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08-09-2026
Total pilgrims: 87,558
Tonnes: 40,006
Hundi karukulu: 43 CR
Laddu sale: 415 Lac
Annaspradams: 3,09 Lac
Waiting compartments: Outside line at Ottapada Building (Near Gogabam Dam Circle)
Approx. Darshan Time for Sarayadashnam (with out SSD Tokens): 20-24 H.

Indian Navy joins search for three fishermen missing after boat mishaps in Kerala

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM: The Indian Navy on Sunday joined the search operations for three fishermen who went missing following separate boat mishaps in Kollam and Thiruvananthapuram districts, officials said. INS Kalpeni sailed out from Kochi on Saturday night for the search operation, a defence spokesperson said in a statement. The vessel was anchored one nautical mile off Neendakara on Sunday morning, the statement said. "A specialised Indian Navy diving team is onboard the ship. Marine Enforcement Wing was contacted for localising the diving position further. A Marine Enforcement boat is maintaining its presence in the vicinity of the ship," the statement said. The search involving Indian Navy divers commenced around 10 am off INS Kalpeni, officials said.

6TH ROUND OF TALKS BETWEEN JHARKHAND GOVT, STUDENTS PROTESTING EXAM IRREGULARITIES BEGINS

RANCHI: A fresh round of talks between the Jharkhand government and students protesting the alleged irregularities in recruitment exams began on Sunday. The sixth round of talks is being held at the state guest house in Ranchi as the protest entered its 16th day with six demonstrators on indefinite hunger strike. A five-member delegation from the Left-backed students' union AISA is also taking part in the talks. "We are hopeful of a positive outcome over our demands of cancelling the 14th Jharkhand PSC Civil Services Examination and reforms in the Jharkhand Public Service Commission and the Jharkhand Staff Selection Commission (JSSC)," a student leader said.

'TRICOLOUR IS OUR PRIDE': PM Modi calls for public participation in 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign

New Delhi (TSIT):

As the nation prepares to celebrate the 80th Independence Day, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday urged citizens to actively take part in the Centre's 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign, terming the Tricolour as 'pride' and 'source of motivation'. This year, the campaign has been organised under the theme of 'Vande Mataram'.

Taking to X, PM Modi reposted a Ministry of Culture post, saying "Our Tricolour is our pride and a constant source of inspiration to always give our best for the nation."

"Let us participate enthusiastically in the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' movement and renew our collective resolve to contribute towards building a Viksit Bharat, he said while underlining this year's theme as that of the national song 'Vande Mataram'."

The Prime Minister mentioned: "Glad that this year's efforts are dedicated to Vande Mataram and that too at a time when we are marking its 150th anniversary." Meanwhile, the Ministry of Culture stated that for 150 years, the call of Vande



Mataram "has stirred the soul of a nation". In a post on X, the ministry said: "This Independence Day, let that same spirit move through every street and every home as India comes together for Har Ghar Tiranga through Tiranga Yatras, Tiranga Rallies, Tiranga Concerts, and mass singing of Vande Mataram."

"And this year, witness history unfold as 'Suryapath Tiranga' unites Indians across the globe in a first-of-its-kind celebration of the Tricolour," it added.

Appealing to people to be a part of the campaign, it asked citizens to hoist the Tricolour at their homes and upload their selfies on its official website - <http://harghartiranga.com>.

Earlier in the day, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) launched the 'Tiranga Yatra'

across various states. Party leaders said that the rally is meant to honour the sacrifices made by the freedom fighters to uphold the nation's Tricolour.

In Madhya Pradesh, Chief Minister Mohan Yadav took part in a 'Tiranga Yatra' in Bhopal. Speaking to reporters, he said: "With the call of 'Quit India', the world witnessed the longing for freedom within India... It is the duty of every patriotic citizen to remember the sacrifices made by all our revolutionaries, martyrs and freedom fighters, who made sacrifices."

In Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath also participated in the Tiranga rally. "Our youth are a symbol of energy. Our youth have the strength to face every challenge for the country. This youth energy should get the right platform to move forward and prepare themselves to face the challenges of the country and society. They should also receive traditional education. With this vision, the Tiranga Yatra is being launched across the country by the Bharatiya Janata Party, the world's largest political organisation..." the CM said.

Russia explores railway route to Indian Ocean, eyes land connectivity with India

New Delhi (TSIT):

Russia is exploring the possibility of developing a railway route that could eventually provide the country with land-based access to the Indian Ocean and connect it with India, Russian Deputy Prime Minister Marat Khusnullin has said. In an interview with Russian news agency TASS, Khusnullin said



Moscow should examine alternative transport routes to reduce its dependence on key maritime chokepoints, including the Bosphorus and the Strait of Hormuz. According to Khusnullin, one possible option could involve a railway corridor running from Russia through Turkmenistan, Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan before reaching India. He said Russia would consider any route that could provide access to India. The proposal, however, remains at an exploratory stage. There is currently no confirmed railway route, passenger train service, ticket pricing or launch date connecting Russia and India under the proposed plan.

You will have to answer for this crime: Rahul to Shah on police 'brutalities' against students

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NEW DELHI (TSIT):

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Sunday questioned Home Minister Amit Shah's silence over alleged police brutalities against protesting students and asserted that sooner or later, the BJP leader would have to answer for "this crime".

Gandhi said a student told him during his "Chhatron ki Goonj" event in Prayagraj on Saturday that he has "no options left now". "This is exactly what a student told me in Prayagraj yesterday. Years of preparation, selling the family land, parents burdened with debt and yet, nothing to show for it," Gandhi said in a post in Hindi on X.

This is not his failure, it is the failure of a system that refused to reward his hard work, the leader of opposition in the Lok Sabha added.

Several days have passed since the students protesting at Delhi's Jantar Mantar over alleged paper leaks have



called off their agitation, yet not a single word has come from Shah on the action taken by the Delhi Police against them, he said.

"Instead of apologising, Modi is busy dispensing 'forgiveness'," Gandhi said.

"Amit Shahji, do not think for a moment that we will stop demanding accountability. Batons and pellets were used against young people on the streets of the capital -- and you did not utter a single word. Sooner or later, you will have to answer for this crime," he said.

CM Revanth greets youth on Indian Youth Congress formation day

Hyderabad (TSIT):

Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president Mahesh Kumar Goud have greeted youth on the Foundation Day of the Indian Youth Congress. "On the Foundation Day of the Indian Youth Congress, my heartfelt greetings to the youth of India. Our youth are not just the leaders of tomorrow—they are the force shaping India today," the Chief Minister said in his message.

"Let us unite to defend our Constitution, strengthen democracy, and fight for justice, equality and opportunity for all. Together, let us build a stronger, inclusive and progressive India," he added. TPCC president Mahesh Kumar Goud extended warm greetings to all the leaders and dedicated workers of the Indian Youth Congress on Youth Congress Formation Day.

"The Youth Congress has played a vital role in nurturing young leadership, strengthening the organisation at the grassroots, and inspiring generations of



young people to contribute to public service and nation-building. Let us reaffirm our commitment to the ideals of the Indian National Congress and continue empowering the youth to lead with courage, responsibility and dedication. My best wishes to the entire Youth Congress family," the state Congress chief said.

'Quit Vote Chori' movement needed against vote theft: CM Shivakumar

Bengaluru (TSIT):

Karnataka Chief Minister and Congress leader D.K. Shivakumar on Sunday called for a statewide 'Quit Vote Chori' (Quit Vote Theft) movement, urging party workers to protect citizens' voting rights amid the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls. Addressing Congress workers at Bharat Jodo Bhavan, the KPCC office, during a programme marking Quit India Day, Shivakumar said the right to vote was fundamental to democracy and urged party workers and Booth Level Agents (BLAs) to ensure that

► 'Quit Vote Chori' Movement: CM D.K. Shivakumar called for a statewide movement to protect voting rights, urging Congress workers and BLAs to ensure all eligible voters are included in electoral rolls.

► 10,000 Youth Sanghas: Karnataka plans to establish 10,000 Bharat Jodo Yuva Shakti Sanghas, with registrations starting this month and ₹1,000



eligible voters were not left out of the electoral rolls.

He asked citizens to complete and submit enumeration forms and urged those who had recently turned 18 to register as voters through Form 6. "Without the right to vote, you will have no voice," he said, stressing the need to safeguard every eligible citizen's voting rights. Recalling the Quit

India Movement, Shivakumar said the slogan today should be "Dictatorial Mindset, Quit Power", while reiterating that the Congress would continue to fight for democracy, constitutional values and national unity.

"The Congress party will never bow, bend or back down," he said, adding that the party's targets were the 2028 Karnataka

Assembly elections and the 2029 Lok Sabha elections. He said the strength and history of the Congress were closely linked with the country's democratic journey. Shivakumar also announced plans to construct 100 Congress offices across Karnataka and said 100 senior Congress leaders aged above 70 would be honoured for their

long-standing service to the party.

10,000 BHARAT JODO YUVA SHAKTI SANGHAS

The Chief Minister said the government was moving ahead with plans to establish 10,000 Bharat Jodo Yuva Shakti Sanghas across gram panchayats and wards in Karnataka. Registration is expected to begin this month, with youth aged 16 to 40 years eligible to join for a nominal fee of Rs.10. He said the associations would promote sports, cultural activities, leadership and women's participation among youth. The government would allocate Rs.1,000 crore for the initiative, he added.

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Sensex could eye 79,700, Nifty 25,200 on breakout: Analysts

Mumbai: The near-term technical outlook for Indian equities remains constructive, with analysts expecting the Sensex to target 79,300-79,700 and the Nifty to move towards 25,200 if key resistance levels are decisively breached. However, analysts said markets could see renewed profit booking if crucial support zones are broken. On the Sensex, the index maintained a positive technical structure and closed comfortably above the 78,000 mark. Analysts said the 78,800-79,000 zone will be the immediate resistance area to watch in the coming sessions. "On the downside, the 77,300-77,200 zone remains the immediate support area, followed by the 77,000 psychological level. Holding above these levels will be important to maintain the improving technical structure, while a decisive break below 77,000 could invite renewed selling pressure," an analyst stated. "Overall, the near-term technical outlook remains constructive, with sustained buying above the immediate



resistance zones required to confirm further upside," the analyst added. The Nifty also continued to hold its broader bullish structure despite heightened volatility and intermittent profit booking during the week. "From a technical perspective, the broader structure remains constructive as Nifty continues to trade above all the key weekly exponential moving averages, reinforcing the strength of the medium-to-long-term trend," an analyst said. "The overall chart structure continues to favour a positive bias, although the ongoing consolidation suggests that a decisive breakout is still

awaited. 24,900-25,000 is expected to act as the immediate resistance zone, while 24,100-24,200 remains the key support area," a market expert stated. Meanwhile, Indian markets ended the week with moderate gains despite elevated volatility, as investors assessed the implementation of the new Closing Auction Session (CAS) framework for F&O stocks, the Reserve Bank of India's monetary policy decision and ongoing geopolitical uncertainties. For the week, the Sensex gained 0.52 per cent to close at 78,499.17, while the Nifty advanced 0.77 per cent to settle at 24,570.65.

Bajaj And Hero Flag Entry-Level Motorcycle Weakness As India's Two-Wheeler Boom Turns Uneven



India's two-wheeler industry is growing at its fastest pace in years, but the entry-level motorcycle segment that has traditionally driven volumes is showing clear signs of strain, according to first-quarter FY27 earnings commentary from Bajaj Auto and Hero MotoCorp. Bajaj Auto's joint managing director Rakesh Sharma was the most direct on the trend, telling analysts that the 100cc and 125cc segments were growing at "low-single digit numbers" even as the 150cc-250cc range expanded over 20%. He linked the divergence to income inequality within the customer base, saying "the upper half of the society are economically much, much stronger and the people down the pyramid have weakened," a dynamic he said was now visible in how different engine-

capacity segments were performing. Sharma said Bajaj was prepared to let its 100cc market share erode rather than compete purely on price. The segment's share of the overall motorcycle market has fallen from 55% to around 46% over the past five to seven years, he said, adding that Bajaj would "participate in it at our own terms" and was willing to accept share losses "when growth and profitability... start getting into a conflict situation." The company's strategic focus, he said, has shifted to the 125cc-plus range, where Bajaj plans to launch two new Pulsar models and roughly ten variant refreshes within six weeks, alongside two entirely new brand nameplates in the 125cc segment later in the fiscal year. Hero MotoCorp described a more mixed picture.

Beed Oil Scam Busted: FDA Raids 5 Units, Seizes Over 1 Lakh Kg Substandard Oil

The Maharashtra Food & Drugs Administration (MFDA) seized loose edible oil worth Rs 1.94 crore from multiple establishments in the Beed district on Aug.6 and Aug. 7, according to a press note from the organisation on Sunday. Shrikant Karkale, Joint Commissioner and Nitin Mohite, Assistant Commissioner supervised these operations which targeted establishments that allegedly engage in oil repacking and selling loose oil. The FDA, under the leadership of Commissioner Tukaram Mundhe, suspended the food licences of many famed Mumbai-based culinary fixtures such as Parsi Dairy Farm, K Rustom Ice Cream, Shalimar restaurant, Noor Mohammadi Hotel and Rehmania restaurant, and more recently, various notable sports clubs across the city. The food safety body advised citizens to avoid purchasing loose edible oil and to ensure that it is verified with FSSAI clearance along with a manufacturing and expiry data. "Citizens are advised to purchase edible oil only from licensed vendors and to verify the FSSAI license number, manufacturing and expiry date, and proper labeling on the package," the press note stated. List Of Seizures: Swagat Oil Industries Swagat Oil



Industries saw 66,653 Kg of edible oil valued at Rs. 1.05 crore seized from its premises by the FDA. Ot flagged "misleading packaging" of palmolein oil, noting the use of reused tins and unhygienic conditions. Officials also found no in-house laboratory, Certificate of Analysis, food grade certificates or other required records. The raid was conducted by FSOs Khandare, Khade, Ganesh Dattu, Rohit Phandi, Bochar and Chibhade, with 11 enforcement samples drawn. Its licence was suspended with immediate effect and the unit being closed. The press note named the local brands Shubham, Anuj Drops and Shubham Ultra as those under which the oil was sold. Jai Hanuman Traders Jai Hanuman Traders in Vadwani saw 4,545.2 kg of edible oil valued at Rs. 7.25 lakh seized from its premises by the FDA. Officials found *reused tins, unhygienic

conditions, no in-house laboratory, Certificate of Analysis, food grade certificates, medical or pest control records**, as well as improper labelling of storage tanks. The raid was conducted by FSOs Ganesh Dattu, Siddhant Khandare, Khade and Bochar, with three enforcement samples drawn. Its licence was suspended with immediate effect and the unit was closed. The press note named Soham Refined Soybean Oil as the local brand under which the oil was sold. Janhavi Commercials Janhavi Commercials in Old Mondha, Majalgaon, saw 1,746 kg of loose refined soybean oil valued at Rs. 2.79 lakh seized from its premises by the FDA. Officials found unlabelled loose oil stored in an unsafe manner, no batch numbers or Certificate of Analysis, and unhygienic storage tanks. The raid resulted in two enforcement samples being drawn. Its licence was suspended with immediate effect and the unit was closed. Vinayak Oil Industries Vinayak Oil Industries in Old Mondha, Majalgaon, saw 248 kg of loose refined soybean oil valued at Rs. 39,680 seized from its premises by the FDA. Officials found unsafe storage of loose oil, the use of reused tins and an absence of required records.

The Ministry of Civil Aviation of India (MOCA) ordered the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) to investigate the Air India Phuket-Delhi flight incident, sources told on Sunday. The development comes after flight AI 2379, operating from Phuket to Delhi, experienced a brief in-flight turbulence-related event during its cruise in the previous week, resulting in injuries to some passengers and crew members, though there were no serious injuries. The aircraft landed safely in Delhi and all passengers and crew have safely disembarked, the airline said, as per reports. The airline said the flight "experienced a brief in-flight turbulence-related event during cruise, resulting in a momentary change in altitude." A minimum of 17 people, including four cabin crew members, suffered injuries in the incident, according to Civil Aviation Minister K Rammoohan Naidu. He added that some of the crew members have suffered spinal and neck injuries. The DGCA (Directorate General of Civil Aviation) further suspended the two pilots involved with the incident regarding the turbulence-hit aircraft from Phuket to Delhi in the previous week. Both pilots underwent prescribed psychoactive substance screening tests as per sources, with further action to be taken once the results' outcome is known. Further action will be taken based on the outcome of the investigation and confirmatory test results. The screening test in respect of the Pilot-in-Commands (PIC) indicated a result requiring confirmatory testing with the samples being sent to the designated laboratory for confirmatory analysis.

MOCA Orders Aircraft Accident Investigation Body To Look Into Air India Phuket-Delhi Incident



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MARUTI SUZUKI ANNUAL INTEGRATED REPORT 2025-26

The Next Million, New Momentum: Every Engine of Growth in Motion

New Delhi, 9 August 2026: Maruti Suzuki India Limited ("Maruti Suzuki") has released its Annual Integrated Report 2025-26, themed "The Next Million, New Momentum". The theme reflects the momentum created by multiple growth drivers operating simultaneously, accelerating the Company's journey into the next phase of growth. The report highlights how the revival of the small car segment, the strengthening of the Company's SUV portfolio, its multi-powertrain strategy, focus on capacity expansion and robust export performance have created fresh momentum for growth. The Company registered its highest ever annual sales of 24.22 lakh vehicles and record exports of 4.47 lakh vehicles in FY 2025-26. Having achieved the 2 million sales mark for the third consecutive year, the Company, supported by all the key growth drivers in

place, is optimistic about reaching its next million-vehicle milestone earlier than anticipated. Mr. R. C. Bhargava, Chairman, Maruti Suzuki India Limited said, "I am happy to inform you that these GST reforms have given a new impetus not only to the automobile industry but to several sectors of the economy... We are in the process of making as accurate an estimate as possible of the likely growth of the car market in the next five years. Presently, we are estimating that the car industry would grow to 6.1 to 6.3 million units by FY 2030-31 and that the share of the small car market would grow significantly faster than its pace of growth in the last five years." On India's journey towards Net Zero, he added, "In India we need to use multiple technologies to achieve our goal of moving to net zero. We strongly believe that biogas can be

generated in large quantities from locally available resources. This form of energy would substitute for imported CNG and be clean and renewable with zero import content. In addition, there would be many valuable byproducts... Maruti Suzuki Board has approved that we start four biogas plants in the 1st phase, at a cost of Rs.561 crore, and once we have learnt more about the process and technology, we hope to invest substantial amounts of money in the production and distributions of biogas. It will provide zero emission fuel and reduce the pressure on CNG and on burning coal for generating electricity." Mr. Hisashi Takeuchi, Managing Director & CEO, Maruti Suzuki India Limited said, "Reflecting our confidence in the medium-term outlook, we accelerated our capacity expansion plans. During FY 2026-27, we added

500,000 units of manufacturing capacity. Customer expectations continue to evolve rapidly. The Company has plans to introduce 7 SUVs in the next 5 to 6 years to further strengthen SUV portfolio." He added, "As India progresses towards becoming a developed nation by 2047, the automobile industry has both a responsibility and an opportunity to contribute meaningfully to this journey. Through manufacturing, exports, technology development, employment generation, skill creation and sustainable mobility, Maruti Suzuki remains committed to supporting India's aspirations. The next million sales of vehicles represent far more than a volume milestone. They represent greater access to mobility, stronger manufacturing capabilities, wider adoption of cleaner technologies, deeper localization and broader value creation for society."

TELANGANA FARMERS SAVED \$560 EACH THROUGH AI FORECASTS: REPORT

Artificial intelligence-powered weather forecasts helped small farmers in Telangana save as much as USD 560 by altering their behaviour in response to specific risks, a World Bank report said. Citing a Telangana study and other examples, the World Bank urged developing countries to expedite the adoption of small, low-cost artificial intelligence tools to improve the lives of millions. The World Development Report 2026: The Promise of Artificial Intelligence, released on Tuesday, August 4, said among economic impacts, AI can help millions of small businesses and farmers become more productive. "In the Indian state of Telangana, for example, an AI weather forecasting system enabled smallholder farmers to alter their behaviour in response to specific risks, causing some to increase farm expenditures by as much as one-third and others to reap net savings of as much as USD 560 per farmer," the report said, citing a 2025



study conducted in Medak and Mahbubnagar districts of Telangana. It said among social impacts, predictive AI analytics and decision support for back-office administrative work in government can have large payoffs. AI helped farmers make better production and investment choices. The report highlighted that AI-generated weather forecasts helped farmers who relied little on information from the government and extension agents—make better production and investment choices. The report is the first comprehensive assessment of AI's implications for developing countries, revealing

how businesses and governments in these countries have begun to use AI. It finds that AI is already helping people, businesses, and governments solve problems, analyse information, improve forecasts, and deliver services at a larger scale. The report suggests that governments could use AI to improve tax collection, social programmes, disaster response, health care, and education. "Today's developing economies missed the first Industrial Revolution and spent the next two centuries paying the price. They cannot afford to miss this one," said Indermit Gill, Senior

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Vice President and Chief Economist of the World Bank Group. The report said developing countries should leave it to the rich world to agonise over whether AI will one day doom humanity. The report recommends an emphasis on small AI applications diffused widely across the economy instead of big investments in large language models concentrated in a few firms. The World Development Report 2026: The Promise of Artificial Intelligence, said among economic impacts, AI can help millions of small businesses and farmers become more productive.

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■ Residents warned to brace for the worst as Canada wildfire rages out of control

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has rejected US President Donald Trump's 15-point plan for Gaza, stating that no military pull-out will happen until Hamas is "genuinely" disarmed. Trump's Board of Peace said last month it had reached an agreement for the "complete disarmament" of Hamas and other armed groups in Gaza. But Hamas said handing over its heavy weapons was contingent on Israel ending "all forms of aggression" and withdrawing its forces from Gaza. Israel has continued to carry out strikes on Gaza since agreeing to an initial ceasefire in the territory last October. "Israel rejects the 15-point document," Netanyahu



nament plan for Gaza. But Netanyahu said that Hamas had to disarm before Israel withdrew its forces from Gaza, adding it couldn't be some "fictitious disarmament". He said he was now in discussion with US officials about how to go forward. "They have ideas; some of them are acceptable to us and some are not, and we

know how to stand our ground on these matters," he said. Just months before Israeli elections, the Israeli prime minister is unlikely to want to make concessions. He has faced calls from his far-right allies to hold a new cabinet vote and end the Gaza plan, including National Security Minister Itamar Ben Gvir who dismissed the draft as "not acceptable". It signals another blow for Trump's Gaza peace plan which was announced in September last year. The plan included the creation of the Board of Peace to oversee the agreement's implementation, as well as the disarmament of Hamas, withdrawal of Israeli troops and reconstruction of Gaza.

ers that would previously line up to buy coffee haven't been showing up over the past two months. "Due to the fire, obviously most of them aren't here," Scairos says. "So we lost those customers, but we also lost customers that don't want to be around the smell, the smoke, the flies. It's understandable. But we have to keep paying our bills, so we're still here." One cannot walk through the area, which is mostly a warehouse district surrounded by homes, without swatting away countless flies, both big and small, including black, blue and green ones. As Scairos packs up his coffee stand for the day, flies are landing on his tables and his body. He acknowledges that patrons don't want to see flies when they're purchasing food or drinks to consume. A city-commissioned inspection report found that waste and high temperatures at the warehouse could speed up the breeding of flies capable of infecting wounds in both people and animals, a local NBC affiliate reported. The report from a pest control company said it could put people and animals with open wounds at risk of contracting disease. People in the community have also reported seeing large rats, and they say traps placed along sidewalks aren't big enough to hold them. Many residents blame the city for what they deem an inadequate response to the fire and a lack of transparency and resources. "I understand why residents are frustrated," Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass told the BBC in a statement.

Up in the hills above the Roman columns of the ancient site of Sebastia, in the occupied West Bank, are olive fields that have been cultivated for generations by Palestinian families. One of the landowners, Abu Mudif, says he has received notification that his land is part of a tranche of about 450 acres that the Israeli authorities are taking possession of in order, they say, to protect and develop the site for a major new national park. Typically, Palestinian landowners receive little or no payment for such land expropriation. And even when it is offered, most refuse it as they see accepting it as giving recognition and legitimacy to the loss of what they see as their patrimony. It's a vital income for Abu Mudif to lose of course, but it goes deeper than that for him. "If I wanted to describe it, the closest description I can give is that it is like having your soul ripped away. I cannot imagine myself without my land." Nahed Sakha owns a local restaurant that



is under threat of demolition. He says the Israeli planning seems to be to cut Palestinian residents off from the archaeological site, which dates back thousands of years and has significant remains from the ancient Jewish past, as well as many other eras including the Romans, the Crusaders and the Ottomans. "Restoration work has now begun along with excavations," he says. "Landowners were told that no-one would be allowed to use or plough their land." The concerns of the village that surrounds Sebastia have been echoed by the United Nations culture and education agency.

Unesco, which has now declared it not just a World Heritage Site but also added it to the List of World Heritage in Danger. Unesco says that the main threat facing the site concerns what it calls the "planned expropriation and creation of the 'Samaria' (Shomron) national park, which could divide the property". Standing on a path between the entrance car park in Sebastia on one side - where the Roman-era forum once stood - and the columns of the basilica on the other, the village mayor, Mohammed Azem, looks down to his right at some rubbish left in the ruins. He

says locals are now worried about reaching down to clean the area as it might cause problems with Israeli security forces and settlers. The path on which he stands divides the site between Area B of the West Bank - which is under Palestinian civil and Israeli security control - and Area C, which is under full Israeli civil and security control. Last week, Israel allocated roughly 113 million shekels (\$27.8m) to expanding its control over archaeological sites in the West Bank. Some projects involve sites in areas administered by the Palestinian Authority. In the remains of the Roman theatre, Israeli activist Alon Arad - who heads Emek Shaveh, an Israeli group that aims to ensure that the ancient heritage of the region belongs to all communities - says that the Israeli authorities have bypassed consultation with the local administration and residents of Sebastia. "The thing is that Israel is not the owner of this place. This is a Palestinian heritage site.

A close-up portrait of a man with a dark beard and mustache, wearing a dark flat cap. He is looking slightly to the right of the camera with a neutral expression. The background is out of focus, showing some architectural details.

The Irish government jet carrying suspected crime boss Daniel Kinahan has departed Dubai for Dublin. The 49-year-old was arrested in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) in April and is being extradited to the Republic of Ireland to face a charge of directing a criminal organisation. Kinahan will be immediately charged upon his arrival in Dublin and then brought by gardai (Irish police) to appear before the non-jury, three judge Special Criminal Court on Sunday evening. A large-scale security operation is in place. Ahead of the extradition the Irish Prison Service bought a bulletproof

and bombproof van which can be used to escort prisoners who are considered high-risk. According to flight tracking data, the plane carrying Kinahan departed Dubai at 13:19 local time and is expected to land in Dublin before 19:00 local time on Sunday. Irish authorities are expected to prosecute him for his involvement in leading an organised crime group. The National Crime Agency (NCA) has previously said that the Kinahan cartel has been responsible for importing tonnes of drugs and firearms around the world and has also been linked to more than a dozen gangland murders. Kinahan is not only wanted by the authorities in Ireland - the US Treasury Department once described the Kinahan cartel as one of the most dangerous in the world. The US government imposed sanctions on Kinahan in April 2022 after he and other members of his family were identified as leaders of the Kinahan organised crime cartel.



Ancient Roman shipwreck discovered off Sicily coast

Celebrations have turned the northern Nigerian city of Kano into a riot of colour and excitement over the last week as 1,500 couples married at a mass wedding. For days the city's streets have been buzzing with bridal parties and their families preparing outfits and attending other organised events. On Friday, brides in red hijabs with grooms in matching red hats and white robes went to the palace of the Emir, the city's traditional Muslim leader, for the main ceremony where they officially became husband and wife. The nuptials culminated on Saturday with a wedding breakfast hosted by Governor Abba Kabir Yusuf, who offered his blessing to the newlyweds. The Kano state government sponsored this initiative, spending

1.5bn naira (\$1m; £815,000) to support those tying the knot - providing the bride's dowry and furniture for the couple's first home. The scheme targets low-income individuals who cannot afford the significant financial costs associated with marriage. The annual event was initiated in 2012 by the then-governor when 100 couples - primarily widows and divorcees - wed at the palace. The mass weddings have continued under

subsequent governors, with numbers expanding each year as demand has grown and included those in polygamous Muslim marriages. Such is the popularity of the scheme that 5,000 couples applied this year. The event is always overseen by the Hisbah - the city's Islamic police force - and one of their main tasks is to vet the couples wanting to wed. Kano has a majority Muslim population and Sharia operates in

the state alongside the secular legal system. Mujahid Aminuddeen, deputy commander-general of the Hisbah, admits it is not an easy task. "Whenever we find out that there's something dubious or fishy about a couple, we disqualify them," he tells the BBC. He says some couples will go to great lengths to convince the authorities that they are a genuine love match when their eye is more on the benefits on offer.

The state government has spent approximately 1m naira (\$735; £544) on each participating couple. According to the Hisbah, the support package a couple receives includes essential household items needed to establish a new home: beds, mattresses, bedsheets, pillows, furniture and food supplies.

"HUNGRY FOR MORE":

Ashmita Chaliha's Big Claim After Korea Masters Triumph

Ashmita Chaliha's breakthrough moment on the BWF World Tour left her struggling to put the achievement into words as the 26-year-old Indian overcame China's fourth-seeded Han Qian Xi 14-21, 21-14, 21-14 in 53 minutes to win the Korea Masters women's singles title on Sunday. "I feel really great; it's unbelievable. I'm still trying to digest it," Ashmita said in a video by Olympics.com after completing a comeback victory that earned her a maiden BWF World Tour crown and moved her closer to a place among the world's top 40. The Indian, ranked No. 50 before the tournament, had to negotiate challenging conditions as she recovered from a slow start in the final. Ashmita initially led 9-5 but was unable to maintain her advantage and surrendered the opening game 14-21. The conditions, however, played a significant



role in how the match unfolded, and Ashmita found her rhythm once she switched sides. "First set was a little bit tricky because of the drift conditions, so I wasn't able to manage it. But then the second set, the other side is more comfortable, and it's a little bit less drift. So I was able to control it. In the third set, when I changed again after 11 points, I was on the good side...so I'm glad that I could pull off." That adjustment proved decisive. Ashmita steadily took control of the

second game before carrying the momentum into the decider, where she kept Han under pressure to close out the biggest title of her career. The triumph also made Ashmita the first Indian to win the Korea Masters, adding another milestone to a season in which she has made significant progress after returning from a three-month injury layoff in May. Her run in Asan was particularly notable given the quality of opposition she overcame.

BRETT LEE SNUBS SACHIN TENDULKAR AS CRICKET'S GOAT



Sachin Tendulkar is the best batter to have ever played the game, and there are very few who doubt that. Even for Australia's pace bowling legend Brett Lee, that remains the case. However, when it comes to picking the greatest cricketer of all time (GOAT), Lee has another name in mind. For him, while there is no denying Tendulkar's prowess with the bat, it is Jacques Kallis, the South African icon, who is the ultimate GOAT in the sport. Speaking on the Beer Biceps podcast, Lee doffed his hat to Tendulkar,

admitting that there has not been a better batter to play the sport. Yet, when evaluating all-round skills, it is Kallis who tops the charts for him. "I've always said that I think that the best batsman to ever play the game is Sachin Tendulkar. But the best cricketer is Jacques Kallis. He's got the best numbers in the world. If you look at his stats, the stats don't lie. He's incredible." Lee and Kallis were rivals on the international circuit, but they became teammates for a brief period in the Indian Premier League.

From Olympic Bronze With PV Sindhu To Back-To-Back Super 300s, Park Tae-Sang's Next Act Takes Shape

Two Super 300 titles. Two different players. Two consecutive weeks. For Park Tae-Sang, it is not just a fortnight of good results. It offers a glimpse of his work that he has been putting in Indian badminton, building players who, he hopes, can become the next generation of Indian stars. Last Sunday, 17-year-old Tanvi Sharma won the Taipei Open. Seven days later, 26-year-old Ashmita Chaliha made a stunning comeback from a career-threatening knee injury to win the Korea Masters. "It's been an amazing two weeks. Last week, Tanvi was also amazing. She is only 17 and won her first BWF-level title. Today, I was even happier because it was Ashmita's first final and she won the title. As a coach, I'm really happy," Park told PTI from Asan, Korea. Park spent four years with PV Sindhu in Hyderabad, a stint that culminated in the Tokyo Olympics bronze medal. After that association ended, he was approached by the Badminton Association of



India about working with younger players. "When I started working with Sindhu, she was already a world champion and had a group of good senior players around her. This time, I thought to myself, 'Okay, let's start from the beginning. I will build these players myself, with my own hands.' The idea was to create a new generation of Indian players." Bigger goal is Olympic qualifying race for 2028 LA Games Three years in National Centre of Excellence, Guwahati and the results are beginning to

show. However, Park sees the two titles as stepping stones to bigger achievements. "I think winning two BWF 300-level titles in the last two weeks is a good achievement, but they are only 300-level tournaments. The players are now looking towards the 500, 750 and 1000-level tournaments," he said. "Our bigger goal is the same for both Tanvi and Ashmita. From May 1 next year, the Olympic qualifying race for the 2028 Los Angeles Games will begin, so next year is going to be very important.

INDIA'S HOCKEY WORLD CUP JOURNEY: FROM GLORY IN 1975 TO YEARS OF NEAR MISSES

India's men's hockey team has had a roller-coaster journey in the World Cup, from winning the inaugural bronze in 1971 to lifting the title in 1975 and then enduring a long wait for another podium finish. The eight-time Olympic champions' only World Cup triumph came in Kuala Lumpur in 1975, when Ajit Pal Singh's side defeated arch-rivals Pakistan 2-1 in the final. Pakistan remain the most successful team in the tournament with four titles, while the Netherlands, Australia and Germany have won it three times each. Belgium are the other champions. Here is a look at India's World Cup journey through the 2023 edition: 1971 Barcelona The World Cup was conceived after India and Pakistan jointly proposed a hockey tournament on the lines of football's World Cup at the FIH Council meeting in 1969. Pakistan were initially awarded the hosting rights, but political tensions between the two countries forced the inaugural edi-



tion to be shifted to Barcelona. India topped Pool A after beating France, Argentina, Kenya and West Germany, but lost 1-2 to Pakistan in the semi-finals. Pakistan went on to beat Spain in the final to become the inaugural champions, while India defeated Kenya 2-1 to take the bronze medal. 1973 Amsterdam India reached the final of the second World Cup in Amsterdam but

missed out on the title after a dramatic finish against hosts the Netherlands. The Indian team finished second in Pool A behind West Germany before beating Pakistan in the semi-finals, with B P Govinda scoring the decisive goal. The final ended 2-2 after extra time before the Netherlands prevailed in the penalty shootout to claim their maiden World Cup title. 1975 Kuala Lumpur

March 15, 1975 remains the defining date in Indian hockey's World Cup history. Led by Ajit Pal Singh, India defeated Pakistan 2-1 in the final to win their only World Cup title so far. Pakistan took the lead, but Surjit Singh equalised in the 44th minute before Ashok Kumar scored the winner in the 51st minute. Seven time Olympic champion India had topped their pool before defeating Malaysia in the semi-finals. 1978 Buenos Aires India's title defence ended in disappointment as the defending champions failed to qualify for the semi-finals and finished sixth. India won three of their six pool matches but suffered two defeats, including a heavy 0-7 loss to West Germany. Pakistan regained the title by defeating the Netherlands 3-2 in the final, while Australia finished third. 1982 Mumbai India hosted the World Cup for the first time in Mumbai but could not make it to the final four, finishing fifth.

FANS CRASH WRONG WEDDING THINKING IT'S RONALDO'S



Chaos erupted on the Portuguese island of Madeira on Saturday as a bride and groom were mobbed by thousands of fans, who mistook them for football icon Cristiano Ronaldo and his partner, Georgina Rodriguez. The huge crowd had gathered around the Funchal Cathedral amid speculation that Ronaldo and Georgina were set to tie the knot.

Sarfaraz Khan Likely To Replace Injured Sai Sudharsan For Sri Lanka Tests

India batter Sarfaraz Khan is likely to replace injured Sai Sudharsan in the upcoming Test series against Sri Lanka, according to BCCI sources. Sudharsan is understood to have sustained an injury, which could rule him out of the forthcoming series. According to the source, Sarfaraz is likely to be brought into the squad as his replacement. The final decision on the squad is expected to be taken by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI). "Sarfaraz Khan is likely to replace injured Sai Sudharsan in the upcoming Test series against Sri Lanka," a BCCI source told ANI. Sudharsan has been undergoing rehabilitation at the Centre of Excellence (COE) in Bengaluru and has also participated in batting and fielding drills. However, the batter was unlikely to



regain full fitness in time for the opening Test against Sri Lanka, scheduled to begin in Galle on August 15. Sudharsan also did not take the flight when the Indian team departed for Sri Lanka and thus missed the ongoing three-day warm-up match against Sri Lanka Cricket XI in Colombo, which began on Friday (August 8). Meanwhile, Indian skipper Shubman Gill also sustained an injury to his right ring fin-

ger during a practice session ahead of the first Sri Lanka Test. BCCI posted on X, "Update: Captain Shubman Gill sustained an impact injury to his right ring finger during India's practice on Thursday. As a precautionary measure, he will not take the field on Day 1 of the warm-up game against SLC XI. The BCCI Medical Team is monitoring his progress. KL Rahul will lead the team in Gill's absence."

"DON'T USE THE WORD 'BLAME'":

VVS Laxman Counters Criticism Of Team India's Growing Injury Crisis

The Head of Cricket at the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) Centre of Excellence (COE), VVS Laxman, attended a press conference along with the board secretary, Devajit Saikia, amid the team's growing injury concern. The likes of Jasprit Bumrah and B Sri Sudharsan are the latest to join a growing injury list, and both are set to miss the upcoming 2-match Test series against Sri Lanka. As critics put the 'blame' on the way CoE is functioning, with some arguing that unfit players are being released to the national team. However, Laxman has rejected suggestions of an accountability breakdown within Indian cricket's medical and selection framework. Addressing queries regarding the clearance processes for



key stars such as Bumrah and Sudharsan, both of whom were initially picked for the Sri Lanka series, Laxman emphasised that player rehabilitation remains strictly objective, data-driven, and player-centric. In response to sharp scrutiny over whether the COE cleared players prematurely or if selection panels picked individuals with-

out complete fitness guarantees, Laxman pushed back firmly against point-scoring. "I think we don't like to use the word 'blame', because when you are using 'blame', then you are finding someone as a scapegoat. I don't think... so maybe I don't know what you all feel, and you start blaming because of this and because of that. But there is a brilliant coordination between the COE, between the team management of both the teams, and the SSM (Sports Science and Medicine) staff of both the teams, and the selection committee."

Top-Ranked Aryna Sabalenka, Jessica Pegula Stunned In Toronto Fourth Round



World number one Aryna Sabalenka and Jessica Pegula were both upset in fourth-round matches on Saturday at the Toronto Masters. Four-time Grand Slam winner Sabalenka suffered a blow to her preparations for a tilt at a third consecutive US Open title, beaten 7-6 (7/3), 4-6, 6-4 by Russian 16th seed Ekaterina Alexandrova. "I wasn't trying to think about the score or anything like beating number one," said Alexandrova after ousting the Belarusian in 2hr 29min. "I was just trying to do my best. I just tried to play every single point as if it was the last one because with her, you don't get a lot of chances during the match." Alexandrova said. "I had a lot today, but I couldn't realize some of them. I'm super

happy that I could win because after the second set, I thought (winning) was already past me." Alexandrova moves on to a quarter-final against Ukraine's Elina Svitolina, who dispatched American Amanda Anisimova 6-2, 6-4 in 78 minutes. Russian 15th seed Shnaider upset world number three Pegula 6-3, 6-3 to book a last-eight date with Poland's Iga Swiatek. The 22-year-old left-hander took only 73 minutes to defeat Pegula. "This week I've been very comfortable on both defending and just firing some winners," Shnaider said. "It was working well. I was choosing a bigger target today but sometimes ripping the ball." Sabalenka dropped the first set on a tiebreak as her Russian opponent won five of the last six points.

Rodrigo de Paul's Beautiful Tribute For Lionel Messi After Scoring For Inter Miami

Rodrigo De Paul, Lionel Messi's teammate for both Argentina and Inter Miami, scored for the Major League Soccer side on Saturday. De Paul picked up the ball outside the penalty area in the 31st minute and unleashed a long-range strike. Monterrey goalkeeper Luis Cardenas was left helpless despite a diving attempt to keep the ball out. After scoring, De Paul removed his shirt to reveal a Messi No. 10 shirt underneath. The gesture appeared to be a tribute to Messi and his

family following the death of the Argentina star's father, Jorge Messi. Jorge Messi had reportedly been admitted to a hospital in Rosario, where he passed away. During the 2026 FIFA World Cup in North America, Messi was noticeably distressed by off-field matters. De Paul, who is said to be one of Messi's closest friends, stood by the Argentina captain during the World Cup and made sure he wasn't forgotten at the club level too. Jorge is survived by his

wife and four children: Lionel, older brothers Rodrigo and Matias, and younger sister Maria Sol. When Messi's emotional distress made headlines during the World Cup, media reports prompted his family to release a statement confirming that "Jorge is experiencing a health issue," without specifying the nature of his condition. "A person's health and the peace of mind of their loved ones should not be the subject of speculation or irresponsible media interest," the statement

read, expressing "discomfort at the lack of sensitivity, respect and scruples with which some people have treated a strictly private family matter." Jorge Messi was a chemical technician and steelworker. He played football as a midfielder, reaching the youth ranks of Newell's Old Boys before having to leave the sport to complete mandatory military service in Argentina. He played a pivotal role in his third son's career, acting as his agent and managing his business affairs. He accompanied a

y o u n g Messi to Barcelona in the early 2000s for the trial that secured his place at La Masia, the club's youth academy. Lionel Messi made his senior professional debut in 2005, going on to win eight Ballon d'Or awards and lead Argentina to the 2022 World Cup title. Lionel Messi's Inter Miami teammate Rodrigo de Paul paid a beautiful tribute to the Argentina icon, who recently lost his father.



Rocking Star Yash’s Toxic Trailer Out! Unveils a Magnum Opus of Action, Redemption, Destruction & Entanglements

The much-awaited trailer of Toxic: A Fairy Tale for Grown-Ups is finally here, offering a first glimpse into a sprawling world where chaos meets chaos, loyalties are tested and every character carries a story of their own. Headlined by Rocking Star Yash, the trailer presents Toxic as a larger-than-life magnum opus combining high-octane action and scale with an emotionally charged narrative rooted in love, hunger for power, betrayal and redemption. From striking visuals and explosive action to layered characters

and intense relationships, the trailer promises a gangster saga that is as emotionally driven as it is spectacular. At the heart of Toxic lies the complex relationship between Raya and his son, Ticket, adding an emotional core to the larger-than-life gangster world. The trailer also introduces a web of relationships and rivalries, with glimpses into the character arc of Nayanthara, Kiara Advani, Tara Sutaria, Rukmini Vasanth and Huma Qureshi. The ensemble makes a strong impression, with each actor bringing dis-

tinct shades and intensity to their characters. Award-winning filmmaker Geetu Mohandas brings her distinctive storytelling and visual sensibility to Toxic, creating an immersive and unpredictable world. The trailer sets up a Yash vs Yash face-off, with Yash portraying both Raya and Ticket — a father and son on opposite sides of an explosive conflict. Beyond this central battle, the trailer showcases the film’s ambitious world-building through high-octane action, thrilling sequences,

striking production design and atmospheric visuals. The cinematography further enhances its dark, textured and visually arresting world, while Geetu brings together action, emotion and intricate character dynamics into an



Kiara Advani Stuns In Sculpted White Corset Gown

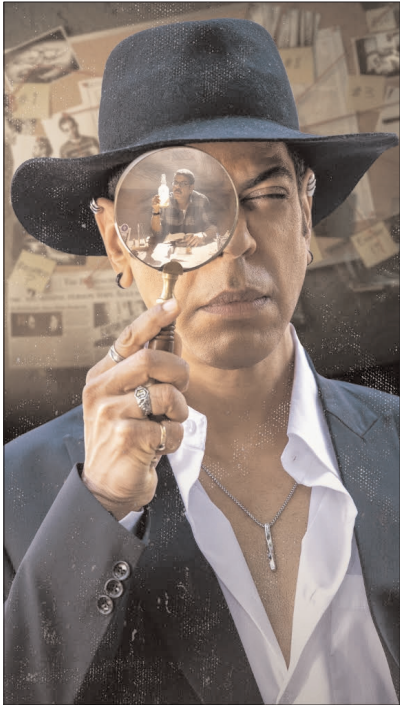


Kiara Advani is having a big day today as the trailer of her much-awaited film Toxic finally dropped, and the actress celebrated the moment in true style. Within minutes of the trailer’s release, Kiara shared a fresh set of pictures on social media, and fans could not stop gushing over her look. The trailer, which released to a wave of excitement, is packed with energy, high-octane action, and intense drama, giving audiences a proper glimpse of the chal-

lenges the lead pair takes on through the film. Kiara plays Nadia in the movie, and the trailer has already got everyone talking about her role opposite Yash. For her celebratory pictures, Kiara chose a stunning white off-shoulder gown with a structured corset-style bodice and a flowing thigh-slit skirt, keeping her look elegant yet bold. Toxic, directed by Geetu Mohandas, also stars Nayanthara, Huma Qureshi, Tara Sutaria and Rukmini Vasanth.

Versatile Actor Murali Sharma’s Birthday Poster Released from Sudigali Sudheer’s "Sudheer’s Joker"

Murali Sharma to Entertain as Detective Jeevan in Sudheer’s Joker

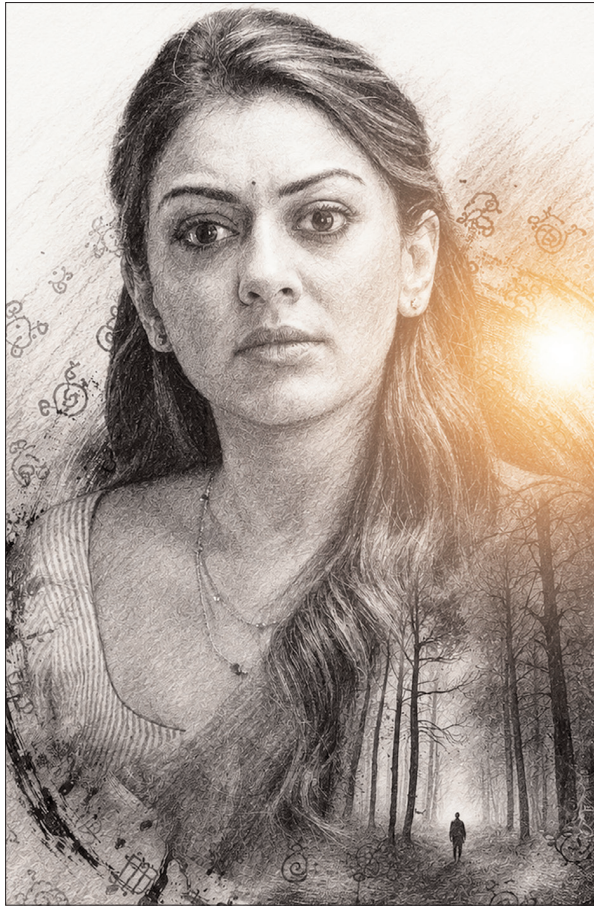


A special birthday poster from Sudheer’s Joker, starring Sudigali Sudheer, has been released today, wishing versatile actor Murali Sharma on his birthday. The film marks the Telugu debut of Bigg Boss fame Ayesha as the female lead. Abhirami, Murali Sharma, Ajay Ghosh, Ramesh Indira, Vishnu Oi and Muralidhar Goud are also playing key roles in the film. Following their well-received film Paradha, producers Srinivasulu P.V., Vijay Donkada and Sridhar Makkava are producing the movie under the Anand Media banner, with P.S. Sunil Puppala directing it.

Murali Sharma will be seen as Detective Jeevan in Sudheer’s Joker. Known for portraying a wide variety of characters across several successful Pan-India films, Murali Sharma is expected to add another memorable role to his repertoire with this character. Going by the birthday poster, his distinctive body language and natural acting style appear to be a perfect fit for the role of Detective Jeevan. The film follows a royal family-born protagonist who turns to robberies, while Detective Jeevan uses his intelligence and experience to decode the criminal cases surrounding him. How he investigates the cases and attempts to uncover the truth forms an intriguing part of the narrative. The character is expected to bring an interesting investigative dimension to the film With strong content and distinctive characters.

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HANSIKA MOTWANI’S MYSTERIOUS FIRST LOOK FROM ‘KAPAALI’ UNVEILED

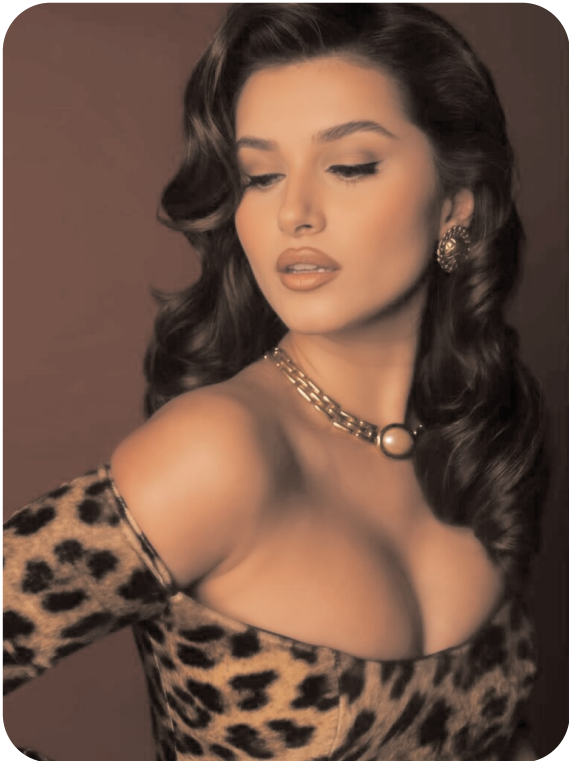


Hansika Motwani’s Mysterious First Look From Rohith Nara, Raam Ganni, Kalyana Chakravarthy Manthina, Bhanu Kiran Pratapa, Vijay Krishna Lingamaneni Presents, Sapta Aswa Media Works’ Kapaali Unveiled. The makers of Rohith Nara’s upcoming psychological horror thriller Kapaalihave unveiled a striking first-look poster featuring Hansika Motwani on the occasion of her birthday. Directed by Raam Ganni, the film is set against a police backdrop while delving into a dark and mysteri-

ous world of psychological horror. Presented by Vijay Krishna Lingamaneni, Kapaali is produced by Kalyana Chakravarthy Manthina and Bhanu Kiran Pratapa under the Sapta Aswa Media Works banner. The poster presents Hansika in a black-and-white, hand-sketched aesthetic, with an intense and deeply serious expression. Her long, flowing hair frames her face, while her sharp gaze and composed demeanour create an air of mystery. Dressed in a simple outfit and accessorised with a delicate chain, she appears enigmatic.

TARA SUTARIA DAZZLES IN LEOPARD PRINT AT TOXIC

Tara Sutaria left everyone amazed with her stunning look at the Toxic trailer launch event held in Bengaluru. The actress, who plays Rebecca in the film, arrived at the star-studded event alongside her co-stars Yash, Kiara Advani, Nayanthara, Huma Qureshi and Rukmini Vasanth, and instantly became one of the most talked-about attendees of the evening. Tara opted for a bold leopard-print gown by designer Amrit Arora, featuring a wide off-shoulder neckline and long fitted sleeves that added an elegant contrast to her glamorous avatar. She rounded off her look with statement gold jewellery, striking makeup and voluminous curls, exuding old-Hollywood charm at the grand launch event.



Preity Mukhundhan Proves Why She’s A Style Star

Preity Mukhundhan is currently riding high on love from her fans, and she recently gave her three million followers something to cheer about with a fresh set of stunning pictures. The actress took to social media to share the new shots, and it did not take long for the pictures to go viral among her admirers. In the photos, Preity looked absolutely radiant in a shimmering silver embellished saree paired with a matching backless blouse, letting her sequinned drape do all the talking. She kept her styling minimal yet elegant, with soft waves and statement jhumka earrings completing the glamorous look.



DC FAME WAMIQA GABBI: THE NEW GLAM QUEEN TO WATCH



Wamiqa Gabbi graces the cover page of Face Magazine in an absolutely stunning fashion statement. Adorned in a vibrant red saree, she effortlessly captures attention and radiates an aura of timeless beauty. The inclusion of stylish Google accessories adds a modern and trendy twist to her overall look. There was a time when female characters in Indian cinema were largely limited to being the hero’s love interest, adding glamour, shaking their booty in songs, or ultimately becoming his wife.



Sara Tendulkar Shines In Ivory Corset Saree Look

Sara Tendulkar gave the traditional saree a bold, modern twist in her latest photoshoot for Vogue India. The star kid was seen draped in a pastel green Banarasi saree with delicate floral embroidery, paired to the second spot in the Global e-Cricket Premier League Season 3 after a strong win over defending champions Chennai Falcons, keeping her team firmly in the playoff race. The fashion-forward look featured an off-white pure satin silk and organza silk corset blouse, designed with a structured, strapless silhouette and a sweetheart neckline. Its sculpted fit added a modern,

even seen biting into a cake, adding a fun and candid touch to the otherwise fairytale-like aesthetic of the shoot. Meanwhile, Sara has also been making headlines on another front. Her franchise, Mumbai Grizzlies, climbed to the second spot in the Global e-Cricket Premier League Season 3 after a strong win over defending champions Chennai Falcons, keeping her team firmly in the playoff race. The fashion-forward look featured an off-white pure satin silk and organza silk corset blouse, designed with a structured, strapless silhouette and a sweetheart neckline. Its sculpted fit added a modern,

sophisticated edge to the otherwise traditional Indian ensemble. Sara paired the contemporary blouse with a Vanda pastel green Katan silk Banarasi handloom saree by Tili. The delicate pastel shade brought a soft, ethereal quality to the look, while the traditional Banarasi weave and floral motifs added richness and texture. The contrast between the sharply structured corset and the fluid saree drape gave the ensemble a distinctly editorial aesthetic. Rather than relying on heavy embellishment, the look allowed the craftsmanship of the silk saree and the clean lines of the corset to take centre stage.