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NEWS BOX

New Zealand Prime Minister's plane breaks down on way to Japan

Wellington The New Zealand defence force plane flying New Zealand's Prime Minister Christopher Luxon to Japan broke down on Sunday, forcing the Prime Minister to take a commercial flight, his office confirmed on Monday.

Luxon is spending four days in Japan, where he is expected to meet with Japan's Prime Minister Fumio Kishida and spend time promoting New Zealand business.New Zealand media reported that the Boeing 757 broke down during a refuelling stop in Papua New Guinea, leaving the business delegation and journalists stranded in Port Moresby, while Luxon flew commercial to Japan. The New Zealand Defence Force's two 757s are more than 30 years old and their age has made them increasingly unreliable. New Zealand Defence Ministe Judith Collins told radio station Newstalk ZB on Monday that the consistent flight issues were "embarrassing" and that the ministry was looking at flying Luxon and his delegation commercially from now on. New Zealand's defence force is struggling with ageing equipment and retaining sufficient personnel. The government has said it would like to spend more on defence but is also trying to reduce spending as the country faces economic headwinds.

California wildfire forces evacuation, high temperature hampers dousing efforts

UPDATED. A wildfire burning northwest of Los Angeles on Sunday has forced the evacuation of over 1,000 people from a popular outdoor recreation area and burned over 12,000 acres, authorities said.

Some 400 firefighters armed with 70 firetrucks and two bulldozers are battling the Post fire, which is just 2% contained, according to Cal Fire. It is burning south of Gorman, California, about 60 miles (96.5 km) northwest of Los Angeles. The fire, which started Saturday afternoon, is moving to the southeast, toward Pyramid Lake, Cal Fire said. Some 1,200 people have been evacuated from the Hungry Valley recreation area, which has trails for motorcycles and off-road vehicles, since the fire broke out. Two structures have been destroyed so far. Cal Fire said that efforts to contain the wildfire are being hampered by high temperatures, low humidity and strong winds, forecast to continue through Sunday night.

Water-dropping aircraft are working to halt forward progress of the fire, while firefighters are constructing perimeter fire lines in an effort to get the blaze under

Indian accused in Pannun killing plot extradited to US from Czech Republic

Indian national Nikhil Gupta accused in Khalistani terrorist Gurpatwant Singh Pannun murder plot, has been extradited to the US from Czech Republic, news agency Reuters reported.

World Indian national Nikhil Gupta, who has been accused in the murder plot of Khalistani terrorist and US citizen Gurpatwant Singh Pannun on American soil, has been extradited to the United States from the Czech Republic, news agency Reuters reported, citing the Federal Bureau Prisons website and a source familiar with the matter.

A search on the Bureau of Prisons website by inmate name showed on Sunday (June 16) that Gupta, 52, is being held at the Metropolitan Detention Center, Brooklyn, a federal administrative detention facility. Furthermore, a source independently confirmed to Reuters, on condition of anonymity, Gupta's extradition and his detention in Brooklyn. Last month, a Czech court rejected Nikhil Gupta's petition to avoid being sent to the US, paving the way for the Czech



justice minister to extradite him. Gupta was arrested in the Czech Republic on June 30 last year, based on US allegations of his involvement in a conspiracy to commit the killing. According to US federal prosecutors, Gupta was implicated in a plot to hire a hitman to kill a US citizen, purportedly under the direction of an Indian government official. The target was identified as Pannun.

Nikhil Gupta's extradition comes ahead of US National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan's visit to New Delhi for the annual ICET dialogue. The matter is expected to be raised by Sullivan before his Indian counterpart Ajit Doval.India has denied its involvement in the Pannun murder plot and has constituted a probe committee to investigate the US's allegations.

Nikhil Gupta too, through his sattorney, has denied the charges and has said he has been "unfairly charged". Gurpatwant Singh Pannun holds dual citizenship of the US and Canada, and is wanted in India on terror charges. He has been designated a terrorist by the

Union Home Minister under the stringent anti-terror

law Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act

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Afghan Taliban agree to attend UN's Doha conference

The Taliban government's participation in the conference of foreign special envoys to Afghanistan had been in doubt after it was not included in the first round and then refused an invitation to the second round in February.

Kabul, UPDATED Taliban authorities will attend the third round of United Nationshosted talks on Afghanistan in the Qatari capital, a government spokesman said on Sunday, after snubbing an invitation to the previous round. The Taliban government's participation in the conference of foreign special envoys to Afghanistan had been in doubt after it



was not included in the first round and then refused an invitation to the second round in February."A delegation of the Islamic Emirate will participate in the coming Doha conference. They will represent Afghanistan there and express Afghanistan's position," Zabihullah

Mujahid told AFP. The talks in Doha are scheduled to be held on June 30 and July

Mujahid told Afghan media on Sunday that a delegation — yet to be announced — would attend because the agenda of the talks appeared "beneficial to

Afghanistan". The agenda includes "topics such as aid for Afghanistan and creating opportunities for investors in Afghanistan, which are important", he said. Civil society groups that included women were invited to the February talks but the Taliban government refused to participate unless its members could be the sole representatives of Afghanistan. It also requested to meet UN Secretary-

General Antonio Guterres.Guterres said in a statement after the February talks the set of conditions to participate "were not acceptable", but that delegates hoped for Taliban officials to attend future meetings.Diplomatic sources told AFP there were plans to consult with civil society groups before and after the third round. The sources said the talks were due to cover finance and economic issues, as well as counternarcotics efforts. Several civil society groups have also urged the UN to prioritise issues involving women's rights at the meeting.

Netanyahu opposes Israeli military's tactical pauses to allow aid in Gaza

Benjamin Netanyahu says IDF's tactical pause plan is "unacceptable" to him IDF says normal operations would continue in Rafah

Netanyahu's reaction highlights political tensions over the issue of aid coming <u>into Gaza</u>

Jerusalem Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu criticized plans announced by the military on Sunday to hold daily tactical pauses in fighting along one of the main roads into Gaza facilitate aid delivery into the Palestinian enclave. The military had announced the daily pauses from 0500 GMT until 1600 GMT in the area from the Kerem Shalom Crossing to the Salah al-Din Road and then northward

When the prime minister heard the reports of an 11-hour humanitarian pause in the morning, he turned to his military secretary and made it clear that this was unacceptable to him," an Israeli official said. The military coalition and the military over the conduct of the war, now in its ninth month. It came a week after centrist operation in southern Gaza, where

Saturday. The reaction from Netanyahu underlined political tensions over the issue of aid coming into Gaza, where international organisations have warned of a growing humanitarian crisis. National Security Mnister Itamar Ben-Gvir, who leads one of the nationalist religious parties in Netanyahu's ruling coalition,



denounced the idea of a tactical pause, saying whoever decided it was a "fool" who should lose their job DIVISIONS BETWEEN COALITION, ARMY

The spat was the latest in a series of clashes between members of the coalition and the military over the

strongly opposed conscription for the ultra-Orthodox, drawing widespread anger from many Israelis, which has deepened as the war has gone on. Lieutenant-General Herzi Halevi, the head of the military, said on Sunday there was a "definite need" to recruit more soldiers from the fast-growing ultra-Orthodox community RESERVISTS UNDER STRAI

Despite growing international pressure for a ceasefire, an agreement to halt the fighting still appears distant, more than eight months since the Oct. 7 attack by Hamas fighters on Israel triggered a ground assault o the enclave by Israeli forcSince the attack, which killed some 1,200 Israelis and foreigners in Israeli

having no effective strategy in Gaza.

the military, with Defence Minister Yoav Gallant voting against it in defiance of party orders, saying it was insufficient for the needs of the military.

Religious parties in the coalition have

At least 14 Hajj pilgrims die from heatstroke in Mecca The divisions were laid bare last week in a parliamentary vote on a law on conscripting ultra-Orthodox Jews into

World At least 14 people from Jordan have died in extreme heat during the Muslim haj pilgrimage in Saudi Arabia, South China Morning Post, quoting officials, reported.A further 17 people are missing, the Jordanian foreign ministry said on Sunday, according to the state agency Petra. The ministry had initially confirmed the deaths of six Jordanian pilgrims who had suffered heatstroke. The Jordanian Foreign Ministry has posted a message on microblogging site Platform X stating that the Directorate of Operations and Consular Affairs, and the Consulate General of the Kingdom in Jeddah, is following up with the relevant Saudi



Xi Wishes Muizzu on His Birthday; Emphasises Importance of Strategic Ties Between China, Maldives

Male, Maldives . President Xi Jinping has emphasised the importance of China-Maldives relations and reiterated his strong support for strengthening the bilateral strategic partnership, as Beijing steps up its influence in the Indian Ocean archipelagic natio

President Xi conveyed this message to his Maldivian counterpart Mohamed Muizzu on his 46th birthday, the president's office said here in a statement on Saturday. Interestingly, Xi also celebrated his 71st birthday on SaturdayChina's Ambassador to the Maldives, Wang Lixin, paid a courtesy call on President Muizzu, known for his pro-China leanings, at his official residence and presented a congratulatory letter from President Xi

to his Maldivian counterpart on the occasion of his birthday, the statement said. In the letter, President Xi expressed his sincere greetings and best wishes to President Muizzu. He also emphasised the importance of China-Maldives relations and reiterated his enthusiasm for strengthening the China-Maldives Comprehensive Strategic Cooperative Partnership and jointly building a China-Maldives community with a shared future, the statement said.President Muizzu expressed gratitude to Ambassador Wang for personally delivering Xi's letter and stated that it was a tremendous pleasure to receive it. The President had also written a congratulatory message to President Xi Jinping, who celebrates

his birthday on the same day, the statement said.

The discussions between Muizzu and Wang further focused on enhancing collaboration and improving bilateral relations between the Maldives and China, it said. They also discussed future agreements and forthcoming collaborative initiatives for development. Additionally, the Chinese Ambassador stated that China is determined to assist with the Maldives' economic development and inquired about areas where the Maldivian Government requires additional assistance.

Since he assumed office in November last year, President Muizzu has taken several steps to bolster Male's ties with Beijing.

authorities on the procedures for burying pilgrims and transporting the bodies of those whose families wish to be transported to the Kingdom as quickly as possible

Ambassador Dr. Sufyan Al-Qudah, expressed his sincerest condolences and sympathy to the families of th deceased pilgrims.

A search is under way for the 17 missing people. The pilgrimage began in Mecca on Friday evening in blistering heat. News of the deaths comes as pilgrims gathered atop Mount Arafat on Saturday, marking the main event of the pilgrimage, with the niece of one of the deceased telling CNN Arabic that her aunt had died on Mount Arafat and was buried in Saudi Arabia.

More than 1.8 million people are taking part in Hajj this year, according to the Saudi General Authority for Statistics, CNN reported.

The Hajj is one of the biggest religious gatherings in the world and the largest annual event in Saudi

In A Video Message, Israel Warns Of Escalation Due To Hezbollah's Cross-Border Fire From Lebanon

Israeli military warns of heightened tensions due to Hezbollah's cross-border attacks from Lebanon, risking regional escalation

World In a video message on Sunday, the Israeli military warned that intensified cross-border fire from Lebanon's Hezbollah movement into Israel could trigger serious escalation amid the ongoing war in Gaza. Hezbollah last week unleashed its most extensive barrage yet of rockets and drones in the ongoing eight-month conflict with the Israeli military, running parallel to the Gaza war. Following the heavy exchanges over the past week, Sunday saw a marked drop in Hezbollah fire. The Israeli military said that it had carried out several air strikes against the group in southern Lebanon.

Hezbollah's increasing aggression is bringing us to the brink of what could be a wider escalation, one that could have

devastating consequences for Lebanon and the entire region," Israeli military spokesperson Rear Admiral Daniel Hagari said in a video statement. "Israel has a duty to defend the people of Israel. We will fulfill that duty."The US and France are working on a negotiated settlement to the hostilities

along Lebanon's southern border. Hezbollah says it will not halt fire unless Israel stops its military offensive on Gaza. "Israel will take the necessary measures to protect its civilians until security along our border with Lebanon is restored," Hagari said.Two UN officials in Lebanon warned there was a "very real" risk that a miscalculation along Lebanon's southern border could trigger a wider conflict, The Times Of Israel reported. In a statement, the UN special coordinator for Lebanon, Jeanine Hennis-

Plasschaert, and the head of UN peacekeeping forces in Lebanon, Aroldo Lazaro, said that they were "deeply concerned" about the escalation along Lebanon's border. Meanwhile, US officials were also

increasingly concerned that an all-out war could break out after eight months of skirmishes, since Hezbollah began attacking Israel in October in support of Hamas in Gaza. According to US media reports, a senior adviser to US President Joe Biden will arrive in Israel on Monday

to try to put a lid on the escalation. UNACCEPTABLE TO HIM'

This escalation comes as the Israeli military announced the daily pauses in the area from the Kerem Shalom Crossing to the Salah al-Din Road and then northwards.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu criticised plans announced by the military to hold daily tactical pauses in fighting along one of the main roads into Gaza to facilitate aid delivery into the Palestinian enclave."When the prime

minister heard the reports of an 11-hour humanitarian pause in the morning, he turned to his military secretary and made it clear that this was unacceptable to him," an Israeli official said. The military clarified that normal operations would continue in Rafah, the main focus of its operation in southern Gaza, where eight soldiers were killed on Saturday. The reaction from the Israeli PM hints towards political tensions over the issue of aid coming into Gaza, where international groups have warned of a growing humanitarian crisis. Israeli National Security

Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir, who leads one of the nationalist religious parties in

Netanyahu's ruling coalition, denounced the idea of a tactical pause, saying whoever decided it was a "fool" who should lose their job.

Rahul Retains Raebareli, Priyanka Gandhi **Contests Wayanad**

RNS I New Delhi: Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra is set to make her electoral debut alongside Rahul Gandhi, who will be contesting in Raebareli, Uttar Pradesh, while Priyanka will contest in Wayanad, Kerala. This announcement was made by party chairman Mallikarjun Kharge on Monday, just a day before the filing deadline on Tuesday.

Kharge, along with the Gandhi siblings, shared the news, stating that the party decided to have Rahul Gandhi retain Raebareli due to the constituency's historical significance to his family and the Congress party.

"Most significantly, Wayanad residents love him and want him to keep the seat. But the rules prohibit it. Priyanka ji will run from Wayanad," Kharge remarked in Hindi. Rahul Gandhi expressed his emotional connection with both Raebareli and Wayanad, thanking the people of Way-



anad for their support during his tenure as an MP. He assured that while Priyanka would contest in Wayanad, he would continue to visit and fulfill their commitments.

"Priyanka will run in Wayanad, but I will visit often and keep our pledges to the locals. I'm glad to represent Raebareli because of our history, but it wasn't easy. It was hard. Wayanad people supported me. They fueled my struggle amid a tough period. I promise Wavanad residents my continued support," Rahul

BJP names Chouhan, Sarma as poll in-charges for

Jharkhand assembly elections

Biswa Sarma, will serve as

The appointments, which

take immediate effect, see

Union ministers being en-

trusted with key responsi-

bilities for coordinating the

party's election efforts in

In Maharashtra, Union

ministers Bhupender Yadav

and Ashwini Vaishnaw have

been appointed as the state

election in-charge and co-

in-charge, respectively, for

For the Haryana assem-

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various states.

He expressed confidence in Priyanka's ability to represent Wayanad effectively, emphasizing that the people could consider both siblings as their

representatives. Priyanka Gandhi shared her excitement and commitment to Wayanad, promising to uphold the legacy her brother established.

"I will work hard and represent Wayanad well. I worked in Raebareli for 20 years and had a long history there. That link is unbreakable. I will assist bhaiyya (big brother) in Raebareli and be in both con-

bly elections, the party has

named Dharmendra Prad-

han as the state election in-

charge, with Biplab Kumar

Meanwhile, Union Minister

G. Kishan Reddy has been

given the charge for oversee-

ing the BJP's preparations for

the Jammu and Kashmir as-

These appointments come as

the BJP gears up for a cru-

cial round of state elections,

aiming to consolidate its

political foothold across the

sembly elections.

Deb as the co-in-charge.

stituencies," she stated. Rahul Gandhi previously won Wayanad in 2019 after a surprising loss to Smriti Irani in Amethi. He secured the seat again in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections with a margin of 3.64 lakh votes. Meanwhile,

Rahul won Raebareli with 3.9

lakh votes after his mother,

Sonia Gandhi, appealed to

voters, highlighting her son's

dedication. Sonia Gandhi represented Raebareli from 2004 until her recent election to the Rajya Sabha. The constituency has a long-standing connection with the Gandhi family, including Rahul's grandmother and former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and her hus-

band Feroze Gandhi. Media reports suggested Rahul Gandhi was initially reluctant to give up Wayanad, but considering Uttar Pradesh's significant number of Lok Sabha seats, the decision was made for him to contest in Raebareli.

Air India Passenger Finds 'Metal Blade' in Flight Meal



RNS: An Air India passenger recently reported finding a 'metal blade' in the food served during his flight from Bengaluru to San Francisco. Journalist Mathures Paul shared his experience on his X handle, stating, "Air India food can cut like a knife. Hiding in its roasted sweet potato and fig chaat was a metal piece that looked like a blade. I got a feel of it only after chewing the grub for a few seconds. Thankfully, no harm was done. Of course, the blame squarely lies with Air India's catering service but the incident doesn't help the image I have of Air India. What if the metal piece was in

the food served to a child?' Paul further described the incident, adding, "First picture shows the metal piece that I spat out and the second picture shows the meal before it put metal into my life." He also shared pictures of the meal and the 'metal blade' found in it.

In response, Air India quickly issued an apology, saying, "Dear Mr. Paul, we are sorry to know about this. This does not represent the level of service we aim to provide to our passengers. Please DM us your booking details along with your seat number. We'll ensure this matter is promptly reviewed and addressed.'

12 Birhor Youngsters Enroll in SAIL BSL's Gyan Jyoti Yojana



RNS I Bokaro: A new batch of twelve Birhor youngsters has joined the SAIL-Bokaro Steel Limited (BSL) Corporate Social Responsibility initiative, "Gyan Jyoti Yojana." The Welfare Officer of Gomia Block formally handed over the twelve youths to a representative of Birhor Bal Niwas, a trainee hostel operated by BSL.

The event was attended by notable officials, including Bokaro District Administration's CRK Sudhanshu, General Manager (L&A) Ashok Kumar, Deputy Manager (CSR) Bahadur Singh, Hostel Warden (CSR) Gaurav Ranjan, and other BSL representatives.

Under the Gyan Jyoti Yojana, the Bokaro Steel Plant offers comprehensive education from primary school to ITI levels. The program provides dress materials, dormitory accommodation, food, and other necessary facilities at no cost, ensuring that all daily needs of the adopted children are met. This year's batch of Birhor youngsters will enroll in class 1 at DAV ISPAT Public School and is expected to complete their education up to class XII/ITI by 2036.

SAIL-BSL first began adopting children from the Birhor community in 2001 through the Gyan Jyoti CSR Scheme, with the inaugural batch graduating in 2012-13. The second batch of 15 Birhor children, adopted in 2011, is scheduled to complete their education by August 2024.

Tribal Rights Body Holds Rally in Jharkhand to Safeguard **Adivasi Identity**

RNS I Chandankiyari: The Adivasi Sengal Abhiyan, a tribal rights organization, organized a 'Majhi Badlo-Gaon Bachao Jagran Sabha' (Change Headmen - Save Villages Awareness Meet) at Tola Kumhajodi in Sialjodi Panchayat of Chandankiyari block on Sunday.

The rally, presided over by Chandankiyari Block Sengal President Rajesh Murmu and led by Pargana Bhutel Tudu, highlighted pressing concerns over the perceived erosion of tribal culture and identity.

Addressing the gathering, Chief Guest Jairam Soren, Jharkhand State Coordinator of Sengal, sounded an alarm that the tribal society is on the verge of extinction. He emphasized that the survival and preservation of tribal communities hinges on a united struggle to protect their laughter, language, caste, religion, employment opportunities and more.

"The entire tribal village must come together, setting aside jealousy and animosity, to raise a unified voice to save our identity," Soren stated. He underscored the need for social transformation and shunning superstitions, witch-hunting, vote trading and other regressive

Soren also batted for democratic and constitutional reforms in traditional self-governance systems like Majhi Pargana and Manki Munda to make them more

The event saw participation from various tribal villag-

NCU Library hosts 3 day Workshop on **E-Databases**

RNS: The Central Library of NorthCap University (LIRC) successfully conducted a three-day workshop titled "From Access to Action: Exploring NCU Library E-Resources for Effective Teaching and Research" from June 11 to June 13, 2024.

The workshop commenced with an introductory session led by Dr. Vandana Khanna, Chairperson of the Library Committee. Dr. Khanna briefed faculty members and research scholars about the array of e-resources available through the NCU library, including e-databases, e-books, and the Web OPAC Koha software.

Ishwar Singh elaborated on the VPN (Virtual Private Network) that facilitates 24/7 access to the library's e-resources.

Day one featured practical training on DELNET by Dr. Anil Kumar Jharotia, the Librarian of NorthCap University, specifically aimed at faculty members, research scholars, and library staff.



The second day included sessions by Alpana Sagwal and Indresh on the Springer Nature database, which focused on engineering e-resources and the publication process for research articles in Springer journals. Concurrently, Ritesh and

Sanjay Goswami conducted sessions on the EBSCO database, demonstrating effective search techniques for locating necessary articles. On the final day, Vijay Pratap Singh provided practical training on the Koha Web OPAC library software, showing participants how to access NCU's subscribed e-databases, re-issue books, and utilize the Web OPAC on smartphones. Additionally, Sanjay Ranjan offered

insights into the ProQuest

database, addressing faculty members' queries with practical advice. Lipika Malhan discussed

the West Law Asia database, outlining its features and coverage, and explained how it allows access to international newspapers and magazines. The workshop was espe-

cially beneficial for new faculty members, library staff, and PhD research scholars, enhancing their knowledge and utilization of the various databases available to the NCU community for teaching and research. The event concluded with a

vote of thanks from Dr. Anil Kumar Jharotia, who also presented NCU souvenirs to all invited speakers and trainers.

practices in the name of customs.

robust and inclusive.

es with Simoltand Sengal Tower Soni Murmu, Sachin Soren, Jiten Mardi and others in attendance, reflecting the widespread concern over preserving Adivasi heritage and customs.

Cement Giant Dalmia Empowers Rural Jharkhand With New Microenterprises

by Ashis Sinha

RNS I Ranchi: With as-

sembly elections due in sev-

eral states within a year, the

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)

has appointed state election

in-charges and co-in-charg-

es for four states, including

Jharkhand, in a strategic

move to strengthen its elec-

For the upcoming Jharkhand

assembly polls, the BJP has

designated Madhya Pradesh

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh

Chouhan as the state elec-

tion in-charge, while his As-

sam counterpart, Himanta

toral preparations.

Bokaro: In a significant stride towards empowering rural communities, Dalmia Bharat Foundation (DBF), the corporate social responsibility wing of major Indian cement producer Dalmia Bharat Limited, has launched a novel microenterprise program in Gorabali village of Bokaro district, Jharkhand.

The initiative, part of DBF's flagship Gram Parivartan (Village Transformation) project, saw the inauguration of five new micro-businesses - four grocery stores and one cosmetics shop in the village under North Gorabali Panchayat.

This move aims to catalyze sustainable economic growth and bolster livelihoods in the region by providing financial aid, entrepreneurial training and handholding support to



help village residents set up and run their own small enterprises successfully.

Presiding over the inauguration ceremony attended by local dignitaries and community members, Priya Ranjan, Bokaro plant head of Dalmia Cement Bharat Limited, highlighted the company's grassroots focus. "At Dalmia Bharat, we are committed to socio-economic development at the grassroots level, creating opportunities for a sustainable future."

"These new microenterprises will generate jobs, enhance living standards and spur economic activities in Gorabali," Ranjan stated. All the new microentrepreneurs received assistance from DBF in securing bank

nesses under the transformative Gram Parivartan program. The ambitious project envisions bolstering annual household incomes by Rs 1,000,000 through strategic interventions in agriculture, skill development and entrepreneurship - a multipronged approach to reduce rural poverty and improve

RNS I New Delhi: Hitting back at Tesla CEO Elon Musk's concerns over electronic voting machine vulnerabilities, (EVM) senior BJP leader Rajeev Chandrasekhar has as-

serted that Indian EVMs

are securely designed to be

"unhackable".

The row erupted after Musk, citing risks of hacking by "humans or AI", advocated eliminating EVMs globally in response to alleged U.S. voting irregularities. This prompted Congress leader Rahul Gandhi

to question the transpar-

ency of India's EVMs. In an interview with ANI, Chandrasekhar, the former Union Minister of State for Electronics and IT, said Musk has "not understood what the Indian EVM is".

significant occasion.



"Every Tesla Hackable Too?" BJP Leader Rebuts Musk's

EVM Hacking Claim

Indian EVMs are tamper-proof and trustworthy: ECI

they are standalone devices with very limited computing intelligence and no internet connectivity," the BJP leader stated.

Chandrasekhar highlighted that claiming no digital product can be secure is akin to suggesting Tesla

cars are also vulnerable to hacking, which is factually incorrect.

Underlining the unique architecture behind Indian EVMs' security, he said, "If there's no connectivity to Wi-Fi, 5G or the internet, there's no way to hack them."

The Election Commission has maintained that the EVMs used in India's elections, including the recent Lok Sabha polls that returned PM Modi to power, are tamper-proof and trustworthy - rejecting opposition allegations of rigging.

"Indian EVMs do not lend JMM leader Tabarak Khan emphasises tribal well-being for state's progress

loans to set up their busi-

by Siddharth Pandey

Gua: Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) leader Tabarak Khan asserted that Jharkhand's progress hinges on the prosperity and wellbeing of its rural tribal population.

Addressing a gathering of JMM activists at Gua Market, Khan underscored the local populace's expectations from MP Joba Majhi, highlighting that regional growth is attainable through collective effort.

MP Joba Majhi attended the event, which celebrated

the efforts of party workers and authorities who have instilled a sense of pride among the people. Khan extended his congratulations to the dedicated employees. Khan mentioned Majhi's commitment to reopening the closed mines in the West Singhbhum region, a move aimed at addressing unemployment and boosting the local economy.

He stressed that this initiative is crucial for improving the area's economic situa-

Reiterating his point, Khan stated that the state's ad-



vancement depends on the well-being of its rural tribal communities. The event also honored Shahid Devendra Manjhi for his contributions.

Khan announced plans for a grand public celebration, Vijay Utsav, to be held in Gua next month, with MP Joba Majhi presiding over

from Barajamda, and Magta Surin from Morongsingh Totiva of Angaria, among

The gathering saw the presence of several notable figures, including Jeetmotai Sidhu Krishna from Salai village, Bamiya Mami from Manoharpur, Budhram Purti from Bodta, former Mukhiya Kapileshwar Dogo from Guwa, Mukhiya Gangadhar Chatoba from Diriburi village, Durga Devgam



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8 Dead, 25 Injured After Goods Train Hits Kanchanjunga Express In Bengal

Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has said doctors and disaster response teams have been rushed to the spot.

Kolkata: Eight people, including three Railway employees, have died and about 50 others injured after an express train collided with a goods train in Darjeeling district of West Bengal this morning. Kanchanjunga Express was travelling from Silchar in Assam to Sealdah in Kolkata when a goods train hit it from behind near Rangapani station, close to New Jalpaiguri. Three coaches of Kanchanjunga Express were derailed in the crash. One factor which limited casualties in the accident is the fact that the rear part of Kanchanjunga Express comprised of the cargo van and the guard's coach and the passenger compartments

were further ahead. Railway Board chairperson Jaya Verma Sinha told the media that the accident took place around 9 am. "The rescue work is complete. The injured have been shifted to the North Bengal medical college and they are being provided the best possible treatment," she said. The unaffected front portion of Kanchenjunga Express, she said, will resume its onward journey soon so that the passengers can reach their destination.

Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has said doctors and disaster response teams have been rushed to the spot. "Shocked to learn, just now, about a tragic train accident, in Phansidewa area of Darjeeling district. While details are awaited, Kanchenjunga Express has reportedly been hit by a goods train. DM, SP, doctors, ambulances and disaster teams have been rushed to the site for rescue, recovery, medical assistance. Action on war-footing initiated," she posted on X.he Kanchanjunga Express is a daily train that connects Bengal with the Northeastern cities of Silchar and Agartala. This route is in the Chicken's Neck corridor, which connects the Northeast with the rest of the country. The accident on this line can potentially impact the movement of several



other trains.

The Kanchanjunga Express is frequently used by tourists to travel to Darjeeling. The accident comes at a time when Kolkata and neighbouring south Bengal are reeling under a sultry summer and many are travelling to the hill station for some relief.According to the information so far, the goods train overshot the signal and crashed into the Kanchanjunga Express. Teams of the National Disaster Response Force and ambulances have been rushed to The Railways have released helpline numbers on which people could seek information about the situation. The numbers are 033-23508794 and 033-23833326 (Sealdah) and 03612731621, 03612731622 and 03612731623 at Guwahati.

Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has left for the accident spot. He has said in a post on X that rescue operations have started on a war footing. "Unfortunate accident in NFR zone. Rescue operations going on at war footing. Railways, NDRF and SDRF are working in close coordination. Injured are being shifted to the hospital. Senior officials have reached site," he said. The Railway minister added that the ministry will give compensation of ? 10 lakh each to the families of the victims, ? 2.5 lakh for grievous injuries and ? 50,000 for minor injuries.Sabyasachi De, CPRO of Northeast Frontier Railway, said no notification about diversion or cancellation of other trains on the route has been issued yet. "We will try to complete the rescue operation as soon as possible," he said, adding that an accident relief train is on its way.

President Droupadi Murmu said the news of loss of lives in the train accident is "deeply distressing". My thoughts and prayers are with the bereaved families. I pray for the speedy recovery of the injured and success of relief and rescue operations," she said in a post on X.Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed his condolences for the families of those killed in the accident. "The railway accident in West Bengal is saddening. Condolences to those who lost their loved ones. I pray that the injured recover at the earliest. Spoke to officials and took stock of the situation. Rescue operations are underway to assist the affected. The Railways Minister.

Eknath Shinde slams Opposition amid EVM tampering row: 'Spreading misinformation'

Mumbai. Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde on Sunday said that the allegations of an EVM being tampered with by the relative of a Shiv Sena MP were wrong and that the Opposition was trying to spread misinformation. Shinde's remark came amid Shiv Sena (UBT) candidate Amol Kirtikar's allegations of foul play in Mumbai North West constituency where Shiv Sena candidate Ravindra Waikar won by just 48 votes and an FIR against Waikar's relative for using a mobile phone at a counting centre in Goregaon on June 4. As per the rules, the use of mobile phones is restricted at counting centres. The truth is people of the constituency have taken the decision to make Ravindra Waikar win the election. Out of 19 per cent of Shiv Sena's vote share, we got 14

per cent. People voted for bow and arrow. UBT has a winning strike rate of 42 per cent, and we have a strike rate of 48 per cent. So they have lost their confidence and are making false allegations," Eknath Shinde said. Shinde claimed that his party bagged two lakh more votes than the candidates of the Opposition bloc Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA), of which Sea (UBT) is a part, in Mumbai.Meanwhile, Vandana Suryavanshi, returning officer of Mumbai North West Lok Sabha constituency, refuted the report saying EVM was a standalone system with "robust administrative safeguards" to protect it from any kind of manipulation and that there was no need for an OTP to nlock it. "It is not programmable and has no

wireless communication

capabilities. It is a complete lie being spread by a newspaper. We have issued a notice to mid-day newspapers under sections 499, 505 of the Indian Penal Code for defamation and spreading false news," Suryavanshi said at a press conference on Sunday. Waikar's brother-in-law Mangesh Pandilkar was booked on Wednesday under IPC section 188 (disobeying official order) for allegedly using a mobile phone at a counting centre

in Goregaon on June 4, when

results of the general elections were announced. Speaking at the press conference, Suryavanshi said the personal mobile phone of one Dinesh Gurav, the data entry operator of Jogeshwari assembly constituency, was found in the hands of an unauthorised person and action is being taken in this regard."Some people are trying to spread misinformation about the tampering of the EVM, which is completely lie and police will give explanation about it. The opposition won so many seats, but there is no problem. Why are questions being raised about the outcome of only Mumbai North West constituency and not any other result in the state? Is it because my candidate, Waikar, won and the Opposition lost?" Eknath

Assam Government Officials To Pay Power Bills From July 1: Himanta Sarma

Guwahati, Assam: In a bid to end the 'VIP culture', Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Sunday announced that ministers and government officials will have to pay for their electricity

We are ending the VIP Culture rule of paying electricity bills of Government officials using tax payer money. Myself and the Chief Secretary will set an example and start paying our power bills from July 1 onwards. Beginning July 2024, all public servants will have to pay for their own electricity consumption," Assam Chief Minister wrote in a post on X.Additionally, the chief minister emphasized the state's commitment to energy conservation, explaining that they have



launched a program to automatically disconnect electricity at all government offices, except for the Chief Minister Secretariat, Home, and Finance Departments, at 8 PM. This initiative aims to reduce electricity consumption, and it has already been implemented in 8,000 government offices, schools, and othernstitutions throughout the state. Our aim is to gradually move all Govt establishments to solar power and we are exploring beginning this work from our Medical Colleges and Universities across the State," Assam Chief Minister added. The Assam Chief Minister launched the Janata Bhawan Solar Project during a ceremony at the state Secretariat Complex on Sunday. This initiative aims to further the state's efforts in promoting renewable energy, featuring a 2.5-MW capacity grid-connected solar PV system installed on rooftops and ground surfaces. This project would yield an average of 3 lakh units of electricity monthly and the investment amount of ? 12.56 crore is projected to be recovered within 4 years, with monthly savings standing at about ? 30 lakh. The launch of the solar power project today has led to the Assam Secretariat Complex becoming the first-ever civil secretariat in the country that relies entirely on solar-generated electricity for daily consumption.

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju Meets Congress Chief Kharge



New Delhi: A week ahead of the first session of the new Lok Sabha, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju met Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge on Sunday. Rijiju met Kharge at the Congress chief's 10, Rajaji Marg residence in what was said to be a courtesy call. The minister later shared a picture of the meeting in a post on X. "I had a pleasant courtesy meeting with Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha and Congress party president Shri Mallikarjun Kharge ji. He shared

with me about many valuable experiences of his life. Together, we all will work for the nation," he said in the post.

Assuming charge of the ministry last week, Rijiju had said there was no need for the government or the opposition to pull each other down on the basis of numerical strength and asserted that he would reach out to everyone for smooth functioning of Parliament.

The first session of the 18th Lok Sabha will begin on June 24 during which new members of the Lower House will take oath and the speaker elected. President Droupadi Murmu will address a joint sitting of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha on June 27 and is likely to outline the new government's roadmap for the next five years. The session will conclude on July 3. The first three days of the session will see the newlyelected MPs taking oath and electing the speaker of the Lower House. Both Houses of Parliament are expected to reconvene in the third week of July for the presentation of the Union Budget.

'Fight Against Terror In Jammu And Kashmir In Decisive Phase'': Amit Shah

New Delhi: The recent terror attacks in Jammu and Kashmir show that terrorism has been forced to shrink to a proxy war from highly organised acts of violence, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said at a high-level meeting to take stock of the situation. The minister said the fight against terror in the Union Territory is in its decisive phase. In Sunday's meeting at the North Block, which was attended by National Security Advisor Ajit Doval, Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Manoj Sinha and Army Chief Manoj Pande among others, Mr Shah also directed security agencies to replicate the successes achieved in Kashmir valley through the area domination and the Zero

Terror Plan in the Jammu division as well. The recent attacks, in which nine pilgrims and a CRPF personnel were killed, had taken place in Jammu.

Reiterating the zero-tolerance policy against

terrorism, Mr Shah asserted that the PM Narendra Modi-led government will leave no stone unturned in rooting out terrorism from Jammu and Kashmir. The home minister directed security agencies to work in mission mode and ensure quick response in a coordinated manner while identifying vulnerable areas and addressing security concerns there.Pointing out the changes that have come about in the Kashmir Valley, the minister said the efforts of the government of India have yielded positive results with a

significant reduction in terror-related incidents and this is reflected in the record flow of tourists in the Kashmir Valley.He also appreciated the role of the security agencies and the Jammu and Kashmir administration for the successful conduct of



the Lok Sabha elections, which witnessed a record voter turnout in the Union Territory.Officials said the home minister was given a thorough briefing on the situation in Jammu and Kashmir as well as the places where security forces plan to intensify counter-terrorism operations in

the coming days.Mr Shah's meeting came three days after the Prime Minister held a similar stock-taking exercise and directed officials to deploy the "full spectrum of counter-

terror capabilities". Terror Attacks

Terrorists struck four places in the Reasi, Kathua and Doda districts of Security For Amarnath Yatra days last week, killing nine pilgrims headed to a temple as well as a CRPF personnel. Seven security personnel and several others were injured. Two suspected Pakistani terrorists were also killed in an encounter in

Kathua.On June 9, terrorists opened fire on a 53-seater bus carrying pilgrims when it was en route to the Mata Vaishno Devi shrine in Katra from the Shiv Khori temple. The bus, which had pilgrims from Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Delhi, plunged into

a gorge, killing nine people and injuring 41 others. On June 11, terrorists fired at a joint checkpost of the Rashtriya Rifles and police at Chattergalla in Bhaderwah while a search party in the Gandoh area of Doda district was attacked the next day, resulting in injuries to seven security personnel, including a policeman.

Jammu and Kashmir in as many In another meeting, the home minister reviewed the preparations for the annual Amarnath pilgrimage and said the government's priority is to ensure the smooth conduct of the yatra so that pilgrims don't face any difficulties. The yatra begins on June 29 and Mr Shah instructed to ensure sufficient deployment of personnel.Under the leadership of PM Modi, the government is committed to ensure a convenient and hassle-free experience for devotees and adopt eco-friendly measures in management of the Amarnath pilgrimage.

China-Pak roadblock looms large WHILE there are critics of India's economic

WHILE there are critics of India's economic policies, it is now internationally recognised that the country's growth rate increased rapidly with the advent of economic liberalisation and the end of what was known as the 'Licence, Permit, Quota Raj'. The principal architect of these reforms was Manmohan Singh, who served as the Finance Minister and later became the Prime Minister. India is now the fastest-growing major economy in the world. Even as India moves to attain higher rates of growth, it must be borne in mind that its position and influence in the world will be determined largely by its economic and technological progress. Given these imperatives, India has no choice but to strengthen its ties in its immediate neighbourhood to ensure security and peace in the area extending from the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf to its West to the Straits of Malacca to its East. The main challenges India faces beyond its borders arise from the expansionist ambitions and policies of China.

India has also for long sought to develop closer ties with the oil-rich Gulf region, comprising Iran and the Arab states, where around six million Indians live. India has built good ties with Saudi Arabia, while simultaneously reinforcing its already strong relationship with the UAE. India also played an important role in restoring a cordial weeking relationship between the USE and Saudi working relationship between the US and Saudi Arabia after intemperate comments made by President Biden about the Saudi monarchy were deeply resented by the Saudis. The UAE's National Security Adviser (NSA), Sheikh Tahnoun bin Zayed Al Nahyan, also participated in talks between his US counterpart Jake Sullivan and Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman. The talks were facilitated by India's NSA Aitt Doval An agreement for promoting Ajit Doval. An agreement for promoting cooperation between the UAE, US and India was also finalised and signed shortly thereafter. The stage is set for India to play an increasingly positive and cooperative role across the western shores of the Indian Ocean, together with Gulf nations.India-US relations have grown significantly after Washington decided that Delhi can and will endeavour to balance the growth of Chinese power across its Indian Ocean neighbourhood. Despite pretensions of friendship, China's policies remain committed to limiting and containing Indian influence. China continues to strengthen Pakistan's missile and nuclear weapons' capabilities. It also works in close collaboration with Pakistan along and across India's western borders with Afghanistan. New Delhi's recent moves for strengthening ties with Iran, including the construction of the strategic Chabahar port, give it increasing economic and maritime access to Central Asia and limit space for Pakistan to hinder India's access to Afghanistan. While the US had objected to India's growing ties with Iran, it now appears reconciled to Delhi going ahead with the project for a transport corridor linking India to Afghanistan and Iran. Predictably, Pakistan is not pleased with this transportation corridor, as it prevents Rawalpindi from hindering India's access to Afghanistan, Iran and Central Asia. This corridor, therefore, becomes a key gateway for India's access to the International North-South Transport Corridor, which, in turn, would go on to link India to Central Asia and Russia, and ultimately to Europe by sea, rail and road.

One important factor that has cast a shadow on India-US relations is the constant criticism of the alleged curtailment of the freedom of speech in India by the US media. There is a widespread feeling that this media flak enjoys the support of the Biden administration. There is also a feeling that such criticism may be muted should Donald Trump, who has been friendly to India, emerge victorious in the presidential elections later this year. India may be among the few countries whose leadership and people found Trump friendly and blunt during his visit to India. Trump has no illusions or expectations about China and has little inclination to even think about Pakistan.

Unlike the Biden administration's practice, then President Trump delivered no sermons about democracy in India. Nevertheless, relations with the US have grown steadily, with considerable cooperation for strengthening maritime links. This has been an important development amid the tensions and piracy in the high seas across the Indian Ocean that have accompanied.

Empower the poor to mitigate effects of climate change

The present model of economic development perpetuates inequalities and fails to reallocate and redistribute resources.

ENVIRONMENTAL conservation and climate issues were consigned to oblivion by various political parties in the recent Lok Sabha elections, despite a heatwave sweeping through many parts of the country. Delhi is making headlines over its drinking water crisis. The AAP government has claimed that the Capital is facing a water shortage of 50 million gallons per day. The most polluted capital city in the world is struggling to cope with the heatwave. The weather conditions have hit poor people the hardest; they lack access to basic needs, such as food, water, health, housing and electricity, to fight or adapt to heatwaves.The impact of climate change is not the same for the rich and the poor. Societal inequalities exacerbate the effect of heatwaves on the poor, whereas the rich can afford to adapt to them. Over 80 per cent of the street vendors surveyed in Delhi reported a decline in customers amid the heatwave in April and May, and around 50 per cent experienced significant income loss, according to a report by think tank Greenpeace India and the National Hawker Federation.

While the rich contribute to climate change, it is the poor that suffer its negative effects, such as high temperatures or heatwaves. Rising temperatures cause a multitude of problems, such as health issues, water scarcity and food adulteration. Heatwave-related morbidities like dehydration, weakness, restlessness, headache, diarrhoea, skin rashes, heatstroke and sleeplessness continue to affect people, especially children, the elderly, women and those with comorbidities.

Climate change has adversely affected the adequacy, accessibility and affordability of drinking water, with an increase in demand for it in Delhi. Residents, especially those in slums, continue to grapple with water shortage. The fundamental right to access clean water is denied even as the government proclaims the success of the Jal Jeevan Mission for an assured supply of rural drinking water and the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation for the universal coverage of drinking water supply in urban areas. Further, the past two months have seen a high demand for climate adaptation appliances like fans, air coolers, air conditioners and refrigerators in India. And there has been a huge surge in the consumption of electricity. Frequent incidents of fire

Lok Sabha elections has sent out a clear message

that the people of the trouble-torn Valley have faith in the



are reported amid high temperatures and a corresponding increase in the consumption of electricity to ward off the heat. The NCR has around 750 slum settlements, housing 3,50,000 families with a total population of 20 lakh. Poverty, sweltering heatwaves and an inadequacy of water have worsened the living conditions of slumdwellers. With limited economic resilience, the poor are unable to adapt to the climate. The poor seek relief from the excessive heat inside their homes — which have plastic and asbestos roofs — in open spaces like footpaths, parks and the areas under flyovers. Children, the elderly and women remain the hardest hit. The rich, on the other hand, can adapt to the heatwaves, as they have access to water and air conditioners. These unsustainable human lifestyles and the extractive and exploitative use of common property resources can create problems for the common man in India.Governments are hardly prepared to face the greater developmental challenges posed by climate change. There is an urgent need to economically empower the poor to battle climate change. Sunstroke is not treated as a natural disaster in policy forums, and there are no rehabilitation centres or livelihood support for the poor who suffer because of heatwaves. There is an

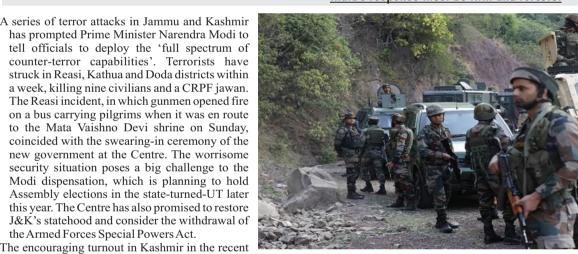
urgent need to assess urban climate risks for each city for a holistic climate resilience policy in India. The urban climate risk and vulnerability assessment — in terms of the number of people vulnerable to climate-related disasters, the damage to humans and infrastructure and the financial support needed to rebuild — is important for climate resilience. The system requires three kinds of resources to fight climate change at the city level: natural (forest and water), man-made (infrastructure) and human (technology and employment). Without them, an individual's capacity for climate resilience is highly limited. Climate resilience largely relies on the sustainable development of cities through practices like rainwater harvesting, replenishing groundwater and the conservation of urban forests, land, biodiversity, lakes, rivers and trees.Indian cities lack modern and sustainable infrastructure. Most of the infrastructure is old, and it cannot support the growing demands, for example, multimodal public transport, 24x7 water supply, sewage and solid

waste management, green energy, urban housing and public hospitals and schools.

is also imperative to improve the human capital through education, technology, health, jobs and a decline in poverty and income inequality. Inclusive development, such as social protection, acts as an insurance against climate change. The poor need financial, technical and institutional support in the form of poverty reduction programmes, social security schemes, etc, to improve their quality of life and develop climate resilience. Indian cities need to have institutional capacity to adapt to climate change. Systemic wealth and income inequalities have exacerbated the impact of climate change on the poor. The present model of economic development perpetuates inequalities and fails to reallocate and redistribute resources. Economic inequality and climate change are intricately linked to an unequal distribution of income and resources, limiting the economic resilience of the poor to fight climate change. Therefore, there is an urgent need to restructure economic and environmental governance systems to achieve inclusive development and strike a balance between ecological and economic stability to tackle climate change in India.

J&K terror attacks

India's response must be firm and forceful



democratic process. However, terrorists and their handlers are unleashing violence in a bid to undermine the

turnaround. Accusing Pakistan of trying to disturb peace in the UT through its mercenaries, J&K DGP RR Swain has asserted that the country's security forces would give a befitting reply to the enemy. He has also warned local agents of the hostile neighbour not to support militancy. It's this local assistance that is spurring infiltrators from across the border to execute terror strikes with apparent ease.

Amid these attacks comes the reappointment of Ajit Doval as National Security Adviser. He played a key role in two major counter-terror operations — the surgical strikes in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir after the Uri attack of 2016 and the Balakot airstrikes in the wake of the Pulwama suicide bombing in 2019. Doval will be called upon to help the PM deal with the current situation in a firm and forceful manner. All eyes will be on India's military and

diplomatic response.

Wrong to tar a community with the same brush

India is too big a country to tolerate parochial thinking. Magnanimity will take the nation forward.

A CISF constable, Kulwinder Kaur, slapped newly elected BJP MP Kangana Ranaut at the Chandigarh airport last week. The constable was upset over controversial remarks made bythe actor-turned-politician about the women who had participated in the farmers' agitation at Delhi's borders in 2020-21. Punjab's farming community had spearheaded the year-long stir against the three farm laws, which were eventually repealed by the Centre. Soon after the recent incident, Kangana expressed concern over a 'shocking rise in terror and violence in Punjab'. Misconduct by an on-duty uniformed officer can neither be defended nor justified. It's a case of gross indiscipline deserving the due process of legal action. Whatever the grievances or grudges of any Indian in any state, no one can be allowed to resort to an act which demoralises his/her unit, force and those whose duty it is to ensure that safety and security in sensitive operational areas are not breached. Unfortunately, the keepers of the law brazenly failed to do that. Having said that, let us dispassionately and objectively go beyond the 'slapgate' and dig deep into history and polity to remember not to repeat the mistakes of the past. Brutal facts of Indian history are often forgotten or ignored. Bengal in the east and Punjab in the north-west were the two biggest provinces of British India. Had India not been partitioned in 1947, both Bengal and Punjab would have sent more than 100 MPs each to the Lok Sabha, far more than Uttar Pradesh's 80.

Ironically, the two 'biggest' provinces were dismembered. To the misfortune of post-1947 Punjab, a reorganisation took place in 1966. The shrinking of territory, however, was followed by epochal events which created chronic problems. It happened due to the lapses of India's ruling class, which, in turn, contaminated the psyche of a sizeable proportion of the people. The latter, though apolitical, were nevertheless lured into harbouring animosity towards Bengalis from the 1960s and then Punjabis (particularly Sikhs) since the 1980s.

Seeing is believing, it's rightly said. The Mao Zedong-led Communist Party of China and the People's Liberation



Army did not stop their machinations even after invading India in October 1962. First, they penetrated the entire North-East and followed it up with an assault on the truncated state of West Bengal, which witnessed the Naxalbari firing on May 24, 1967. A few thousand Hindu Bengalis, 'brainwashed' by leftist ideology and unscrupulously nurtured by local traders, politicians and intellectuals as well as propped up by Chinese money, caused untold damage to the eastern state for over 10 years. The result — it gave birth to 'racial/ethnic profiling', an 'effective' way to prevent even the best and the brightest minds from moving forward. Virtually

every Bengali was a 'communist' in the eyes of all outside the state, especially in the national capital. In March 1972, this author was asked by a UPSC member: "Oh, you are a Bengali! Are you a Naxalite?"

After the Bengali 'racial/ethnic profiling' came the turn of Sikhs in the 1980s amid the Khalistan movement. The vilification was also seen during the 2020-21 farmers' agitation, when some political leaders branded protesters as Khalistanis and anti-nationals.

Since one has had the experience of gross humiliation and the choicest of unprovoked abuse on several occasions, including in an office of the Government of India at least twice in 35 years, one has invariably taken pains to ensure that the ignominy one faced without any reason must not be inflicted on our countrymen from Punjab for the fault of a few. 'Ethnic profiling' and reckless public abuse of a community must be eschewed by all, however high or mighty. Else, anything can happen, as witnessed at the Chandigarh airport.

Indeed, one must never forget that 1.4 billion Indians constitute a bewildering variety of people. Hence, there is a need for circumspection, sensitivity, understanding and empathy. Ignorance cannot be an excuse for an Indian even if he/she is not conversant with the language of a state where his professional work takes him/her. It's time to make efforts to identify oneself with the people of the state where one works, and vice versa. Thus, every non-Punjabi in Punjab would be a Punjabi; every non-Tamil in Chennai a Tamil; every non-Marathi in Mumbai a Marathi; and every non-Bengali in Kolkata a Bengali. It's axiomatic that people en masse learn to respect fellow Indians from other states and avoid making

unprovoked remarks dripping with communal venom. The point is simple: The Constitution needs to be thoroughly studied to understand the spirit and ethos of the country. This nation can never be governed by anyone on the basis of a make-believe scenario. Every province/state is unique and different from others. Hence, a few or one individual's crime or error doesn't make the entire state a den of criminals. And such mistakes are creating and increasing tension, animosity and hatred in the society and polity of India.

t's time to learn lessons from historical blunders to avoid recurrence of the Chandigarh episode. If one uniformed officer is charged with dereliction of duty, that does not give anyone the licence to tar an entire state or community with the same brush. It happened in Chandigarh. It could easily have been Kanpur, Kolkata, Kannur, Jammu, Jodhpur or Delhi. It's time for justice, fair play and objectivity, not impulsive provocation. India is too big a country to tolerate parochial thinking. Magnanimity will take India forward.

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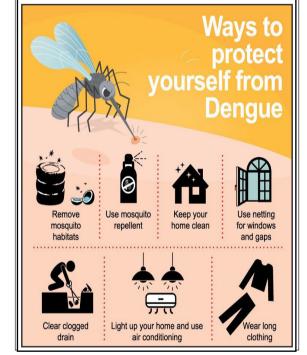


জমশেদপুর – রবিবার ঝাড়খণ্ডের জমশেদপুরে একটি নির্বাচনী সমাবেশে প্রধানমন্ত্রী নরেন্দ্র মোদী কংগ্রেস নেত্রী সোনিয়া গান্ধীকে রায়বেরেলিভত্যাপ্থ করার এবং দীর্ঘদিন ধরে কাজ করা একজন দলের কর্মীকে নয়, বরং তার ছেলে রাহুল গান্ধীকে মনোনীত করার জন্য সমালোচনা করেছেন।

মোদী উল্লেখ করেছেন যে সোনিয়া গান্ধী কো-ভড মহামারীর পরে রায়বেরেলি সফর করেননি, যে আসনটি তিনি সংসদে প্রতিনিধিত্ব করেছিলেন। "এখন তিনি তার ছেলের জন্য ভোট চাইতে সেখানে গেছেন," মোদী বলেন। শনিবার, সোনিয়া গান্ধী তার সন্তান রাহুল এবং প্রিয়াঙ্কা গান্ধীর সাথে রায়বেরেলিতে একটি নির্বাচনী সমাবেশে ভাষণ দেন, যেখানে তিনি ঘোষণা করেন যে তিনি তার ছেলে রাহুল গান্ধীকে রায়বেরেলির প্রতি সমর্পণ করছেন এবং জনতাকে আশুস্ত করেন যে ื তিনি আপনাদের হতাশ করবেন না।চ

মোদী আরও সমালোচনা করেছেন যে রাহুল গান্ধী দুটি লোকসভা আসন, রায়বেরেলি এবং কেরালার ওয়ানাড থেকে প্রার্থী হচ্ছেন। "কংগ্রেস রাজপুত্র ওয়ানাড ছেড়ে রায়বেরেলিতে নির্বাচন লড়ছেন। তিনি সবাইকে বলছেন যে এই আসনটি তার মায়ের," মোদী বলেন, পরিস্থিতিটিকে এমন একটি শিশুর সাথে তুলনা করে যে তার বাবার স্কুলে পড়েছে বলে স্কুলটিকে নিজের বলে দাবি করে।

"এই পরিবারকেন্দ্রিক ব্যক্তিরা সংসদীয় আসনগুলিকে তাদের উত্তরাধিকার হিসেবে দেখছে। এমন পরিবারকেন্দ্রিক দল থেকে ঝাড়খণ্ডকে রক্ষা করতে হবে," প্রধানমন্ত্রী আরও বলেন।



सीबीआईसी ने भारतीय सीमा शुल्क के नाम पर विदेशी मुद्रा भंडार 4.31 अरब डॉलर धोखाधड़ी करने वालों से लोगों को सतर्क किया

नई दिल्ली। केंद्रीय अप्रत्यक्ष कर सीमा शुल्क बोर्ड (सीबीआईसी) ने जनता से भारतीय सीमा शुल्क विभाग के नाम पर धोखाधडी करने वालों से सतर्क रहने को कहा है।

सीबीआईसी ने इसके लिए जागरुकता अभियान भी चलाया है। वित्त मंत्रालय ने जारी बयान में कहा कि समाचार पोर्टल और सोशल मीडिया मंचों के माध्यम से विभिन्न घटनाएं सामने आई हैं, जिनमें फर्जी व्यक्तियों ने सीमा शुल्क अधिकारी बनकर देशभर में जनता से उनकी गाढ़ी कमाई ठगी गई है। सीबीआईसी ने जनता से भारतीय सीमा शुल्क विभाग के नाम पर धोखाधडी करने वालों से सतर्क रहने को कहा है। ये धोखाधड़ी मुख्य रूप से फोन कॉल या एसएमएस जैसे डिजिटल माध्यमों



का उपयोग करके की जाती है। इसको अंजाम देने वालों का मकसद तुरंत दंडात्मक कार्रवाई के 'कथित' डर दिखाकर पैसा ऐंठने पर केंद्रित होती है। सीबीआईसी ने जन जागरकता के माध्यम से इस तरह की धोखाधड़ी का मुकाबला करने के

लिए जागरुकता अभियान चलाया है जिसमें समाचार पत्रों में विज्ञापन, आम जनता के लिए एसएमएस. ई-मेल और सोशल मीडिया अभियान के अलावा सीबीआईसी के क्षेत्रीय कार्यालयों में जागरुकता अभियान

बढ़कर 655.82 अरब डॉलर पर

मुंबई। विदेशी मुद्रा परिसंपत्ति, स्वर्ण, विशेष आहरण अधिकार (एसडीआर) और अंतर्राष्ट्रीय मुद्रा कोष (आईएमएफ) के पास आरक्षित निधि में बढोतरी होने से 07 जुन को समाप्त सप्ताह में देश का विदेशी मुद्रा भंडार 4.31 अरब डॉलर बढ़कर 655.82 अरब डॉलर के रिकॉर्ड स्तर पर पहंच गया।

वहीं, इसके पिछले सप्ताह देश का विदेशी मुद्रा भंडार 4.84 अरब डॉलर बढ़कर के 651.5 अरब डॉलर हो गया।

रिजर्व बैंक की ओर से जारी साप्ताहिक आंकड़े के अनुसार, 07 जुन को समाप्त सप्ताह में विदेशी मुद्रा भंडार के सबसे बड़े घटक विदेशी मद्रा परिसंपत्ति 3.8 अरब डॉलर की जबरदस्त बढ़त के साथ 576.34 अरब डॉलर पर पहुंच गया। इस अवधि में स्वर्ण भंडार 48.1 करोड़ अरब डॉलर पर पहुंच गया। इस



हो गया। इसी तरह आलोच्य सप्ताह आरक्षित निधि एक करोड डॉलर की एसडीआर में 4.3 करोड़ डॉलर की बढ़ोतरी हुई और यह बढ़कर 18.2 हो गया।

बढ़ोतरी के साथ 4.34 अरब डॉलर

वैश्विक आर्थिक परिदृश्य एवं आईआईपी आंकड़ों पर रहेगी बाजार की नजर

मंबर्ड। विश्व बाजार के मिलेजुले रुख के बीच स्थानीय स्तर पर मझौली और छोटी कंपनियों में हुई जबरदस्त लिवाली की बदौलत बीते सप्ताह मजबती पर रहे घरेल शेयर बाजार की अगले सप्ताह वैश्विक आर्थिक परिदृश्य एवं भारत और चीन के जारी होने वाले औद्योगिक उत्पादन आंकड़ों पर नजर रहेगी।

बीते सप्ताह बीएसई का तीस शेयरों वाला संवेदी सूचकांक सेंसेक्स 299.42 अंक अर्थात 0.4 प्रतिशत की बढ़त के साथ सप्ताहांत पर ऊंचाई के नये शिखर 76992.77 अंक पर पहुंच गया। इसी तरह नेशनल स्टॉक एक्सचेंज (एनएसई) का निफ्टी 175.45 अंक यानी 0.8 प्रतिशत चढ़कर 23465.60 अंक के नये रिकॉर्ड

समीक्षाधीन सप्ताह में बीएसई की मझौली और छोटी कंपनियों में हुई दमदार लिवाली ने बाजार को सम्भाले रखा। मिडकैप 1947.32 सप्ताहांत पर 46058.76 अंक हो गया। इसी तरह स्मॉलकैप 2468.44 अंक यानी 5.06 प्रतिशत की छलांग लगाकर 51199.99 अंक के सार्वकालिक उच्चतम स्तर पर बंद हुआ।

विश्लेषकों के अनुसार, बीते सप्ताह घरेलू बाजार में मामूली बढ़त रही। हालांकि नए संकेतों के अभाव के कारण इसमें अस्थायी गिरावट आई। फिर भी. विकास-आधारित शेयरों के प्रति धारणा फिर से बेहतर होने की बदौलत मझौली और छोटी कंपनियों के शेयरों ने बेहतर प्रदर्शन किया। इस बीच अमेरिकी केंद्रीय बैंक

फेडरल रिज़र्व की एफओएमसी बैठक का परिणाम सकारात्मक रहा। बाजार की उम्मीदें कैलेंडर वर्ष 2024 में ब्याज दर में दो बार की कटौती से बदलकर केवल एक रह गई हैं। हालांकि, अमेरिकी मुद्रास्फीति की स्थिरता से कुछ राहत मिली। साथ ही घरेलू खुदरा महंगाई में धीरे-

वहीं, सामान्य मानसून की उम्मीद को देखते हुए मुद्रास्फीति

रखा. जिसमें ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में सरकारी व्यय घोषणाओं के आधार पर रियल एस्टेट ने बेहतर प्रदर्शन किया। लक्ष्य की ओर अंतिम कदम अभी भी

वित्तीय निवेश सलाह देने वाली



कठिन बना हुआ है लेकिन निवेशकों को उम्मीद है कि रिजर्व बैंक ब्याज दरों को आसान बनाने के करीब है। पिछले सप्ताह आईटी क्षेत्र के मजबत प्रदर्शन के बाद दिग्गज शेयरों और एफएमसीजी में बिकवाली का दबाव रहा। हालांकि इस सप्ताह अन्य सभी

कंपनी जीओजित फाइनेंशियल सर्विसेज के शोध प्रमुख विनोद नायर ने बताया कि अगले सप्ताह में भारत और चीन से औद्योगिक उत्पादन तथा यूरोजोन की महंगाई के आंकड़े जारी होने वाले है। अगले सप्ताह इन आंकड़ों पर बाजार की नजर रहेगी। बीते सप्ताह घरेलु बाजार में दो

तीन बढ़त जबकि दो दिन गिरावट रही। विश्व बाजार के मिलेजले रुख के बीच स्थानीय स्तर पर आईटी और टेक समेत छह समूहों में हुई बिकवाली से सोमवार को सेंसेक्स 203.28 अंक की गिरावट के साथ 76,490.08 अंक और निफ्टी अंक फिसलकर 23,259.20 अंक पर बंद हुआ। विदेशी बाजारों की गिरावट के दबाव में स्थानीय स्तर पर रिलायंस, एक्सिस बैंक, आईसीआईआई बैंक और इंफोसिस समेत चौदह दिग्गज कंपनियों में हुई बिकवाली से मंगलवार को सेंसेक्स 33.49 अंक फिसलकर 76,456.59 अंक रह गया। वहीं, निफ्टी 5.65 अंक मामूली बढ़त के साथ 23,264.85 अंक पर रहा।

अमेरिका में महंगाई के आंकड़े आने से पहले विश्व बाजार के मिलेजुले रुख के बीच स्थानीय स्तर पर ऊर्जा, इंडस्ट्रियल्स, यूटिलिटीज, कैपिटल गुड्स और पावर समेत अठारह समूहों में हुई लिवाली की

149.98 अंक 76,606.57 अंक और निफ्टी 58.10 अंक चढ़कर 23,322.95 अंक पर बंद हुआ।

विश्व बाजार के नकारात्मक रुझान के बावजूद स्थानीय स्तर पर कैपिटल गुड्स, कंज्यूमर इयुरेबल्स, रियल्टी, इंडस्ट्रियल्स और आईटी समेत पंद्रह समूहों में हुई लिवाली की बदौलत गुरुवार को सेंसेक्स 204.33 अंक उछलकर एक बार फिर 76,810.90 अंक और निफ्टी 75.95 अंक चढकर 23.398.90 अंक पर पहंच गया।

विदेशी बाजारों के मिलेजुले रुख के बीच स्थानीय स्तर पर इंडिस्ट्रियल्स, दूरसंचार, ऑटो, कैपिटल गुड्स और कंज्यूमर इयुरेबल्स समेत अठारह समुहों में हुई लिवाली की बदौलत शुक्रवार को सेंसेक्स 181.87 अंक उछलकर 76,992.77 अंक और निफ्टी 66.70 अंक चढ़कर 23,465.60

म्यूचुअल फंड उद्योग ने चालू वित्त वर्ष के अप्रैल-मई में 81 लाख नए निवेशक खाते जोड़े

नई दिल्ली। म्यूचुअल फंड उद्योग ने चालू वित्त वर्ष (वित्त वर्ष 2024-25) के पहले दो महीनों

(अप्रैल-मई) में 81 लाख से अधिक निवेशक खाते जोडे हैं। इसका मुख्य कारण लगातार विपणन प्रयास. सेलिब्रिटी से प्रचार और वितरण नेटवर्क का समर्पित कार्य है। स्टॉक टेडिंग मंच टेडिजनी के मख्य परिचालन अधिकारी (सीओओ) त्रिवेश डी ने कहा कि इसके अलावा सार्वाध जमाओं (एफड़ों) के बारे में बदलती धारणाएं तथा आय के स्तर में वृद्धि और वित्तीय बाजारों तक पहुंच ने भी नए निवेशकों की संख्या में वृद्धि में योगदान दिया है। सावधि जमा योजनाएं अब म्यूचुअल फंड की तुलना में प्रतिस्पर्धी प्रतिफल नहीं देती हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि इसके साथ ही म्यूचुअल फंड के लिए संभावनाएं

मजबूत बनी हुई हैं, जिसे शेयर बाजार में चल रही तेजी, ठोस जोखिम प्रबंधन प्रथाओं, निरंतर



निवेशक शिक्षा और लगातार विपणन प्रयासों से समर्थन मिल रहा है। विशेषज्ञों ने कहा कि इसके अलावा, उद्योग में अच्छी वृद्धि जारी रहेगी क्योंकि बचतकर्ता अपने दीर्घकालिक लक्ष्यों के लिए धन सृजन हेतु वैकल्पिक रास्ते तलाश रहे हैं।

पीजीआईएम इंडिया म्यूचुअल फंड के सीबीओ अभिषेक तिवारी ने पीटीआई-से कहा, ''जैसे-जैसे भारत की प्रति व्यक्ति आय बढेगी. निवेशक ऐसे परिसंपत्ति वर्गों में पैसा बचाना चाहेंगे, जिनमें मुद्रास्फीति को मात देने और संपत्ति बनाने की क्षमता है। जैसे-जैसे म्यूचुअल फंड की पहुंच बढ़ेगी, यह उद्योग स्तर पर उच्च फोलियो आधार में तब्दील हो जाएगा।'' एसोसिएशन ऑफ म्यूचुअल फंड्स इन इंडिया (एम्फी) क आकडा क अनसार, उद्याग क म्यचअल फंड फोलियो की संख्या मई के अंत में 18.6 करोड़ थी, जो मार्च के अंत में दर्ज 17.78 करोड़ से 4.6 प्रतिशत या 81 लाख अधिक है। फोलियो व्यक्तिगत निवेशक खातों को दी जाने वाली संख्या होती है। एक निवेशक के कई फोलियो हो

एसबीआई अपनी अनुषंगी कंपनियों का कारोबार बढ़ाने के बाद उनका मौद्रीकरण करेगा: खारा

नई दिल्ली। भारतीय स्टेट बैंक (एसबीआई) के चेयरमैन दिनेश कुमार खारा ने कहा है कि बैंक एसबीआई जनरल इंश्योरेंस और एसबीआई पेमेंट जैसी अनुषंगी कंपनियों का मौद्रीकरण करने से पहले उनके कारोबार को और बढ़ाएगा। इन अनुषंगी कंपनियों का परिचालन बढ़ने से मुल्यांकन बढ़ेगा और एसबीआई को बेहतर प्रतिफल मिल सकेगा। उन्होंने पीटीआई-को एक साक्षात्कार म बताया कि जहा तक अनुषंगी कंपनियों की बात है, तो उनका मौद्रीकरण पूंजी बाजार के जरिये होगा।

उन्होंने कहा, ''इस रास्ते पर आगे बढ़ने के लिए पात्र अनुषंगी कंपनियों में निश्चित रूप से एसबीआई जनरल है और कुछ हद तक एसबीआई पेमेंट सर्विसेज भी हो

सकती हैं। लेकिन, फिलहाल हमारे पास ऐसी कोई योजना नहीं है।'' खारा ने कहा, ''शायद, हम उन्हें थोड़ा और बढ़ाना चाहेंगे। उसके बाद



ही हम इन कंपनियों में अपनी हिस्सेदारी का मौद्रीकरण करने के लिए पुंजी बाजार में जाने की सोचेंगे। लेकिन, चालू वित्त वर्ष में ऐसा नहीं होगा।'' बैंक ने एसबीआई जनरल इंश्योरेंस कंपनी लिमिटेड में वित्त वर्ष 2023-24 के दौरान 489.67

करोड रुपये की अतिरिक्त पंजी डाली थी। कंपनी ने कर्मचारियों को ईएसओपी भी आवंटित किया है, जिसके चलते बैंक की हिस्सेदारी 69.95 प्रतिशत से घटकर 69.11 प्रतिशत हो गई है। वित्त वर्ष 2023-24 में एसबीआई जनरल इंश्योरेंस का शुद्ध लाभ 30.4 प्रतिशत बढ़कर 240 करोड़ रुपये हो गया। एसबीआई पेमेंट सर्विसेज प्राइवेट लिमिटेड में 74 प्रतिशत हिस्सेदारी एसबीआई के पास है। बाकी हिस्सा ाहताचा पमट सावसज क पास है। खारा ने यह भी कहा कि कॉरपोरेट क्षेत्र से ऋग की मांग बढ़ रही है और 5,000 अरब रुपये के ऋग मंजूरी के विभिन्न चरणों में हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि पिछले कुछ वर्षों के विपरीत, कॉरपोरेट ने अब कार्यशील पूंजी जरूरतों और क्षमता विस्तार के लिए ऋग की तलाश शुरू कर दी है।

राजस्थान के मुख्यमंत्री ने चार सौर परियोजनाओं के लिए 4,780 हेक्टेयर भूमि आवंटन को दी मंजूरी

एजेंसी जयपुर । राजस्थान के मख्यमंत्री भजनलाल शर्मा ने चार सौर ऊर्जा परियोजनाओं की स्थापना के लिए 4,780 हेक्टेयर भूमि आवंटित करने के प्रस्ताव को मंजूरी दी है। जारी एक आधिकारिक बयान के अनसार, इस कदम का उद्देश्य राजस्थान को ऊर्जा के क्षेत्र में अग्रणी और आत्मनिर्भर बनाना है। प्रस्ताव के अनुसार, राजस्थान सोलर पार्क डेवलपमेंट कंपनी को बीकानेर जिले में 2,450 मेगावाट के तीन सौर पार्क स्थापित करने के लिए 4,780 हेक्टेयर भूमि तथा एनटीपीसी रिन्यएबल एनर्जी लिमिटेड को

फलौदी जिले में 500 मेगावाट की

लिए लगभग 910 हेक्टेयर भूमि दो तथा 450 मेगावाट का एक सौर पार्क स्थापित किया जाएगा। पहले



सौर परियोजना स्थापित करने के जिले में 1000-1000 मेगावाट के सुरसर गांव में करीब 1881 हेक्टेयर

बयान के अनुसार, बीकानेर सौर पार्क के लिए पूगल तहसील के

भूमि आवंटन की स्वीकृति दी गई है। इसमें कहा गया कि इसी तरह 2,000 हैक्टेयर जमीन 1,000 मेगावाट के दूसरे सौर पार्क के लिए आवंटित की जाएगी, जिसमें से 1,194 हेक्टेयर जमीन सरसर में और लगभग 807 हेक्टेयर जमीन भानावतावाला में है। बयान के अनुसार, बीकानेर में 450 मेगावाट का तीसरा सौर पार्क स्थापित करने के लिए सरदारपुरा गांव में 900 हेक्टेयर भूमि आवंटित करने को मंजूरी दे दी गई है। इन सौर पार्कों को केंद्र सरकार के नवीन एवं नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा मंत्रालय की सोलर पार्क योजना के तहत राजस्थान

अक्षय ऊर्जा निगम द्वारा तीन चरणों विनिर्माण इकाइयों में जरूरी चीनी तकनीशियनों को वीजा देने के लिए एसओपी अंतिम चरण में: अधिकारी

विनिर्माण इकाइयों की स्थापना के लिए जिन चीनी पेशेवरों की जरूरत है, उनके लिए वीजा मंजूरी को सुव्यवस्थित बनाने की एक मानक संचालन प्रक्रिया (एसओपी) अंतिम चरण में है। एक सरकारी अधिकारी ने यह जानकारी दी। इससे पहले उत्पादन से जुड़ी प्रोत्साहन (पीएलआई) योजना के तहत इसी तरह

की सुविधा दी गई थी। यह कदम इसलिए महत्वपूर्ण है, क्योंकि कुछ घरेलू विनिर्माण कंपनियों ने चीनी तकनीशियनों के लिए वीजा मिलने में देरी का मुद्दा उठाया था। इन तकनीशियनों की भारत में श्रमिकों

स्थापना या मरम्मत जैसे कार्यों के लिए जरूरत होती है। अधिकारी ने कहा, ''अधिकांश पीएलआई वीजा का ध्यान रखा गया है। सामान्य विनिर्माण गतिविधियों के लिए भी हम एक बेहतर सुव्यवस्थित एसओपी बनाने की कोशिश कर रहे हैं... जो गृह मंत्रालय के पास है। यह अंतिम चरण में है।'' अधिकारी ने कहा कि एसओपी को लाग् करने के लिए केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल से किसी मंजूरी की जरूरत नहीं है, क्योंकि यह ऐसे चीनी पेशेवरों या तकनीशियनों के वीजा आवेदनों को सुविधाजनक बनाने की एक आंतरिक प्रक्रिया है, जिनकी फुटवियर क्षेत्र में काम कर रहे हैं।

विशेषज्ञता की घरेलू विनिर्माण इकाइयों को जरूरत है। उन्होंने कहा कि आमतौर पर, इन विशेषज्ञों को तीन से छह महीने के लिए वीजा की आवश्यकता होती है। इस कदम की सराहना करते हुए एक उद्योग अधिकारी ने कहा कि एसओपी से बहुत मदद मिलेगी, क्योंकि इन विनिर्माण इकाइयों को चीनी पेशेवरों से कुछ विशेषज्ञता की जरूरत होती है। प्रमुख फुटवियर निर्माता और चेन्नई स्थित फरीदा समूह के चेयरमैन रफीक अहमद ने कहा, ''एसओपी एक बहुत अच्छा निर्णय होगा। चीनी तकनीशियन वियतनाम और कंबोडिया जैसे देशों में

अडाणी सिर्फ डेवलपर, धारावी की जमीन महाराष्ट्र सरकार के विभागों को हस्तांतरित होगी : सूत्र

मुंबई । करोड़ों रुपये की धारावीं झग्गी-बस्ती पनर्विकास परियोजना में अडाणी समूह को भूमि का हस्तांतरण शामिल नहीं है। सूत्रों ने इस बारे में स्थिति साफ करते हुए कहा है कि परियोजना में भूमि का हस्तांतरण महाराष्ट्र सरकार के विभागों को किया जाना है और अहमदाबाद का समूह सिर्फ एक परियोजना डेवलपर के रूप में मकान बनाएगा जो उन्हीं विभागों को सौंपे जाएंगे। बाद में इन घरों का आवंटन एशिया की सबसे बड़ी झोपड़पट्टी के निवासियों को किया जाएगा। सांसद वर्षा गायकवाड़ ने इस मामले में भूमि हड़पने का आरोप लगाया है। इन आरोपों पर परियोजना से जुड़े सूत्रों ने कहा कि जमीन के टुकड़े सिर्फ राज्य सरकार के आवास विभाग के धारावी पनर्विकास परियोजना/स्लम पुनर्वास प्राधिकरण (डीआरपी/एसआरए) को हस्तांतरित किए जाने हैं।

अडाणी समूह ने खुली अंतरराष्ट्रीय बोली में धारावी स्लम पुनर्विकास परियोजना हासिल की थी। समृह अपनी संयुक्त उद्यम कंपनी धारावी रिडेवलपमेंट प्रोजेक्ट प्राइवेट लि. (डीआरपीपीएल) के माध्यम से आवास और वाणिज्यिक स्थान बनाएगा और उन्हें फिर से डीआरपी/एसआरए को सौंप देगा। परियोजना पर गलतफहमियों को दूर करने की कोशिश करते हुए सूत्रों ने कहा कि निविदा के अनुसार, भूमि सरकार द्वारा तय दरों पर डीआरपी/एसआरए को आवंटित की डीआरपीपीएल को विकास अधिकार मिला हैं. राज्य समर्थन समझौता. निविदा दस्तावेज का हिस्सा है। यह

देते हुए सूत्रों ने कहा कि सरकार के 2022 के आदेश में यह शर्त रखी गई है कि धारावी के प्रत्येक निवासी स्पष्ट रूप से कहता है कि राज्य (पात्र या अपात्र) को एक घर दिया



अपने डीआरपी/एसआरए विभाग को भूमि देकर परियोजना का समर्थन करेगी।

रेलवे भूमि के आवंटन के मुद्दे पर, जहां धारावी के निवासियों के पहले सेट की पुनर्वास इकाइयां बनाई जानी हैं, सूत्रों ने कहा कि इसे निविदा से पहले ही डीआरपी को आवंटित किया गया था, जिसके लिए डीआरपीपीएल ने प्रचलित दरों पर 170 प्रतिशत के भारी प्रीमियम का भुगतान किया है। इन आरोपों को कि धारावीवासियों को धारावी से बाहर निकाल दिया जाएगा और बेघर कर दिया जाएगा, को पूरी तरह से काल्पनिक और जनता के बीच चिंता

डीआरपी/एसआरए योजना के तहत किसी भी धारावीवासी को विस्थापित नहीं किया जाएगा। एक जनवरी, 2000 को या उससे पहले मौजूद मकानों के धारक यथास्थान पुनर्वास के पात्र होंगे। एक जनवरी, 2000 से एक जनवरी, 2011 के बीच मौजूद लोगों को धारावी के बाहर मुंबई महानगर क्षेत्र (एमएमआर) में कहीं भी पीएमएवाई के तहत सिर्फ 2.5 लाख रुपये में या किराये के माध्यम से घर आवंटित किए जाएंगे। सुत्रों ने

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बेहद प्रगतिशील है। यह पूरी तरह से

स्थानीय लोगों के अनुकूल है और

इसमें मुफ्त और बेहद रियायती आवास, स्टाम्प शुल्क और संपत्ति कर की छूट, 10 वर्ष का निऱ्शुल्क रखरखाव और आवासीय परिसर में 10 प्रतिशत वाणिज्यिक क्षेत्र शामिल है। निविदा में काम पूरा करने के लिए सख्त समयसीमा तय की गई है और किसी भी उल्लंघन पर जर्माना लगाने

का प्रावधान है। कुर्ला मदर डेयरी की जमीन के आवंटन के आरोप पर सुत्रों ने कहा कि यह जमीन डीआरपी को दी जा रही है, न कि अडाणी या डीआरपीपीएल को। महाराष्ट्र भूमि राजस्व (सरकारी भूमि का निपटान) नियम, 1971 के तहत पूरी प्रक्रिया का पालन किया गया है। सूत्रों ने कहा कि चुनावी लाभ के लिए परियोजना को लेकर एक फर्जी कहानी फैलाई जा रही है, जो अगर सफल हो जाती है, तो धारावी के लोगों को खराब परिस्थितियों में रहना पड़ेगा और बुनियादी सुविधाओं तक उनकी पहुंच कम होगी।

धारावी पुनर्विकास परियोजना अपनी तरह की पहली पहल है, जो इलाके को विश्वस्तरीय शहर में बदलने की कोशिश करती है। सूत्रों ने कहा कि परियोजना मानव केंद्रित नजरिये से धारावी के 10 लाख से अधिक निवासियों के जीवन की गुणवत्ता में सुधार करना चाहती है। उन्होंने कहा कि यहां टिकाऊ परिवहन प्रणालियों और अत्याधनिक बनियादी ढांचे के साथ ही युवाओं के कौशल विकास पर भी खास जोर दिया जा



सोना सूख गया

चीन में हुनसेन नाम का राजा शासन करता था। वह बहुत कंजूस था। दान-पुण्य तो दूंर, जनता र्की जुरुरतें पूरी करने के लिए भी धेन नहीं निकालता था। उसके पास सोने-चांदी का अपार मंडार था, लेकिन वह किसी की मदद नहीं करता था। राजा के महल से कुछ दूरी पर सिनचिंन नामक एक वृद्ध की छोटी-सी झोंपड़ी थी। सिनचिन उस समय चीन का सबसे बुद्धिमान व्यक्ति माना जाता था। राजा की आदतों से वह भी परेशान था। अतः उसने राजा को सबक सिखाने की टान ली।

एक दिन वह अपने मित्रों से सोने के नन्हे-नन्हे चार टुकड़े उधार लाया। उसने सोने के उन टुकड़ों को पीली चमकती हुई एक बड़ी छलनी में रखा और पास बहती नदी के किनारे जा बैटा। इस नदी पर राजा रोज स्नान करने आता था। सिनचिन ने दूर से ही राजा को आते हुए देखा। वह ऐसा अभिनय करने लगा, मानो छलनी में कुछ छान रहा हो। राजा ने उसके पास आकर पुछा, ल्लिसनचिन, यह क्या कर रहे हो? तुम्हें सुबह-सुबह रेत छानने की क्या आवश्यकता पड़ गई? सिनचिन ने कहा, महाराज, मैं तो इस रेत में छिपा सोना ढूंढ़ रहा हूं।ङ्क राजा कुछ कहता, इससे पहल हा सिनाचन न छलना भर रेत निकाली और छान दी। छलनी के ऊपर सोने के चार छोटे-छोटे टुकड़े चमक रहे थे। राजा ने आश्चर्य से पूछा, ल्लरेत में सोना! यह कैसे किया? सिनचिन ने समझाते हुए जवाब दिया, लहुजूर, आज से महीना भर पहले मैंने सोने का एक छोटा सा

टुकड़ा इस जगह पर बोया था। देखिए हुजूर, पूरे चार दुकड़े निकले हैं। यदि मैं कुछ और सब्र करता, तो यहां बहुत से टुकड़े मिलते। राजा ने चौंकते हुए कहा, लक्या बकवास करते हो? भला क्या सोने की भी खेती की जा सकती है? सिनचिन ने कहा, क्यों नहीं हुजूर? आप खुद ही देख लीजिए। मैं तो गरीब आदमी हूं। पिछले दस वर्षीं से इसी प्रकार सोना बोता हूं और काट लेता हूं। इसी सोने से मेरा पेट पलता है। राजा ने नाराजगी भरे स्वर में कहा, तुमने मुझे पहले क्यों नहीं बताया? मेरे पास तो सोने का ढेर है। मुझे पता होता, तो मैं सारा सोना बो देता। आज तक तो मेरा महल सोने से भर गया होता । इस पर सिनचिन ने कहा, हुजूर, अब भी देर नहीं हुई है। आप अब भी बो

लीजिए। छह महीने बाद

लहलहाती नजर आएगी।

राजा ने सिनचिन के कंधे

पर हाथ रखते हुए जवाब दिया, देखो सिनचिन, तुम

तो एक अनुभवी आदमी

देखिएगा, तो फसल

हो। मेरी ओर से तुम सोने की खेती करो। इसके लिए तुम्हें जितना सोना चाहिए, तुम ले सकते हो। आज ही मेरे साथ महल में चलो। इस काम के लिए तो तुम मेरे सेवकों को भी साथ ले सकते हो। सिनचिन तो मानो इस मौके

की प्रतीक्षा में था। वह तूरंत राजी हो गया। वह महल में गया और सोने के ढेरों टुकड़े ले आया। राजा ने अपने दस सेवक भी सिनचिन को मदद के लिए दे दिए। देखते ही देखते, नदी के

किनारे खुदाई का काम शुरू हो गया। सिनचिन के कहे अनुसार, सेवकों ने वहां पर सोना बीज की तरह बो दिया। ऊपर रेत डाल दी। सिनचिन ने राजा को आश्वासन दिया कि छह महीने बाद बोए हुए सोने का तीन गुना सोना मिल जाएगा।

इस बीच सिनचिन रोज रात

को नदी किनारे जाने लगा।

वहां पर वह रोज थोडा सा

हिस्सा खोदता और वहां

दबा सोना अपने झोले में

रख लाता। अगले दिन

सुबह ही वह सारा सोना

गरीबों में बांट देता था।

इधर राजा इंतजार करता

हों और उसे बोए हुए सोर्न

का तीन गुना सोना मिले।

धीरे-धीरे छह महीने भी

पुरे हो गए। राजा ने

सिनचिन को दरबार में

बुलाया। उसे आदेश दिया

कि वह सारा सोना खोद

के लिए कुछ सेवकों की

बीस सेवक उसके साथ

कर दिए। सेवकों ने उस

स्थान पर काफी गहराई

तक खुदाई की, रेत को

छाना। लेकिन सभी यह

देखकर आश्चर्य में पड़ गए

कि उसमें सिवाय दो–चार

सोने के टुकड़ों के कुछ

रोते हुए बोला, हुजूर,

सुखे हुए टुकड़ों के

निकला है।

नहीं था। सिनचिन भागा-

भागा राजा के पास पहुंचा।

आपकी किस्मत खराब थी।

जमीन में सोने के दो-चार

अतिरिक्त कुछ भी नहीं

राजा ने आश्चर्य से पूछा,

लसूखे हुए टुकड़े! तुम्हारा मतलब क्या है? सिनचिन

ने जवाब दिया, हां हुजूर,

इस बार सारा सोना सूख

गया है। आप तो जानतें ही

हैं, इस बार बारिश बिल्कुल

नहीं हुई। सारी फसल सूख

गई। आपका बहुत नुकसान

हुनसेन ने डांटते हुए पूछा,

भेला सोना सुख कैसे

सकता है? यह तो ठोस

सिनचिन ने मुसकराते हुए

कहा, हुजूर, आपने इतनी बातों पर विश्वास कर लिया

कि सोना बोया जा सकता

है, सोने की फसल लहलहा

सकती है, सोना काटा जा

सी बात पर विश्वास क्यों

नहीं करते कि सोना सूख

राजा निरुत्तर हो गया।

मंत्रियों से सलाह ली, तो

उन्होंने कहा, सिनचिन ठीक

कहता है। वाकई यदि सोना बोया जा सकता है, तो

सूख भी सकता है। अब तो

राजा से कुछ कहते नहीं

बना। वह सिर पकड़कर

बैट गया। सिनचिन ने

कंजूस राजा को अच्छा

सबक सिखा दिया था।

सकता है। फिर भला इतनी

हो गया इस बार ।

चीज है।

मांग की। राजा ने इस बार

लाए। सिनचिन ने इस काम

मिटने लगी।

प्रजातियों के संरक्षण का पुनर्मूल्यांकन किया जाना चाहिए, जिनको अक्सर अवैध पशु व्यापार में बेच दिया जाता है। इस अध्ययन को साइंटिफिक पत्रिका धीरे-धीरे जनता की गरीबी मॉलिक्युलर फाइटोलेनेटिक्स एंड इवोल्यूशॅन में प्रकाशित किया गया है। रहा कि कब छह महीने पूरे इस प्रजाति का नाम माता-माता बताया कछुआ उसे अचानक अपना बड़ा मुंह

गया है, जो पानी के नीचे कीचड में छिपे रहते है, इनकी लंबाई 53 सेंटीमीटर तक होती है। ये शैवाल से ढकी चट्टानों की तरह दिखते हैं। लेकिन जब कोई शिकार करने लायक जानवर सामने आता है, तो खोलकर उसे चूसकर पूरा निगल जाता है। ड्रेसडेन में सेनकेनबर्ग प्राकृतिक इतिहास संग्रह के प्रोफेसर डॉ. यूवे फ्रिट्ज बताते हैं यद्यपि ये कछए अपने विचित्र रूप और असामान्य खाने के व्यवहार के कारण व्यापक रूप से जाने जाते हैं, लेकिन उनकी विविधता और आनुवांशिकी के बारे में बहुत

निया में लाखों की संख्या में

जिनका रहस्य आज तक

आपको एक ऐसी ही झील के बारे में

बताने जा रहे हैं.कहा जाता है कि इस

बचता है और जल्द ही उसकी

अफ्रीका के लिंपोपो प्रांत में है.

इसे फुन्दुजी झील के नाम से

जाना जाता है स्थानीय लोगों

के अनुसार, किंवदंती है कि

इस जगह से प्राचीन काल में

एक कोढ़ी व्यक्ति जो कारी

था, उसे लोगों द्वारा भोजन

और आश्रय नहीं दिया गया.

कहा जाता है कि इसके बाद

उस व्यक्ति ने लोगों को श्राप

दिया और झील में प्रवेश

किया और फिर गायब हो

कहा जाता है कि झील के

अंदर से आज भी डूबे हुए लोगों के रोने,

ड्रम बजने की आवाजें आती रहती हैं.

स्थानीय लोगों का यह भी कहना है कि

पहाड़ों पर मौजूद इस झील की रक्षा एक

विशालकाय अजगर करता है.इस अजगर

लंबा सफर करके यहां आया

मौत हो जाती है.यह

रहस्यमयी झील दक्षिण

झीलें हैं, कुछ झीलें ऐसा ही

इंसान नहीं जानता.कुछ झीलों

काफी डारवनी भी हैं.आज हम

शोधकर्ताओं ने बताया कि पिछली मान्यताओं के विपरीत, माता-माता कछुओं

अंतरराष्ट्रीय शोध टीम ने खोजी कछुए की नई प्रजाति

एक अंतरराष्ट्रीय टीम के साथ मिलकर जर्मनी के सेनकेनबर्ग के वैज्ञानिक यूवे फ्रिट्ज ने आनुवांशिक विश्लेषण के आधार पर कछुए की एक नई प्रजाति के बारे में बताया है। अब तक माना जाता था कि 'जीनस चेलुस' कछुए की केवल एक ही प्रजाति है। अध्ययन में कहा गया है कि उन जानवरों की कम जानकारी है। फ्रिट्ज कहते हैं अब हमने यह मान लिया कि इस कवचवाले

सरीसप की केवल एक प्रजाति है जो पूरे दक्षिण अमेरिका में व्यापक रूप से फैली हुई है।

लेकिन ऐसी प्रजातियां, जिन्हें लुप्तप्राय नहीं माना जाता है, वे आश्चर्यजनक हो सकती हैं। आनुवंशिक विश्लेषण के आधार पर, उन्हें अक्सर दो या अधिक स्वतंत्र प्रजातियों में विभाजित किया जाता है। कई अध्ययनों से पता लगा है कि माता-माता कछुए अमेजन बेसिन की तुलना में ओरिनोको नदी में अलग दिखतें हैं। ड्रेसडेन के वैज्ञानिक कहते हैं इस अवलोकन के आधार पर, हमने इन जानवरों के जेनेटिक बनावट पर बारीकी से नजर रखने का फैसला किया है।

की आनुवंशिक और दिखने में भी भिन्न-भिन्न दों प्रजातियां हैं। नई प्रजातियां चेलुस ओरिनोकेन्सिस ओरिनोको और रियो नीग्रो बेसिन में निवास करती हैं, जबिक चेलुस फिम्ब्रिआटा के रूप में जानी जाने वाली प्रजाति विशेष रूप से अमेजॅन बेसिन तक सीमित है।

अध्ययन के अनुसार, लगभग 1 करोड 30 लाख साल पहले दोनों प्रजातियां मियोसीन के दौरान विभाजित हो गईं थी। इस अवधि

के दौरान, पूर्व अमेजॅन-ओरिनोको बेसिन में जानी पहचानी दो नदी घाटियां अलग-अलग हो गई थी। कई जलीय जीवों की प्रजातियां इस तरह स्थान के आधर पर अलग हो गईं और इन्होंने आनुवंशिक रूप से फैलना शुरू कर

नई प्रजातियों के विवरण में भी माता माता के संरक्षण की स्थिति का पुनर्मुल्यांकन आवश्यक है। आज तक, इस प्रजाति के व्यापक रूप

से फैलने के कारण इन्हें लुप्तप्राय नहीं माना गया था। अध्ययनकर्ताओं ने कहा कि हमारे परिणाम बताते हैं कि, दो प्रजातियों में विभाजित होने के कारण, प्रत्येक प्रजाति की जनसंख्या आकार पहले की तुलना में छोटी हुई है।

इसके अलावा, हर साल इन विचित्र दिखने वाले हजारों जानवरों का अवैध व्यापार होने से इनका जीवन समाप्त हो रहा हैं। हालांकि इन जानवरों के अवैध व्यापार का पता लगने पर अधिकारियों द्वारा इन्हें जब्त भी किया जाता है। बोगोटा के नेशनल युनिवरिंटी ऑफ कोलम्बिया के प्रोफेसर और प्रमुख अध्ययनकर्ता मारियो वर्गास-रामिरेज कहते है कि इससे पहले बहुत देर हो जाए, हमें इन आकर्षक जानवरों की रक्षा करनी चाहिए।



दुनिया की रहस्यमयी

आदिवासी एक नृत्य उत्सव का आयोजन करतें हैं, जिसमें कुवारी लड़कियां नाचती हैं.कहा जाता है कि झील प्राचीन काल में भुस्खलन के कारण बनी थी जिसने मुटाली नदी के प्रवाह को अवरुद्ध कर

नदी का पानी बहुत साफ है, लेकिन ऐसा क्या है कि जो भी इसके पानी को पीता है उसकी जल्द ही मृत्यु हो जाती है. जानकारी के अनुसार, झील के पानी के रहस्य को जानने की कई कोशिशें हुईं, हालांकि जांचकर्ता हर बार विफल रहे. कहा गया कि 1946 में एंडी लेविन नाम के एक व्यक्ति को झील के पानी की

> सच्चाई का पता लगाने के लिए यहां आया था.उसने इस झील से थोड़ा पानी लिया और झील के आस-पास के कुछ पौधे लिए और चल दिया. लेकिन वो थोड़ी देर ही चला था कि वो रास्ता भटक गया.एंडी लेविन तब तक रास्ता भटकते रहे जब तक उन्होंने पानी और पौधे नहीं फेंक दिए थे. हालांकि, इस घटना के कुछ दिनों बाद ही उनकी मृत्यु हो गई थी आज तक किसी को इस बात का पता नहीं चला है

कि आखिर इस झील में ऐसा क्या है कि इसका पानी पीने के बाद व्यक्ति कि मौत हो जाती है.कुछ लोगों का मानना है कि इस झील के पानी में कोई खतरनाक जहरीली गैस मिली हो सकती है, लेकिन इसका कोई प्रमाण





र्दिया था, और अब यह एक रहस्य है कि





बस्तर में पाई जाने वाली जनजातियां

आधुनिक भारत में आज भी कई ऐसे स्थान है जहां पर बरसों से चली आ रही जनजातियां निवास करती हैय़ तो भारतीय इतिहास में आदिवासी जनजाति संस्कृति का बहुत महत्व है. लेकिन समय के साथ बहुत सी जनजातियों ने स्वयं में बदलाव किये हैं जैसे हलबा व भतरा जनजाति इत्यादि. अगर संपूर्ण विश्व की बात की जाए तो सबसे ज्यादा जनजातियां भारत में पाई जाती है जैसे कोल, भील, पहाड़िया, कमार, थारू जनजाति इत्यादि. लेकिन आज हम आपको बस्तर में पाई जाने वाली प्राचीन समय से लेकर अब तक चली आ रही जनजातियों के बारे में बताने जा रहे हैं ये जनजातियां बस्तर व बस्तर के आस पास के इलाको में निवास करती है.तो जानते हैं इन जनजातियों के बारे में

जनजाति का अर्थ

जनजाति को समझने के लिए पहले हमें प्रकृति व जंगलों में रहने वाले मनुष्य के समुदाय को बारीकी से समझना चाहिए.जनजाति वह होती है जो सभी लोगों से दूर पर्वतों, जंगलों, वनो इत्यादि में निवास करती हैं. जिन की भाषा अलग होती है जो भूत-प्रेत, दैवी शक्तियों में बेहद विश्वास रखते हैं. जिन का व्यवसाय जंगली शिकार व जंगली पेड़ पोधो पर निर्भर रहता है. जंगलो में पाई जाने वाली लगभग 90 % जनजातीय असभ्य व हिंसक होती हैजिस प्रकार जंगली जानवर अपने इलाके की रक्षा के लिए अपनी जान तक दे सकता है ठीक इसी प्रकार ये जनजातीया अपने इलाके की रक्षा करती है. अमूमन सभी जनजाती माँसाहारी होती है.

बस्तर में पाई जाने वाली जनजातियों से पहले आपको बस्तर इलाके के बारे में समझना होगा बस्तर एक जिला है जो चार संस्कृतियों से घिरा हुआ है इसके चारों तरफ छत्तीसगढ़, आंध्र प्रदेश, उड़ीसा और महाराष्ट्र की सीमाएं लगती है.इस जिले के जंगलो में हजारों सालों से विभिन्न जनजातियाँ निवास करती हैं जिनमें से प्रमुख जनजातियों का विवरण इस प्रकार है :

माडिया जनजाति माडिया जनजाति बस्तर के

जंगलों में पाई जाने वाली जनजाति है.यह जनजाति बस्तर के पहाड़ी इलाकों व जंगलों में निवास करती है.माडिया जनजाति को दो भागों में बांटा गया है 1.अबुझ माडिया 2 दण्डामी माडिया (बाईसन होर्न माडिया) अबुझ मडिया पहाडों के घने जंगलों में निवास करती है व दण्डामी माडिया समतल इलाके के जंगलों में निवास करती हैय़े लोग माड़िया भाषा बोलते है.इन दोनों जनजातियों की संस्कृति आपस में मिलती जुलर्ती है और यह दोनों ही जनजातियां बाहरी लोगों का अपने इलाके में आना पसंद नहीं करती. जब भी कोई व्यक्ति इनके इलाके में प्रवेश करता है तो यह असहज महसूस करते हैं व बाहरी व्यक्ति पर तीर कमान से हमला कर देते हैं। हमले के बाद इस जनजाति के लोग कर्कश ध्वनि के द्वारा

अपनी ताकत का एहसास कराते हैं.माडिया जनजाति के पुरुषों का स्वभाव नटखट व नाच गाने वाला होता है.यह लोग शराब के शौकीन होते हैं.इस जनजाति लोग अच्छी फसल प्राप्त करने के लिए अपने देवताओं के सम्मान में लकड़ियों के द्वारा आग जला कर उसके चारों ओर नृत्य करते हैं.माडिया जनजाति सर्वाहारी जनजातियों की श्रेणी में आती है.इस जनजाति के लोग बहुत बहादुर होते है ट इस जनजाति के परुष शिकार के लिए बाघ, भालू, तेंदवे से भी लोहा लेने से नहीं कतराते.यु तो माडिया जनजाति बाघ का बेहद सम्मान करती है परंतु जब बाघ इन पर हमला करता है तो आत्म रक्षा में बाघ को भी मार सकते है.माडिया लोगो में घोटुल परंपरा का पालन होता है व यह लोग काकसार नाम के कुल देवता

की अराधना करते हैं हलबा जनजाति

हलबा जनजाति छत्तीसगढ़ (बस्तर) में पाई जाने वाली एक विशाल जनजाति है इस जनजाति के लोग छत्तीसगढ़, मध्य प्रदेश और महाराष्ट्र के इलाकों में निवास करते हैं प्राचीन समय में यह जनजाति भी जंगलों में रहती थी परंतु आज के समय में इस जनजाति के लोग गांवो की तरफ भी पलायन कर रहे हैं.हलबा जनजाति 17 वीं शताब्दी में बस्तर राज्य के प्रमुख और सबसे प्रभावशाली जनजातीय समूहों में से एक थीं व उस समय हलबा जनजाति बस्तर राज्य की राजनीति और सेना में सक्रिय थीं.देश के विभिन्न हिस्सों में प्रवास के बाद हलबा जनजाति ने अपनी आजीविका के लिए अलग-अलग व्यवसाय को अपना लिया जैसे कृषि, बुनाई, मजदूरी इत्यादि हल्बा जनजाति की भाषा हल्बी है, जो मराठी और ओडिया का संयोजन से बनी है व ये लोग देवी माँ दंतेश्वरी की

भतरा जनजाति

पजा करते है

भतरा जनजाति प्राचीन काल में सम्पूर्ण बस्तर जिले में फैली हुई थी इस जनजाति के लोग कला और नाटक प्रेमी होते थे.इन्हें पेंटिंग करना व नाच गाना पसंद था.परंत समय के साथ इस जनजाति के लोगो ने खुद में बदलाव किया और यह भी समय की दौड़ के साथ चलना सिख गए.आज भतरा जनजाति के लोगों ने आधुनिक बनना शुरू कर दिया है.इस जनजाति के लोग आज कल शहरों में रोजगार की लिए निवास करते हैं प्राचीन समय में इस जनजाति के लोगो का प्रिय भोजन केकड़ा व पक्षियों का मॉस था.

मुरिया जनजाति

मुरिया जनजाति को बस्तर की मूल जनजाति कहा जाता है अर्थात इस जनजाति के लोग हमेशा से इस इलाके में रहे हैं इस जनजाति के लोगों को श्रुंगार करना व कलात्मक वस्तुएं बनाना पसंद है. मुरिया जनजाति में माओपाटा के रूप में एक आदिम शिकार नृत्य किया जाता है जिसमें इस जनजाति के सभी पुरुष बढ चढ कर हिस्सा लेते है. नृत्य के समय युवा पुरुष नर्तक अपनी कमर में पीतल अथवा लोहे की घंटियां बांधे रहते है साथ में छतरी और सिर पर आकर्षक सजावट कर नृत्य करते है.



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SL vs NED: Sri Lanka snap winless run as Netherlands bow out of tournament

New Delhi. Sri Lanka ended their winless run in the T20 World Cup 2024 with an 83-run win over Netherlands in St. Lucia on June 17, Monday. Charith Asalanka and Kusal Mendis scored 46 runs each as Sri Lanka posted 201 runs in their innings, becoming only the second team to post a 200-plus score in this year's tournament. Netherlands had come into the contest with a slim hope of making it to the Super 8s but their fate also depended on the Bangladesh vs Nepal clash. The Netherlands, after winning the toss and opting to bowl first, got off to the perfect start when Kingma was able to dismiss Pathum Nissanka for a duck in the very first over. The Dutch were hoping to pile on the pressure but Kamindu Mendis and Kusal Mendis steadied the ship with a 39-run stand before the former was dismissed for 17. Kusal and Dhananjaya de Silva then took the scoring rate up during their partnership. Kusal scored 46 off 29 balls before he was dismissed in the 12th over, but the platform was set.Dhananjaya and Asalanka continued the onslaught as the former scored 34 off 26 balls before heading back to the pavilion. Asalanka looked to be in fine nick as he scored 46 off 21 balls and hit 5 sixes in his knock as the Dutch bowlers struggled to stop the run flow.

Van Beek provided some respite with two wickets off consecutive deliveries to end Asalanka's stay and dismiss Shanaka for a duck. But, Angelo Mathews and skipper Wanindu Hasaranga ensured Sri Lanka had a big finish.Hasaranga hit 20 off 6 balsa as the Netherlands were given a target of 202. However, they needed to win the game in quick time to stand any chance of qualifying. There was added pressure as Bangladesh were dominating Nepal with the ball after posting just 106 runs.

Michael Levitt was aggressive from the start and scored 31 off 23 balls with a couple of boundaries and 3 sixes. But wickets kept tumbling for the Netherlands as they looked to chase the target in record time. The bowlers led by Hasaranga chipped away the wickets and by the 9th over, the dreaded news came in for Dutch fans. As Sybrand Engelbrecht departed, Bangladesh in St. Vincent secured a 21-run win against Nepal and secured passage into the Super 8s and knocked out the Netherlands. The Dutch were left playing for pride but none of the batters could hold fort and were reduced to 99 for 8 in the 15th over. Captain Edwards provided some resistance with 31 runs in the end, but the innings came to an end at 118 in the 17th over. Pathirana was the pick of the bowlers with 2 wickets for 12 runs in his 3 overs. For Sri Lanka and Hasaranga, the match was the end of a wretched campaign in all respects. The team didn't perform well with bat and ball in the matches against South Africa and Bangladesh, something Mahesh Theekshana alluded to.

I cannot play in every player's place: Babar Azam says Pakistan failed as a team

New Delhi. Pakistan skipper Babar Azam claimed that the players failed as a team and that's the reason behind their flop show in the T20 World Cup. Pakistan, who were knocked out before reaching the Super 8s, got a consolation win against Ireland in Florida on June 16, Sunday. However, they were made to work hard for the win as the batting once again failed to impress.

Speaking after the win at the press conference, Babar said Pakistan's poor show isn't down to one person and claimed he cannot be playing in the place of everyone else. The Pakistan skipper said they haven't been able to apply, follow and finish things and have to accept that they failed as a team in the end.

PAK vs IRE: HIGHLIGHTS

Sir, as I have said earlier, everyone is sad. As a team, we did not play. I told you that we did not lose this because of one person. We are losing as a team. I am not saying this because of one person. You are pointing out that because of the captain, I cannot play in every player's place. There are 11 players and each of them has a role. That's why they came here to play the World Cup. I think we as a team have not been able to apply, follow and finish things. We have to settle down and accept that we didn't play well as a team," said



Will give my feedback

Famously, after losing to India, PCB chairman Mohsin Naqvi said that Pakistan cricket needs a surgery. Babar was asked about this and he once again reiterated that they didn't do well as a team and he would head back and give his feedback to the board.

"As you said earlier, we have played the Asia Cup final, the World Cup final, and the semifinal as well. But we were not able to finish. But we should also see that we have achieved those things. Unfortunately, we didn't achieve it this time. We didn't qualify. We accept it as a team. We are not saying that we don't accept it. I as a captain and as a team accept that we didn't play the same cricket. We couldn't perform the same way. The expectations that we had made of the team, the way our senior players were, we didn't

BAN vs NEP: Bangladesh advance to Super 8 after fending off feisty Nepal

T20 World Cup 2024: Tanzim Hasan Sakib picked up 4 wickets as Najmul Hossain Shanto's Bangladesh beat Nepal by 21 runs to make their way through to the Super 8.

New Delhi. Bangladesh went through to the Super 8 of the T20 World Cup 2024 after beating Nepal by 21 runs on Monday, June 17 at the Arnos Vale Ground in Kingstown, St Vincent. After running Aiden Markram's South Africa close, Nepal tried their hearts out to secure victory against a Test playing nation in the history of the mega event, but fell short yet again. The Tigers, in the meantime, finished second in the table with 6 points and a net run rate of -0.333 thanks to wins in 3 out of 4 games.

BAN vs NEP, T20 World Cup Highlights

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Powell said he is happy to see the side go third on the ICC T20I team rankings ahead

of their clash against Afghanistan on June 18, Tuesday. The 2-time champions were in a tight spot some time ago and in need of a revival as they had missed the ODI World

Cup last year and the T20 World Cup in

2022. Under Powell's captaincy, they have

enjoyed a resurgence and climbed to the

Speaking ahead of their top of th table Group C

clash with Afghanistan, Powell said they go

have pressure playing a World Cup at home

but it is all about managing it in the end. The

batter was pleased to see West Indies

continue their rise up the rankings after being in the bottom half when he took over

and feels it is special to be in a side that is

'I think pressure is always there, especially

ranked top 3 in the world at the moment.



best of starts as Tanzid Hasan Tamim gave his wicket away to Sompal Kami on the very first ball of the innings. Najmul Hossain Shanto's disastrous campaign with the bat continued after Dipendra Singh Airee dismissed him. Litton Das tried to put his head down before getting out on 10. Towhid Hridoy, Bangladesh's standout batter this season, got out cheaply as well. Shakib Al

To see West Indies at No.3 in T201 rankings

a pleasing feeling: Rovman Powell

Hasan, Jaker Ali Anik and Mahmudullah Riyad got starts with knocks of 17, 12 and 13 respectively, before departing. It was Rishad Hossain's cameo of 13 off 7 and Taskin Ahmed's unbeaten 12 that helped the Tigers post 106 on the board in 19.3 overs. For Sandeep Lamichhane, it was a memorable day after he became the second-

hopefully, we can continue to climb

those rankings," said Powell at the press

West Indies and Afghanistan have been

dominant in their group and Powell feels their opponents on Tuesday have a lot of match winners in their lineup. The

West Indies skipper feels that his side

will have to be at the top of their game to

beat them and the match will be good

practice before heading into the Super 8

Good practice before Super 8

conference.

17-2. Sompal Kami, Dipendra Singh Airee and skipper Rohit Paudel picked up 3 wickets apiece.

Tanzim Hasan rattles Nepal

Bangladesh seized the initiative right from the word go after a brilliant spell of bowling from Tanzim Hasan Sakib. The speedster leaked a boundary early, but then bowled 21 dot balls to finish with figures of 4-2-7-4. Tanzim picked up the wickets of Kushal Bhurtel, Anil Sah, Rohit Paudel and Sundeep Jora, who had replaced Karan KC in the XI. Aasif Sheikh, who played a handy knock against the Proteas, scored 17 runs off 14 balls with 4 fours before Mustafizur Rahman dismissed him. From there on, Kushal Malla and Dipendra Singh Airee took Nepal forward and brought up their 50run partnership off 53 balls. But Mustafizur separated them after dismissing Malla, who scored 27 runs off 40 balls. Bangladesh also made the record of defending the lowest score in T20 World Cups. Against Nepal, Bangladesh did not make the best of starts as Tanzid Hasan Tamim gave his wicket away to Sompal Kami in the very first ball of the

BAN vs NEP: Naimul Hossain Shanto urges Bangladesh batters to buckle up in Super 8

New Delhi. Najmul Hossain Shanto said that he was delighted after Bangladesh made their way through to the Super 8 of the T20 World Cup 2024. However, the skipper also admitted that the Tigers have not been up to the mark as far as their batting is concerned. On Monday, Bangladesh beat Nepal by 21 runs at the Arnos Vale Ground in Kingstown, St Vincent after defending the lowest score (106) in the history of the mega event. Defending the modest score, they bowled Nepal out for 85 in 19.3 overs. Concerns remained with their batting as Shanto, Litton Das and Tanzid Hasan Tamim kept struggling in the top order. Shanto said that the Tigers are confident of defending low scores, but urged the batters to step up

with tough matches coming up in the Super



when you're at home, especially when you're playing a World Cup at home. Pressure is Very good practice going into the Super 8 games," said Powell. something special and hopefully, just T20 World Cup 2024: Full Super 8s schedule confirmed as India start on June 20

always there, but it's for us as individuals to

manage those pressures. And I think for me

as captain, when I started this journey 12 or

14 months ago, when I took over as captain,

we were at eight or nine in the ranking."To

see us at number three now in the world is a

pleasing feeling. And it shows that not just

myself, but the players are coming together and we're doing something right. I've never

played in a West Indies team that is ranked

number three in the world. So that for me is



New Delhi. The Super 8 fixtures for the T20 World Cup 2024 has been set as Bangladesh were able to beat Nepal to secure their passage from Group D. Najimul Shanto and Co. needed a win against the resilient Nepal team and was facing pressure from the Netherlands, who were facing Sri Lanka in St Lucia. Bangladesh were made to work hard to get the win by Nepal, who bundled

them out for just 106 runs. However, the bowlers stepped up to the plate for Bangladesh, with Tanzim Hasan picking up 4 wickets for just 7 runs and Mustafizur Rahman got 3. Shakib Al Hasan added the finishing touches as Bangladesh won the match by 21 runs. The Netherlands, on the other hand, lost their game to Sri Lanka by 83 runs and were knocked out of the

The Super 8s are set, and the full fixtures have been revealed as Bangladesh qualified after beating Nepal on June 17, Monday. India's schedule has been revealed as they start their Super 8 campaign on June 20.

tournament. With that, the Super 8 of the tournament was confirmed and with that, the fixtures for the next phase as well. The 8 teams to qualify are India (Group A), USA (Group A), Australia (Group B), England (Group B), Afghanistan (Group C), West Indies (Group C), South Africa (Group D) and Bangladesh (Group D). The 12 matches will take place in the West Indies, with will take place in the West Indies, with Antigua, Barbados, St Lucia, and St Vincent serving as the hosts.

Super 8: India's full fixtures

India will begin their campaign on June 20, against Afghanistan at Barbados. Then they head to Antigua to face Bangladesh, two days later before ending the Super 8 stage with a mouthwatering clash against Australia at St Lucia on June 24. All of India's matches will start at 8 PM IST.

8."I am very happy the way we played this round. I hope we can continue our bowling performance, not our batting. Hope our batting performance will be fine in the next round. We are not scoring much but we know we can defend totals, if we can pick up early wickets. That is what we told the bowlers, and they are very good in the field also," Shanto said in the post-match presentation ceremony. 'Fast bowlers have worked really hard'

Tanzim Hasan Sakib was the standout bowler for Bangladesh against Nepal after he finished with figures of 4-0-7-4 with the help of 21 dot balls. Mustafizur Rahman bowled a wicketmaiden in the penultimate over to derail Nepal's run-chase."We have everything. All the fast bowlers have worked really hard in the last two or three years. In this format, the bowling unit is very important, and I hope they continue their form," Shanto said.

Bangladesh finished the Group stage second in the points after back-to-back wins against the Dutch and Nepal. "In T20Is, momentum is always important. We have to plan for the next round and execute our plans," Shanto added.

Bangladesh's first Super 8 match is against Mitchell Marsh's Australia on Thursday, June 20 at the Sir Vivian Richards Stadium in North Sound, Antigua.

Jonathan Trott says exposure in IPL has made a difference to Afghanistan cricket

Pakistan were knocked out of the T20 World Cup 2024 in the group stage. While many blamed captain Babar Azam and the senior members of the team, the real fault possibly lied with the Pakistan Cricket Board, who sabotaged the whole campaign.

New Delhi. Head coach Jonathan Trott reckoned that taking part in the Indian Premier League (IPL) and other franchise tournaments have helped Afghanistan cricket grow big time over the years. The Afghans have had a dream run in the T20 World Cup 2024, having already made their way through to the Super 8 on the back of 3 wins in a row. Rashid Khan, Mohammad Nabi, Azmatullah Omarzai and Noor Ahmad were amongst the Afghan cricketers who took part in the previous edition of the IPL.

Trott said he notices changes in the players whenever they return from playing in domestic leagues around the world. Trott expressed his thoughts prior to Afghanistan's last Group C match against the West Indies on Tuesday, June 18 at the Daren Sammy National Cricket Stadium in Gros Islet, St Lucia. 'Boys take a lot of pride'

'Well, I think the more exposure players have got to the IPL and different franchises where there's pressure all the time in this format of the game, I think that'll only do us well and serve us well going forward. I know that the players - and we had a lot of players at the



IPL every time they come back, I can see a little bit of a difference or a change every time they go away to franchise good and bad changes," Trott said in the pre-match press conference.T20 World Cup Coverage | Points Table | T20 World Cup 2024 Schedule

"It's just about you know holding on to those good ones and you know making sure that we address things that need to be addressed. So, the guys are ready we just had a really good training session There was a lot of focus there. I know the boys take a lot of pride in representing their country. So tomorrow, we'll be

on it," Trott added. In the Super 8, Afghanistan will be up against India, Australia and Bangladesh on June 20, 22 and 24 respectively. But as of now, Rashid's men will look to stay

unbeaten and finish the group stage on top of the table. They began their campaign with a 125-run over Uganda, after which they beat New Zealand by 84 runs. Thereafter, the Afghans got the better of PNG to win 3 matches in a row.

stuns fans with her impeccable fashion sense. Previously, in an interview with News18 Showsha, Shama shared that she wants to work in web series and films only now and does not want to return to television. She revealed that she has not watched TV shows for over six years now and added, "I'm looking at only web series and feature films. I believe in doing different kinds of cinema, stories that matter. I want to do characters on screen that can add to people's lives. I feel that content can be used for great purpose for the well-being of everyone in all its art and glory. So I want to do meaty roles, and powerful performances as I

am a performer and I deserve the best," she told us.



Rashmika Mandanna

Shares Vijay Deverakonda's Dear Comrade Post, Calls The Film 'Super Special'

ctor Vijay Deverakonda posted a throwback photo with actress Rashmika Mandanna from the sets of 'Dear Comrade' on his official Instagram. The post commemorated the film's big achievement – that of surpassing 400 million views on YouTube. Despite its underwhelming box office performance, the movie garnered a large audience on YouTube. Sharing the news with his fans, Vijay wrote, "400 million of you saw it. Dear Comrade – from the sadness we felt on the day of release in 2019 to the immense love we have for the film till today. Dear Comrade is a film I loved making, a story I loved telling."

And now, the film's female lead and Vijay's rumoured girlfriend Rashmika Mandanna has reacted to it. Resharing the photo, she wrote, "400 mil love. Dear Comrade was and will always be super special to me!!" Check out the post here:Recently, Rashmika Mandanna called Vijay Deverakonda's younger brother, actor

Check out the post here:Recently, Rashmika Mandanna called Vijay Deverakonda's younger brother, actor Anand Deverakonda, her "family" during an event. They were seen having a candid conversation during the pre-release event of Anand's film 'Gam Gam Ganesh'. He asked Rashmika about her favourite co-star. To which, Rashmika jokingly answered, "Anand, you are like family to me; how can you put me on the spot like this?". Later, Rashmika said that her favourite co-star is Vijay Deverakonda. She called him the "Rowdy Boy.

After the video went viral, fans commented that with this "family" statement, Rashmika

with this "family" statement, Rashmika Mandanna has confirmed her wedding rumours to Vijay Deverakonda. Previously, rumours about Vijay Devearakonda getting engaged took the internet by storm. However, he denied the speculation by saying, "I'm not getting engaged or married in February. It feels like the press just wants to get me married every two years. I hear this rumour

every year. They're just walking around waiting to catch me and get me married. In April this year, Vijay and rumoured girlfriend Rashmika Mandanna reportedly celebrated her birthday together in Abu Dhabi. Even though the actors did not confirm their vacation,

When Arjun Kapoor Revealed Why His Relationship With Sonakshi Sinha Didn't Last: 'Some Equations...'



f you saw the All India Bakchod (AIB) roast, you probably noticed the jokes aimed at Arjun Kapoor and Sonakshi Sinha as a couple. It seemed that sparks flew between the two during the filming of Tevar, but they reportedly ended their relationship soon after the movie wrapped up. When interviewed by Mumbai Mirror, Arjun was asked about what went wrong with Sonakshi. He responded, "Some equations last. Others don't go beyond the making of a film because after it is over, people go their separate ways. I am still really fond of her as an individual. Unfortunately, it is always made to seem like we do not acknowledge each other at parties, which is not the case. We always make it a point to greet each other. There is no pressure on either of us to maintain an equation beyond a certain amount of time." According to a report in DNA, a fundamental difference in their personalities was the main reason for their split. A source mentioned, "Sonakshi is a very emotional girl. She doesn't hide her feelings for those she cares about. Arjun, on the other hand, is more lowkey. He obviously couldn't handle her strong emotions." "Sonakshi, like most girls, wanted to be around him all the time. He was feeling a little stifled by the constant togetherness and the calls. It was just happening all too fast for him. You can't blame eitr for this split," another source quipped. Sonakshi Sinha will tie the knot with her longtime beau, Zaheer Iqbal on June 23, 2024. Recently, their wedding invite also went viral on social media. Recently, Sonakshi's 'mama' Pahlaj Nihalani, who is very close to the Sinha family and has been friends with Shatrughan Sinha since 1977, also confirmed the wedding. "I'm Sonakshi's mama. All my blessings to her and Zaheer. They are finally getting married. I send them all my good wishes," he told Zoom. Prior to this, veteran actress Poonam Dhillon also confirmed receiving Sonakshi's wedding invite when told Instant Bollywood. "Boht pyara invite bheja hai usne. I have known her since she was a little girl, uski poori journey dekhi hai toh bhagwaan kare boht khush rahe.

Dalljiet Kaur Reacts As Karishma Tanna Slams Nikhil Patel: 'This Man Has Done Wrong To Her...'



midst the ongoing turbulence in the relationship between Dalljiet Kaur and Lher estranged husband Nikhil Patel, the couple has consistently made headlines. Dalljiet's social media posts have been rife with accusations of infidelity against Nikhil, while he has publicly acknowledged the end of their relationship and has also issued a legal notice to her.hough Dalljiet has refrained from making an official statement concerning the rumored separation, fresh reports indicate that she has now taken legal action against Nikhil Patel. The stay order filed by Dalljiet prevents Nikhil from forcing her to leave their shared residence or disposing of her belongings. This development has created a significant buzz online today. In a show of solidarity, actress Karishma Tanna took to Instagram to express her unwavering support for Dalljiet. Sharing the news on her Instagram story, Karishma called out Nikhil for his alleged wrongdoing and reassured Dalljiet of her steadfast loyalty. She wrote, "Whatever happened shouldn't have happened. My full support is with my dearest friend @kaurdalljiet. This man has done wrong to her and I will stand by her till the end. Strong women do not seek revenge. They move on and allow karma to do the work!!" Reposting Karishma Tanna's supportive message on her Instagram Stories, Dalljiet Kaur expressed her gratitude towards the actress. She wrote, "One day as it comes, KT. Thank you!"

Amid Dalljiet Kaur's cryptic posts on her Instagram, Nikhil Patel gave an interview to ETimes, offering his perspective on the situation. He clarified that their marriage, conducted according to Hindu rituals, held cultural but not legal significance. Nikhil further explained that Dalljiet struggled with his lifestyle in Kenya, leading to numerous cultural clashes that strained their relationship. He noted that Dalljiet's return to India marked the end of their marriage reviously, Dalljiet had shared a screenshot of one of Nikhil's gym

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