahadev, the cosmic force who resides in the serenity of Mount



Kailash, symbolising destruction of ego, inner awakening, and transcendence. On the auspicious occasion of Maha Shivratri, a night believed to mark divine union and spiritual elevation, the bhajan carries even deeper meaning. Raashii approaches the composition with humility and emotional restraint, her voice gentle yet steady, creating a meditative experience that mirrors the essence of the festival. There is a quiet radiance in her rendition, a devotional sincerity that feels less like performance and more like prayer. Even as she marks Maha Shivratri with this spiritual expression,

Raashii Khanna's professional journey continues to soar. With an upcoming untitled project alongside Akshay Kumar, Ustaad Bhagat Singh opposite Pawan Kalyan, Farzi 2 with Shahid Kapoor and Vijay Sethupathi, Talakhon Mein Ek alongside Vikrant Massey, and the thriller Bridge co-starring R. Madhavan, she remains one of the most dynamic performers in the industry. Yet, through “Shiv Kailashon Ke Waasi,” Raashii reminds audiences that beyond the arc lights and accolades lies a core rooted in faith, a glow that shines brightest in devotion.

Mani Ratnam Praises Bejoy Nambiar's Tu Yaa Main, Calls It a ‘Big-Screen Experience’

With Shanaya Kapoor and Adarsh Gourav's survival thriller, Tu Yaa Main hitting the big screens recently, the film has been drawing strong reactions from both audiences and critics for its gripping storyline and compelling suspense. The excitement reached a new high at a special screening held in the South, attended by master filmmaker Mani Ratnam, who also shared his words of appreciation for the film. The audience reaction video captures the excitement that followed the special screening of Tu Yaa Main, as they stepped out brimming with praise. While some called it a fantastic film, others



described it as a breath of fresh air, applauding its energy, nail biting moments, and gripping storytelling. Adding to the buzz, legendary filmmaker Mani Ratnam shared his appreciation, saying, “Bejoy Nambiar has brought a kinetic energy

to the film that is best seen on the big screen with an audience.” Packed with pulse pounding moments and an ever-present sense of danger, Tu Yaa Main is clearly striking a chord and reaffirming its place as a gripping theatrical watch. Directed by Bejoy Nambiar, < Tu Yaa Main is produced by Aanand L Rai and Himanshu Sharma under the banner of Colour Yellow, along with Vinod Bhanushali and Kamlesh Bhanushali of Bhanushali Studios Limited. The film speaks directly to today's youth, blending raw emotion with edge-of-the-seat storytelling, and is currently running in cinemas near you.

Delhi HC grants interim bail to Rajpal Yadav in cheque bounce cases

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court on Monday granted an interim suspension of sentence to Bollywood actor Rajpal Yadav in connection with multiple cheque bounce cases. Paving the way for his release from jail until March 18, a single-judge Bench of Justice Swarna Kanta Sharma passed the order after being informed that a sum of Rs 1.5 crore had been deposited in the complainant company's bank account. Taking note of the payment made by the actor, the Delhi High Court suspended the sen-

tence on the condition that Yadav furnish a personal bond of Rs 1 lakh along with one surety of the same amount. It also directed him to surrender his passport. It was further submitted that Yadav's niece is

scheduled to be married on February 19 in Shahjahanpur, for which interim relief was sought. “Interim suspension of sentence till the next date of hearing. You should be present in the court or remain present through video conferencing. We do not want any discrepancy,” Justice Sharma observed. The matter is now slated for further hearing on March 18, and Yadav will remain out of custody till then. The relief comes days after the Delhi High Court had taken a stern view of the actor's conduct.



Rs 12,490 crore net worth today: When SRK lost everything!



Shahrukh Khan European Fans Page

Mumbai: Bollywood's Badshah Shah Rukh Khan's journey reads like a modern-day fairytale written in sweat, struggle, and unshakable belief. From a modest Delhi home and the heartbreak of losing his parents at a young age, to standing today as India's richest actor with an estimated net worth of Rs 12,000 crore, his rise is nothing short of extraordinary. There were no film families, no shortcuts, only a young boy with dreams bigger than his circumstances and the courage to leave everything familiar behind. Each rejection, each failure, and each lonely night in Mumbai became a brick in the road that led him to the throne he occupies today.

■ WHAT MANOJ BAJPAYEE REVEALED

His close friend and fellow Bollywood actor Manoj Bajpayee has often spoken with deep respect about SRK's early struggles, recalling how SRK's rise was anything but easy and how his confidence was built from hardship, not privilege. In a recent interview with Faridoon Sheheryar, Manoj said, “I have known Shah Rukh since my Delhi days. I have huge appreciation for his achievements. I take great pride whenever I see his house and his family. I know how he lost everything and how he gained everything.” As per the Hurun Rich List that was released on October 2025, Shah Rukh Khan officially entered the billionaire club for the first time, marking a historic moment not only for him but also for Indian cinema.

KATTALAN' FIRST SONG RELEASED; SUNIL SHINES IN HIGH-ENERGY ITEM NUMBER

The first song from Kattalan, the grand action thriller produced by Shareef Muhammed under the banner of Cubes Entertainments, has been released. Telugu star Sunil, already familiar to Malayali audiences through major films like Pushpa and Jailer, is the main attraction of the track. Presented as an item number, the song highlights Sunil's energetic and powerful dance performance. Composed by B. Ajaneesh Loknath, the track titled “Majako Mallika” is written by Vinayak Shashikumar and sung by Anand Sriraj and Bhadra. It has been released in Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, and Hindi. Kattalan is gearing up for a massive pan-India

release on May 14, and is expected to be one of the biggest theatrical launches in Malayalam cinema. The film is directed by newcomer Paul George, following the producer's earlier success with the blockbuster Marco. The teaser released earlier received tremendous response, showcasing thrilling action sequences and hinting at stunt scenes never before seen in Malayalam cinema. Antony Varghese plays the lead role, supported by a large ensemble cast including Dushara Vijayan, Kabir Duhani Singh, Raj Tharandasu of Pushpa fame, Bollywood actor Parth and Bhadra. It has been released in Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, and Hindi. Kattalan is gearing up for a massive pan-India



Internationally renowned action director Kecha Khamphakdee, famous for

the Ong-Bak series, has choreographed the action sequences in Thailand along

with his team. The well-known elephant “Pong”, who gained popularity through the Ong-Bak films, is also part of the movie. Music director B. Ajaneesh Loknath, who rose to pan-Indian fame with blockbusters like Kantara and Maharaja, is composing the film's music. Even before completing production, the film has reportedly broken multiple pre-release records and has secured one of the biggest overseas deals in Malayalam cinema. T-Series has acquired the music rights, while Shemaroo will handle the digital and satellite distribution. Kattalan is made on a massive scale as a pan-India project. The script is written by Joby Varghese, Paul George, and Jero Jacob, with dialogues by Unni R.

The film will release in Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, and Hindi. Crew members include Executive Producer Jumana Shareef, Cinematographer Renadive, Additional Cinematographer Chandru Selvaraj, Editor Shameer Muhammed, Stunt Directors Kecha Khamphakdee and Action Santhosh, Production Designer Sunil Dass, Creative Producer Dipil Dev, Production Controller Deepak Parameswaran, Audiographer Rajakrishnan M R, Sound Designers Kishen and Saptha Records, Costume Designer Dhanya Balakrishnan, Makeup Artist Ronax Xavier, Lyricist Suhail Koya, Still Photographer Amal C Sadar, Choreographer Shareef, and VFX studio 3 Doors.