

LIQUOR POLICY CASE: DELHI HC ISSUES NOTICE TO KEJRIWAL ON ED PLEA



CHINA IS TRYING TO PLAY PEACEMAKER IN THE IRAN WAR - WILL IT WORK?



VAIBHAV SOORYAVANSHI REVEALS 'SECRET' DIET BEFORE HITTING 15-BALL HALF-CENTURY FOR RR VS CSK IN IPL 2026



IN BRIFS

INDIAN CITIZEN INJURED IN DRONE ATTACK IN UAE

Dubai (TSIT) An Indian national was injured when he was hit by shrapnel from a drone intercepted by the air defence system in the United Arab Emirates on Wednesday, local government said.

UPI OUTAGE: USERS REPORT FAILED TRANSACTIONS ACROSS CITIES

New Delhi, April 1 : Digital payment services faced disruption across India on Wednesday, leaving many users unable to complete transactions through UPI platforms.

"Hello Kerala" CM Revanth Strikes Political Pitch in Campaign Trail

Hyderabad (TSIT): Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy launched an energetic campaign in Kerala, combining cultural connect with sharp political criticism while canvassing support for Congress-led UDF candidates.



Kerala youth to Gulf countries, urging the Union Government to introduce support schemes for returning workers amid global uncertainties.

Reaffirming Congress' commitment to inclusive development, he promised that a Congress-led government would boost investments and create employment opportunities.

saying Telangana brought him to Hyderabad and Kerala could do the same under Congress rule.

THIS IS NOT OUR WAR, STRAIT OF HORMUZ MUST REOPEN: UK PM STARMER

reopen: UK PM Starmer London, April 1 (UNI UK's Prime Minister Keir Starmer on Wednesday sought to clear his stand on the West Asia war, saying the conflict is not UK's war, and reassured the British public that the

UK will not be drawn into the fighting, while outlining a decisive plan to protect national security, energy supplies, and the economy.



That is not in our national interest," as he underlined the fact that the conflict in the Middle East has now entered its second month, prompting urgent action from the UK government.

is de-escalation and the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz, a critical energy artery in the region.

RAJYA SABHA PASSES CAPFS ADMINISTRATION BILL TO STREAMLINE RECRUITMENT AND SERVICE RULES

New Delhi (TSIT) The Rajya Sabha on Wednesday approved the Central Armed Police Forces (General Administration) Bill, 2026, a key legislation aimed at standardizing recruitment, deputation, promotion and service conditions of senior officers across India's Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs).

government will be empowered to frame rules governing recruitment, deputation, promotions and service conditions for officers across five CAPFs - the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), Border Security Force (BSF), Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), and Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB).

'Not even God safe in God's Own Country': Rajnath Singh targets LDF, UDF

Thiruvananthapuram, April 1 : Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Wednesday launched a sharp political offensive in Kerala, alleging that "not even God is safe in God's Own Country", as he accused both the Left Democratic Front (LDF) and the United Democratic Front (UDF) of corruption and appeasement politics.



alleged Sabarimala gold theft would be probed by the CBI and demanded strict action against those accused of looting public wealth.

Amaravati will remain as one and only capital: CM Naidu

Nellore: Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu reiterated that Amaravati will remain as one and only capital of Andhra Pradesh state, asserting that no one can shift it "even an inch."



significantly higher than neighboring Tamil Nadu. He said schemes like Thalliki Vandanam and Deepam 2.0 are being implemented effectively, with free LPG cylinders and plans to provide piped gas to households.

TRUMP TO ADDRESS NATION ON IRAN CONFLICT



Washington, April 1 : US President Donald Trump will address the nation on Wednesday night (Thursday morning, India time) with an update on the ongoing conflict with Iran, the White House said, as fighting involving the US and Israel enters its second month.

TVK flags security lapse for Vijay; letter to MHA sparks row over official name error

Chennai, April 1 : The Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) has written to the Union Home Ministry alleging inadequate security arrangements for its President, actor-turned-politician Vijay, during his ongoing election campaign in Tamil Nadu.



events were insufficient and raised concerns over his safety as well as that of the public attending the rallies.

filing on March 30 from the Perambur Assembly constituency. After submitting his papers, he had planned a series of campaign programmes across Perambur,

Kolathur and Villivakkam constituencies. Party sources said necessary permissions were obtained and a structured campaign plan had been put in place.

with the Tamil Nadu Chief Electoral Officer, seeking immediate intervention to ensure proper protection during campaign events.

Defining moment in Andhra Pradesh's history: Dy CM Pawan Kalyan

Amaravati, April 1 : Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan, on Wednesday, hailed the passing of Amaravati Bill in Lok Sabha and termed it a defining moment in the history of the state.

The Jana Sena leader took to social media platform X to congratulate the people of Andhra Pradesh on passage of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation (Amendment) Bill 2026 in Lok Sabha to grant statutory status to Amaravati as the sole capital of Andhra Pradesh.

"On this historic occasion of the Amaravati Bill being passed in the Lok Sabha, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the five crore citizens of Andhra Pradesh. Today marks a defining moment in the history of Andhra Pradesh. The passage of the Amaravati Bill, declaring Amaravati as the sole and permanent capital of our state, stands as a reflection of the will, resilience, and aspirations of our people," Pawan Kalyan said. "My deepest respects and gratitude go to the Amaravati region farmers, who made an unparalleled sacrifice by giving more than 33,000 acres of land, an act of faith that will be remembered for generations," the Deputy Chief Minister said while



acknowledging the 'visionary' leadership of Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, whose "unwavering commitment laid the foundation for Amaravati". The actor-politician conveyed heartfelt gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and the NDA government for their continued support in turning this vision into reality. "Amid the challenges

created by the regressive and unilateral decisions of the previous regime, the struggles of farmers, the anguish of women, and the uncertain future faced by our youth, the people of Andhra Pradesh have shown remarkable clarity and courage. By electing a stable NDA government, they have chosen progress, stability, and a future aligned with their aspira-

tions. With the Parliament's approval of this Bill, a strong and renewed confidence has been instilled among the people of Andhra Pradesh, as well as among industrialists and investors. Amaravati will now stand not just as a capital, but as a symbol of hope, resilience, and collective determination. I firmly believe that Amaravati will play a pivotal role in realising the vision of 'Swarna Andhra 2047' and will significantly contribute to PM Modi's vision of 'Viksit Bharat 2047,' Pawan Kalyan added.

Meanwhile, State Minister Nara Lokesh also took to X to welcome passing of the Bill in Lok Sabha. He watched the debate on television and wrote that he could not hold back his emotions.

"This is not just a city. This is the sacrifice of thousands of farmers. This is a dream built on trust, tears, and resilience. Amaravati, the capital of the Gods, has endured every storm, every betrayal, every doubt... and refused to stall. To every farmer who gave their land, their future, their faith -- this moment belongs to you. Your sacrifice has made Amaravati immortal," Minister Lokesh said.

Jagan terms Amaravati 'capital of corruption'

Amaravati, April 1 : Former Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister and YSRCP President, YS Jagan Mohan Reddy, on Wednesday termed Amaravati as the 'capital of corruption' and accused Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu of engineering unprecedented and impractical policies to enrich him and his coterie. On a day when the Lok Sabha passed a Bill to give statutory recognition to Amaravati as the sole capital of Andhra Pradesh, Jagan Mohan Reddy addressed a press conference here to lash out at Chandrababu Naidu. He asked from where Chandrababu Naidu would get Rs 2 lakh crore to build the state capital. He also wanted to know long it would take to complete Amaravati.

"When Chandrababu boasted that the capital city is a self-financed model, why were loans taken, allocations made in the budget, which all pointedly speak of the rampant corruption and the layers of scams involved, right from land acquisition to tendering process and the exorbitant rates being given to favoured contractors," the YSRCP chief said.

The former Chief Minister defended the three capitals formula of the YSRCP government saying it was mooted keeping in view the exorbitant cost and with a view to not burdening the people and con-



tinuing the welfare and development process. "Visakhapatnam as the executive capital, as it already has the infrastructure and with little investment, it would serve the purpose. For regional balance, we kept Amaravati as the legislative capital and Kurnool as the law capital," he explained. While making it clear that YSRCP is not against Amaravati or any other region, he said they were only opposing the rampant corruption in the name of capital, the neglect of other regions and

welfare and development coming to a grinding halt due to all the focus of the government on Amaravati. He revealed that YSRCP had also given a plan B to develop the Machilipatnam-Vijayawada-Guntur corridor as the capital region, but it was also not considered. "Chandrababu has been going ahead with his corrupt practices and speaking of a capital which is tall in talk, exorbitant in cost and pushes the state into a debt trap. We are concerned about the finances of our state and will expose all the scams," he said.

The YSRCP chief alleged that the resolution for the capital city passed in the House was only to divert the attention of the people, as the Centre has nothing to do with the capital of any state. He pointed out that when Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, and Uttarakhand were formed, the Centre did not mention the capital cities. He also stated that while passing the resolution, the Legislative Council was not taken into confidence, as this would have exposed CM Chandrababu's corruption. Giving the details of the cost of the five towers being built in Amaravati, YS Jagan said the price being paid to contractors is over Rs 14,000 per square feet, while for quality construction in developed cities the cost is only Rs 4,000 per sq ft. "For flyovers, he has been spending Rs 170 crore per kilometre, while we spent Rs 35 crore per km, which shows the stark contrast," YS Jagan said. YS Jagan stated that when the entire focus is concentrated on Amaravati, other welfare schemes in the fields of education, health, and agriculture take a back seat, and all sections of people are affected. He claimed that the much hyped one lakh acre capital city is now reduced to only 200 acres, as was evident from CM Chandrababu Naidu's recent speech in the Assembly.

CAMBODIA-BASED CYBER FRAUD RACKET BUSTED: TGCSB DIRECTOR SHIKHA GOEL

Hyderabad: Telangana Cyber Security Bureau (TGCSB) has busted a major international cyber fraud racket that was cheating innocent Indian citizens of crores of rupees, Director Shikha Goel announced on Wednesday.



She stated that five accused persons, who were supplying Indian SIM cards illegally to cybercriminals operating from Cambodia, have been arrested. The arrested include Rizwan (29) from Uttar Pradesh, Syed Ashraf Ali (30), Syed Sohail, Ateeq Ahmed from Hyderabad, and Noone Ashok, a team leader at an Airtel distribution point in Hanamkonda.

The scam came to light on March 31 when immigration officials at Shamsabad Airport intercepted Ashraf Ali while he was attempting to travel to Cambodia carrying 198 Indian SIM cards.

During the investigation, officials found that since 2023, the accused had illegally transported over 600 SIM cards abroad in six separate consignments. Ashraf Ali reportedly came into contact with Rizwan while working at a hotel in Dubai in 2023. Rizwan, who was associated with a gaming call centre, allegedly lured him with money to supply Indian SIM cards.

Ashraf, with the help of local point-of-sale agents, began procuring SIM cards using the personal documents of unsuspecting individuals. Sohail, working as a promoter with Jio, and Ateeq and Ashok, associated with Airtel, allegedly activated these SIM cards using forged

documents and supplied them to the network.

According to TGCSB, the SIM cards were used by cybercriminals in Cambodia for phishing, identity theft, extortion, and other cyber offences, causing significant financial losses to Indian citizens. Shikha Goel further informed that a courier involved in the operation, Aravind Kumar alias Shahid, is absconding. Efforts are underway to apprehend him and identify the mastermind operating the network from abroad. She warned that such activities pose a serious threat to national security and economic stability. Cases have been registered against the accused under the IT Act, Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, and the Telecommunications Act. The TGCSB Director urged citizens to remain cautious about sharing personal documents and advised them to verify SIM cards issued in their name through the 'Sanchar Saathi' portal. She also encouraged the public to report any suspicious numbers or unauthorised SIM cards immediately.

ACE Awards 2026 Celebrate Student Excellence at GITAM Hyderabad

Hyderabad (TSIT): The ACE Awards 2026 at GITAM Deemed to be University celebrated excellence, innovation, and holistic student achievements, showcasing the vibrant campus life of the institution. The event recognized students across diverse categories including Innovation & Technology, Creative Excellence, Social Impact, and Leadership. Sporting achievements were also honored with awards such as Best Athlete (Men & Women), Team of the Year, Emerging Sports Talent, and Excellence in Sports Performance. Student clubs and Special Interest Groups (SIGs) were applauded for their creativity, collaboration, and contributions to campus engagement, strengthening a sense of community among students. The initiative reflects GITAM's commitment to nurturing well-rounded, future-ready individuals by encouraging both academic and co-curricular excellence. The event also featured inspiring success stories from awardees, motivating fellow students.

Attended by Prof. D. S. Rao, DVVSR Varma, Resident Director, and Ambika Philip, Director - Hospitality & Campus Life, who presented the awards. The program was coordinated by Fiza Ahmed, Manager - Student Life, and Suraj Vadapally, Manager - Sports.

HINDUJA HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED		APPENDIX- IV A													
Registered office at 27-A, Developed Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032, Tamil Nadu. E-mail : auction@hindujahousingfinance.com		[See proviso to rule 8 (6)]													
Public Notice For E-Auction Cum Sale (Appendix - IV A) (Rule 8(6))															
Sale of Immovable property mortgaged to Hinduja Housing Finance Limited (HHF) having its Corporate Office at 167-169, 2ND Floor, Little Mount, Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015, and Regional Office at: Hinduja Housing Finance Limited- Door No. #54-16-3/1, 3rd Floor, Central Excise Colony, Rd.No.1, Near Loyala College Main gate, Vijayawada - 520008 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter "Act"). Whereas the Authorized Officer ("AO") of HHF had taken the possession of the following property/ies pursuant to the notice issued U/S 13(2) of the Act in the following loan accounts/prospect nos. with a right to sell the same on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS & AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" basis on the dates mentioned below for realization of the amount due to the Secured Creditor from the borrowers and guarantors. The sale will be done by the Authorized Officer through e-auction platform provided at the website: www.bankauctions.com															
Date of Inspection of Property: 26-APR-2026 11:00 hrs -14:00 hrs EMD Last Date: 05-MAY-2026 till 5 pm. Date/Time of E-Auction: 06-MAY-2026 11:00 hrs-13:00 hrs Bid Increase Amount: Rs. 10,000/-															
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Description Of The Immovable Property : All that the RCC 360 Sq building (under constructing in an extent of 72.6 Sq.yards of site Demarcation No. 17/3, situated in Kasipadu Village and Panchayat, Pedakurapadu Mandal, Guntur District, along with all easementary rights, being bounded by :- East: Property of Amudala Pamulamma; South: Property of Mallela Sivaramaiah; West: Clear Bazar; North: Remaining property of executant:															
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Description Of The Immovable Property : An extent of 192 Sq. yards or 160.53Sq. meters of site with RCC daba house in D.No. 193/18, situated in Old Door No. 11-167, New Door No. 13-187, Asst No. 2567, Pedakurapadu Gram Panchayat area, Pedakurapadu Gram Panchayat area, Pedakurapadu Village, Pedakurapadu Mandal, Pedakurapadu Sub Dis.,Narasaraopet Regn. Dist., Guntur District, along with all easementary rights, being bounded by: East: house belongs to Yampogu Dwaraka; South: Panchayat Road; West: House belongs to Isukula Asrwardam; North: House belongs to Kancharla Dasu;															
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Description Of The Immovable Property : All that the land and R.C.C. building consisting Ground Floor constructing in an extent of 120 Sq Yards Or 100.34 Sq Mts situated in D.No. 326/1, Block No. 2, Door No.2-65, Appapuram gram Panchayat area, Appapuram Village, Kakumani Mandal, SRO Kakumani, Guntur District, along with all Easementary Rights, being bounded by - R.C.C. 650 Sq.ft. East: Panchayat Bazaar-24 ft; South: House belongs to Dontineni Venkateswarlu 45ft; West: Panchayat Bazaar -24 ft; North: Panchayat Bazaar -45ft;															
Mode Of Payment :- All payment shall be made by demand draft in favour of "Hinduja Housing Finance Limited" payable at Vijayawada or through RTGS/NEFT.															
Special Instructions / Caution: Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Hinduja Housing Finance Limited nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements / alternatives such as back-up power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.															
Place: Andhra Pradesh Date : 02.04./2026.		Sd/- Authorised Officer - Hinduja Housing Finance Limited													

<p>1. Mr. Sagar babu Nandigama...Borrower 2. Mrs. Nirmala Nandigama, R/o. D.No. 4-289, Nearby RCM church road, Sattenapalle, Bhimavaram (village), Bhimavaram, Andhra Pradesh, India - 522403. LAN: AP/GNT/CHRL/A000000339</p>	<p>Date Of Possession: 15-10-2025</p> <p>Demand Notice Date & Amount: 17-06-2025 Rs. 6,01,291/-</p>	<p>Reserve Price Rs.869130/-</p> <p>Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 86913/-</p>	<p>Total Outstanding As On Date (25-03-2026) Rs.603936/-</p>
Description Of The Immovable Property : Palnadu District, Narasaraopet (R.D.), Sattenapalli SRO- Sattenapalli Mandal, Bhimavaram Gram Panchayath area, Bhimavaram Grama Kantham, D.No. 144-1, out of Ac. 8.40 cts, Door No. 4-289, Assesment No. 644, an extent of 125.33 sq.yds., of site with R.C.C Building with all fixtures and fittings there bounded by:- R.C. CSO. East: Panchayath Bazaar, 24 ft., South: Panchayat Bazaar, 47ft., West: House of Inabariha Esha, 24ft., North: House of Nandigama Mariyadasu, 47 ft.			
<p>1. Mr. Boppuri Issaku...Borrower 2. Mrs. Boppuri Ribka R/o. D.No. 1, Middlebavi Colony, Near Sarma School, Vinukonda, A.P - 522647. LAN: AP-GNT-GNTR-A000000647</p>	<p>Date Of Possession: 19-11-2025</p> <p>Demand Notice Date & Amount: 16/07/2025 Rs. 7,92,834/-</p>	<p>Reserve Price Rs.1524159/-</p> <p>Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 152415/-</p>	<p>Total Outstanding As On Date (25-03-2026) Rs.858756/-</p>
Description Of The Immovable Property : Palnadu District, Narasaraopet Registration District, Vinukonda SubDistrict, Vinukonda Mandal, Venkupalem Gram Panchayat Area, Venkupalem Village, in D.No. 58, Assen No. 532, an extent of 96.8 sq.yds of site along with RCC Daba House is being bounded by: East : Site belongs to Gowasya, West : Site belongs to Siva, North: House belongs to Kanduriki Ingalah, South: Panchayat Road			
<p>1. Mrs. Madasu Veeranajamma...Borrower 2. Mr. Madasu Sambasiva Rao R/o. Gopalapuram Village, Edallapadu Mandal, Palnadu District, Aganavadi School, Guntur, A.P. 522529. LAN: AP/GNT/GNTR/A000000332</p>	<p>Date Of Possession: 07-11-2025</p> <p>Demand Notice Date & Amount: 10/07/2025 Rs. 7,30,667/-</p>	<p>Reserve Price Rs.988734/-</p> <p>Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 98873/-</p>	<p>Total Outstanding As On Date (25-03-2026) Rs.788092/-</p>
Description Of The Immovable Property : Narasaraopet (R.D.) - Narasaraopet SRO- Bapatta District - Santhamaguluru Mandal/Ho Koppuram- Paththapuram Grama Panchayath area - Koppuram Village - D.No. 826- Door No. 9-319- Assessment No. 100 - an extent of 121 sq.yds., of site bounded by:- East: Property of Komaragiri Koeswara Rao 65ft., South : Panchayath Road, 18 ft., West: Property of Komaragiri Yoggamma, 65 ft., North : Panchayath Road, 18ft			
<p>1. Mrs. MALAPOLU CHITTIMMA...Borrower 2. Mr. MALAPOLU PEDDA HANUMANTHARAO R/o 3-374/1, china kanchara, Near govt school, Vinukonda, Andhra Pradesh, India - 522649. LAN: AP/GNT/GNTR/A000000265</p>	<p>Date Of Possession: 27-01-2026</p> <p>Demand Notice Date & Amount: 6-11-2025 Rs. 6,77,375/-</p>	<p>Reserve Price Rs.1148184/-</p> <p>Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 114818/-</p>	<p>Total Outstanding As On Date (25-03-2026) Rs.689089/-</p>
Description Of The Immovable Property : Guntur District, Present In Palnadu District, Narasaraopet Regn., Dist., Vinukonda Sub Dist., Savalapuram Mandal, China Kanchara Grampanchayat Area, pichikalapalem Village, grama Kantam D.No.340, door No 2-133, An Extent 112.43sq Yds Site With Rcc Daba House Bearing Bounded By R.c.c. 300. East: Panchayat Road, South: House Belongs Malapolu Pedda Moshe, West: Site Belongs To Salluri Yesubu, North: Panchayat Road. Within The Above Boundaries An Extent Of 112.43sq Yds Or 94.441 Sq Mts Site With Rcc Daba House			
<p>1. Mrs. Shaik Subhan Bee...Borrower 2. Mr. Shaik Jan Saida...Co-Borrower, R/o. 1-238, Podapadu, Lingamgunta, Main Road, Rural, Sattenapalle, Andhra Pradesh- 522402. Loan No. AP/GNT/GNTR/A000000434</p>	<p>Date Of Possession: 08-01-2026</p> <p>Demand Notice Date & Amount: 20-11-2024 Rs. 11,19,311/-</p>	<p>Reserve Price Rs.13,08,120/-</p> <p>Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 130812/-</p>	<p>Total Outstanding As On Date (10-01-2026) Rs.13,72,813/-</p>
Description Of The Immovable Property : Palnadu District, Narasaraopet Registration District, pedakurapadu Sub District, Pedakurapadu Mandal, Lingamgunta Village, in D.No. 385/B, Door No. 1-230, an extent of 121 Sq.yds of site along with RCC Daba House 896 sq.ft is being bounded by: BOUNDARIES:- EAST : 2Hr wide Road -30.3ft, WEST : Shaik Ramzan Valli house site -30ft, NORTH : Shaik Ramzan saith -36.3ft, SOUTH : Shaik Hussain Bil house site -36.3ft			

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF ONLINE E-AUCTION SALE:- 1. The Property is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE IS WITHOUT RECURSUS BASIS". As such sale is without any kind of warranties & indemnities. 2. Particulars of the property / assets (viz. extent & measurements specified in the E-Auction Sale Notice has been stated to the best of information of the Secured Creditor and Secured Creditor shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission. Actual extent & dimensions may differ. 3. E-Auction Sale Notice issued by the Secured Creditor is an invitation to the general public to submit their bids and the same does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or representation on the part of the Secured Creditor. Interested bidders are advised to peruse the copies of title deeds with the Secured Creditor and to conduct own independent enquiries/due diligence about the title & present condition of the property / assets and claims / dues affecting the property before submission of bid/s. 4. Auction/bidding shall only be through "online electronic mode" through the website https://www.bankauctions.com Or Auction provided by the service provider M/s. C1 India Private Limited, who shall arrange & coordinate the entire process of auction through the e-auction platform. 5. The bidders may participate in e-auction for bidding from their place of choice. Internet connectivity shall have to be ensured by bidder himself. Secured Creditor / service provider shall not be held responsible for the internet connectivity, network problems, system crash own, power failure etc. 6. For details, help, procedure and online bidding on e-auction prospective bidders may contact the Service Provider M/S C1 India Pvt Ltd, Plot No. 68, 3rd floor Sector 44 Gurgaon Haryana -122003 (Contact no. 921981124,25,26 [Support Email - Support@bankauctions.com, Mr. P.Dharani Krishna Mob.9948182222. Email: andhra@c1india.com]. 7. For participating in the e-auction sale the intending bidders should register their name at https://www.bankauctions.com in advance and shall get the user id and password. Intending bidders are advised to change only the password immediately upon receiving it from the service provider. 8. For participating in e-auction, intending bidders have to deposit a refundable EMD of 10% OF RESERVE PRICE (as mentioned above) shall be payable by interested bidders through Demand Draft/NEFT/RTGS in favour of "Hinduja Housing Finance Limited" on or before 5-May-2026. 9. The intending bidders should submit the duly filled in Bid Form (format available on https://www.bankauctions.com) along with the Demand Draft remittance towards EMD in a sealed cover addressed to the Authorized Officer Hinduja Housing Finance Limited, Regional Office Door No. #54-16-3/1, 3rd Floor, Central Excise Colony, Rd.No1, Near Loyala College Main gate, Vijayawada - 520008 latest by 05:00 PM on 5-May-2026. The sealed cover should be super scribed with "Bid for participating in E-Auction Sale- in the Loan Account No.S. (as mentioned above) for property of (as mentioned above). 10. After expiry of the last date of submission of bids with EMD, Authorized Officer shall examine the bids received by him and confirm the details of the qualified bidders (who have quoted their bids over and above the reserve price and paid the specified EMD with the Secured Creditor) to the service provider M/s. C1 India Private Limited to enable them to allow only those bidders to participate in the online inter-se bidding / auction proceedings at the date and time mentioned in E-Auction Sale Notice. 11. Inter-se bidding among the qualified bidders shall start from the highest bid quoted by the qualified bidders. During the process of inter-se bidding, there will be unlimited extension of "10" minutes each, i.e. the end time of e-auction shall be automatically extended by 10 Minutes each time if bid is made within 10 minutes from the last extension. 12. Bids once made shall not be cancelled or withdrawn. All bids made from the user id given to bidder will be deemed to have been made by him alone. 13. Immediately upon closure of E-Auction proceedings, the highest bidder shall confirm the final amount of bid quoted by him BY E-Mail auction@hindujahousingfinance.com both to the Authorized Officer, Hinduja Housing Limited, Regional Office Door No. #54-16-3/1, 3rd Floor, Central Excise Colony, Rd.No1, Near Loyala College Main gate, Vijayawada - 520008 and the Service Provider for getting declared as successful bidder in the E-Auction Sale proceedings. 14. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the bid amount (including EMD) on the same day of the sale, being knocked down in his favour and balance 75% of bid amount within 15 days from the date of sale by DD/Pay order/NEFT/RTGS/Chq favouring Hinduja Housing Finance Limited. 15. In case of default in payment of above stipulated amounts by the successful bidder, the intending bidders are advised to change only the password immediately upon receiving it from the service provider. 16. 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Bids shall be made taking into consideration of all the statutory dues pertaining to the property. 19. Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorized Officer in favour of the successful bidder only upon deposit of entire purchase price / bid amount and furnishing the necessary proof in respect of payment of all taxes / charges. 20. Applicable legal charges for conveyance, stamp duty, registration charges and other incidental charges shall be borne by the auction purchaser. 21. The Authorized officer may postpone / cancel the E-Auction Sale proceedings without assigning any reason whatsoever. In case the E-Auction Sale scheduled is postponed to a later date before 30 days from the scheduled date of sale, it will be displayed on the website of the service provider. 22. The decision of the Authorized Officer is final, binding and unquestionable. 23. All bidders who submitted the bids, shall be deemed to have read and understood the terms and conditions of the E-Auction Sale and be bound by them. 24. For further details and queries, contact Authorized Officer, Hinduja Housing Finance Limited: Mr. Ramakrishna murthy (

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Government Stands by Maize Farmers, Assures Remunerative Prices

The South India Times, Visakhapatnam : The Andhra Pradesh government is fully committed to supporting maize farmers and ensuring they receive remunerative prices for their produce, said State Agriculture Minister Kinjarapu Atchannaaidu.



Despite these challenges, he emphasized that the government is taking proactive measures to ensure that farmers do not suffer losses. The minister also criticized certain political parties for allegedly spreading misinformation about a drastic fall in maize prices, stating that such claims are creating unnecessary fear among farmers and could harm their interests.

Recalling past interventions, he said the government had stepped in to support farmers during price drops in crops like paddy, chilli, mango, cocoa, tobacco, onion, tomato, and papaya by setting up procurement centres and facilitating purchases through MARKFED. He assured that similar measures would be taken for maize farmers as well. He further highlighted that the government is extending support to farmers through uninterrupted power supply, irrigation facilities, water security, and investment assistance. Financial aid under schemes such as PM Kisan Samman Nidhi and Annadata Sukhibhava has already been credited to farmers' accounts recently. Appealing to buyers and companies, the minister urged them to consider the input costs borne by farmers and offer fair prices. He stressed that coordinated efforts between the government, buyers, and farmers are essential to ensure sustainable and remunerative pricing for maize produce.

New Collector M. Abhishikt Kishore Assumes Charge in Visakhapatnam

THE SOUTH INDIA TIMES, Visakhapatnam. M. Abhishikt Kishore formally assumed charge as the new District Collector of Visakhapatnam on Wednesday afternoon. After taking over in his chamber at the Collectorate, he addressed the media and affirmed his commitment to the district's overall development and public welfare. The Collector stated that Visakhapatnam is not only crucial to the state but also a key economic, industrial, and IT hub for the country. He emphasized that the district would witness faster growth by attracting more investments in IT, industries, data centers, and tourism sectors. He expressed confidence that major projects like the Bhogapuram Airport and port-led developments would significantly transform the district's

landscape to governance, he said he would directly engage with the public to understand their issues and plan development activities based on grassroots needs through field visits.

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Table with columns: Sl. No., Loan Account Number, Borrower's Name, Description of the Immovable Property, Date of Possession, Outstanding Due Amount, Reserve Price and EMD amount in Rs., Property Inspection Date, Auction Date & Time.

Place of Auction: MANAPPURAM HOME FINANCE LTD, 2nd Floor, Old D.No.2/491-A, and New D.No. 2/432/2, situated at YSR Kadapa, District ward No. 2, AP Pin 516001 Terms & Conditions: [1] To participate in the Auction, the intending bidders have to deposit earnest money by way of DD favouring "MANAPPURAM HOME FINANCE LIMITED". [2] The Successful Bidder has to pay 25% of the Bid Amount immediately on the Sale being decided in his/her favour...

Waltair Division Achieves Record Growth, Ranks Among Top Performers



Visakhapatnam (TSIT): The Waltair Division of the Indian Railways has recorded outstanding performance in the financial year 2025-26, achieving significant growth in revenue, freight, and passenger services, said Divisional Railway Manager Lalit Bohara. Sharing the division's achievements, Bohara stated that Waltair secured 5th position nationwide in both revenue and freight loading, marking the year as a milestone in its history. The division also emerged as the top performer in incremental traffic growth, registering 1,600 crore.

Waltair achieved a historic loading of 85.1 million tonnes, reflecting a 17.25% increase, while total freight handling reached a record 150 million tonnes. Freight revenue stood at 10,422.56 crore, strengthening the division's financial base. Passenger services also saw notable growth, with 33.42 million recorded, generating 881.37 crore—highest in the last 21 years. Overall revenue rose to 11,598.07 crore, marking a 17% increase over the previous year. The division earned multiple accolades, including Platinum Green certification for Visakhapatnam Railway Station and the Overall Efficiency Shield, along with awards in 14 categories. Infrastructure and safety initiatives included new residential complexes, additional rail lines, and the introduction of AI-based "ASC Arjun" RoboCop. Passenger amenities were enhanced with IRCTC dormitories, sleeping pods, and over 300 special trains during peak seasons. Looking ahead, redevelopment of Visakhapatnam station is progressing, while proposals such as the Visakhapatnam-Bengaluru Vande Bharat train are under consideration, aiming to further modernize and expand services.

IIFL FINANCE PUBLIC NOTICE The branch of IIFL Finance Limited located at Door No. 9-342, Gopalapuram Vani Veedi, Addanki, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh - 523201 is shifting to below mentioned address with effect from 02.07.2026.

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HOME MINISTER ANITA TOURS PAYAKARAOPTA CONSTITUENCY, DISTRIBUTES PENSIONS DOOR-TO-DOOR

Nakkapalli (TSIT) The Home Minister Anita conducted an official tour in the Payakaraopta constituency on Tuesday. Upon her arrival in Nakkapalli, she received a warm and grand welcome from local women. During her visit, the minister went door-to-door distributing pensions, personally interacting with residents and understanding their concerns. She also carried out an awareness campaign by distributing pamphlets highlighting various

government welfare schemes aimed at improving the lives of handloom workers. Speaking on the occasion, Minister Anita stated that the government is providing up to 200 units of free electricity to handloom weavers. She explained that this initiative would significantly reduce the burden of electricity bills and help increase their income. The minister also interacted with handloom workers in Nakkapalli, inquiring about their well-being and challenges.

HINDUJA HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED APPENDIX- IV A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)] Public Notice For E-Auction Cum Sale (Appendix - IV A) (Rule 8(6)) Sale of Immovable property mortgaged to Hinduja Housing Finance Limited (HHF) having its Corporate Office at 167-169, 2ND Floor, Little Mount, Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015, and Regional Office at - Hinduja Housing Finance Limited- Door No. #54-16-3/1, 3rd Floor, Central Excise Colony, Rd.No1, Near Loyala College Main gate, Vijayawada - 520008 under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter "Act").

1. MRS. MOHAMMAD RIZWANA...BORROWER 2. MR. MOHAMMED MAHMOOD BASHA...CO-BORROWER R/o. D.No 39-1-26, SURYANARAYANA PURAM, RURAL, KAKINADA, AP 533001. LAN: AP/RJM/KND/A000000050

“Tax Plunder on Karnataka”: CM Siddaramaiah Slams Centre

Bengaluru: Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has strongly criticized the Union Government over what he termed as “tax injustice,” questioning whether the current system amounts to “tax terrorism” or “tax plunder.”



In a press statement, Siddaramaiah alleged that for every one rupee contributed by Karnataka in taxes, the state receives only 15 paise in return. He stated that while the Centre collected over 4.50 lakh crore from the state in the last financial year, Karnataka received only 79,000 crore.

The Chief Minister pointed out that despite being one of the top contributors to GST—ranking

second in total collections and first in growth rate—the state gets only about 52% in return. He blamed the “flawed implementation” of GST for causing significant financial losses to Karnataka.

Targeting BJP leaders, including Basavaraj Bommai and R. Ashoka, Siddaramaiah accused them of remaining silent on the issue when it mat-

tered and failing to defend the interests of Kannadigas.

He further alleged that the Centre has weakened Karnataka’s financial position by denying its rightful share under the Finance Commission, withholding cess and surcharge revenues, and underfunding centrally sponsored schemes. This, he said, has forced the state to rely on borrowing.

Citing rising national debt under Narendra Modi, Siddaramaiah noted that the country’s debt has surged from 51.06 lakh crore in 2014 to 214 lakh crore in the 2026-27 Budget, placing a significant burden on citizens, including those in Karnataka.

Asserting that Karnataka could manage

“Power Battle in May”: Bommai Urges Voters to Back BJP in By-Poll

Davanagere: Former Chief Minister and MP Basavaraj Bommai predicted a fierce political battle for power in May and urged voters to support the BJP in the ongoing by-election.



Addressing a meeting of the Arya Vaishya community at Sri Vasavi Kalyana Mantapa in Davanagere, Bommai campaigned in favour of BJP candidate Srinivasa Dasakariyappa. He appealed to the community to make a “calculated decision” and ensure BJP’s victory, expressing confidence that the party could end its 30-year losing streak in the constituency.

Bommai alleged that

the Congress government led by Siddaramaiah had neglected backward classes and diverted funds meant for their development. He accused the government of misus-

ing resources, including funds allocated for SC/ST welfare, and termed the administration as “corrupt.”

The BJP leader claimed that political infighting within the ruling party has only paused due to the by-election and warned of a major power struggle in the coming months. He called on voters to “oust the corrupt government” and bring back a people-oriented BJP.

Senior leaders including B. S. Yediyurappa and G.M. Siddeshwara were present at the event, expressing confidence in the victory of BJP candidate Srinivasa Dasakariyappa.

EARA Group Launches Luxury Project ‘Amidst Nature’ in Bengaluru

Bengaluru: EARA Group has officially entered the luxury real estate segment with the launch of its flagship project, ‘Amidst Nature’, a premium residential development in Kaggalipura near Kanakapura Main Road.



Spread across 18 acres, the project is designed as a low-density, multi-phase community featuring residential plots, future apartments, and select commercial spaces. Phase 1, comprising 141 villa plots ranging from 2400 to 3500 sq. ft., is expected to be completed within 18 months, with prices starting from 1.92 crore.

The project stands out for its compliance-first approach, offering full approvals from BMRDA and RERA, along with clear land titles and audit-ready documentation. With infrastructure such as underground cabling, fiber connectivity, and wide internal roads already in place, buyers can begin construction immediately.

Focusing on sustainable living, over 45% of the area is dedicated to open spaces, complemented by eco-friendly planning and modern amenities including a swimming pool, sports courts, and amphitheatre.

Founder and CEO E. Lakshminarayana Reddy, with over 18 years of experience in Bengaluru’s real estate sector, emphasized transparency and buyer confidence as core principles. The project also benefits from strong connectivity, located close to the proposed Peripheral Ring Road and major transport corridors. With ‘Amidst Nature’, EARA Group aims to redefine luxury living by combining legal clarity, infrastructure readiness.

Request to Operate Train via Hubballi, Gadag Bypass

Bengaluru: With the completion of the 9.60 km double-line railway work between Alamatti and Wandal, which has been open for traffic since March 25,

Infrastructure Development Minister M. B. Patil has urged the introduction of a long-pending express train service between Bengaluru and Vijayapura.

He has written a letter regarding this on March 30 to Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav and Minister V. Somanna.

In the letter, he stated that the Alamatti-Wandal section, part of the Gadag-Hotgi double-line project, has now been completed. During an earlier meeting, it was mentioned that once this work was finished, an express train between

Bengaluru and Vijayapura could be introduced. He has now requested that this be given priority. He highlighted that thousands of people from Vijayapura and Bagalkote districts travel daily to Bengaluru for education, healthcare, administrative work, and business, and this train service would greatly benefit them.

Currently, the train journey between the two cities takes about 15 hours, which is inconvenient. He stressed the need to reduce this travel time to around 10 hours. He also requested that trains departing from Bengaluru be given a limited stops upto Hubballi, and that trains proceeding to Vijayapura should be routed via the Hubballi and Gadag bypass lines.

Renowned Drs from Bangalore drives chickenpox immunization for underprivileged Girls through G.A.U.R.I initiative

Bangalore : Dr.Anuradha Vinod, pediatrician from Manipal Hospital, & Dr Sandesh Alva, pediatrician from Apollo Clinic in Electronics City, Bangalore, have taken a strong step forward to promote equitable healthcare by vaccinating underprivileged girls against chickenpox. This effort was part of G.A.U.R.I. (Generating Awareness on Underprivileged Girls’ Right to Immunization). An initiative by Novo Medi Sciences Pvt. Ltd. focused on improving access to the chickenpox vaccine for girls from marginalized communities. The event was supported by CRY (Child Rights and You), to further strengthen its impact. The initiative encouraged people across the country to show their support for immunization rights through a simple

missed call, and what began



as a symbolic gesture of solidarity has grown into a wider movement advocating for preventive healthcare access for deprived girls.

Gaps in protection continue to persist, as several important vaccines are not covered under India’s

Universal Immunization Programme (UIP). As a result, many children miss out on essential vaccinations, including the chickenpox vaccine, which remains outside the programme and therefore out of reach for many families. These disparities are particularly evident in rural regions and among low-income households, where access to comprehensive immunization is more limited compared to urban and affluent communities. This leads to continued variation in vaccine coverage across geographies and socioeconomic groups.

Dr. Anuradha Vinod, pediatrician from Manipal Hospital, Bangalore, shed light on the motivation behind this initiative, stating, “Chickenpox is a preventable disease, yet many children—particularly

underprivileged girls from communities—remain unvaccinated. Ensuring timely immunization for every underprivileged girl child is crucial for building healthier communities. Through the G.A.U.R.I. initiative, the initiative has worked to raise awareness and directly address gaps in vaccine access for underprivileged girls.

Action plan to be prepared for comprehensive development of KR Market: Maheshwar Rao

Bengaluru: Chief Commissioner Maheshwar Rao instructed officials to prepare an action plan for the comprehensive development of KR Market and to set a timeline for completion of the works. During his visit to KR Market under the Bengaluru Central City Corporation limits today, he reviewed the situation along with officials and stated that a detailed action plan should be prepared covering proper waste disposal, installation of CCTV cameras, concreting of internal roads, providing proper connectivity to the flower market, and other development works. He directed officials to submit a report within one week along with a clear timeline for completion of these works.

He also instructed that all necessary locations in KR Market be assessed for installation of CCTV cameras from a safety perspective, and that a report be submitted immediately, followed by swift action to install the cameras. In addition, he noted that the internal roads in the market are in poor condition and directed that they be repaired and a concrete layer be laid. At the KR Market junction, asphaltting work has been completed, and the service road has been developed with concrete. In this regard, officials were directed to facilitate smooth vehicular movement from the flyover down ramp at the earliest. Proper connectivity to the flower market: Representatives of the market association stated that lack of proper connectivity to the flower market is causing inconvenience to citizens. Responding to this, the Chief Commissioner inspected the site and instructed officials to provide proper access. He also directed that necessary safety measures be implemented near staircases to ensure smooth movement of the public. Provision of trolleys and crates: Officials informed that a comprehensive plan has been prepared for scientific disposal of waste generated in the market. Trolleys and crates are being arranged for collection of waste in vegetable, fruit, and flower markets.

Additionally, sheds are being constructed for waste collection to prevent littering.

Steps for overall cleanliness: Unhygienic conditions were observed in the market flooring, roads, and surrounding areas. Officials were instructed to undertake comprehensive cleaning across the market. Directions were given to use jet spray and floor-cleaning machines to carry out effective cleaning operations.

Modern parking facility: As thousands of people visit KR Market daily, a structured parking system has been developed to benefit customers and traders. Through Right Parking Company, a basement parking facility accommodating 400 two-wheelers and 200 cars has been completed. Officials were directed to open this parking facility to the public at the earliest.

The parking area is equipped with 67 AI-based cameras, 12 alarm systems, marked parking spaces for vehicles, and wall art at entry and exit points.

Other key points:

- Instructions to remove the damaged fencing in front of KR Market
- Direction to design comprehensive development plans for pedestrian movement areas
- Improvement of drainage systems to ensure smooth water flow during the rainy season
- Direction to complete median work within one week to provide access to the parking area

NORTHERN ARC

HEAD OFF: 10TH FLOOR - PHASE 1, IIT-MADRAS RESEARCH PARK, KANAGAM VILLAGE, TARAMANI, CHENNAI 600113

ANNEXURE-V

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS CHARGED TO THE BANK UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

The undersigned as Authorized Officer of Northern Arc Capital Ltd has taken over Physical possession of the following properties u/s 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act. Public at large is informed that e-Auction of the charged properties under SARFAESI Act in the below mentioned cases for realisation of NORTHERN ARC's dues will be held on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and on the terms and conditions specified hereunder.

Name Of Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Outstanding Dues for Recovery of which Property/ies is/are being Sold	Description of The Property
1(a). BABUJEE PAPPALA 2(a). Pappala Siresha 3(a). Ramana Pappala 4(a). Pappala Nookarntam 5(a). Krishnam Raju Pappala 6(a). Venkata Lakshmi Pappala	Rs. 43,13,964.36 and interest thereon w.e.f. as on 13th November, 2025 plus other charges	As Per Regd settlement Deed Bearing Doct. No. 2366/2019 Dated 23-04-2019 Of Sro. Yelamanchilli. All That Piece And Parcel Of The Property Bearing 74 Sq.yds Or 60.606 Sq.Mts. Together With Rice Building 963 Sq.Feet Bearing Door No. 7-65, Assessment No. 983, Covered By Survey No.1251, Situated In Etikoppaka Village Yelamanchilli Mandal, Anakapalli District Yelamanchilli Sub Registrar Office And Total Property Boundry By Measurements: East : 26 Feet Or 7.924 Mtrs, South : 25.5 Feet Or 7.774 Sq.mtrs, West : 26 Feet Or 7.924 Mtrs, North : 25.5 Feet Or 7.774 Sq.mtrs, Within Following Boundaries: North : House Belongs To Murakuti Demuluru, South :panchayathi Road Avala House Of Pnapothula, Chinademuluru, East: House Belongs To Moturu Ramulamma, West: House Belongs To Bandaru Apparao.

DETAILS OF SALE ARE AS BELOW:-

Reserve Price	Last Date For Submission Of Bid And EMD (10% Of The Reserve Price)	Bid Increment Amount	Date And Time Of E-Auction Sale
Rs.35,98,560/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Ninety Eight Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Only)	15th April 2026 (Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred & Fifty Six Only)	Rs.25,000/-	Time 11.00 am to 01.00 pm

AND

Name Of Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Outstanding Dues for Recovery of which Property/ies is/are being Sold	Description of The Property
1(a). BABUJEE PAPPALA 2(a). Pappala Siresha 3(a). Ramana Pappala 4(a). Pappala Nookarntam 5(a). Krishnam Raju Pappala 6(a). Venkata Lakshmi Pappala	Rs. 27,12,218.22 and interest thereon w.e.f. as on 13th November, 2025 plus other charges	As Per The Registered Settlement Deed Bearing Doct.No. 8730/2024, Dated 19.07.2024 Of Sro Yelamanchilli. All That The Site Measuring An Extent Of 365.55 Sq.Yds Or 305.63 Sq.Mts Together With In Ground Floor Measuring 3290 Sq Ft Per Kutti Shedu (a.c.c. Sheet) Bearing Bounded By: Within Following Boundaries: North : Raha Dari 40 Feet Or 12.196 Sq.mts And Raha Dari, South :land Of Lanka Apparao 30 Feet Or 0.140 Sq Mts And Land Of Lanka Apparao, East: Land Of Lanka Ramana 97 Feet Or 29.552 Mts. And Land Of Lanka Ramana, West: Land Os Pappala Nagaraju 91 Feet Or 27.724 Sq.Mts And Land Os Pappala Nagaraju

DETAILS OF SALE ARE AS BELOW:-

Reserve Price	Last Date For Submission Of Bid And EMD (10% Of The Reserve Price)	Bid Increment Amount	Date And Time Of E-Auction Sale
Rs.9,86,991/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Eighty Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety One Only)	15th April 2026 Rs. 98,699/- (Rupees Ninety Eight Thousand Six Hundred & Ninety Nine Only)	Rs.25,000/-	Time 11.00 am to 01.00 pm

DATE & TIME OF INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTY: 6th April 2026 11:00 am to 5:00 pm and upon request on call to the Authorized officer Mr Sunil Verma 9987030148.

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

- E-Auction is being held on "AS IS WHERE IS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and will be conducted "Online". The auction will be conducted through Northern Arc Capital Limited's approved service provider MIS E-Procurement Technologies Ltd Auction Tiger Ahmadabad (Contact Person :- Mr. Ram Sharma Cell no. 800002397, Email ramprasads@auctiontiger.net & (Contact Person :- Mr. Sunil Verma Cell 9987030148 Email sunil.verma@northernarc.com, Mr. Ramesh Rao 8973284555, Anand Devkar 9800531100 and Sameer Suke Call 91529 1835 Email sameer.suke@northernarc.com) at the web portal (http://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net). E-Auction Tender Document containing online e-Auction bid form is available in websites, http://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net
- The intending purchasers / bidders are required to deposit EMD amount either through NEFT/RTGS in the Account No.65252037994, Northern Arc Capital Limited - State Bank of India & IFSC Code: SBIN0009930 or by way of demand draft drawn in favour of Northern Arc Capital Limited, drawn on any Nationalized or Scheduled Bank.
- Bidders shall hold a valid email ID (e-mail ID is absolutely necessary for the intending bidder as all the relevant information and allotment of ID & password may be conveyed through email).
- The intending bidder should submit the evidence for EMD deposit like UTR number along with Request Letter for participation in the E-auction, self-attested copies of (i) Proof of Identification (KYC) viz. Voter ID Card/Driving License/Passport etc. (ii) Current Address-Proof for communication, (iii) PAN Card of the bidder, (iv) valid e-mail ID, (v) contact number (Mobile/Landline) of the bidder etc. to Northern Arc Capital Limited by Date 15th April, 2026 Time 11:00 AM to 02:00PM. Scanned copies of the original of these documents are also submitted to the e-mail ID of Northern Arc Capital Limited.
- Names of the Eligible Bidders will be identified by the Northern Arc Capital Limited to participate in online e-auction on the portal, http://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net (Auction Tiger) will provide User ID & Password after due verification of PAN of the Eligible Bidders.
- It shall be the responsibility of the interested bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the property before submission of the bid.
- The e-Auction/bidding of above properties would be conducted exactly on the scheduled Date & Time. The bidder shall improve their offer in multiple of the amount mentioned under the column "Bid Increment Amount" against the property. In case bid is placed in the last 5 minutes of the closing time of the e-auction, the closing time will automatically get extended for 5 minutes. The bidder who submits the highest bid amount (not below the Reserve Price) on closure of e-auction process shall be declared as Successful Bidder and communication to that effect will be issued through electronic mode which shall be subject to approval by Northern Arc Capital Limited (Secured Creditor).
- The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of the successful bidder shall be retained towards part sale consideration and the EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded.
- The Sale Confirmation/Title Certificate will be issued in the name of the purchaser(s) / applicant(s) only and will not be issued in any other name(s).

Date: 1st April 2026
Place: Visakapatnam
For, Northern Arc Capital Ltd
Authorized Officer

HINDUJA HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

Registered office at 27-A, Developed Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032, Tamil Nadu. E-mail : auction@hindujahousingfinance.com

APPENDIX- IV-A
(See proviso to rule 8 (6))

Public Notice For E-Auction Cum Sale (Appendix - IV A) (Rule 8(6))

Sale of Immovable property mortgaged to Hinduja Housing Finance Limited (HHF) having its Corporate Office at 167-169, 2ND Floor, Little Mount, Saidapet, Chennai - 600 015, and Regional Office at: Hinduja Housing Finance Limited- Door No. 54-16-3/1, 3rd Floor, Central Excise Colony, Rtd.No1, Near Loyala College Main Gate, Vijayawada - 520008 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter "Act"). Whereas the Authorized Officer ("AO") of HHF has taken the possession of the following property/ies pursuant to the notice issued U/S 13(2) of the Act in the following loan accounts/prospect nos. with a right to sell the same on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS & AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" basis on the dates mentioned below for realization of the amount due to the Secured Creditor from the borrowers and guarantors. The sale will be done by the Authorized Officer through e-auction platform provided at the website: www.bankauctions.com

DATE OF INSPECTION OF PROPERTY: 28-04-2026 - 1100 HRS -14 HRS EMD LAST DATE: 04-05-2026 TILL 5 PM.			
DATE / TIME OF E-AUCTION: 05-05-2026 - 1100 HRS-1300 HRS. BID INCREASE AMOUNT: RS. 10,000/-			
Borrower(s) /Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Date Of Physical Possession: 11-03-2026	Reserve Price	Total Outstanding
1. Mr. Bhadrachalam Nakka Borrower, 2. Mrs. Nakka Jayanthi ...Co-Borrower, R/o Nuzvidu, Krishna Dist, Andhra Pradesh -521201 AP/VVD/GVD/A000000031	Demand Notice Date and Amount 21-03-2025 Rs. 5,31,582/-	Rs. 10,03,500/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 1,00,350/-	As On Date 14-03-2026. Rs. 6,62,423/-

Description of the Immovable property/ Secured Asset : All that the land and R.C.C building consisting Ground floor constructing in an extent of 169.42 Sq Yards or 141.63 Sq Mts situated in RS No.30, Door No.2-88, Devaragunta Grama panchayat, Devaragunta Village, Nuzvidu Revenue Mandal SR Nuzvidu, Eluru District along with all easementary rights, being bounded by:- East: Property of Nakka Sathyanarayana, South: Panchayath Road, West: Property of Nakka Lakshminarayana, North: Property of Ramaiah, Regd. Settlement Deed No.7676/2022 Dt.03.09.2022 SR Nuzvidu

Borrower(s) /Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Date Of Physical Possession: 14-03-2026	Reserve Price	Total Outstanding
1. Mr. Luka Babu BurraBorrower 2. Mrs. Lalita Borra ...Co-Borrower, D.No.1-140, Pinipaka, Krishna, Andhra Pradesh - 521228. AP/VVD/BENZ/A000000918	Demand Notice Date and Amount 14/06/2025 Rs. 6,10,903/-	Rs. 11,37,415/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 6,91,488/-	As On Date 01-04-2026. Rs. 6,91,488/-

Description of the Immovable property/ Secured Asset : An extent of Ac. 0.2 1/2 Cents or 121.0 sq.yards of site along with RCC Building there in R.S.No. 110, Sub-division R.S. No. 110/1A, Assessment No. 275, situated in Door No. 2-75, Pinapaka Village, G. Konduru Mandal, Mylavaram Sub-Registrar, NTR District, along with all easementary rights, being bounded by:- East: Zilla Parishad Road, South: Property of Gundamalla Raja Rao, West: Property of Burra sunantha, North: Property of Mikili venkayamma

Borrower(s) /Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Date Of Physical Possession: 11-03-2026	Reserve Price	Total Outstanding
1. Mr. Uma Satya Hanuman Ganesh Kumar Marina...borrower 2. Mr. Mohan Marina ...co-borrower, 3. Mr. Durga Prasad Marina ...co-borrower, 4. Mrs. Jyothi Marina...Co-Borrower, D.No. 6B-14-20, Dakshinapa Veedhi, Jalaparnavara Colony Eluru, Andhra Pradesh - 534001. AP/VVD/ELURU/A000000457	Demand Notice Date and Amount 23-06-2025 Rs. 12,17,999/-	Rs. 22,43,592/- Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs. 2,24,359/-	As On Date 14-03-2026. Rs. 12,74,379/-

Description of the Immovable property/ Secured Asset : Property an extent of 66-65 Sq Yards bearing plot No. 16 along with constructions therein bearing Door No. 6B-14-20 (1781), Assessment no. 1075031103, situated at T.S. 1480, Ward B, South Street, Eluru City, Eluru S.R. West Godavari District being bounded by:- East:Plot no. 15 Property, South: Road, West: Property of Marina Varalakshmi, North: Plot No.13 property

Mode Of Payment :- All payment shall be made by demand draft in favour of "Hinduja Housing Finance Limited" payable at VIJAYAWADA or through RTGS/NEFT.

Special Instructions / Caution: Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Hinduja Housing Finance Limited nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements / alternatives such as back-up power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF ONLINE E-AUCTION SALE:- 1. The Property is being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE & WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS". As such sale is without any kind of warranties & indemnities. 2. Particulars of the property / assets (viz. extent & measurements specified in the E-Auction Sale Notice has been stated to the best of information of the Secured Creditor and Secured Creditor shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission. Actual extent & dimensions may differ. 3. E-Auction Sale Notice issued by the Secured Creditor is an invitation to the general public to submit their bids and the same does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or representation on the part of the Secured Creditor. Interested bidders are advised to prepare the copies of title deeds with the Secured Creditor and to conduct own independent enquiries/ due diligence about the title & present condition of the property / assets and claims / dues affecting the property before submission of bid/s. 4. Auction/bidding shall only be through "online electronic mode" through the website https://www.bankauctions.com. Or Auction provided by the service provider M/s. "C1 India Private Limited, who shall arrange & coordinate the entire process of auction through the e-auction platform. 5. The bidders may participate in e-auction for bidding from their place of choice. Internet connectivity shall have to be ensured by bidder himself. Secured Creditor /service provider shall not be held responsible for the internet connectivity, network problems, system crash, power failure etc. 6. For details, help, procedure and online bidding on e-auction prospective bidders may contact the Service Provider M/S C1 India Pvt Ltd, Plot No. 6B, 3rd floor Sector 44 Gurgaon Haryana - 122003 (Contact no. 7291981124, 25, 26 |Support Email - Support@bankauctions.com, Mr. PDharani Krishna Mob. 9948182222. Email: andhra@c1india.com) 7. For participating in the e-auction sale the intending bidders should register their name at the website: www.bankauctions.com well in advance and shall get the user id and password. Intending bidders are advised to change only the password immediately upon receiving it from the service provider. 8. For participating in e-auction, intending bidders have to deposit a refundable EMD of 10% OF RESERVE PRICE (as mentioned above) shall be payable by interested bidders through Demand Draft/NEFT/RTGS in favour of "Hinduja Housing Finance Limited" or on before 04-05-2026. 9. The intending bidders should submit the duly filled in Bid Form (format available on https://www.bankauctions.com) along with the Demand Draft remittance towards EMD in a sealed cover addressed to the Authorized Officer Hinduja Housing Finance Limited, Regional Office Door No. 54-16-3/1, 3rd Floor, Central Excise Colony, Road No. 1, Near Loyala College, Main Gate, Vijayawada, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh-520008 latest by 05:00 PM on 04-05-2026. The sealed cover should be super scribed with "Bid for participating in E-Auction Sale in the Loan Account Nos. (as mentioned above) for property of (as mentioned above)". 10. After expiry of the last date of submission of bids with EMD, Authorized Officer shall examine the bids received by him and confirm the details of the qualified bidders (who have quoted their bids over and above the reserve price and paid the specified EMD with the Secured Creditor) to the service provider M/s. C1 India Private Limited to enable them to allow only those bidders to participate in the online inter-se bidding/auction proceedings at the date and time mentioned in E-Auction Sale Notice. 11. Inter-se bidding among the qualified bidders shall start from the highest bid quoted by the qualified bidders. During the process of inter-se bidding, there will be unlimited extension of "10" minutes each, i.e. the end time of e-auction shall be automatically extended by 10 Minutes each time if bid is made within 10 minutes from the last extension. 12. Bids once made shall not be cancelled or withdrawn. All bids made from the user id given to bidder will be deemed to have been made by him alone. 13. Immediately upon closure of E-Auction proceedings, the highest bidder shall confirm the final amount of bid quoted by him BY E-Mail auction@hindujahousingfinance.com both to the Authorized Officer, Hinduja Housing Limited, Regional Office Door No. 54-16-3/1, 3rd Floor, Central Excise Colony, Road No.1, Near Loyala College, Main Gate, Vijayawada, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh-520008 and the Service Provider for getting declared as successful bidder in the E-Auction Sale proceedings. 14. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the bid amount (including EMD) on the same day of the sale, being knocked down in his favour and balance 75% of bid amount within 15 days from the date of sale by DD/Pay order/NEFT/RTGS/Chq/favouring Hinduja Housing Finance Limited. 15. In case of default in payment of above stipulated amounts by the successful bidder / auction purchaser within the stipulated time, the sale will be cancelled and the amount already paid (including EMD) will be forfeited and the property will be again put to sale. 16. At the request of the successful bidder, the Authorized Officer in his absolute discretion may grant further time in writing, for depositing the balance of the bid amount. 17. The Successful Bidder shall pay 1% of Sale price towards TDS (out of Sale proceeds) and submit TDS certificate to the Authorized officer and the deposit the entire amount of sale price (after deduction of 1% towards TDS), adjusting the EMD within 15 working days of the acceptance of the offer by the authorized officer, or within such other extended time as deemed fit by the Authorized Officer, failing which the earnest deposit will be forfeited. 18. Municipal/ Panchayat Taxes, Electricity dues (if any) and any other authorities dues (if any) shall be to be paid by the successful bidder before issuance of the sale certificate. Bids shall be made taking into consideration of all the statutory dues pertaining to the property. 19. Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorized Officer in favour of the successful bidder only upon deposit of entire purchase price / bid amount and furnishing the necessary proof in respect of payment of all taxes / charges. 20. Applicable legal charges for conveyance, stamp duty, registration charges and other incidental charges shall be borne by the auction purchaser. 21. The Authorized officer may postpone / cancel the E-Auction Sale proceedings without assigning any reason whatsoever. In case the E-Auction Sale scheduled is postponed to a later date before 30 days from the scheduled date of sale, it will be displayed on the website of the service provider. 22. The decision of the Authorized Officer is final, binding and unquestionable. 23. All bidders who submitted the bids, shall be deemed to have read and understood the terms and conditions of the E-Auction Sale and be bound by them. 24. For further details and queries, contact Authorized Officer, Hinduja Housing Finance Limited: Mr. M. Rama Krishna Murthy, Mo. 9515154512, Aram Shreshth Mo. 9703889022, Nagaraju Mo. 8074834560, & K. Manikanta Prudhvi Mo. No. 9059233039. 25. This publication is also 30 (Thirty) days notice to the Borrower / Mortgagee / Guarantors of the above said loan account pursuant to rule 8(6) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, about holding of auction sale on the above mentioned date / place.

Place: Andhra Pradesh Date : 02.04.2026. Sd/- Authorized Officer - Hinduja Housing Finance Limited

CHETAK SCREEN AWARDS:

Dhurandhar leads with 24 nods; Saiyaara and Homebound follow ahead of April 5 ceremony

The Indian Express Group's Screen Academy has unveiled the full slate of nominees across 31 categories for its upcoming Chetak Screen Awards ceremony on April 5, celebrating the best of Hindi cinema and OTT from 2025.

Aditya Dhar's spy thriller Dhurandhar received the highest number of nominations at 24, with Mohit Suri's Saiyaara earning 17 and Neeraj Ghaywan's Homebound picking up 15. The nominations span theatrical and OTT releases, reflecting the breadth and evolution of contemporary Indian storytelling.

To further strengthen the process, Professor Priya Jaikumar, Chair of Cinema and Media Studies at the University of Southern California's School of Cinematic Arts, developed a detailed scoring rubric for Academy members.

For the first time in 20 years, a film award show will be broadcast live. With a special partnership with YouTube, Screen Awards will offer open access to global audiences in line with The Indian Express Group's digital-first approach. It will also be broadcast live on Sony Entertainment Television and Sony Liv.



A rigorous, merit-first process

Having been established in 1995, the Screen Awards are anchored in editorial integrity and governed by the Screen Academy, an independent, not-for-profit body of more than 50 acclaimed filmmakers, artists, and cultural voices. Over 95% of Academy members participated in the evaluation process, with an average of 38-40 members scoring each category using a trimmed mean (Olympic) methodology to ensure fairness and neutrality.

Nominees

Best Action

120 Bahadur
Chhaava
Deva

Dhurandhar
Jaat

Best Actor (Female)

Triptii Dimri - Dhadak 2
Yami Gautam Dhar - Haq
Sonal Madhusankar - Humans in the Loop
Konkona Sen Sharma - Metro... In Dino
Monika Panwar -

Nominees

Nishaanchi
Radhika Apte - Sister
Midnight

Kriti Sanon - Tere Ishk Mein

Best Actor (Female) - OTT Film

Fatima Sana Shaikh - Aap
Jaisa Koi

Sanya Malhotra - Mrs
Radhika Apte - Saali
Mohabbat

Saba Azad - Songs of
Paradise

Mia Maelzer - Stolen

Farida Jalal - The Great
Shamsuddin Family

Manoj Bajpayee - Inspector
Zende

Abhishek Bachchan -
Kaalidhar Laapata

Nawazuddin Siddiqui - Raat
Akeli Hai: The Bansal
Murders

Abhishek Banerjee - Stolen
Shubham Vardhan - Stolen

Best Actor in a Supporting
Role (Female)

Divya Dutta - Chhaava
Sheeba Chadha - Haq
Shalini Vatsa - Homebound
Dolly Ahluwalia - Sitaare
Zameen Par

Manjiri Pupala - Superboys
of Malegaon

Best Actor in a Supporting
Role (Male)

Shreya Chaudhry - The
Mehta Boys
Best Actor (Male)

Vicky Kaushal - Chhaava
Siddhant Chaturvedi -
Dhadak 2
Ranveer Singh -
Dhurandhar
Vishal Jethwa - Homebound
Ishaan Khatter -
Homebound
Manoj Bajpayee - Jugnuma:
The Fable
Adarsh Gourav - Superboys
of Malegaon
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Akshaye Khanna -
Dhurandhar
Rakesh Bedi - Dhurandhar
Naseeruddin Shah -
Gustaakh Ishq
Saurabh Shukla - Jolly LLB
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Deepak Dobriyal -
Jugnuma: The Fable
Best Background Score

Chhaava
Dhurandhar
Haq
Homebound
Saiyaara
Best Choreography

Ui Amma - Azaad
Bhasad Macha - Deva
Shararat - Dhurandhar
Panwadi Song - Sunny
Sanskari Ki Tuli Kumari
Dilbar Ki Aankhon Ka -
Thamma
Best Cinematography

Dhurandhar
Homebound
Humans in the Loop
Jugnuma: The Fable
Superboys of Malegaon
Best Costume

Chhaava
Dhurandhar
Gustaakh Ishq
Homebound
Superboys of Malegaon

Maruti Suzuki exports surge over 34% to reach an all-time high of 4.47 lakh vehicles in FY 2025-26



New Delhi, 1 April 2026: Maruti Suzuki India Limited ("Maruti Suzuki") today announced that it achieved its highest-ever export volume of over 4.47 lakh vehicles in FY 2025-26. This is a robust growth of more than 34 per cent over FY 2024-25. With this feat, the Company is expected to continue its position as India's No. 1 passenger vehicle exporter* for the fifth consecutive year. FY 2025-26 marked the commencement of export of the Company's first Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV), the e VITARA. Following the flag-off by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, at the Company's Hansalpur facility in August 2025, export of the BEV started to European and other international geographies.

Notably, the Hansalpur facility is the global production hub for e VITARA. During the year, Maruti Suzuki also commenced exports of 'Across', which is sold as VICTORIS in the Indian market. Maruti Suzuki has a strong mix of sedan, small cars, SUVs and LCV in its robust 18 model export portfolio. With the inclusion of Battery Electric Vehicle in its powertrain mix, the Company is increasingly able to cater to varied customer preferences across emerging and developed markets alike. Link for Photos Speaking on the milestone, Mr. Hisashi Takeuchi, Managing Director & CEO, Maruti Suzuki India Limited said, "In the current global environment where trade conditions remain chal-

lenging, exports assume a crucial role in supporting economic resilience of a country. Our push for exports reflects our continued commitment to national priorities. Exports of 4.47 lakh vehicles, with a growth of over 34 per cent is our responsible contribution towards this mission." He added, "With exports to over 100 countries and a portfolio of 18 models, the widest among all OEMs in India*, we are well positioned to cater to diverse customer needs across markets. This geographical diversification is also enabling the company to effectively manage market risks. Aligned with the vision of 'Make in India, Make for the World', we remain committed to make continued progress in exports."

NMDC Scripts history with its highest ever 53 MT production output

1st April 2026, Hyderabad - NMDC, India's largest iron ore producer and Responsible Miner, has achieved a historic landmark with the production of 53 MT of iron ore in FY26, becoming the first company in India's mining history to surpass the 50 MT annual production mark. The achievement goes beyond a numerical feat, symbolising the growing strength and momentum of India's mineral sector, with NMDC continuing to contribute a significant share to the nation's iron ore supply and powering the backbone of its steel industry. The company produced 5.35 MT and sold 5.90 MT of iron ore in the month of March 2026, with an exceptional growth of 51% and 40% respectively over CPLY. The total production output reached 53.15 MT with a marvelous growth of 21% and sales reached 50.23 MT, with a 13% jump, marking its best ever volumes since inception. The record output is driven by robust performance from NMDC's major iron ore mines - Kirandul



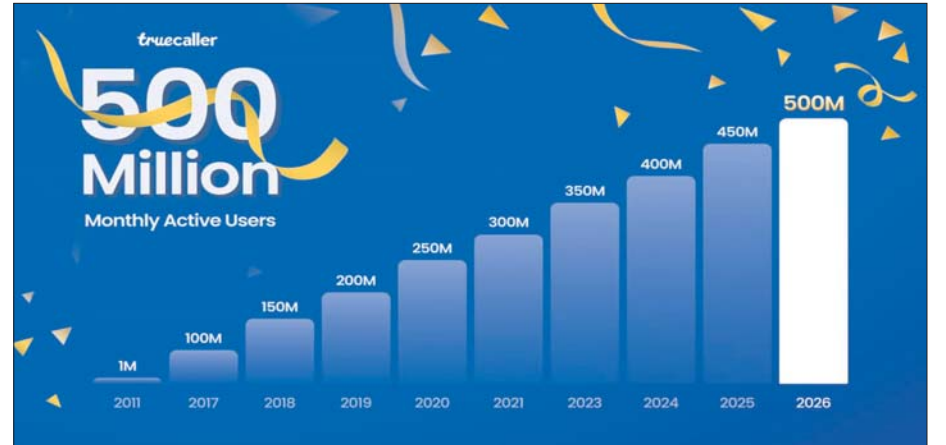
and Bachel in Chhattisgarh and Donimalai in Karnataka, recording their best ever performance in company history. FY26 has also been a defining year of expansion and transformation for NMDC, with the inauguration of international office in Dubai, the successful operationalisation of first coal mine in Jharkhand and the commissioning of Deposit 4 at Bailadila in Chhattisgarh, further strengthening its production capabilities and diversification strategy. NMDC has entered FY27 with strong momentum and a focused

growth outlook. On the occasion, Shri Amitava Mukherjee CMD, NMDC said, "Crossing 50 million tonnes is not just a production milestone for NMDC, it is a moment of pride for us and India's mining sector. As India's steel demand surges with rapid infrastructure growth, NMDC stands ready - stronger, larger and more future-focused than ever. 2026 has set our spirits high, with a new coal mine in Jharkhand, a new iron ore mine in Bailadila and this record output. With this strong momentum, we have set a decisive pace for FY27

and with our expansion plans backed by optimised resource development initiatives, we are confidently progressing towards our larger vision of powering Viksit Bharat." NMDC's high-grade iron ore continues to power the operations of some of India's leading steel producers, playing a critical role in enabling the nation's infrastructure development, manufacturing growth, and expanding steel demand. As India moves steadily towards its \$5 trillion economy goal and strengthens its global leadership, demand and consumption of iron ore is expected to surge. NMDC is strategically augmenting its capacities to meet this rising demand and enable sustained economic growth. Building on this historic milestone, the company is accelerating its expansion roadmap with an ambitious vision of achieving over 100+ MT of iron ore production capacity by 2030 through new mining projects, capacity enhancements and infrastructure development.

Truecaller: A Product Now Used by Over 500 Million People Globally, Built With India at its Core

India 2026: Truecaller, the leading global platform for safe and trusted communication, today announced that it has surpassed 500 million users worldwide, marking a significant milestone in the company's mission to build trust in communication. The platform continues to see significant user growth, adding over 50 million users in 2025 alone. Truecaller has crossed 350 million in India alone and 150 million users outside of India as demand for protection against spam, scam and unwanted communication continues to grow globally. Truecaller also crossed 4 million paying subscribers globally earlier this year, further strengthening one of its key revenue streams. "This is an important milestone for us, but it also says something bigger about the world we live in," said Rishit Jhunjhunwala, CEO of Truecaller. "More and more people need help navigating spam, scams, and unwanted communi-



cation every day. Reaching 500 million users shows the scale of that need, and the trust people place in Truecaller to help make communication safer. Our commitment remains focused on continuously strengthening Truecaller with smarter technology and new capabilities that protect users before, during, and after every call or message. Ultimately, our aim is to build a safer, more trusted communication ecosystem for everyone. We now have our sights set on the next milestone: 1 Billion users.

With over half a billion people using the platform every month, Truecaller has evolved beyond being just a caller identification application. It has become an essential part of how communication works safely in the digital age, a daily-use trust layer that helps people verify identities, avoid fraud, and make informed decisions about who they interact with. Today, Truecaller operates as a global digital utility platform, embedded into everyday communication habits for hundreds of millions of people. From identifying unknown callers to

preventing fraud and enabling safer messaging, the platform has become a habitual, daily-use service that supports safer interactions across the phone ecosystem. Despite serving more than half a billion users globally, the company remains relatively lean, with a team of approximately 470 employees building and operating the platform for users around the world. The company will continue to report the average number of monthly and daily active users on a quarterly basis in connection with its interim financial reports.

TRAI Assesses Network Quality Across Kadapa City and their adjoining areas in a Andhra Pradesh State (under Andhra Pradesh Licensed Service Area)

Tirupati, April 01, 2026: The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) released its Independent Drive Test (IDT) findings for the Andhra Pradesh Licensed Service Area (LSA), covering extensive city of Kadapa surrounding areas in the month of February 2026. The drive tests conducted under the supervision of the TRAI Regional Office, Hyderabad, were designed to capture real-world mobile network performance across diverse usage environments- Urban Zones, Institutional Hotspots, rural residential areas etc. Between 17th February 2026 to 19th February 2026, TRAI teams conducted detailed tests for 395.6 Kms Kadapa City drive test, 5.1Kms Walk Test and 8 Hotspot locations. Technologies evaluated included 2G, 3G, 4G, and 5G, reflecting the service experience of users across multiple handset capabilities. The findings of the



IDT have been intimated to all the TSPs concerned.

Key Parameters Assessed:
a) Voice Services: Call Setup Success Rate (CSSR), Drop Call Rate (DCR), Call Setup Time, Call Silence Rate, Speech Quality (MOS), Coverage.

The overall mobile network performance in Kadapa city is summarized below:
Call Setup Success Rate: Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL have 99.59%, 93.74%, 99.17% and 96.36% call setup success rate respectively in Auto-selection

mode (5G/4G/3G/2G).

b) Data Services: Download/Upload Throughput, Latency, Jitter, Packet Drop Rate, and Video Streaming Delay.

Average download speed of Airtel (5G/4G/2G) is 131.28 Mbps, BSNL (4G/3G/2G) is 14.34 Mbps, RJIL (5G/4G) is 229.13 Mbps and VIL (4G/2G) is 28.57 Mbps. CSSR: Call Setup Success Rate (in %), CST: Call Setup Time (in seconds), DCR: Drop Call Rate (in %) and MOS: Mean Opinion Score.

Global Headwinds Intensify – Can India Inc Stay the Course

Mumbai, 1st April 2026: According to CareEdge Ratings Credit Ratio, which measures the proportion of rating upgrades to downgrades, stood at 1.93 times in the second half of fiscal 2026, lower than 2.56 times observed in the first half. During this period, 363 entities were upgraded and 188 were downgraded. While the credit ratio remains above the 10-year average of 1.55, the moderation suggests early signs of stress amid a more challenging environment. The downgrade rate, at 7%, remains below the long-term average of 10%; however, the moderation in upgrades, from the long-term average of 15% to 13% in the current period, suggests that improvement in credit profiles is becoming more selective. Nevertheless, reaffirmations remained high at 80%, indicating that the bulk of the rated universe continues to hold its ground even as the external environment grows more complex. This relative stability is underpinned by the continuing corporate deleveraging trend, as also highlighted in



our Oct. 2025 edition of the Credit Quality Assessment. Total gearing remained low at 0.50 times as of Mar. 31, 2025, compared with Sachin Gupta, Executive Director and Chief Rating Officer, CareEdge Ratings, commented on the evolving economic landscape, stating, "The escalation of the West Asia conflict has added a new and potent layer of uncertainty. Given India's high dependence on energy imports, a prolonged conflict situation could have cascading effects — fuelling inflation, widening the current account deficit, exerting pressure on

fiscal balances, and weighing on growth. In this context, CareEdge estimates that if crude oil were to average USD 100 per barrel in FY2027, GDP growth could moderate to 6.5%, while inflation may rise to 5.1-5.3%." He further added, "While domestic policy measures and relatively stronger corporate balance sheets provide some cushion, the critical question is whether these domestic levers will be sufficient to keep credit quality on course if the global environment deteriorates further. For now, the answer leans towards yes — but the

margin for comfort is narrowing." Amidst the emerging geo-political environment, the credit ratio for the manufacturing and services sector improved to 2.06 times in H2FY26, up from 1.72 times in H1FY26. Ranjan Sharma, Senior Director, CareEdge Ratings (Corporate Ratings), noted, "The upgrades during H2FY26 were fairly broad-based, with key sectors driving the momentum being pharmaceuticals, auto ancillaries, real estate leasing, mid-sized entities in capital goods and agricultural food products, along with hospi-

tality and healthcare in the services space. On the flipside, sectors bearing the brunt of downgrades were small-sized commodity trading and distribution entities, seafood exporters, and paper and paper product companies. The chemical sector continued to face pressure from the twin forces of Chinese dumping and weak global demand. Looking ahead, the sudden outbreak of conflict in West Asia has introduced sectoral vulnerabilities that did not exist around a month ago. Industries like airlines, ceramics, chemicals, glass, fertilizers, oil marketing companies, basmati rice exporters, packaging, tyres, synthetic textiles, gas distribution, cement, paints, semiconductor & electronics, auto ancillaries, and hospitality — face earnings headwinds if the West Asia conflict prolongs. MSMEs, in general, are likely to be the most vulnerable to these shocks. However, Corporate India's deleveraged balance sheets, are expected to provide some cushion in the near term."

Donald Trump says he's considering leaving Nato as Starmer says UK will host talks on Strait of Hormuz

Donald Trump says "Iran's New Regime President" has asked the US for a ceasefire. In a statement on Truth Social, he does not mention the top official by name, but describes the individual as "much less Radicalized and far more intelligent than his predecessors". He adds: "We will consider when Hormuz Strait is open, free, and clear. Until then, we are blasting Iran into oblivion or, as they say, back to the Stone Ages!!!" The United Arab Emirates (UAE) says five ballistic missiles have been launched from Iran today. There have also been 35 drone attacks, says the update by the country's ministry of defence. This brings the total number of ballistic missiles launched from Iran to 438, and drone attacks to 2,012, it adds. Iran's retaliatory attacks against US allies in the Gulf have continued unabated since the beginning of the US and Israeli strikes on 28 February. In the UAE alone, two members of



the country's armed forces have been killed since then, in addition to one military contractor and nine civilians, the latest briefing says. In his latest written message, Iranian Supreme Leader Mojtaba Khamenei reaffirms support to the leader of Lebanon's Iran-backed armed group Hezbollah, Naim Qassem. The message also expresses "appreciation for Hezbollah's condolences" following the killing of for-

mer Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei, Mojtaba Khamenei's father, on 28 February - the first day of US and Israeli strikes. Mojtaba Khamenei has not been seen in public or featured in Iranian media since succeeding his father on 8 March. Israel, however, had previously vowed, both before and after his succession, that he would be a target. US President Donald Trump said that Mojtaba

Khamenei was "either dead or in very bad shape, because no one has heard from him". Meanwhile, Iran's ambassador to the United Nations in Geneva said that Khamenei's absence from public view was due to "security considerations". "We are heading towards a major, major disruption." That's what Fatih Birol, the head of the International Energy Agency (IEA), is warning. He

tells the In Good Company podcast that shortages of jet fuel and diesel will soon be felt in Europe. "April will be much worse than March", he says, because there were still be some cargoes of oil and gas arriving at ports around the world that had been loaded up before war broke out. "In April, there is nothing," he says, estimating that the loss of oil "will be twice the loss of oil in March". Describing shortages of jet fuel and diesel as "the biggest problem today", Birol says that "we are seeing [the shortages] already in Asia", but this supply issue will "soon" be felt in Europe. Donald Trump's latest warning that he might be thinking of pulling out of Nato clearly stems from a major fit of pique over the reluctance of members to play a more active role in the war with Iran. Put aside for a moment the fact that joining wars of choice beyond Europe was never the purpose of the

alliance, and that the US attacked Iran, not the other way around. The president's disenchantment with Nato has been well known for a decade. Angry over the failure of members to spend 2% of their GDP on defence, Donald Trump came close to pulling out in 2019, according to Nato's former chief Jens Stoltenberg. Trump's ambivalence and occasional outright hostility towards Nato have already led to calls for Europe to take a more leading role. In a report published last week, the MPs and peers that make up the parliamentary Joint Committee on the National Security Strategy, said this should be an increasingly urgent priority. "The UK and its European allies," they wrote, "must develop a clear plan for a transition towards greater European leadership of Nato." Of all the warnings in President Trump's arsenal, leaving the Nato military alliance is among those he's wielded the most.

US journalist Shelly Kittleson kidnapped in Baghdad



A US freelance journalist has been kidnapped in the Iraqi capital Baghdad, and one of the suspects is linked to an Iran-backed militia, Iraqi and US officials say. Shelly Kittleson was abducted on Tuesday evening, said Al-Monitor, a news outlet for which she has contributed articles. The Iraqi interior ministry said security forces had chased the reporter's abductors in a pursuit that resulted in one of the kidnappers' cars overturning and the arrest of one suspect. A US state department official said an individual with ties to an Iranian-aligned militia group, Kataib Hezbollah, was detained by Iraqi authorities. Dylan Johnson, assistant secretary of state for global public affairs, confirmed the abduction of an American journalist, without naming Kittleson. He posted on X: "The State Department previously fulfilled our duty to warn this individual of threats against them and we will continue to coordinate with the FBI to ensure their release as quickly as possible." It is understood that US officials had contacted Kittleson a number of times to warn of threats against her, including as late as Monday night. The US state department said in a statement to the BBC: "Due to privacy and other considerations, we have nothing further to share at this time."

Divorced couples in Japan can now share custody of their children



Divorced couples in Japan are now allowed to share custody of their children, after a landmark revision to Japan's Civil Code took effect on Wednesday. Before the amendment was approved by parliament in 2024, Japan was the only G7 country that did not recognise the legal concept of joint custody. Custody was typically granted to one parent - in most cases the mother - who had power to cut off the other parent's access to their children. Domestic and international criticism has been mounting against the sole custody system in Japan, which critics say led many divorcees to become estranged from their children after losing custody of them. Previously, divorcing couples in Japan were free to decide custody and visitation arrangements. But if they went to court over it, custody would only be awarded to one parent. Under the new law, a family court can decide whether to grant sole or joint custody to divorcing couples. Parents who divorced under the old system are also now eligible to have their custody arrangement reviewed by the family court. The Civil Code revision

also mandates child support payments after divorce, allowing the parent living with the child to claim 20,000 yen (£95; \$125) from their ex-spouse every month. Some are hopeful that the changes will help prevent cases of parental abduction, which have come into the spotlight in recent years - especially after allegations made by foreigners with Japanese ex-spouses. In 2023, Japanese table tennis star Ai Fukuhara was accused by her Taiwanese ex-husband of abducting their son. He said she had cut off contact with him and refused to bring their son back to Taiwan. The pair later came to a settlement. During the Tokyo Olympics in 2021, a French father who was based in Japan staged a hunger strike, calling attention to what he said was the kidnapping of his children by his ex-wife. While some see the joint custody bill as a way to solve such controversies, not everyone is supportive of the revision. Some previously told BBC that they feared joint custody would force women to maintain ties with husbands even in cases of domestic violence.

Mass robotaxi malfunction halts traffic in Chinese city



A mass robotaxi outage in the Chinese city of Wuhan caused at least a hundred self-driving cars to stop mid-traffic, sparking renewed debate around the safety of driverless vehicles. Local police said initial findings suggested a "system malfunction" caused multiple vehicles to stop in the middle of the road on Tuesday. Videos on social media have documented the outage, with one appearing to show it

resulting in a highway collision, although police said no injuries had been reported and passengers exited their vehicles safely. Baidu did not immediately respond to a request for comment. According to the police statement, posted on social media site Weibo, the cause of the incident is still under further investigation. Baidu operates its Apollo Go driverless taxi service in dozens of cities across the world.

CHINA IS TRYING TO PLAY PEACEMAKER IN THE IRAN WAR - WILL IT WORK?

As the war in the Middle East enters its second month, choking the world's energy supply and sending oil prices soaring, China is trying to step in as a peacemaker. It comes as President Donald Trump says US military action in Iran could end in "two to three weeks", but there is no clear sense yet of how that will happen or what comes after. China joins



Pakistan, which has emerged as an unlikely mediator in the US-Israel war against Iran. Officials in Beijing and Islamabad have presented a five-point plan with the aim of bringing about a ceasefire and re-opening the vital Strait of Hormuz. Pakistan, which has been a US ally in the past, seems to have won over Trump to mediate this conflict. Beijing, however, is

entering the fray as a rival to Washington, ahead of crucial trade talks between Chinese leader Xi Jinping and Trump next month. China's backing on this is "very important," says Zhu Yongbiao, a Middle East expert and director of the Centre for Afghanistan Studies at Lanzhou University. "Morally, politically and diplomatically, China is providing comprehensive support with the

hope that Pakistan can play a more distinctive role." It is also a turnaround for Beijing, whose official response to the war has so far been quite muted. So why is China stepping in now? The peace plan was drafted after Pakistan's foreign minister flew to Beijing to ask for Chinese support for the country's efforts to negotiate an end to this conflict. His efforts appear to have

worked. China's Foreign Ministry said the two were making "new efforts towards advocating for peace." The joint statement agreed that dialogue and diplomacy were "the only viable option to resolve conflicts", and it called for waterways, including the blockaded strait, to be protected. It's not just about oil, although that will be a concern. China, the biggest importer of crude oil in the world, has enough stockpiled to get it through the next few months. Beijing will likely have decided to play the role of peacemaker because the war in Iran jeopardises something Xi covets: stability. China needs a stable global economy as it is heavily reliant on selling goods around the world as it tries to revive an ailing domestic economy.

Israel intensifies Lebanon attacks and hits areas not in Hezbollah's control

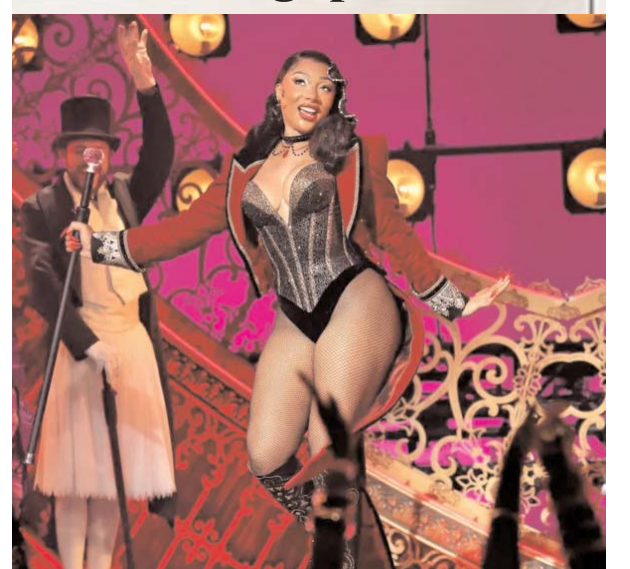
Israel has intensified its attacks on Lebanon this week, hitting areas outside of Hezbollah's control on Tuesday. Strikes without warning hit a vehicle north of Beirut and the Jnah neighbourhood in the heart of the capital. Attacks also continued in the city's southern suburbs and the country's south, both where Hezbollah has a strong presence. A building was destroyed on the road to Beirut's airport after an evacuation order, and in the south, a strike hit a health facility, killing a paramedic, according to Lebanon's health ministry. Israel's military said it had hit Hezbollah infrastructure in



Beirut and killed a senior commander and another senior figure from the Iran-backed armed group. Hezbollah joined the ongoing regional war on 2 March, sending missiles towards Israel, after the US and Israel attacked the armed group's ally Iran on 28 February.

of the capital was attacked after midnight. The Lebanese health ministry said the Al-Zahraa Hospital had received and treated "a number of those injured in the air strike". Hassan Jalwan, who lives near Jnah, told AFP he heard several "big explosions" overnight. "Nobody knows what's happening," he said, adding that "displaced people have been sleeping in the open" in the area. The Dahieh neighbourhood to the south of Beirut, where Hezbollah has a strong presence, continues to be a target. A building was destroyed on Tuesday in Gobeiry on the road to the airport following an evacuation order.

Megan Thee Stallion taken to hospital during Moulin Rouge performance



Rapper Megan Thee Stallion had to be taken to hospital mid-way through her performance of Moulin Rouge! The Musical, in New York on Tuesday night, her representative has confirmed. "Megan started feeling very ill and was promptly transported to a local hospital, where her symptoms are currently being evaluated," the spokesperson told US media outlets. "We will share additional updates as more information becomes available." The musician, 31, is performing as Zidler - the show's eccentric master of ceremonies - marking her highly anticipated Broadway debut. Her hair stylist, Kellon Deryck, wrote on X: "Everyone say a prayer for Megan, we are all at the hospital." Megan Thee Stallion, whose real name is Megan Pete, is scheduled to play Zidler until 17

May, the Moulin Rouge website says. Ahead of her premiere, she expressed excitement for briefly substituting concerts with theatre performances. "HOTTIES IM ON BROADWAY!!!" she wrote on social media after her first performance on 24 March, referencing her fanbase, called the "hotties". Megan Thee Stallion is best-known for hits including Savage, WAP and Body. In 2021, she won three Grammy awards for Best Rap Song, Best New Artist and Best Rap Performance. The following year she was nominated for Album of the Year. Harold Zidler was first played by Danny Burstein in the original Broadway cast of Moulin Rouge, and won a coveted Tony award in 2020 for it. More recently, celebrity drag artist Bob the Drag Queen played Zidler in the musical for eight weeks earlier this year.



Russian military plane crash kills 29 in occupied Crimea

'MY SIX-YEAR-OLD HAS NOSE-BLEEDS': CHIANG MAI AIR POLLUTION SPARKS HEALTH FEARS



Tirayut Wongsantisuk and his wife moved to Chiang Mai in the 2010s, drawn by the hilly region's cool air and lush greenery. But worsening air quality in the Thai city, especially during this time of the year, have prompted them to consider relocating for the sake of their children. Two of their daughters have experienced frequent nosebleeds. "I've been thinking,

maybe we really should move during this time... because if something bad happens to our child, we'll feel terrible forever," Tirayut, 41, told the BBC. Smoke from raging fires have choked parts of northern Thailand this past week, with Chiang Mai ranking among the world's most polluted cities, according to monitoring group IQAir.



Inaugural Little Andaman Pro 2026 To Kick Off India's Surfing Season As Asian Games Debut Beckons

Surfing Federation of India, the governing body for the sport of surfing in India, announced India's 2026 surfing season opener, Little Andaman Pro 2026 - National Surf & SUP Championship, scheduled from April 9-12, 2026. The Little Andaman Pro 2026 will debut in a highly anticipated season of Indian surfing just ahead of India's first-ever campaign at the Asian Games 2026 in Japan later this year.

The four-day surfing extravaganza will see India's top surfers and stand-up paddlers vying for the top honors at the stunning Butler Bay Beach in the Andaman Islands, bringing competitive surfing to one of the country's most pristine and untapped coastal destinations for the very first time. Presented by Andaman and Nicobar Tourism and organized by Surfing Federation of India, the event will bring together top surfers from across the country to compete in the Senior Division across



Surfing and Stand-Up Paddle (SUP) disciplines, with registrations already underway for the event. TT group has come onboard as the official sponsor for the 2026 Asian Games in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan. "This is a landmark moment for Indian surfing. As we stare at India's surfing debut at the Asian Games later this year, starting the national season at a world-class location like Little Andaman speaks loudly about our

2025 edition in Mahabalipuram, ultimately securing the maximum allocation of four slots, two each in the men's and women's categories for the 2026 Asian Games in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan. "This is a landmark moment for Indian surfing. As we stare at India's surfing debut at the Asian Games later this year, starting the national season at a world-class location like Little Andaman speaks loudly about our

intent to take the sport deep into our coast-rich country. We are constantly working to give more competition time to our talented athletes across diverse conditions, which is critical for their growth at the international level. Surfing is a community driven sports and as we expand our reach to the Andaman's we want to create opportunities for local communities, nurture young talent, and position India as a serious contender

in global surfing", said, Mr. Arun Vasu, President Surfing Federation of India. Mr. Vasu further added "The progress of Indian surfers on the international stage has been extremely encouraging. From securing our first Asian Games quotas to winning medals at continental championships, we are seeing the results of sustained grassroots development and structured competition."

The Little Andaman Pro 2026 will take place at Butler Bay, widely regarded as one of India's most promising surf locations. Unlike many mainland beach breaks, the reef break at Butler Bay produces long, clean waves that allow surfers to execute more technical maneuvers and extended rides, making it ideal for high-performance competition. For many Indian surfers who typically train on beach breaks, competing in reef conditions presents a valuable opportunity to enhance technical skills and broaden competitive experience.

Skechers, The Comfort Technology Company, Back For Season 3 With Mumbai Indians

Skechers, The Comfort Technology Company, continues its association with the Mumbai Indians, coming back as the Official Kit Partner for the third consecutive year, ahead of India's premier T20 cricket season. Building on a successful partnership, Skechers will once again outfit Mumbai Indians players with high-performance kits, while also bringing fans closer to the team through official merchandise designed for both on-field performance and off-field expression. This season's player jersey is finished with refined gold accents, bringing a sharper, premium edge that reflects the team's legacy and winning mindset. The fan jersey is designed for versatility-made to be worn beyond match day. Rooted in a shared spirit of movement and Mumbai's relentless energy, the jersey stands for team pride, grit, and performance earned on the field and carried off it. In



support of the new kit launch, Skechers will roll out a digital-first content series, featuring Tilak Varma, Shardul Thakur and Ryan Rickelton, capturing the intersection of sport, style, and fandom. The campaign aims to amplify the connection between the team and its fans during the season, while reinforcing Skechers' positioning at the forefront of performance and lifestyle. Rahul Vira, CEO, Skechers South Asia, said, "Mumbai Indians are a team that embodies the consistency, resilience, and

fearless spirit that aligns naturally with Skechers' performance-led philosophy. As we enter the third year of our partnership, we look forward to bringing fans closer to the team through footwear and apparel that combine innovation, comfort, and style, while celebrating the energy and ambition that define modern-day cricket." A Mumbai Indians spokesperson added, "At Mumbai Indians, the jersey represents more than just the team; it reflects our mindset, pride, and expectations.

Tears, Despair And Unreal Scenes As Italy Miss Out On FIFA World Cup Qualification Again

Italy's collapse in the qualification campaign has left the footballing world stunned, with images of distraught players and inconsolable fans painting a picture of heartbreak that transcends sporting boundaries. The catastrophe unfolded for Italy as they took on Bosnia and Herzegovina in Tuesday's breathless qualification play-off final. The Azzurri blew their chance to reach this summer's tournament in North America with a 4-1 penalty shoot-out defeat. Italy, once synonymous with defensive mastery and tournament pedigree, faltered when it mattered most, unable to summon the grit and tactical clarity that has defined their



greatest triumphs. For a nation that prides itself on footballing heritage, the absence from the world's biggest stage for the third consecutive time feels like a cultural wound, reopening scars from recent failures and raising uncomfortable questions about the direction of Italian football. What makes this

setback so surreal is the comparison between Italy's recent European Championship glory and their repeated inability to navigate World Cup qualification. The despair in the stands, the disbelief among pundits, and the raw emotion on the pitch underline a crisis of identity: how can a team capa-

ble of continental brilliance stumble so dramatically on the global stage? The fallout will be fierce-calls for structural reform, tactical reinvention, and a renewed focus on nurturing attacking flair. Yet beyond the technical analysis lies a deeper truth: Italy's absence from the World Cup is not just a sporting disappointment, but the repeated destruction of a football giant. Esmir Bajraktarevic shot the winning spot-kick in Zenica where the Bosnians booked a place in Group B and matches against co-hosts Canada, Switzerland and Qatar, and plunged Italy into a new nightmare.

Vaibhav Sooryavanshi Reveals 'Secret' Diet Before Hitting 15-Ball Half-Century For RR vs CSK In IPL 2026

Vaibhav Sooryavanshi lit up IPL 2026 in Rajasthan Royals' first match against Chennai Super Kings in Guwahati. The wonder-kid slammed a 15-ball half-century, the third fastest in IPL history, in a 128-run chase. The fast knock ensured RR successfully chased down the target in just 12.1 overs. After the match, there was a funny interaction between RR's Dhruv Jurel and Rishabh Pant. Jurel told the 15-year-old: "Well played, youngster. Once again, very well played." In reply, Sooryavanshi said: "Aaj Rajbhog mithai kha ke gaya tha match mein. (Ate Rajbhog mithai - a kind of sweet dish - before the match)." Vaibhav Sooryavanshi's sensation-



al start to the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2026 has already turned heads, with former India cricketer Sanjay Bangar predicting a blockbuster season for the teenage sensation after Rajasthan Royals' dominant eight-wicket win over Chennai Super Kings on Monday. Dropped for nought,

new-ball bowler who challenges top batters internationally. He toyed with Khaleel Ahmed, who swings the ball both ways. He got the better of Anshul Kamboj, known for hitting the deck hard with good-length deliveries. He even made life difficult for mystery bowler Noor Ahmad. "At the age of 15, he dominated four quality bowlers with his fearless batting and forced them to move away from their strengths. Henry had to bowl slower balls. Khaleel had to try different things. He put pressure on all of them. That shows Vaibhav, with his fearless approach, is getting into the minds of established bowlers. I admired that quality in his innings.

Man Utd are closing in on Champions League - how has Carrick done it?

When Manchester United's director of football Jason Wilcox addressed the club's players after Ruben Amorim's dismissal on 5 January and told them the aim was Champions League qualification, he was sending out a message. After all, internally in their financial planning, and externally in communication with supporters, the stated target from the previous summer had been a return to European competition, most likely through the Europa League. Wilcox was choosing to reinforce a point that just because Amorim had been sacked and a caretaker boss was being sought, it did not mean the season was being written off. The hierarchy making the big decisions might have changed,



but the chaos Ralf Rangnick's short tenure descended into when he was picked to guide United to the end of the season following Ole Gunnar Solskjaer's dismissal in November 2021 were fresh in the memory. Wilcox wanted focus and determination, not apathy and a lack of accountability. United were not at rock bottom when Carrick replaced

Darren Fletcher, who had spent two games as interim boss, on 13 January. One defeat in nine in the Premier League. One point off fifth spot. The problem was they had just drawn against three relegation candidates - Wolves, Leeds and Burnley, and their next two games were against title rivals Manchester City and Arsenal.

'THAT WAS BAD' - POTTS ON HIS ASHES HORROR SHOW

There were various lows during England's terrible Ashes tour of Australia, many of which have been pored over endlessly in recent months. Few, though, were as brutal as the horror show Matthew Potts suffered in Sydney. Taken apart by Travis Head, he conceded 141 runs in 25 wicketless overs. Had he conceded six more he would have returned the worst figures by an England seamer in Tests. "There's a little period of reflection where you sum up your day's work and look back at it," Potts says, speaking almost three months on. "I just had three words: 'That was bad.'" Potts' first three overs cost 25 runs, while he ended day



two with figures of 0-58 from seven. When he was first brought into the attack on day three, Head pounced immediately, flogging boundaries from each of the Durham seamer's first three

balls. Potts conceded 100 runs after 15.1 overs. He was not used at all by captain Ben Stokes in the second innings as Australia chased 160 for a five-wicket win. "Sometimes you have to roll with the punches," he says. "I got dealt a few punches and I didn't throw too many the other way."

Raducanu pulls out of another tournament after illness



Emma Raducanu has delayed the start of her clay-court season as she continues her recovery from a viral illness, according to her representatives. The British number one was due to play at the Linz Open in Austria next week, but BBC Sport was told on Wednesday she has withdrawn from the WTA 500 event. It is understood Raducanu, 23, wants to focus on making a full recovery before returning to competitive action on the clay. The world number 28 started feeling unwell while playing during February's Middle East hard-court swing. She competed in Indian Wells last month, but then decided to skip Miami. It has led to another period of uncertainty for Raducanu. Her career has been littered with injury and physical issues since winning the Grand Slam title in New York as a teenage qualifier. Last sea-

son she made encouraging strides, completing a half-century of matches in a season for the first time. But it has been another stuttered start this year. The opening three months have seen a familiar mix: signs of progress, chastening defeats, a coaching change and disruption caused by her health. Raducanu has played six tournaments this season, winning seven of her 14 matches. Four of those wins came in a run to the Transylvania Open final, where she was aiming for a first title since her shock US Open triumph in 2021. Raducanu hopes to return for the Madrid Open, which is the opening WTA 1000 event of the European clay-court season. Raducanu's withdrawal from Linz comes a day after fellow Briton Jack Draper pulled out of the Monte Carlo Masters as he continues his cautious comeback following an arm injury.

Retirement Loading: Lionel Messi In Tears As He Plays His Final Game In Argentina

In his final game at home, an emotional Lionel Messi struggled to hold back tears as he lined up with his teammates for the last time on Argentinian soil on Tuesday. Messi's Argentina faced Zambia at La Bombonera in Buenos Aires in a friendly, with the former Barcelona star scoring one goal and setting up another. Argentina went on to thrash Zambia 5-0, before beginning the defence of their World Cup crown. Messi, restored to the starting line-up by coach Lionel Scaloni after Argentina's lacklustre win over Mauritania last Friday,

made an instant impact in Tuesday's friendly at La Bombonera. The 38-year-old superstar set up the opening goal for Julián Álvarez before bagging his 116th goal for Argentina with an individual strike just before half-time. Tuesday's game marked a World Cup send-off for the reigning champions, who will face Algeria, Austria and Jordan in Group J of the finals in June. As Messi stood with his teammates on the pitch, the crowd's songs and chants moved him to tears. In a video that surfaced on social media, the Inter Miami forward could be seen wiping

his eyes, realising it was the last time he would play in front of his home fans. Argentina will also play a friendly against Serbia in June and are seeking to arrange another warm-up fixture before the tournament. Messi is firmly expected to captain Argentina into what will be a record sixth World Cup finals as the South American giants target back-to-back titles. The Inter Miami playmaker once again demonstrated his enduring influence on the Albiceleste with a typically decisive contribution in a comfortable win. Álvarez fired Argentina into

the lead after just four minutes when Messi effortlessly controlled a lofted pass on the edge of the area and threaded a ball into the feet of the Atlético Madrid striker to score. Messi doubled Argentina's lead with the 902nd goal of his career two minutes before half-time, working a clever one-two with Liverpool midfielder Alexis Mac Allister before tucking a low finish past Zambia goalkeeper Willard Mwanza. Messi could have added to his tally just after half-time when Argentina were



awarded a penalty following Albert Kangwanda's foul on Thiago Almada.

Malavika Nair Promises Thrilling, Emotional Ride in 'Biker'

I have played an impactful character with scope for performance in Biker. Biker is a high adrenaline, high octane film. It will connect emotionally with all the family audience: Heroine Malavika Nair. Charming Star Sharva's most awaited sports drama Biker. Malavika Nair is playing the heroine in this film and Rajasekhar has played a powerful role. Directed by Abhilash Reddy and produced by the prestigious banner UV Creations, this film, which is being made as India's first complete motocross drama, has already created a huge buzz. The film will hit the theatres on April 3. On this occasion, heroine Malavika Nair shared the highlights of the film in a press conference.

How did the biker journey start?
I heard the story in April 2024. I liked it a lot. Director Abhilash has written a character with very fresh content. Biker is the first motocross film in India. I am very excited for this film. It is a high adrenaline, high octane film. The music is amazing.

What will your character be like in this?
I don't want to reveal too much about my character.

My role in this is like a bridge to the story. The role of family is very crucial in the life of a sportsman. In this, the wife and husband take any decision together. The story unfolds in three timelines. My character also keeps evolving. I have done a good impactful role with scope for performance.

How was it working with Sharwa?
In real life, we are both introverts. We don't talk much. But in the film, we have good chemistry in terms of characters. Sharwa is very spontaneous. We interacted even better during promotions.

You're comparing a biker to FI, right?
Motocross sport is very difficult to shoot. The music technically definitely gives a good high. Also, there are good family emotions in it. The father-sun emotion is special. Every character has a good arc in this movie.

Are there dance numbers in this?
It has the song "Pretty Baby". Shekhar Master has choreographed it very beautifully. The audience will enjoy it a lot.

Do you have scenes with Rajasekhar?
There are. It was a good experience to act with him. Even

though he is so senior, he is very close to everyone on the set. He listens to anything we say. That is a very great quality. A very kind person.

Tell me about the music?
The music in this movie is very special. Ghibran has done a wonderful job with the background music. He has composed memorable soundtracks for each character. There is a good high in terms of music.

About director Abhilash Reddy?
Abhilash is a very clear director. He clearly knows what the story and characters need. He also completes the shooting on time. He is a good leader. Biker is different from his previous films.

The reason you make films so selectively?
I want to do a new character every time. I want to do characters with different layers. If such characters come up, I will definitely do them.

What is your selection of stories like?
Before doing a character, I keep the audience in mind. We make films for them. I also make sure that the character connects with me personally. If it feels new, I will definitely do it. I am very happy with my journey so far.



Carmeni Selvam is a film that gives hope to those struggling with debt: director Ram Chakri

Carmeni Selvam' is a bilingual film made in Telugu and Tamil under the Pathway Productions banner, produced by Arun Rangarajulu and directed by Ram Chakri. Versatile actor Samuthirakani plays the lead role, while Gautham Vasudev Menon appears in a key role. The film also stars Lakshmi Priya, Abhinaya, Karthik Kumar, Badava Gopi, Kothandam, Karan Chakravarthi, Shankara Narayanan V, and Haritha Parakod in important roles. The movie is set for a grand theatrical release on April 3 in both Telugu and Tamil, distributed by PVR INOX Pictures.



ON THIS OCCASION, DIRECTOR RAM CHAKRI SHARED HIS THOUGHTS:

"I watched 'Arya' as my first Telugu film. After that, I watched 'Anand' and 'Godavari.' At that time, I understood one thing very clearly, the Telugu film industry beautifully embraces two very different storytelling styles. On one side, there are energetic, commercial films like 'Arya,' and on the other, there are realistic, heart-touching films like 'Anand' and 'Godavari' by Sekhar Kammula. That balance inspired me a lot. I never got

the opportunity to work directly with Sekhar Kammula garu, but I consider him my teacher and mentor. I learned a great deal by watching his films. I also thank my directing mentor K. V. Guhan garu. Both of them have been major sources of inspiration for me. Coming to 'Carmeni Selvam,' the film is based on middle-class life. Everyone who watches it will connect with the story. Especially for those who are struggling with debt, this film will give them courage. Debt is quite common in middle-class families, and we are showing how it affects relationships within

the family and the decisions they make. The film is very realistic. Samuthirakani garu has brought out every shade of his character brilliantly. As a middle-class husband and father, he has delivered a deeply emotional performance. Along with him, Gautham Menon garu, Lakshmi Priya, and Abhinaya have also delivered performances that will impress the audience. Our technical team has been very supportive. When it comes to music, we are introducing a new concept for this film. Under the title 'Music as a Service,' our music director Ramanujan and his team worked collaboratively. They believe music is not just the work of a composer or singers, but a collective effort involving instrumentalists, sound engineers, mixing teams, and many other technicians. Through this concept, our goal is to give credit and share revenue with everyone who contributed to each song. This is our small effort to recognize the real heroes behind the music. Our DOP Yuvaraj Dakshan and editor Jagan have great experience. When you watch the film in theaters, you will understand how grandly we have presented the story visually.

"King Buddha – We Want World Peace" Title Song Launch by Sri Lankan Minister Dr. Sunil Senevi

The title song "King Buddha – We Want World Peace" was officially launched by Sri Lanka's Minister of Buddhism Religious Affairs, Dr. Sunil Senevi, at a grand event held at ITC Kakatiya, Hyderabad. Speaking at the event, Dr. Sunil Senevi praised director Satya Reddy's noble initiative of promoting global peace through the film King Buddha. He emphasized the need to end ongoing conflicts across the world, including tensions between Iran-Israel and Ukraine-Russia, and appreciated the film's strong message advocating peace. He expressed happiness that the film has been initiated in the United States and is being shot across several Buddhist countries such as Thailand, Malaysia, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, and Indonesia. He also assured full support from Sri Lanka for upcoming shooting schedules. He remarked that King Buddha will



stand as a unique film in world cinema history for being shot across numerous Buddhist nations. Recalling the devastating impact of atomic bombings on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, he stressed that

the world must avoid another global war and adopt the path of peace. He stated that Buddhism remains a guiding force for global harmony and highlighted that thousands of Buddhist monks are con-

ducting peace walks worldwide, receiving immense public support. Dr. Sunil Senevi also revealed that he had watched some portions of the film shot in Hollywood and lauded director Satya Reddy for his exceptional work. On this occasion, the King Buddha film team honored the minister with floral garlands and traditional shawls. Director Satya Reddy, speaking at the event, said that after a 30-year-long career in cinema, bringing the story of Gautama Buddha to the global audience through King Buddha is a dream come true. He announced that the film is planned for a worldwide release in over 100 languages in 2027. He further stated that the film is being made with cutting-edge technology never seen before. Currently, key sequences depicting the birth, childhood, and education of Gautama Buddha are being filmed in Nepal, including locations in the Himalayas, Lumbini, and Kathmandu.

Soulful Melody 'Idhi Kalano' From Vijay Antony's Vanda Devullu Unveiled

After delivering a blockbuster like Bichagadu, the multi-talented Vijay Antony is teaming up once again with director Sasi for their upcoming film Vanda Devullu. The project is produced by Ramanjaneyulu Javvaji under the Sarvanth Ram Creations banner, presented by Vijay Antony Film Corporation and Fatima Vijay Antony. The film features Vijay Antony, Swasika, Ajay, Kavya, Shakthi, Padini, Karnas, Balaji Sakthivel, Divakar, Aruldoss, Bucks, Vinodhini, Munishkanth, and Kodangi Vadivel in key roles.

The recently released first-look poster has already generated strong buzz, especially with the intense, mass-appeal appearances of Vijay Antony and Swasika receiving terrific response. Now, the team has unveiled the soothing melody 'Idi Kalano', and it has instantly struck a chord with listeners. Balaji Sriram's compo-



sition stands out as the heart of the song. The tune flows like a gentle breeze. It's soft, immersive, and emotionally resonant. The arrangement beautifully blends subtle orchestration with a warm melodic structure, allowing the emotions

to breathe. The interplay of strings and soft percussion elevates the romantic mood, making it a classic Vijay Antony-style soulful number with a fresh musical texture. Lyricist Bhashyasree contributes deeply poetic lines

that perfectly capture the delicate emotions of love, longing, and dreamlike connection. His writing paints vivid emotional imagery, making the song feel intimate and heartfelt. The soothing vocals of Shibhi Srinivasan and Sireesha Bhagavatula further enrich the song. Their voices complement each other beautifully, delivering a calm yet emotionally charged performance. The tenderness in their rendition amplifies the song's romantic flavour, making every note linger in the listener's mind. The visuals featuring Vijay Antony and Swasika add another layer of charm. Their screen presence, subtle expressions, and the graceful way they portray their blooming affection make the song visually captivating. SB Darshan Kirlosh handles the cinematography. Balaji Sriram is the music director, Harish Yuvaraj serves as the editor, and Bhashyasree has penned the dialogues.

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"PALLICHATTAMBI" IS A BEAUTIFUL EMOTIONAL FILM THAT THE WHOLE FAMILY CAN WATCH TOGETHER: TOVINO THOMAS & KAYADU LOHAR

Malayalam star Tovino Thomas is playing the lead in the big-budget film "Pallichattambi." The movie is being produced by Noufael, Brijesh, and Chanakya, Chaitanya, Charan under the banners of Worldwide Films and C Cube Bros Entertainments. Directed by Dijo Jose Antony, the film features Kayadu Lohar as the female lead. The movie has generated huge expectations at a pan-India level and is set for a grand theatrical release on April 10th in five languages: Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, and Kannada. In a recent interview, Tovino Thomas and Kayadu Lohar shared highlights about the film. Hero Tovino Thomas said: - I have known director Dijo

for a long time. We had been wanting to work together on a project and had discussed several ideas. However, due to my existing commitments, I couldn't collaborate with him immediately. We stayed in touch, and when he narrated the story of "Pallichattambi," I found it very exciting and decided to take it up. After completing my earlier commitments, and once Dijo finished his other projects including "Jana Gana Mana," we began working on this film. Initially, there was a change in producers, and we brought new producers on board. - According to the story, the hero needed to look physically strong and powerful enough to take on villains. So I gained weight for the

role. Until then, I had been dieting, but I stopped for this film. I also changed my hairstyle and mustache to achieve a strong look. Working with Dijo is very comfortable, he's calm on set and never seems to lose his temper. - During breaks from shooting, I like to go on vacations. I enjoy traveling and spending time with my family. I don't prefer hectic back-to-back schedules. Taking breaks helps me observe the industry from an outsider's perspective. Although I'm part of the industry, I like to look at it objectively. I've had discussions about several Telugu projects, but none have been finalized. I am currently in a strong position in Malayalam cinema, and moving to another language

might affect those who trust me with projects there. Even without doing a Telugu film, I'm happy that Telugu audiences appreciate my Malayalam movies. - I have previously worked with producers Noufael and Brijesh, who distributed my earlier films. Director Dijo ensured that there were no compromises in anything required for this project. I'm also happy that producers Chaitanya, Chanakya, and Charan from Telugu cinema joined this film. Jakes Bejoy has enhanced the intensity and emotional depth of the film with his music. I've worked with him before, he's an excellent composer. - "Pallichattambi" is a fictional story inspired by incidents from 1950s Kerala. It portrays the social condi-

