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NEWS BOX

Displaced people return to south Lebanon as ceasefire appears to hold

World. Long-displaced residents of south Lebanon started returning to their homes amid celebrations hours after a ceasefire between Israel and the Hezbollah militant group took effect early Wednesday morning.

The ceasefire has brought relief across the tiny Mediterranean nation, coming after days of some of the most intense airstrikes and clashes since the war began, though many wondered if the agreement to stop fighting would hold. Israel has said it will attack if Hezbollah breaks the ceasefire agreement, which was announced Tuesday. Hundreds of cars made their way into southern Lebanon, defying a warning from the Israeli military to stay away from previously evacuated areas.At least 42 people were killed by Israeli strikes across Lebanon on Tuesday, according to local authorities. Hezbollah also fired rockets into Israel on Tuesday, triggering air raid sirens in the country's north. The Israel-Hezbollah ceasefire marks the first major step toward ending the regionwide unrest triggered by Hamas' attack on Israel on Oct. 7, 2023, but it does not address the devastating war in Gaza.Hezbollah began attacking Israel a day after Hamas' attack. The fighting in Lebanon escalated into all-out war in September with massive Israeli airstrikes across the country and an Israeli ground invasion of the south.In Gaza, more than 44,000 people have been killed and more than 104,000 wounded in the nearly 14-month war between Israel and Hamas, according to Gaza's Health Ministry.

Will Trump's White House return lead to new wave of bestselling books

NEW YORK. As she anticipates her estranged uncle's return to the White House, Mary Trump isn't expecting any future book to catch on like such first-term tell-alls as Michael Wolff's million-selling "Fire and Fury" or her own blockbuster, "Too Much and Never Enough." What else is there to learn? she says. "And for people who don't know, the books have been written. It's all really out in the open now."

For publishers, Donald Trump's presidential years were a time of extraordinary sales in political books, helped in part by Trump's legal threats and angered tweets.

According to Circana, which tracks around 85% of the hardcover and paperback market, the genre's sales nearly doubled from 2015 to 2020, from around 5 million copies to around 10 million. Besides books by Wolff and Trump, other bestsellers included former FBI Director James Comey's "A Higher Loyalty," former national security adviser John Bolton's "The Room Where it Happened" and Bob Woodward's "Fear."Meanwhile, sales for dystopian fiction also jumped, led by Margaret Atwood's "A Handmaid's Tale," which was adapted into an award-winning Hulu series.But interest has dropped back to 2015 and publishers doubt it will again peak so highly. Readers not only showed little interest in books by or about President Joe Biden and his family — they even seemed less excited about Trump-related releases.

Mary Trump's "Who Could Ever Love You" and Woodward's "War" were both popular this fall, but neither has matched the sales of their books written during the first Trump administration."We've been there many times, with all those books," HarperCollins publisher Jonathan Burnham says of the various Trump tell-alls. He added that he still sees a market for at least some Trump books — perhaps analyzing the recent election — because "there's a general, serious smart audience, not politically aligned in a hard way," one that would welcome "an intelligent voice.""It's like the reboot of any hit TV show," says Eric Nelson, publisher and vice president of Broadside Books, a conservative imprint of HarperCollins that's released books by Jared Kushner, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis and Trump Cabinet nominees Pete Hegseth and Sen. Marco Rubio."You're not hoping for ratings like last time, just better ratings than the boring show it's replacing."

Trump promised mass deportations; educators worry fear will keep immigrants' kids from school

World. Last time Donald Trump was president, rumors of immigration raids terrorized the Oregon community where Gustavo Balderas was the school superintendent. Word spread that immigration agents were going to try to enter schools. There was no truth to it, but school staff members had to find students who were avoiding school and coax them back to class. "People just started ducking and hiding," Balderas said.

Educators around the country are bracing for upheaval, whether or not the president-elect follows through on his pledge to deport millions of immigrants who are in the country illegally. Even if he only talks about it, children of immigrants will suffer, educators and legal observers said. If "you constantly threaten people with the possibility of mass deportation, it really inhibits peoples' ability to function in society and for their kids to get an education," said Hiroshi Motomura, a professor at UCLA School of Law.

That fear already has started for many.

"The kids are still coming to school, but they're scared," said Almudena Abeyta, superintendent of Chelsea Public Schools, a Boston suburb that's long been a first stop for Central American immigrants coming to Massachusetts. Now Haitians are making the city home and sending their kids to school there.

the city home and sending their kids to school there. "They're asking: 'Are we going to be deported?'" said Abeyta. Many parents in her district grew up in countries where the federal government ran schools and may think it's the same here.

Pakistan government's midnight crackdown ends protest by Imran Khan's party in Islamabad

ISLAMABAD. A midnight crackdown by the security personnel forced the supporters of jailed former prime minister Imran Khan to evacuate the D-Chowk and its adjacent main business district of the capital ending their protest, which his party on Wednesday described as a "massacre under the fascist military regime."Police sources said about 450 protestors were arrested in the crackdown and more arrests are expected while Khan's Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) said it was a violent assault on protesters by security forces firing live rounds with the intent to kill as many people as possible. Earlier on Tuesday evening, PTI supporters battled law enforcing agencies and succeeded in reaching the D-Chowk for a sit-in till their leader told otherwise as part of their protest march to Islamabad that started on Sunday. The supporters' clash with police killed six security personnel and injured dozens.Khan's wife, Bushra Bibi, who was leading the march to Islamabad from Peshawar along with Khyber Pakhtunkhwa announced that the protestors would not go

away until Imran Khan, who had given the final call for protest, was released from jail even as security personnel continued their efforts to move them from the area.

Video footage showed Khan's supporters facing tear gas and climbing on the shipping containers placed on the roads leading to D-Chowk, which is located close to several important government buildings: the Presidency, the PM Office, the Parliament, and the Supreme Court.

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Around midnight, police and Rangers launched an operation to clear the Blue Area business area, forcing the protestors to move away along with Bibi and Gandapur.Police sources said that about 450 protestors were arrested in the crackdown and more arrests are expected after the end of the protest.Special teams have been formed to arrest PTI leaders, the sources added.Addressing a press conference later at D-Chowk, Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi said Gandapur and Bushra Bibi had fled away."They ran away in front of you, not one or two or three but thousands of people ran away," he said He said it was a priority to restore the roads



that were closed for traffic in the capital. He also announced that schools would reopen on Thursday." Mobile and internet services will be restored by morning. You will find all roads in working condition by morning," he said, adding that the administration would try to remove all containers by morning. PTI Information Secretary Sheikh Waqas Akram said in a post on X that that "Gandapur and Bibi are safe," according to the information he received from sources he did not disclose. Geo News, however, reported that Bibi and

Gandapur have reached Peshawar, while the party has ended its protest. Information

Minister Atta Tarar also claimed in a press conference that Gandapur and Bibi fled away. "Sadly I must say this was not a final call but a miscall," he said mockingly referring to the 'final call' of Khan for protest."You will not believe how they've run away from here. They've abandoned their cars, sandals and some even their clothes here," he claimed.He alleged that documents were also found detailing a

plan to enter the Red Zone to attack parliament and government property, and target state officials. Tarar said the whole route at D-Chowk was clear and roads were reopening as well.PTI, in a reaction to the crackdown, blamed the government for using violence and killing hundreds of its workers."A massacre has unfolded in Pakistan at the hands of security forces under the brutal, fascist military regime led by the Shehbaz-Zardari-Asim alliance. The nation is drowning in blood," it said in a post on X referring to the ruling coalition headed by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, President Asif Ali Zardari and Gen Asim Munir, the Chief of Army Staff (COAS).

Israel and Lebanon's Hezbollah start a ceasefire after nearly 14 months of fighting

JERUSALEM. The ceasefire between Israel and Lebanon's Hezbollah militants began early Wednesday as a region on edge wondered whether it will hold. The ceasefire announced Tuesday is a major step toward ending nearly 14 months of fighting sparked by the ongoing war in Gaza between Israel and Hamas.Israel has said it will attack if Hezbollah breaks the ceasefire agreement. The ceasefire calls for an initial two-month halt to fighting and requires Hezbollah to end its armed presence in southern Lebanon, while Israeli troops are to return to their side of the border. An international panel led by the United States will monitor compliance. The ceasefire began at 4 a.m. Wednesday, a day after Israel carried out its most intense wave of airstrikes in Beirut since the start of the conflict that in recent weeks turned into all-out war. At least 42 people were



killed in strikes across the country, according to local authorities. The cease fire does not address the devastating war in Gaza, where Hamas is still holding dozens of hostages and the conflict is more intractable. There appeared to be lingering disagreement over whether Israel would have the right to strike Hezbollah if it believed the militants had violated the agreement, something Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu insisted was part

of the deal but which Lebanese and Hezbollah officials have rejected.Israel's security Cabinet approved the U.S.-France-brokered ceasefire agreement after Netanyahu presented it, his office said. U.S. President Joe Biden, speaking in Washington, called the agreement "good news" and said his administration would make a renewed push for a ceasefire in Gaza. The Biden administration spent much of this year trying to broker a ceasefire and hostage release in Gaza but the talks repeatedly sputtered to a halt. President-elect Donald Trump has vowed to bring peace to the Middle East without saying how.Still, any halt to the fighting in Lebanon is expected to reduce the likelihood of war between Israel and Iran, which backs both Hezbollah and Hamas and exchanged direct fire with Israel on two occasions

Indian-American Jay Bhattacharya is Trump's pick to lead USA's top health institute

WASHINGTON. US President-elect Donald Trump has picked Indian-American scientist Jay Bhattacharya as the director of the National Institutes of Health, the country's top health research and funding institutions.

With this, Bhattacharya becomes the first Indian-American to be nominated by Trump for a top administrative position. Earlier, Trump picked Indian-American Vivek Ramaswamy to lead the newly created Department of Government Efficiency along with Tesla owner Elon Musk. However, that is a voluntary position and does not need confirmation from the US Senate.

'I am thrilled to nominate Jay Bhattacharya, MD, PhD, to serve as Director of the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Bhattacharya will work in cooperation with Robert F. Kennedy Jr. to direct the Nation's Medical Research and to make important discoveries

that will improve Health, and save lives," Trump announced."Together, Jay and RFK Jr. will restore the NIH to a Gold Standard of Medical Research as they examine the underlying causes of, and solutions to, America's biggest Health challenges, including our Crisis of Chronic Illness and Disease. Together,



they will work hard to Make America Healthy Again," he said.Bhattacharya is a profssor of Health Policy at Stanford University, a research associate at the National Bureau of Economics Research, and a senior fellow by courtesy at the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, Stanford Freeman Spogli Institute, and the Hoover Institution, according to Trump. He directs Stanford's Centre for Demography and Economics of Health and Aging.

His research focuses on the health and well-being of vulnerable populations, emphasising the role of government programmes, biomedical innovation, and economics. Bhattacharya is a co-author of the Great Barrington Declaration, an alternative to lockdowns proposed in October 2020. His peer-reviewed research has been published in Economics, Statistics, Legal, Medical, Public Health, and Health Policy Journals. He holds an MD and PhD in Economics from Stanford University, Trump said. Trump also nominated Jim O'Neill as the deputy secretary of Health and Human Services to work alongside Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

He (O'Neill) will oversee all operations and improve Management, Transparency, and Accountability to, Make America Healthy Again," he said.O'Neill previously served as the principal associate deputy secretary of HHS. He led reforms at the FDA to overhaul Food Safety Regulations and implemented the FDA Amendments Act, which improved Drug and Medical Device Safety, and ensured greater protection for Public Health according to Trump.

Australia's House of Representatives passes bill that would ban young children from social media

MELBOURNE. Australia's House of Representatives on Wednesday passed a bill that would ban children younger than 16 years old from social media, leaving it to the Senate to finalize the world-first law.The major parties backed the bill that would make platforms including TikTok, Facebook, Snapchat, Reddit, X and Instagram liable for fines of up to 50 million Australian dollars (\$33 million) for systemic failures to prevent young children from holding accounts.

The legislation passed 102 to 13. If the bill becomes law this week, the platforms would have one year to work out how to implement the age restrictions before the penalties are enforced. Opposition lawmaker Dan Tehan told Parliament the government had agreed to accept amendments in the Senate that would bolster privacy protections. Platforms would not be allowed to compel users to provide government-issued identity documents including passports or driver's licenses. The platforms also could not demand digital identification through a government-system. "Will it be perfect? No. But is any law perfect? No, it's not. But if it helps, even if it helps in just the smallest of ways, it will make a huge

difference to people's lives," Tehan told Parliament. Communications Minister Michelle Rowland said the Senate would debate the bill later Wednesday.



guarantees the legislation will pass in the Senate, where no party holds a majority of seats. Lawmakers who were not aligned with either the government or the opposition were most critical of the legislation during debate on Tuesday and Wednesday. Criticisms include that the legislation had been rushed through Parliament without adequate scrutiny, would not work, would create privacy risks for users of all ages and would take away parents' authority to decide what's best for their children. Critics also argue the ban would isolate children, deprive them of

children to the dark web, make children too young for social media reluctant to report harms they encountered and take away incentives for platforms to make online spaces safer. Independent lawmaker Zoe Daniel said the legislation would "make zero difference to the harms that are inherent to social media.""The true object of this legislation is not to make social media safe by design, but to make parents and voters feel like the government is doing something about it," Daniel told Parliament."There is a reason why the government parades this legislation as world-leading, that's because no other country wants to do it," she added.T he platforms had asked for the vote on legislation to be delayed until at least June next year when a government-commissioned evaluation of age assurance technologies made its report on how the ban could been enforced. Melbourne resident Wayne Holdsworth, whose 17year-old son Mac took his own life last year after falling victim to an online sextortion scam, described the bill as "absolutely essential for the safety of our children." "It's not the only thing that we need to do to protect them because education is the key.

positive aspects of social media, drive

Trump team claims Israel-Hezbollah ceasefire deal brokered by Biden is actually Trump's win

WASHINGTON. The Biden administration kept President-elect Donald Trump's incoming administration closely apprised of its efforts to broker the ceasefire deal between Israel and Hezbollah that is slated to go into effect early Wednesday, according to the outgoing Democratic administration. Trump's team, meanwhile, was quick to spike the football and claim credit for the rare spot of good news for a Democratic administration that's been dragged down by the grinding Mideast conflict."Everyone is coming to the table because of President Trump," Florida Rep. Mike Waltz, Trump's choice for his national security adviser, said in a post on X on Tuesday, shortly before the Israel Cabinet signed off on the agreement."His resounding victory sent a clear message to the rest of the world that chaos won't be tolerated. I'm glad to see concrete steps towards deescalation in the Middle East."

Γhe Biden administration's reported coordination with Trump's team on its efforts to forge the ceasefire in Lebanon is

perhaps the highest-profile example of cooperation in what's been a sometimes choppy transition period. Trump's transition team just on Tuesday reached a required agreement with President Joe Biden's White House that will allow transition staff to coordinate with the existing federal workforce before Trump takes office on Jan.20. There has been some coordination on high levels between the outgoing Biden and incoming Trump teams, including talks between Biden's national security adviser Jake Sullivan and Waltz.Biden in Rose Garden remarks on Tuesday cheered the ceasefire agreement as a critical step that he hoped could be the catalyst for a broader peace in the Mideast, which has been shaken by nearly 14 months of war following Hamas' attack on Israel on Oct.7, 2023."This is designed to be a permanent cessation of hostilities,' Biden said."What is left of Hezbollah and other terrorist organizations will not be allowed. I emphasise, will not be allowed, to threaten the security of Israel



again."White House officials are now hopeful that a calm in Lebanon will reinvigorate a multi-country effort at finding an endgame to the devastating war in Gaza.Biden said the US, as well as Israel, will engage in talks in the coming days with officials from Egypt, Qatar and Turkey to try to get Gaza talks back on track. But during Biden's moment of success in a conflict that has roiled his reputation at home and abroad, the specter of the incoming Trump administration loomed large.Trump's senior national security team was briefed by the Biden

administration as negotiations unfolded and finally came to a conclusion on Tuesday, according to a senior Biden administration official. The official, who briefed reporters on the condition of anonymity on a call organised by the White House, added that the incoming Trump administration officials were not directly involved in the talks, but that it was important that they knew "what we were negotiating and what the

commitments were."Trump's team and allies, meanwhile, said there was no doubt that the prospect of the Republican president returning to power pushed both sides to get the agreement done. Waltz, in addition to giving Trump credit for the ceasefire deal coming together, added a warning to Iran, Hezbollah's chief financial backer. "But let's be clear: The Iran Regime is the root cause of the chaos & amp; terror that has been unleashed across the region. We will not tolerate the status quo of their support for terrorism," Waltz said in his post Sen

India, ISA Signs Agreement of UDS 2 Million for Solar Projects in Indo-Pacific Countries

Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) signed a Project Implementation Agreement (PIA) with the International Solar Alliance (ISA) on Tuesday to fund solar projects worth USD 2 million in Fiji, Comoros, Madagascar, and Seychelles.

According to the statement released by the MEA, the ISA will act as the Project Implementing Agency (PIA) and will provide programmatic assistance to these countries, with financial support from India. The agreement is part of India's ongoing efforts to support clean energy transitions in the Indo-Pacific region.

The solar projects are designed to address energy challenges in these countries, including unreliable electricity supply in health centers, issues related to the perishability of agricultural products, and the lack of grid power in remote ar-



eas. Solar solutions such as cold storage facilities, solarpowered healthcare centers, and solar water pumping systems are under consideration for implementation. The successful completion of these projects is expected to improve energy access, create local employment, and ensure reliable power supply in the target coun-

tries. This initiative aligns with India's commitment to climate action and its role in advancing the Quad's

clean energy goals. MEA spokesperson Randhr Jaiswal highlighted the significance of the agreement on X, saying, "New chapter in Quad Climate Initiatives. A Project Implementation Agreement was signed between Ministry of External Affairs and International Solar Alliance to operationalise solar projects in Comoros, Fiji, Madagascar, and Seychelles."

This collaboration underscores India's leadership in fostering renewable energy solutions and advancing climate resilience across the Indo-Pacific region.

Two Minor Ragpickers Injured in Explosion at Junk Site in Gaya

by Suresh Pd Nikhar

Gaya: Two minor ragpickers, aged 12 and 10, were injured in an explosion near Telbigha Dak Asthan, within the jurisdiction of the Kotwali police station, on Wednesday morning. The boys, identified as Badal and Lakshman, residents of Telbigha, were initially treated at Jai Prakash Narayan Hospital before being referred to Anugrah Narayan Magadh Medical College and Hospital. According to SSP Ashish Bharti, their condition is stable and they are out of danger.

Police have initiated an investigation to determine the cause of the blast, suspected to have occurred within a pile of garbage the children were collecting. Authorities are looking into whether the explosion was caused by a bomb or an electronic device. A bomb disposal squad has been called to the

The boys had gone out to collect garbage in the morning and were heading to a junk shop in Dak Asthan locality to sell their finds, which included plastic and various boxes. As they were unloading the items from their bags, a sudden explosion occurred.

The boys' mother recounted, "We received a call about the explosion. The garbage they brought had a loud sound, and both children were injured." The blast caused panic in the area, and a crowd quickly gathered at the site.

Kotwali police station incharge Ashish Mishra confirmed that no gunpowder-related material has been found at the site in the initial investigation. The bomb squad's expert assessment is expected to provide further clarity.

This incident follows a similar explosion earlier this month at a junk shop in Tilha Dharamshala, under the Civil Line police station, where a shopkeeper was severely injured in a similar blast.

The investigation is ongoing, and authorities are working to determine the full details of the

Bajrang Punia Banned for Four Years **Over Anti-Doping Rule Violation**



New Delhi: Indian wrestler Bajrang Punia has been hand ed a four-year ban by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) for violating anti-doping regulations. The decision follows Punia's refusal to provide a urine sample during a selection trial for the national wrestling team in

Initially, NADA imposed a provisional suspension on Punia, which was later lifted by the Anti-Disciplinary Doping Panel (ADDP) in May after Punia appealed the decision. However, following two hearings in September and October, the ADDP decided to impose a four-year ban, effective from April 23, 2024.

Punia explained that his refusal to provide the sample stemmed from a lack of trust in the NADA process. He clarified that he was not outright refusing but wanted clarity on the use of expired testing kits before submitting his sample. "The athlete was always willing to provide his sample provided that he first received a response from NADA concerning the use of expired kits," Punia stated in an interview with India Today.

The Tokyo Olympics bronze medalist also expressed concerns about being unfairly treated, linking the issue to his active role in protests against former Wrestling Federation of India president Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh, who has faced allegations of sexual harassment. Additionally, Punia had joined the Congress party ahead of the 2024 Haryana Assembly elections.

Punia's ban will have significant implications for his career, as he is one of India's most prominent wrestlers on the international stage.

Arpita Mahila Mandal Hosts Social Program at Bhagwan Birsa Biological Park



Ranchi: A one-day social program was held at Bhagwan Birsa Biological Park, Ormanjhi, under the leadership of Mrs. Preeti Singh, President of the Officers' Wife Association, Arpita Mahila Mandal, CCL Headquarters. The event aimed to recognize the efforts of park employees and promote animal care.

As part of the initiative, the Mandal provided food for the animals for the day, emphasizing the importance of responsible animal care. Additionally, gifts including caps, towels, and food packets were distributed to 85 employ-

Participants praised the cleanliness and animal care efforts of the park administration. The Birsa Biological Park employees expressed their appreciation for the Mandal's

The event was attended by enthusiastic members of the Arpita Mahila Mandal, including Rekha Sinha, Preeti Jha, Seema Prasad, and several others. The Mandal members thanked the park administration for their assistance in making the program a success, which was both inspiring and enjoyable for all involved.

Labour Leader Condemns Exploitation at City Montessori Schools

Kanpur: Rakesh Mani Pandey, National Secretary of Hind Mazdoor Kisan Panchayat, condemned the ongoing exploitation of teachers and non-teaching staff at City Montessori Schools (CMS). He accused the school of terminating hundreds of employees annually, with many cases pending in courts for decades. Pandey criticized CMS for failing to pay gratuity despite legal rulings and alleged that the school uses political influence to maintain its practices.

He announced a protest in Lucknow, where political leaders and labor organizations will gather to demand justice. Pandey also called for an investigation into CMS's practices, claiming it would reveal deeper issues and expose government indifference to worker rights.

New Parliament Formed at GTTC

Ranchi: The Parliament for the 2024-2026 batch of trainees at the Government Teacher Training College Institute of Advanced Studies in Education, Jharkhand, was formed today. The election, supervised by Dr. Mazharul Haq, with Dr. Om Prakash as the supervisor, Dr. Ritesh Kumar Mahato as the presiding officer, and Prof. Sameer Chaudhary as the impartial polling officer, resulted in Chaman Mistry being elected Prime Minister.

The new Cabinet includes— Deputy Prime Minister: Vishal Mahato; Education Minister: Vikas Kumar Mahato; Finance Minister: Rakesh Kumar Gupta; Sports Minister: Lenin Mahato; Health Minister: Ayush Kumar Dwivedi; Art & Culture Minister: Ashish Kumar Yadav; Discipline Minister: Ram Oraon, and others.

The Principal-in-charge, Dr. Raman Kumar Jha, and faculty members congratulated the newly elected officials,

Free Legal Service Unit for Children **Established in Dhanbad**

Dhanbad to provide specialized legal assistance to children, in line with the Supreme Court's directive through the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA). The unit was inaugurated on Wednesday during a two-day workshop organized by the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA).

Judge Virendra Kumar Tiwari, the unit aims to assist children in need of care and protection, as well as those in conflict with the law. Rakesh Roshan, the DLSA Secretary and Sub-Judge, will chair the committee, which also includes retired judicial officer Piyush Kumar, Chairman of the Permanent Lok Adalat, and several other key members.

No bribery charges against Gautam Adani and his nephew in US indictment, claims Adani Green



Mumbai: Adani Green Energy Limited has refuted media reports claiming that billionaire Gautam Adani, his nephew Sagar Adani, and senior Adani Group executive Vneet Jain are facing bribery charges in a recent US indictment. The company issued a statement on Wednesday clarifying that these claims are "incorrect."

According to the statement, Gautam Adani, Sagar Adani, and Vneet Jain have not been charged with any violations related to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) in the criminal indictment issued by the US Department of Justice (DOJ) or the civil complaint from the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

The statement further clarified that the three individuals are facing charges on three counts in the criminal indictment, which include: (i) alleged securities fraud conspiracy, (ii) alleged wire fraud conspiracy, and (iii) alleged securities

Senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi, representing the Adani Group, also pointed out that the chargesheet does not specify any details regarding bribery or who may have been allegedly bribed.

The controversy follows an announcement by Gautam Adani on November 13, in which he revealed plans to invest \$10 billion in US energy security and infrastructure projects. The statement on social media congratulated US President-elect Donald Trump and highlighted the Adani Group's commitment to investing in projects that could create up to 15,000 jobs in the United States.

The ongoing legal issues have added to the scrutiny surrounding the Adani Group, but the company continues to maintain its position regarding the charges.

DPS Chas Tops at CBSE Science Exhibition, **Qualifies for Nationals**



Bokaro: Students from DPS Chas, Bokaro, have made their mark at the CBSE Science Exhibition 2024, securing the first position in the senior category (Classes IX to XI) and earning a spot in the National Level competition.

Harsh Kumar of Class XI-B and Chinmay Jain of Class IX-B showcased their innovative project on "Drought Management," which addressed the critical issue of drought and water scarcity. Their project, featuring preventive and adaptive strategies based on scientific methods and sustainable practices, impressed the judges at the exhibition held at DPS Ranchi.

The event, organized by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), saw participation from 32 schools in the Patna zone, with students presenting creative scientific solutions to various challenges. DPS Chas, Bokaro's exemplary performance has qualified them for the National Level Science Exhibition in Delhi, where they will represent the Patna zone and compete with top institutions from

Chief Mentor Dr. Hemlata S. Mohan and Director Dr. Manisha Tiwari congratulated the students for their achievement. Dr. Mohan praised their hard work and encouraged them to continue pursuing excellence as they prepare for the national stage

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Historic Ceasefire between Israel and **Hezbollah Enters Effect**

RNS I Lebanon: A historic ceasefire between Israel and Hezbollah officially came into effect at 7:30 AM IST today, marking a potential turning point in the 14-month-long conflict that has claimed thousands of lives. The agreement, brokered with significant U.S. involvement, follows months of intense fighting and comes after the heaviest Israeli airstrikes on Beirut since the escalation in late September, including unprecedented attacks in the city center.

By 10:30 AM IST, no violations of the ceasefire had been reported, with only celebratory gunfire heard in Beirut's southern suburbs. However, despite warnings from the Israeli military about civilian movement, many displaced residents attempted to return to their homes, leading to heavy traffic on Lebanese roads leading south.

The ceasefire is based on UN Resolution 1701, which



Hezbollah fighters north of the Litani River, approximately 18 miles from the Israel-Lebanon border, and the complete withdrawal of Israeli forces from Lebanese territory. The Lebanese army has expressed readiness to deploy across the south but has advised residents to delay their return until Israeli troops have fully withdrawn.

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main stationed about four miles inside Lebanese terriof the ceasefire by Israel's security cabinet, U.S. President Joe Biden announced a 60day plan for the phased withdrawal of Israeli forces, with the Lebanese army gradually taking control of the border

A key objective of the plan is to prevent Hezbollah from re-establishing its military presence in southern Leba-

Currently, Israeli forces re-

RNS I Ranchi: A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed today between Shri Ranjay Sinha, General Manager of Dhori Area, Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), and Shri Shakti Kumar, the District Disaster Management Officer and Nodal Officer for CSR, Bokaro, in the presence of senior officials from both organizations. The agreement formalizes a significant financial commitment of Rs. 111 crore, which will be allocated under the Damage Remedy Plan (DRP) and the Natural and Community Resource Augmentation Plan (NCRAP). The funds will be directed towards



CCL Signs MoU with Bokaro Dist. Admin. for Rs. 111 Cr. Welfare Fund

various community welfare schemes in Bokaro district, aimed at improving the living standards of local residents and fostering sustainable development. These initiatives are expected to bring lasting benefits to the community, reflecting CCL's ongoing commitment to the welfare of its stake-

holders and the broader public in its On the occasion, Shailesh Prasad, Pro-

ject Officer at SDOC M, and Achyutananda Kumar, Nodal Officer (Forest and Environment), SDOC M, also attended the event from CCL's side, underscoring the company's dedication to corporate social responsibility.

This MoU is seen as a key milestone in the continued collaboration between CCL and the Bokaro district administration, paving the way for impactful welfare projects aimed at community upliftment and environmental sus-

Cabinet Approves PAN 2.0 Project to **Streamline Taxpayer Services**

RNS I New Delhi: The Indian government's Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved the Income Tax Department's PAN 2.0 Project, aimed at modernizing and streamlining the process of issuing and managing Permanent Account Numbers (PAN) and Tax Deduction and Collection Account Numbers (TAN). The move is designed to enhance the efficiency and user experience for taxpayers, consolidating multiple platforms into a unified system.

According to the Ministry of Finance, with the existing PAN database of 78 crore PANs and 73.28 lakh TANs, the PAN 2.0 Project will address the growing demands of taxpayers by consolidating services from the current three separate portals-



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the e-Filing Portal, UTI-ITSL Portal, and Protean e-Gov Portal—into one

integrated platform.

The new platform will handle all matters related to PAN and TAN, including applications, updates, corrections, Aadhaar-PAN linking, re-issuance requests, and online PAN validation. By centralizing these services, the government aims to simplify processes, reduce delays, and improve grievance redressal mechanisms, making the

entire process more userfriendly.

Importantly, existing PAN cardholders will not need to apply for a new PAN under the upgraded system. The current PAN cards will remain fully valid unless the holder requests an update or correction.

Industry experts believe that the implementation of PAN 2.0 will also benefit fintech companies by reducing operational costs. The Ministry of Finance has emphasized

that the initiative, which incorporates advanced egovernance features, will bring the taxpayer registration system in line with global standards, ensuring seamless digital processes and robust data security.

2.0 Project will provide free e-PAN services and simplified updates, further enhancing convenience for taxpayers. The integration of all services into a single platform is expected to reduce paperwork, making the entire process paperless and more efficient.

In summary, the PAN 2.0 Project marks a significant step towards modernizing India's taxation infrastructure, with an emphasis on ease of use, digital integration, and enhanced data security.

Additionally, the PAN wishing them success in their responsibilities.

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Eknath Shinde won't accept Deputy Chief Minster's post: Sena's message to BJP

suspense over a new Maharashtra Chief Minister, the Shiv Sena on Wednesday said that Eknath Shinde will never accept the post of Deputy Chief Minister. A Shinde Sena leader said the ruling Mahayuti's thumping win in the November 20 Maharashtra Assembly polls was only because of Eknath Shinde."The Assembly elections were fought in the name of Eknath Shinde. He deserves to return as the Chief Minister. He will not accept the position of the Deputy Chief Minister," Shiv Sena leader Sanjay Shirsat told

."If the BJP fulfils our demand (to make Shinde the Chief Minister), a good message will go out to the people. Future elections will prove to be beneficial for us if Shinde is the Chief Minister," he added. The Mahayuti coalition, comprising the Shinde Sena, BJP and Ajit Pawar-led NCP, retained power in Maharashtra by winning a whopping 230 of the 288 Assembly seats in the high-stakes polls. The BJP won 132 seats, Shiv Sena 57 and NCP 41. The opposition Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) finished with just 46 seats, with the Shiv Sena (UBT) getting 20, Congress 10 and Sharad Pawar-led NCP 10.After the results, the BJP batted for



Fadnavis to become the Chief Minister, while Ajit Pawar's NCP also rooted for their leader to occupy the top spot.On Union Minister Ram Athawale's suggestion that Shinde could shift to the Centre while Fadnavis takes the helm as Chief Minister, Sanjay Shirsat said, "We do not take him (Athawale) seriously.""He is a Union Minister. Let him do the politics at the Centre. Leave the politics of Maharashtra to us," he stressed. Also on the same issue, sources told India Today TV that Shinde Sena was promised the Chief Ministerial post if the Mahayuti secured a majority in the Assembly polls."In a series of meetings with top BJP leaders, it was decided that the party would contest the maximum

of the number of seats allotted to the Mahayuti constituent parties, Shinde would continue to be Chief Minister if the coalition secured a majority," they added.Also weighing in on the issue, BJP leader Sudhir Mungantiwar said, "We have a clear majority. We are taking time to formulate the plan in detail.""This is not the first time that a government formation is taking time. In Karnataka also, the Congress took time to name a Chief Minister," he said, adding that the final decision lies with Prime Minister Narendra Modi

and Union Home Minister Amit Shah..The latest addition to the brewing suspense came a day after Eknath Shinde resigned as Chief Minister. This was necessitated as the term of the Maharashtra Assembly ended on Tuesday.Governor CP Radhakrishnan asked Shinde to continue as the caretaker Chief Minister until a new government is formed.Earlier this week, Shinde Sena MP Naresh Mhaske urged the BJP to replicate the 'Bihar model' to make Eknath Shinde the Chief Minister again."Nitish Kumar was made the Chief Minister of Bihar even though his party didn't have the majority," Mhaske

PM Modi: I worked within Constitutional boundaries, did not overstep limits

New Delhi. Calling the Constitution of India a guide to the present and the future, Prime He said the Constitution has now been Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday said he has tried to work within the limits set by it.Addressing a gathering at the Supreme Court on the occasion of Constitution Day celebrations, the Prime Minister said, "I have tried to remain within the limits of the work that the Constitution entrusted to me. I have not made any attempt to encroach. I did the work that the Constitution asked me to do and I have expressed my views while maintaining my limits..."Also present on the stage were Chief Justice of India Sanjiv Khanna, Union Minister of State (independent charge) for Law Arjun Ram Meghwal, Supreme Court judges Justices B R Gavai and Surya Kant, Attorney General R Venkataramani, Supreme Court Bar Association president Senior Advocate Kapil Sibal and Bar Council of India president Senior Advocate Manan Kumar Mishra.

With a smile, the PM added, "Only hints are needed here and one need not say much...Modi said it was a matter of immense pride for the country that the Constitution has entered its 75th year. He said the Constitution was a "guide to our present and our future", and that "whatever challenges the country has faced in the last 75 years, our Constitution has shown the right path to solve every one of those challenges. In this period, there has also been a time like the Emergency, and our Constitution faced this challenge to

"fully implemented" in Jammu and Kashmir, and that Constitution Day was celebrated there for the first time.Modi pointed out that November 26 is also the anniversary of the 2008 terrorist attack in Mumbai. Paying tribute to those who lost their lives in the attack, the PM said he

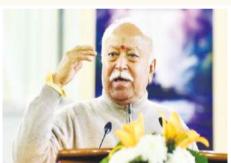


wanted to "reiterate the country's resolve that every terrorist organisation that challenges the security of India will be given a befitting reply". Harking back to the debates in the Constituent Assembly, Modi said serious discussions had been held at the time regarding the democratic future of India."B R Ambedkar had then said that the Constitution is not a mere lawyer's document and that its spirit is always the spirit of the age. The spirit he was referring to is very important. Our Constitution's makers gave us the provision to interpret the Constitution from time to time, depending on the situation of the country.

"500 Years Of 'Sanskar'...": RSS Chief Mohan Bhagwat On India's Life Force

Mr Bhagwat said the life force appeared on January 22, in a veiled reference to the consecration of the Ram **Temple in** Ayodhya.

New Delhi: India has its own 'pran shakti' but it is not visible to many due to 500 years of 'sanskar' deeply embedded in their consciousness, RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat said on Tuesday.Addressing an event here, he said it is the 'praan shakti' (life force) of India which makes it "rush" to extend its help if there is a crisis in any part of the world, without considering whether the country, facing such a situation, is hostile or friendly."India also has a 'praan shakti' which is in front of our eyes but it is not visible because 500 years of 'sanskar' is deeply embedded in us," he said as he exhorted people to follow the Indian spiritual practices to realise their 'praan shakti' and that of the country.



India's 'praan shakti' "appears in the common man and in small things. It appeared surprisingly on January 22," he said in a veiled reference to the Ram Temple consecration in Ayodhya that took place on January 22 this year. The event was organised on the premises of

the Delhi University to launch a book 'Banayein Jivan Pranvaan', authored by a senior RSS functionary Mukul

According to the organiser of the event, the book takes the readers on a journey to unravel the scientific and philosophical underpinnings of Bharatiya traditions. It highlights the profound interconnectedness of life, thought and action, emphasizing the significance of understanding "praan" — the life force that forms the foundation of all physical, mental and emotional phenomena. Appreciating the book's publication, Mr Bhagwat said there is no conflict between spirituality

Urban Middle Class 'Shrinking', When Will PM Modi Recognise This Reality: Congress

Congress has been attacking the government over its handling of the economy and raising concerns over "increasing" unemployment and price rise.

NEW DELHI: The Congress on Wednesday flagged major economic challenges that have affected consumption patterns and pointed to a "shrinking" urban middle class, asking when will Prime Minister Narendra Modi recognise this reality. Congress general secretary incharge communications Jairam Ramesh said that in the last few weeks, multiple leading lights from India Inc have flagged the tremendous slowdown in household private consumption, even in the previously red-hot FMCG sector."Now, a new report by the well-regarded Marcellus Investment Managers reveals three major economic challenges that have affected consumption patterns," he said. Flagging the issue of deteriorating household balance sheets, Ramesh said according to the RBI's own data, net household savings as a percentage of GDP are at their lowest level in nearly 50 years.



Mounting unsecured loans have pushed net savings into the red, leaving families with less disposable income, he said. He also pointed to a cyclical economic downturn and said India's post-Covid recovery has sputtered out. Corporate earnings in Q2 FY25 recorded the steepest slump in two decades, apart from crises like the 2008 financial crash,

Pointing to technological disruptions, Ramesh said routine and repetitive iobs that once formed the backbone of middle-class employment are increasingly being replaced by cost-cutting measures like automation and outsourcing. "The urban middle class has been disproportionately affected and is 'shrinking.' When will the PM recognise this reality?" the Congress leader said. The Congress has been attacking the government over its handling of the economy and raising concerns over "increasing" unemployment and price rise.

Karnataka Govt To Stop Guarantee Schemes? Dy CM DK Shivakumar's BIG Remark After Congress MLA Sparks Buzz

Congress MLA from Vijayanagar, HR Gaviyappa said that the poll guarantee schemes were straining the government's finances.

New Delhi: The Karnataka government has been reeling with financial strain since it came to power in the state riding on five guarantees that include freebies. The state's fiscal health is such that it has been working to mobilise funds to meet several basic requirements and run other government schemes.

The five guarantees include free electricity up to 200 units under the Griha Jyoti scheme, Rs. 2,000 per month to head woman of both BPL and APL families under the Griha Lakshmi scheme, 10 Kg

ration for Antyodaya card holders and BPL card holders under Anna Bhagya yojana, free bus travel for women under Shakti scheme and unemployment allowance to youth under Yuvanidhi.

Recently, Congress MLA from Vijayanagar, HR Gaviyappa said that the poll guarantee schemes were straining the government's finances. "Due to Guarantee schemes, it is becoming tough to give houses; we are also requesting CM to at Shakti scheme and give houses, let's see what CM decides; we'll stand with CM whatever may be the decision, CM is also trying to mobilise the funds; we'll also stand with CM," he said.

Now, reacting to his statement, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar said that all five guarantees will continue and the Congress will issue a showcause notice to Gaviyappa. Shivakumar said, "I don't believe that he has stated this. In case he has, we will issue a show-cause notice seeking an explanation. We have given a word to

the people of the state on the guarantees and we will stand by it at any cost. No MLA of the Congress party should question the guarantee schemes, we will initiate action if anyone does so." Last month, Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge cautioned party leaders and office bearers of states to avoid making promises that do not go well with the respective state's finances.

Still Fuming After Maharashtra Loss, Maha Aghadi To Launch Anti-EVM Protest

The Mahayuti cruised to victory in last week's Maharashtra **Assembly** election winning 235 of 288 Assembly seats; the BJP won a record 132 on its own.

Mumbai. The Maha Vikas Aghadi thumped last week in the Maharashtra election - is planning a national protest against the credibility of EVMs, or electronic voting machines, which it blames for its defeat. The MVA - fronted by the Congress and the Shiv Sena and NCP factions led by Uddhav Thackeray and Sharad Pawar - also plans to move the court to return to ballot papers.Mr Thackeray and Mr Pawar met defeated MVA candidates Wednesday to form legal teams, at the state and national levels, to address the longstanding concern for opposition parties. The MVA has loudly protested the result of the Maharashtra election that was won by the Mahayuti alliance of the BJP and the Eknath Shinde and Ajit Pawar factions of the Sena and NCP. The Mahayuti cruised to victory, winning 235 of 288 Assembly seats. The BJP won 132 - its bestever score in a Maharashtra election - on its own and is expected to lead the next



Thackeray Sena got 20, the Congress 16, and Sharad Pawar's NCP group just 10 to record the veteran leader's worst ever electoral performance.Mr Pawar's party had contested 86 seats, and he has urged his losing candidates to request an analysis of the VVPAT, or Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail, to confirm the voting numbers. Senior NCP leaders, including grandnephew Rohit Pawar, have alleged fraud while vote-counting.Like the NCP, the Congress is also furious over its low strike rate; the party contested 101 seats and

fielded 95 candidates but won just 20 seats. The opposition bloc - which has protested against EVMs earlier too, including after a surprise defeat in the Haryana Assembly election last month - has been indignant since; Congress boss Mallikarjun Kharge on Tuesday demanded a retur to ballot papers, like the United States. Nana Patole, the ex-chief of the Congress' state unit, Nana Patole, who quit after the results were announced, similarly denounced EVMs, insisting it is not being

taken seriously. These complaints come after the Supreme Court - which gave EVMs a thumbs-up in April, when the Lok Sabha election was being held - dismissed a petitioner's plea to return to ballot papers. The court pointed out faulty EVMs are not flagged when the opposition wins an election. That reasoning has also been flagged by the BJP. Senior Maharashtra BJP leader Devendra Fadnavis, who is widely expected to be named the next Chief Minister, responded sharply to

Congress had won the Jharkhand election. "JMM (and Congress) won in Jharkhand....The

election there was 'fair'... but if we get a huge victory in Maharashtra, then the Election Commission is 'biased' and EVMs were 'hacked'?"The Congress has also been criticised, obliquely, by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Speaking before the Winter Session of Parliament. He slammed his rivals for being "rejected by the people 80-90 times" and, in a pre-emptive strike, accused them of already disrupting the House. The row over EVMs rears its head after every major election, with the opposition accusing the BJP of engineering victories by hacking the machines. The BJP has steadily refuted the claims. The Election Commission, meanwhile, has hit back at the CongressAfter the Haryana election results were questioned the EC criticised the party for making "baseless allegations... when faced with inconvenient electoral outcomes", and warned it, and others, against "unfounded and sensational

10 Winter care tips for pet dogs

Winter's chill can be harsh on our four-legged companions, making it crucial to provide extra care during the colder months. Whether your dog has a thick coat or a short one, they are susceptible to cold weather in different ways. As winter sets in, the cold temperatures can be challenging for our beloved pets, particularly dogs. While we bundle up in warm layers, our furry friends also need additional care to navigate the chilly season comfortably. Dogs, regardless of their coat length or breed, can face a variety of winter-related health concerns, from frozen paws to dry skin. It's important to remember that their needs change with the seasons, and the winter months demand more attention to their comfort and well-being. In this article, we share essential winter care tips that will help you ensure your dog stays cosy, safe, and healthy throughout the cold weather. By making a few adjustments to their routine, you can help them thrive even as the temperatures drop.By following a few simple yet effective tips, you can help your dog stay safe, healthy, and cosy all season long. Here are some essential winter care tips to help keep your furry companions healthy, warm, and happy:

How to protect your dog from cold weather?

From creating a warm resting place to adjusting their diet, winter care for dogs goes beyond just bundling them up in sweaters. Let's dive into the tips that can ensure your furry friend thrives in winter.

During the cold season, it's crucial to provide your pet- with a warm place to sleep. Use blankets or cosy bedding to help them retain body heat, and consider using jackets for extra warmth if your pet is sensitive to the cold.

2. Diet modifications

In colder weather, pets require more energy to maintain their body heat. Make sure they are getting the right nutrition by consulting with a vet on any dietary adjustments or supplements to boost their immunity.

3. Protecting their paws from cold

Walking on salted or snowy roads can irritate your pet's paws. After walks, clean their paws with a damp cloth and you can also use pet booties for added protection. Trim the fur around their paws regularly to prevent ice from accumulating.

4. Limit outdoor time

Extended exposure to cold temperatures can lead to hypothermia or frostbite. Supervise outdoor activities closely and bring them inside as soon as they or before they start showing signs of

5. Indoor play area

If your pet is energetic and loves to play, set up a fun indoor play area with toys, puzzles, or an agility course. This helps keep them mentally and physically stimulated during the winter months.

6. Grooming

Proper grooming is important, but avoid overbathing your pet in winter. Excessive bathing can strip their coat of natural oils, leading to dry skin. Regular brushing will help distribute oils and

prevent matting. 7. Schedule regular vet check-ups

Cold weather can worsen chronic health issues like arthritis. Make sure your pet has regular vet check-ups to address any underlying conditions and discuss ways to manage them in winter.

8. Hypoallergenic baths

Pollution particles can cause skin irritation in pets. Opt for pet-friendly, soothing shampoos and make sure to dry your pet thoroughly after the bath to prevent them from getting cold in the

9. Watch for warning signs of cold stress

Look out for signs of discomfort in your pet, such as shivering, lethargy, or whining. If you notice these symptoms, bring them indoors or provide

10. Provide extra love and attention

Winter can sometimes be stressful for pets, especially if they are confined indoors more often. Spend quality time with them, give them keep their spirits high. By taking a few extra steps, you can keep your dog comfortable and happy throughout the winter season. Always monitor their behaviour for signs of cold stress, and make sure they get the proper care they need. A little love, attention, and protection can go a long way in keeping your dog safe during the chilly months.

How Opposition lost the Maharashtra plot

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THE Congress got it wrong in Maharashtra from the outset. Seasoned party leaders who were appointed observers for the Assembly polls had no proficiency in the Marathi language, a prerequisite in the state. This galaxy of leaders told the party top brass that Maharashtra was heading for a hung House and that the Congress should make arrangements to shift MLAs of Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) to Bengaluru to avoid poaching and horse-trading. Three prominent hotels in Congress-ruled Karnataka were booked, while a chartered plane was on standby to airlift MLAs in the evening on November 23. All these preparations proved to be needless.

The enormity of the defeat of the grand old party and its allies — the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP-Sharadchandra Pawar) and the Shiv Sena (Uddhav Balasaheb

Thackeray) — is glaring because INDIA leaders, both collectively and individually, had not anticipated such a result. Most of the internal surveys had given the MVA an edge over the BJPled Mahayuti, predicting 140-plus seats for the alliance in the 288-member Assembly. Party chief Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi had asked observers Ashok Gehlot, Bhupesh Baghel and G Parameshwara to head for Mumbai on the counting day so that talks on government formation and other issues were handled promptly. The performance of the Congress and its allies in Maharashtra is a sad commentary on the Opposition that failed and faltered at every stage of electioneering. Apart from fielding a battery of outsiders as campaigners and observers, the grand old party did little to build a narrative or counter Mahayuti's high-pitched campaign that stoked fear and insecurity. As an alliance, the MVA trio was simply missing from the ground. In most constituencies, the entire campaign revolved around the candidate rather than his/her party or the MVA. There were reports that over 50,000 RSS workers were going door to door, focusing on Dalits, Adivasis, OBCs, Marathas and others; they claimed that the majority community's interests were under threat and there was no move to change any constitutional provisions relating to caste-based quota in jobs and educational



institutions. Union ministers Kiren Rijiju and Bhupendra Yadav coordinated closely at block and polling booth levels. Interestingly, the RSS leadership asked its cadre to deliver Maharashtra in a grand manner as a 'gift' or a souvenir in the run-up to the organisation's centenary. The main INDIA parties had no control over smaller outfits such as the Samajwadi Party (SP), Vanchit Bahujan Aaghadi and the All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen. The 'others' bagged a staggering 17 per cent of the votes; the difference of nearly 11 percentage points in the vote share of the MVA and Mahayuti was just too big. The presence of SP candidates had an adverse impact as reckless Muslim clerics started making tall claims about promises of job quota for Muslims and exemplary punishment for those accused of blasphemy. While mischievous elements indulging in blasphemy or threatening public order deserve no sympathy or leniency, the rule of law entails that punishment can be delivered through the due process. In a nutshell, blasphemy was not a poll issue, but the BJP-Sena network feverishly circulated video and audio clips of Maulana Sajjad Nomani and others to instil a sense of insecurity.

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, who never shies away from speaking his mind, came up with the "bateinge to kateinge" slogan, which was

later improvised by Prime Minister Narendra Modi as "ek hain to safe hain". It was baffling that the MVA and non-Mahayuti parties, in order to get the support of Muslims in 40-odd Assembly seats, ended up helping the BJP, even though the majority of the Muslim votes would have easily come their way. The MVA strategy was questionable. For the Congress, poll strategist Sunil Kanugolu, enjoying ministerial status in Karnataka, had reportedly begun preparations in January this year. Kanugolu had stayed away from the Congress' Lok Sabha campaign in order to focus on Maharashtra. Congress managers gave him a considerable amount to run the campaign. More than money, much like in the case of Haryana, Kanugolu was given a free hand. It is an open secret that his inputs and selection of party nominees had come under scrutiny during the Haryana Assembly polls. Yet, Rahul Gandhi and AICC

functionaries let him run the Maharashtra campaign. Accountability and transparency have always been in short supply in the Congress. The party panels appointed to look into the factors for the party's defeat in November-December 2023 Assembly polls in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh are yet to submit their reports. The minutes of the Udaipur Chintan Shivir, held in May 2022, are still 'locked' in Jairam Ramesh's laptop without any deliberations in the Congress Working Committee. The grip of Ramesh, KC Venugopal, Randeep Singh Surjewala and Kanugolu over the organisation is so strong that it has started questioning the credentials of the Gandhis and Kharge. The presence of Priyanka Gandhi as an MP is unlikely to usher in reforms and restructuring of the AICC secretariat, though many Congress insiders have great expectations from her.Intrigue has always been an inseparable part of politics. But it requires talent to execute a plan to bring leaders of potential as AICC observers for Maharashtra and then blame them for the loss. Only past masters of palace intrigue could think of this and get away with it. In this context, the Maharashtra polls show why the Congress cannot revitalise itself as long as there is a coterie that does not want the Rahul-Kharge team to be successful. It may sound bizarre, but it's not beyond the realm of possibility.

Maha triumph

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Perhaps even die-hard supporters of the BJP the triumph in Maharashtra. Less than six months ago, the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) comprising the Congress, the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP-Sharadchandra Pawar)

and the Shiv Sena (Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray) – had outclassed the BJP and its allies in the Lok Sabha elections



in the state. That impressive performance had raised the MVA's hopes that it could pull off a similar feat in the Assembly polls. The alliance was undone by overconfidence and disunity, with the Congress failing to learn any lesson from the Haryana shocker. In contrast, Mahayuti went all out to woo voters: welfare schemes such as the women-centric Ladki Bahin Yojana worked wonders. Moreover, the split in the Shiv Sena and the NCP paid the BJP rich dividends. It's now up to the victorious alliance to ensure that government formation takes place smoothly, unlike the chaos and uncertainty witnessed after the BJP-Shiv Sena combine won the 2019 elections. The Jharkhand verdict is an endorsement of CM Hemant Soren's tribal-friendly policies. The Enforcement Directorate against him cut no ice with voters, who resisted the lure of electing a 'double-engine' government. The Congress has done enough to stay in power as

a junior ally of the JMM, but the rout in Maharashtra has undermined its position as INDIA's pre-eminent party.

Agnipath shadow over India-Nepal defence relations

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CHIEF of Army Staff (COAS) Gen Upendra Dwivedi's five-day visit to Nepal (November 20-24) — during which the honorary rank of General of the Nepal Army was conferred on him — was marked by efforts to improve military cooperation between the two countries. Sadly, unlike the pre-Agnipath times, the occasion attracted only routine attention in that country. A diplomatic void was created when India introduced restrictive terms of engagement under the Agnipath scheme in 2022, different from the traditional long-term service and pension in place since 1947. Nepal signalled its disapproval of the new arrangement, even as both sides have maintained a 'diplomatic lull', pushing the Indian Gorkha Brigade towards a cul-de-sac. Not a single Nepali Gorkha has been recruited since the Covid-19 pandemic.Strangely, Gen Dwivedi arrived at Tribhuvan International Airport in a Bhutan Air flight; in better times, chiefs would come in an IAF aircraft. Still, pomp and ceremony were provided by the Nepal Army. Its second Brahmin Army Chief, Gen Ashok Sigdel, hosted a private dinner for the Dwivedis. Nepali Army Chiefs have traditionally been Ranas, Chhetri Thapas and Thakuris.President Ram Chandra Paudel conferred the honorary rank of General on Gen Dwivedi, a ritual introduced in 1969 by then Army Chief, Field Marshal Sam Manekshaw, popularly known as Sam Bahadur. He created a Gorkha cell in the Army headquarters and initiated welfare measures, including treks by young Gorkha officers to recruitment areas of Nepal. Gen Sigdel will shortly visit New Delhi for an 'exchange ceremony' and will be feted just like Gen Dwivedi.Gen Dwivedi also flew to Pokhara, the hub

of Gorkha ex-servicemen, who number 1.25 lakh. He addressed Gorkha veterans about welfare measures, steering clear of Agnipath. He flew to Muktinath Temple, where he rang the Bipin Bell installed by late COAS Gen Bipin Rawat, who was from the Gorkha regiment. Gen Dwivedi's predecessor, Gen Manoj Pande, when asked by Îndian journalists after a similar visit to Nepal in 2023 about the future of Gorkha recruitment, had said: "If Nepal does not send Gorkhas, their vacancies will be given to others (non-Gorkhas)". That is precisely what is happening to fill the manpower shortfall from Nepal in 39 Gorkha battalions with Kumaonis, Garhwalis, Nagas and other hill tribes. A Gorkha battalion has 60 and 40 per cent Nepali and Indian-domiciled Gorkhas, respectively.In Pokhara, I met several ex-servicemen who expressed concern over the OROP (One Rank, One Pension) — which, after the five-year review, has increased the pension mainly below and including Havildar rank — and Agnipath. They want their wards to join Agnipath as the last resort — due to 25 per cent re-enlistment even after four years' engagement — saying: "Something is better than nothing". A few even suggested taking the matter to court. Delegations of ex-servicemen have presented petitions to Chief District Officers in 77 districts of Nepal and met ministers who have maintained silence on Agnipath. Nepali journalists asked me how the stalemate could be broken. My view is that Nepal and India should immediately start a dialogue on Agnipath — which neither side has raised during bilateral talks. I suggested that India should make an exception for Nepal — ideally exempt it from



Agnipath (as certain specialists in technical and medical units have been) or at least raise the terms of engagement for Nepali Gorkhas to seven years and 50 per cent retention. A general review of Agnipath is in

Agnipath does not create a level playing field for Nepali Gorkhas. Nepal's economy is small; its nationals have been barred since the 1970s from joining India's paramilitary forces, which have reserved jobs for demobilised Indian Agniveers. Nepal fears that demobilised soldiers will be an easy catch for dormant insurgent groups. In Nepal's Parliament, former ministers called India's unilateral alteration to the terms of engagement a violation of the 1947 tripartite treaty on recruitment between Nepal, UK and India, which legally it is not. India could have been gentle and diplomatic about the bolt from the blue. A Nepali ex-serviceman, who is also a politician, told me that India wants to terminate recruiting foreign nationals into its Army to undo the

colonial legacy and also have leverage with Nepal. Many believe NSA Ajit Doval was the architect of the project. Nepali communist politicians have long wanted to stop recruitment in foreign armies, and as they represent the majority in Parliament, Agnipath appears to be a closed issue. This is not the first time India has sought to stop Gorkha recruitment. In the 1970s, a proposal was mooted but quickly rejected by then PM Indira Gandhi on the recommendation of then Army Chief Gen GG Bewoor, who belonged to 11 Gorkha Rifles. The present Chief of Defence Staff, Gen Anil Chauhan, was also with Gorkha Rifles. The Nepal Army celebrates its Raising Day annually in Delhi, recalling joint India-Nepal military activities with an audio-visual presentation including PM Modi's 2014 statement in Nepal's Parliament: "In all the wars India has fought, Nepalis have shed their blood." His words are the greatest tribute to Nepal and its Gorkhas. But the Agnipath scheme is a rollback of that strategic sentiment. Some former Indian ambassadors to Nepal have asserted, many of them in writing, that Gorkha ex-servicemen in Nepal constitute a pro-India constituency at a time when China is buying up strategic space with Leftleaning Nepali governments. Gorkha ex-servicemen, at times, have acted as a foil to anti-India sentiments. The recruitment of Nepali Gorkhas is not simply the hiring of foreign soldiers but creating a strategic bond between two sovereign countries and providing a foundation for defence cooperation between their armies, which the two Army Chiefs periodically sanctify. Gen Dwivedi just did this. But with Nepal, India's political leadership needs to go beyond

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বেঙ্গল সরকারের এই অনুমতির পর, ট্রাক চালকরা স্বস্তির নিঃশ্বাস ফেলেন। প্রাক্তন নিরসা বিধায়ক অরূপ চ্যাটার্জি ঝাড়খণ্ডের মুখ্যমন্ত্রী হেমন্ত সোরেনের এই উদ্যোগের প্রশংসা করেন। তিনি বলেন, মুখ্যমন্ত্রী হেমন্ত সোরেন এই বিষয়ে ক্রমাগত গুরুত্ব দিয়েছেন। বেঙ্গল সরকারের সাথে ইতিবাচক আলোচনা করার পর বেঙ্গল সরকার নিষেধাজ্ঞা তুলে নেয়। এর পর, সারিতে দাঁড়িয়ে থাকা সমস্ত পণ্যবাহী যানবাহন ধীরে ধীরে বেঙ্গলে প্রবেশ করতে শুরু করেছে। NH-এ দীর্ঘ যানজট এখন সীমিত হচ্ছে এবং যানজটও ভাঙতে শুরু করেছে।

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मताबिक एसएचकेटी विद्युत ऊर्जा के उत्पादन के लिए व्यावहारिक रूप से शुन्य खिंचाव हेड के साथ बहते पानी की गतिज ऊर्जा का उपयोग करता है, जबकि पारंपरिक इकाइयां

संभावित ऊर्जा का उपयोग करती हैं। ये तकनीक एक ऐसा समाधान है, जो बिजली क्षेत्र को बेस-लोड, चौबीसों घंटे अक्षय ऊर्जा की बढ़ती मांग को पूरा करने में सहायता मिल सकती है। हाइड्रोकाइनेटिक टर्बाइन को लगाना आसान है और यह लागत प्रभावी है, जिसकी उत्पादन लागत 2-3 रुपये प्रति यूनिट है। यह तकनीक अक्षय ऊर्जा के खरीदारों और निर्माताओं दोनों के लिए फायदा पहुंचाती है। विद्युत मंत्रालय ने कहा कि एसएचकेटी तकनीक को अपनाना, भारत की नहरों, जलविद्युत टेल्लेस चैनल के व्यापक जल अवसंरचना को स्थायी ऊर्जा उत्पादन के लिए उपयोग करने की दिशा में महत्वपूर्ण मील का पत्थर साबित होगा। इस तकनीक में गीगावाट पैमाने पर अपार संभावनाएं हैं, जिसमें अक्षय ऊर्जा से लाभ लेने के बहुत से अवसर हैं, जिससे बिजली क्षेत्र का समग्र विकास होगा।

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संरक्षण के लिए प्रक्रियात्मक प्रारूप को सुसंगत बनाते हुए कई अधिकार क्षेत्रों में पंजीकरण प्रक्रियाओं की दक्षता और पहुंच में सुधार करना है। मंत्रालय ने कहा कि डीएलटी औद्योगिक डिजाइन पंजीकरण के लिए एक मानकीकृत ढांचा पेश करता है, जिससे प्रक्रियागत जटिलताओं और आवेदकों के लिए प्रशासनिक बोझ में उल्लेखनीय कमी आती है। विभिन्न अधिकार क्षेत्रों में पंजीकरण आवश्यकताओं को संरेखित करके, संधि का उद्देश्य छोटे और मध्यम आकार के उद्यमों (एसएमई), स्टार्टअप और स्वतंत्र नवाचार और रचनात्मकता को बढ़ावा देना है। वाणिज्य मंत्रालय ने कहा कि स्टार्टअप इंडिया कार्यक्रम और स्टार्टअप बौद्धिक संपदा संरक्षण (एसआईपीपी) योजना जैसी पहलों के साथ संयुक्त होने पर ये प्रावधान स्टार्टअप और एसएमई को वैश्विक स्तर पर डिजाइन अधिकार सुरक्षित करने, उनकी प्रतिस्पर्धात्मकता को बढाने के साथ-साथ बाजार के विकास का समर्थन करने में सहायता प्रदान करेंगी। दरअसल. रचनात्मकता और शिल्प कौशल की अपनी समृद्ध विरासत के साथ भारत ने लंबे समय से दीर्घकालिक आर्थिक विकास को आगे बढ़ाने में डिजाइन की महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका को पहचाना है। नवाचार के उत्प्रेरक के रूप में डिजाइन संरक्षण पर देश की नीति ने प्रभावशाली परिणाम दिए हैं। पिछले दशक में भारत में डिजाइन पंजीकरण तीन गुना बढ़ गए हैं, पिछले दो वर्षों में सिर्फ घरेलू दाखिलों में 120 फीसदी की वृद्धि हुई है। उल्लेखनीय रूप से पिछले वर्ष डिजाइन आवेदनों में 25

मौजूदा पैन कार्ड धारकों को पैन 2.0 के तहत दोबारा आवेदन करने की जरूरत नहीं

नई दिल्ली। केंद्रीय प्रत्यक्ष कर बोर्ड (सीबीडीटी) ने आज स्पष्ट किया कि मौजदा पैन (स्थायी खाता संख्या) कार्ड धारकों को केंद्र सरकार की उन्नत प्रणाली पैन 2.0 के तहत नए पैन के लिए आवेदन करने की जरूरत नहीं है। प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी की अध्यक्षता में 25 नवंबर 2024 को आर्थिक मामलों की मंत्रिमंडल समिति (सीसीईए) ने आयकर विभाग की पैन 2.0 परियोजना को मंजूरी दी, जिसका उद्देश्य मौजूदा पैन प्रणाली को अपग्रेड करना और इसे उपयोगकर्ता के लिए और अधिक अनुकूल बनाना है। सीबीडीटी ने बयान जारी कर कहा कि पैन 2.0 परियोजना का उद्देश्य पैन और टैन (कर कटौती और संग्रह खाता संख्या) जारी करने और प्रबंधित करने की प्रक्रिया को सुव्यवस्थित और आधुनिक बनाना है ताकि इसे उपयोगकर्ता के लिए और अधिक अनुकुल और कुशल बनाया जा सके। सीबीडीटी ने आज जारी अक्सर पूछे जाने वाले प्रश्नों (एफएक्यू) में कहा, मौजूदा पैन

कार्ड धारकों को उन्नत प्रणाली (पैन 2.0) के तहत नए पैन के लिए आवेदन करने की आवश्यकता नहीं है।÷ उसने कहा कि 78 करोड पैन और 73.28 लाख टैन के मौजूदा

के कार्यान्वयन के साथ ये सभी सेवाएं एक ही पोर्टल में एकीकृत हो जाएंगी। सीबीडीटी ने कहा, ÷यह वन-स्टॉप प्लेटफॉर्म पैन और टैन से संबंधित मुद्दों एवं मामलों को व्यापक



पैन डेटाबेस के साथ पैन 2.0 परियोजना करदाताओं आवश्यकताओं को संबोधित करती है, जिसमें कई प्लेटफार्मों एवं पोर्टलों के एकीकरण और पैन-टैन धारकों को कुशल सेवाओं पर ध्यान केंद्रित किया गया है। वर्तमान में पैन से संबंधित सेवाएं तीन अलग-अलग

रूप से संभालेगा, जिसमें आवेदन, अपडेट, सुधार, आधार-पैन लिंकिंग, पुनः जारी करने के अनुरोध और यहां तक कि पैन का ऑनलाइन सत्यापन भी शामिल है। ऐसा करके आयकर विभाग प्रक्रियाओं को सरल बनाने, विलंब को खत्म करने और शिकायत निवारण तंत्र में सुधार करने का

केंद्र को कोल ऑफ इंडिया से मिला 6128 करोड़ रुपये का लामाश





5 DECADES OF UNEARTHING ENERGY

नई दिल्ली। सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र की कोल इंडिया लिमिटेड (सीआईएल) ने केंद्र सरकार को लाभांश किश्त के रूप में 6128 करोड़ रुपये का भुगतान किया है। वित्त मंत्रालय के निवेश और सार्वजनिक परिसंपत्ति प्रबंधन विभाग (दीपम) सचिव ने जारी एक बयान में बताया कि केंद्र सरकार को लाभांश

से करीब 6128 करोड़ रुपये का प्राप्त हुए हैं। उल्लेखनीय है कि कोल इंडिया लिमिटेड सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र की कोयला खनन कंपनी है। यह नवंबर 1975 में अस्तित्व में आई थी। कोयला मंत्रालय के अधीन कार्यरत सीआईएल आज दुनिया में सबसे बड़ा कोयला उत्पादक है।

विश्व बैंक ने त्रिपुरा, नागालैंड में वन प्रबंध में सुधार की 22.55 करोड़ डॉलर की परियोजना मंजूर की क्षेत्रों में कौशल प्रशिक्षण के माध्यम

फीसदी की वृद्धि हुई।

नई दिल्ली। विश्व बैंक ने त्रिपरा और नागालैंड के 400 से अधिक गांवों में वन, आर्द्र भूमि आदि के अच्छे प्रबंध तथा लकड़ी को छोड़ कर वन आधारित अन्य प्रकार की आर्थिक गतिविधियों के प्रोत्साहन के लिए 22.55 करोड़ डॉलर की परियोजना के वित्त पोषणा के प्रस्ताव को मंजुरी दी है।

विश्व बैंक के यहां स्थानीय र्गालय की जारी एक विज्ञप्ति के अनुसार उसके कार्यकारी निदेशक मंडल ने सोमवार को इस प्रस्ताव को स्वीकति दी। इस परियोजना से एक लाख हेक्टेयर वन क्षेत्र का प्रबंध बेहतर होगा और वनों पर आश्रित सात लाख से अधिक लोगों को लाभ होगा। बयान में कहा गया है कि इस

साथ साझेदारी में अगरवड, बांस और शहद जैसे वन उत्पादों के माध्यम से समुदायों के लिए आर्थिक अवसर खोलना है।

परियोजना के लिए विश्व बैंक की रियायती वित्तपोषण एजेंसी अंतर्राष्ट्रीय पुनर्निर्माण और विकास बैंक (आईबीआरडी) से 12 वर्ष की परिपक्कता का कर्ज मिलेगा। जिसमें 4.5 वर्ष की छट अवधि शामिल है। परियोजना को अंतराष्ट्रीय प्रोग्रीन कार्यक्रम के तहत 24 लाख डालर के अनुदान का लाभ भी लाभ होगा।भारत में विश्व बैंक के निदेशक ऑगस्टे तानो कौमे ने कहा. ÷यह परियोजना लकड़ी को छोड़ कर वन पर आधारित अन्य आर्थिक गतिविधियों में निजी क्षेत्र द्वारा

संचालित रोजगार सृजन के लिए

वनों का लाभ उठाने, वन की कार्बन

सिंक क्षमता को बढ़ाने और अंततः त्रिपुरा और नागालैंड में आर्थिक विकास और सामाजिक कल्याण में योगदान करने में योगदान देगी।

विज्ञप्ति के मुताबिक वन परिदृश्य प्रबंधन की एन्हांसिंग लैंडस्केप एंड इकोसिस्टम मैनेजमेंट (एलीमेंट) परियोजना एक लाख हेक्टेयर से अधिक वन को संरक्षित और पनर्सथापित करने में मदद करेगी. जिससे आर्थिक परिवर्तन के लिए बढ़ावा मिलेगा और प्रति वर्ष लगभग 435,000 टन कार्बन उत्सर्जन से बचा जा सकेगा। इस परियोजना से मृदा संरक्षण प्रणाली भी सशक्त होगी और जल उपलब्धता बढ़ेगी। बयान के मुताबिक इस परियोजना के तहत परियोजना का उद्देश्य पर्यटन और प्रकृति गाइडों के लिए प्रशिक्षण जैसे से वन-आधारित उद्यमिता को बढावा देकर युवाओं और महिलाओं के लिए 60,000 नौकरियां पैदा करने का भी लक्ष्य है। बयान में कहा गया है इन दोनों प्रदेशों में लगभग 15 लाख क्षेत्र फैला वन क्षेत्र वहां की ग्रामीण अर्थव्यवस्था का एक महत्वपूर्ण हिस्सा हैं और उनकी आबादी के एक महत्वपूर्ण हिस्से की आजीविका का आधार है, लेकिन पिछले एक दशक में, गज्यों ने वन क्षेत्र में कमी का अनुभव किया है, जिससे जैव विविधता और वन-निर्भर समुदायों के हितों को खतरा है। परियोजना के लिए टास्क टीम के नेता पीयूष डोगरा और राज गांगुली ने कहा, इस परियोजना में पारंपरिक वनों से आगे बढ़कर घास के मैदानों. आर्द्रभूमि और कृषि भूमि जैसे क्षेत्रों को

मूडीज ने अडाणी समूह के सात कंपनियों की रेटिंग घटाकर 'नेगेटिव' किया

नई दिल्ली। अडाणी समूह की मुश्किलें कम होने की बजाय दिन-ब-दिन बढती जा रही है। अमेरिकी

अदालत में लगे आरोपों के बाद ग्लोबल रेटिंग एजेंसी मूडीज ने अडाणी समूह की सात कंपनियों का आउटलुक 'स्थिर' से घटाकर 'नेगेटिव' कर दिया है। शेयर बाजार में भी अडाणी समह की कंपनियों के शेयरों में चौतरफा बिकवाली देखी गई, जबकि सबसे ज्यादा गिरावट अडाणी ग्रीन एनर्जी के शेयरों में आई।

मुडीज ने कहा कि अडाणी ग्रीन एनर्जी लिमिटेड (एजीईएल) के चेयरमैन गौतम अडाणी और समूह के प्रबंधन के वरिष्ठ सदस्यों

के बाद अडाणी समूह की सात कहा कि इन कंपनियों में अडाणी इकाइयों के साख परिदृश्य को ग्रीन एनर्जी और अडाणी ट्रांसमिशन



'स्थिर' से घटाकर 'नकारात्मक' की दो-दो पर कथित रिश्वतखोरी के आरोपों कर दिया गया है। रेटिंग एजेंसी ने इलेक्ट्रिसिटी मुंबई लिमिटेड,

इकोनॉमिक जोन लिमिटेड (एपीएसईजेड) और अडाणी इंटरनेशनल कंटेनर टर्मिनल हैं। अमेरिकी अभियोजकों ने उद्योगपति गौतम अडाणी पर कथिच तौर पर सोलर एनर्जी कॉन्ट्रैक्ट के लिए अनुकुल शर्तों के बदले भारतीय अधिकारियों को 25 करोड़ अमेरिकी (करीब 2100 करोड़ रुपये) से अधिक की रिश्वत देने की योजना का हिस्सा होने का आरोप लगाया है। अमेरिकी अटॉर्नी कार्यालय ने उन पर आपराधिक मामला दर्ज किया है, जबकि अमेरिकी प्रतिभूति और विनिमय आयोग (एसईसी) ने समूह के खिलाफ दीवानी मामला दायर

दो दिन मजबूत होकर फिर लाल निशान पर बाजार; सेंसेक्स १०५ अंक फिसला, निफ्टी २४२०० से नीचे

नई दिल्ली। अमेरिका के नवनिर्वाचित राष्ट्रपति डोनाल्ड ट्रंप की टैरिफ धमकियों को लेकर चिंता के बीच कमजोर वैश्विक बाजार रुख के अनुरूप सेंसेक्स और निफ्टी में दो दिन की तेजी थम गई और ये गिरावट के साथ बंद हुए। उतार-चढाव भरे कारोबार में 30 शेयरों वाला सेंसेक्स 105.79 अंक 0.13 प्रतिशत गिरकर 80,004.06 अंक पर बंद हुआ। कारोबार के दौरान यह 311.18 अंक या 0.38 प्रतिशत गिरकर 79,798.67 अंक पर आ गया था। एनएसई निफ्टी 27.40 अंक या 0.11 प्रतिशत गिरकर 24,194.50 अंक पर आ गया। सेंसेक्स के 30 शेयरों वाले शेयरों में अल्ट्राटेक सीमेंट, अदाणी पोर्ट्स, सन फार्मा,

महिंद्रा, लार्सन एंड टूब्रो और पावर ग्रिड सबसे ज्यादा गिरावट में रहे। एशियन पेंट्स,

एनटीपीसी, टाटा मोटर्स, महिंद्रा एंड कनाडा और चीन पर नये टैरिफ लगाने की योजना बना रहे हैं। एशियाई बाजारों में सियोल, इंफोसिस, टोक्यो और शंघाई में गिरावट दर्ज की



जेएसडब्ल्यू स्टील, टाटा कंसल्टेंसी सर्विसेज और रिलायंस इंडस्ट्रीज सर्वाधिक लाभ में रहे। अमेरिका के नव-निर्वाचित राष्ट्रपति डोनाल्ड ट्रम्प की इस टिप्पणी से उत्पन्न चिंताओं के कारण वैश्विक शेयर बाजारों में गिरावट आई कि 20 जनवरी को पदभार ग्रहण करते ही वे मैक्सिको, ब्रेंट क्रूड 0.71 प्रतिशत बढ़कर

गई जबकि हांगकांग में तेजी रही। यूरोपीय बाजारों में गिरावट दर्ज की गई। अमेरिकी बाजार सकारात्मक दायरे में बंद हुए। अदाणी समूह के सभी शेयरों में गिरावट रही, जिसमें अडानी ग्रीन एनर्जी में 7.05 प्रतिशत की गिरावट आई। वैश्विक तेल मानक गया। बेंचमार्क शेयर सचकांक में तेजी आई, जिसमें भाजपा द्वारा महाराष्ट्र में शानदार प्रदर्शन करने, रिकॉर्ड संख्या में सीटें जीतने और पार्टी के नेतृत्व वाली सत्तारूढ़ महायुति गठबंधन को भारी जीत दिलाने से मदद मिली। सोमवार को बीएसई का सेंसेक्स 992.74 अंक या 1.25 प्रतिशत बढ़कर 80,109.85 अंक पर बंद हुआ था। निफ्टी 314.65 अंक या 1.32 प्रतिशत बढ़कर 24,221.90 अंक पर बंद हुआ था। पिछले कई दिनों से जारी बिकवाली के बाद सोमवार को विदेशी संस्थागत निवेशकों (एफआईआई) ने खरीदारी की। एक्सचेंज के आंकडों के अनुसार, उन्होंने 9,947.55 करोड़ रुपये के

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गौतम-सागर अदाणी पर लगे आरोपों को समूह ने नकारा; कहा- अमेरिकी कोर्ट में FCPA के उल्लंघन का आरोप नहीं

नर्ड दिल्ली। जानेमाने कारोबारी और अरबपित गौतम अदाणी और उनके भतीजे सागर अदाणी पर लगे आरोपों को अदाणी समृह ने सिरे से खारिज कर दिया। अदाणी समूह ने बधवार को कहा कि गौतम अंदाणी और उनके भतीजे पर रिश्वतखोरी का कोई आरोप नहीं है। इसके अलावा उन पर एक मामले में अमेरिकी अधिकारियों की ओर से कोर्ट में दायर अभियोग में अमेरिकी विदेशी भ्रष्ट

किसी भी उल्लंघन का आरोप भी नहीं

रिश्वतखोरी के आरोपों से घिरी अदाणी ग्रीन एनर्जी लिमिटेड ने स्टॉक एक्सचेंज फाइलिंग में कहा कि तीनों पर एफसीपीए उल्लंघन का आरोप लगाने वाली रिपोर्ट गलत हैं। उन पर ऐसे अपराधों का आरोप लगाया गया है, जो मौद्रिक जुर्माना या सजा के साथ दंडनीय हैं। गौतम अदाणी, सागर अदाणी और विनीत जैन पर यूएस

आचरण अधिनियम (एफसीपीए) के डीओजे के अभियोग या यूएस एसईसी की सिविल शिकायत मैं निर्धारित एफसीपीए के किसी भी उल्लंघन का आरोप नहीं लगाया गया है। फाइलिंग में कहा गया कि इन निदेशकों पर आपराधिक अभियोग में तीन मामलों में आरोप लगाए गए हैं, पहला- कथित प्रतिभूति धोखाधड़ी की साजिश, दूसरा- कथित वायर धोखाधडी की साजिश, और तीसरा- कथित प्रतिभृति धोखाधड़ी। अदाणी समूह ने सभी आरोपों से इनकार करते हुए कहा है कि

वह अपने बचाव के लिए हर संभव कानूनी कदम उठाएगा। गौतम अदाणी, सागर अदाणी और विनीत जैन के खिलाफ अमेरिका के मामले में न्याय विभाग की ओर से न्यूयॉर्क के पूर्वी जिले के संयुक्त राज्य जिला न्यायालय के सामने एक आपराधिक अभियोग दायर किया गया है। कंपनी ने कहा कि अभियोग में किसी भी जुर्माने या दंड को लेकर कुछ भी स्पष्ट नहीं किया गया है। यानी कितनी सजा का प्रावधान है या कितने जुर्माने का प्रावधान है? यह

तय नहीं किया गया है। सिविल शिकायत में आरोप लगाया गया है कि अधिकारियों ने प्रतिभृति अधिनियम 1933 और प्रतिभृति अधिनियम 1934 की कुछ धाराओं का उल्लंघन किया और और अदाणी ग्रीन एनर्जी लिमिटेड को अधिनियमों के उल्लंघन के लिए उकसाया। हालांकि, शिकायत में प्रतिवादियों को नागरिक मौद्रिक दंड का भुगतान करने का निर्देश देने के लिए एक आदेश की मांग की गई है, लेकिन यह दंड की राशि को निर्धारित

गौतम अदाणी (62), उनके भतीजे सागर अदाणी और अन्य पर सौर ऊर्जा अनुबंध हासिल करने के लिए 2020 से 2024 के बीच भारतीय सरकारी अधिकारियों को 25 करोड़ डॉलर से अधिक की रिश्वत देने का आरोप लगाया है। अदाणी पर 2,029 करोड़ रुपये (265 मिलियन डॉलर) की रिश्वतखोरी का आरोप लगा है। एक अनुमान के अनुसार इससे समूह को संभावित रूप से दो अरब डॉलर से अधिक का लाभ हो

नहीं करता है। अमेरिकी अभियोजकों ने सकता है। अमेरिकी अभियोजकों ने आरोप लगाया कि यह सब उन अमेरिकी बैंकों और निवेशकों से छुपाया गया, जिनसे अदाणी समूह ने इस परियोजना के लिए अरबों डॉलर जुटाए थे। कुछ रिपोर्ट्स में किए गए दावों के अनुसार, गौतम अदाणी और उनके भतीजे सागर अदाणी के खिलाफ अरेस्ट वारंट जारी किया गया। न्यूयॉर्क के पूर्वी जिले के अमेरिकी अटॉर्नी ब्रायन पीस ने बयान में कहा था, प्रतिवादियों ने अरबों डॉलर के अनुबंध हासिल करने के लिए

भारतीय सरकारी अधिकारियों को रिश्वत देने की एक विस्तृत साजिश रची। विभिन्न कारोबारों से जुड़े अदाणी समृह के चेयरमैन गौतम अदाणी, उनके भतींजे एवं अदाणी ग्रीन एनर्जी के कार्यकारी निदेशक सागर अदाणी और कंपनी के पूर्व मुख्य कार्यपालक अधिकारी (सीईओ) रहे विनीत जैन पर प्रतिभूति धोखाधड़ी, प्रतिभूति धोखाधड़ी साजिश और वायर धोखाधड़ी की साजिश का आरोप लगाया गया है।

अवतार के रूप में क्यों आते हैं भग दान

भगवान के अवतार के तीन कारण होते हैं – पहला अनुग्रह अथवा साधुपरित्राण, दूसरा निग्रह अथवा दुष्कृतकारियों का विनाश और तीसरा धर्मसंस्थापन। जिस प्रकार कोई सम्राट अपने साम्राज्य में सज्जनों को पुरस्कार द्वारा प्रोत्साहित करके और दुर्जनों को तिरस्कार द्वारा निरुत्साहित करके प्रजा में अभ्युदयशील सामंजस्य स्थापित करता है, उसी प्रकार श्रीभगवान भी यथासमय अवतीर्ण होकर यथायोग्य निग्रहानुग्रह प्रदर्शित करते हुए अपनी सृष्टि में धर्म की स्थापना किया करते हैं। समस्त धर्मों का पर्यवसान श्रीभगवत साक्षात्कार में ही है। भगवत साक्षात्कार तभी हो सकता है, जब भगवान में निष्ठा हो। निष्ठा तभी होती है जब अनुराग हो, अनुराग उसी में होता है, जिसकी ओर आकर्षण होगा। अतएव जीवजात को अपनी ओर आकृष्ट करने के लिए ही भगवान अवतार रूप में ऐसी–ऐसी मनमोहिनी क्रीड़ाएं करते हैं कि जिन्हें सुनकर श्रोताओं का मन उनमें बलात् आसक्त हो जाता है

बालक, युवक और वृद्ध, पंडित और मूर्ख, राजा और प्रजा, स्त्री और पुरुष, विषयी और विरागी, सभी का भगवलीला श्रवण से उधर आकर्षण होता है, जो परिणाम में प्रपंचातीत परमात्मा तक पहुंचा देता है। ज्ञान-विज्ञान विनाशन काम को गीता में आचार्य रामानुज के अनुसार बुद्धि से भी बलवत्तर बताया गया है। उसी महापाप, महावैरी, दुष्पूर काम को भक्तजन अनायास जीत सकें, इसलिए भगवान अपने अवतार चिरत्रों द्वारा मदन-दमन लीलाएं करते हैं। उदाहरण के लिए कोटि-कन्दर्पद

भगवान अपने अवतार चिरत्रों द्वारा मदन-दमन लीलाएं करते हैं। उदाहरण के लिए कोटि-कन्दर्पदर्पहा श्रीकृष्ण की योगमाया द्वारा प्रसाधित रासलीला का दर्शन करके उस समय अनेक देवादि भी भगवित्रष्ठ होकर कृतकृत्य हो गये और अब भी उस परम उक्जवल लीला का श्रद्धापूर्वक अध्ययन करने वालों के मदनरूपी हृदय रोग का स्वयमेव शमन हो जाता है।

नित्यविभूति से लीलाविभूति में श्रीराम, श्रीकृष्ण आदि रूपों में श्रीभगवान का अवतार आगम ग्रंथों में विभव कहलाता है। श्रीमत्स्य, कूर्म, वराह, नृसिंह, वामन, राम (जामदग्न्य), राम (दाशरिथ), कृष्ण, बुद्ध और किल्क, ये दस अवतार प्रसिद्ध हैं। श्रीवराह, सनकादि, नारद, नर-नारायण, किपल, दत्तात्रेय, यज्ञ, ऋभ, पृथु, मत्स्य, कूर्म, धन्वन्तिर, मोहिनी, नृसिंह, वामन, परशुराम, वेदव्यास, राम, बलराम, कृष्ण, बुद्ध, किल्क- ये 22 अवतार कहलाते हैं। इंस और ह्रयग्रीव की संख्या मिलाने से यह 24 होते हैं। आगम ग्रंथों में अन्यान्य अवतारों के भी नाम उपलब्ध होते हैं।

म अन्यान्य अवतारा के भा नाम उपलब्ध हात है। विभव के दो भेद हैं– स्वरूपावतार और आवेशावतार। जब श्रीभगवान स्वरूप में अर्थात् स्वयं ही अवतीर्ण होते हैं, तब उनका वह रूप स्वरूपावतार कहलाता है, जैसे दाशरिथ श्रीराम, किंतु जब किसी जीव विशेष में परमात्मा की शक्ति का आवेश होता है, तब उसे आवेशावतार कहते हैं, जैसे जामदग्न्य राम।

में परमात्मा की शक्ति का आवेश होता है, तब उसे आवेशावतार कहते हैं, जैसे जामदग्न्य राम। जिस रूप में परब्रम्ह परमात्मा अपने समग्र ऐश्वर्य माधुर्य को लिये हुए ही अवतीर्ण होते हैं, उसे पूर्णावतार कहते हैं। किंतु जिस रूप में आवश्यकतानुसार वे अपने प्रभाव का आंशिक प्राकट्य ही दिखलाते हैं, उसको अंशावतार कहते हैं। अंश के तुरीय भाग को कला कहते हैं। अतएव अंशावतार का अवान्तर भेद होने से कलावतार को उसी के अन्तर्भृत समझना चाहिए।





सरल उपाय अपनाएं

शतियां वास्तुदोष भगाएं

 घर का मुख्य द्वार सदैव पूर्व या उत्तर में ही होना चाहिए किंतु यदि ऐसा न हो पा रहा हो तो घर के मुख्य द्वार पर 'स्वास्तिक' की प्राण प्रतिष्ठा करवाकर लगाने से नकारात्मक ऊर्जा का नाश और सकारात्मक ऊर्जा का विकास होने लगता है। घर की स्थिति अनुकूल होने लगती है।

घर के मुख्य द्वार पर तुलसी का पौधा रखें। सुबह उसमें जल अर्पित करें तथा शाम को दीपक जलाएं। पूर्व या उत्तर दिशा में तुलसी का पौधा लगाने से घर के सदस्यों में आत्मविश्वास बढ़ता है। घर की छत पर तुलसी का पौधा रखने से घर पर बिजली गिरने का भय नहीं रहता। घर में किसी प्रकार के वास्तु दोष से बचने के लिए घर में पांच तुलसी के पौधे लगाएं तथा उनकी नियमित सेवा करें।

ध्यान रहे कि घर में खिड़की दरवाजों की संख्या सम हो जैसे (2, 4, 6, 8, 10) तथा दरवाजे खिड़कियां अंदर की तरफ ही खुलें। द्वार खोलते-बंद होते समय किसी भी प्रकार की कर्कश ध्विन नहीं आनी चाहिए। ये अशुभ सूचक होता है।

 यदि किसी भिक्षुक को भिक्षा देनी हो तो घर से बाहर आकर ही दें अन्यथा अनहोनी होने की संभावना रहती है।

 इस बात का ध्यान रहे कि घर में कभी भी फालतू सामान, टूटे-फूटे फर्नीचर, कूड़ा कबाड़ तथा बिजली का सामान इकट्ठा न होने पाए। अन्यथा घर में बेवजह का तनाव बना रहेगा।

- चर के किसी भी कोने में सीलन नहीं होनी चाहिए और न ही घर के किसी कोने में रात को अंधेरा रहना चाहिए। शाम को कम से कम 15 मिनट पूरे घर की लाइट अवश्य जलानी चाहिए। बिजली के स्विच, मोटर, मेन मीटर, टी.वी., कम्प्यूटर आदि आग्नेय कोण में ही होने चाहिए इससे आर्थिक लाभ सुगमता से
- घर में पुस्तकें रखने का स्थान उत्तर या पूर्व में ही होना चाहिए तथा पुस्तकों को बंद अलमारी में ही रखना चाहिए।
- घर में कभी भी मकड़ी के जाले नहीं लगने चाहिए नहीं तो राहु खराब होता है तथा राहु के बुरे फल भोगने पड़ते हैं।
- संध्या के समय घर में एक दीपक अवश्य जलाएं तथा ईश्वर से अपने द्वारा किए गए पापों के लिए क्षमा याचना करें।



बृहस्पति जी को देवगुरु पद किसने प्रदान किया

पुराणों के अनुसार ब्रह्मा जी के मानस पुत्र आंगरा ऋषि का विवाह स्मृति से हुआ। जिनसे सिनीवाली, कुहू, राका, अनुमति नाम कि कन्याएं एवं उतथ्य व जीव नामक पुत्र हुए। जीव बचपन से ही शांत एवम जितेन्द्रिय प्रकृति के थे। वे समस्त शास्त्रों तथा नीति के ज्ञाता हुए। अंगिरा नंदन जीव ने प्रभास क्षेत्र में शिवलिंग कि

स्थापना कि तथा शिव को प्रसन्न करने के लिए घोर तप किया।
महादेव ने उनकी आराधना एवं तपस्या से प्रसन्न हो कर उन्हें साक्षात दर्शन दिए और कहा, हे द्विज श्रेष्ठ ! तुमने बहुत तप किया है। अतः तुम बृहस्पित नाम से प्रसिद्ध हो कर देवताओं के गुरु बनों और उनका धर्म व नीति के अनुसार मार्गदर्शन करो। इस प्रकार महादेव ने बृहस्पित को देवगुरु पद और नवग्रह मंडल में स्थान प्रदान किया। तभी से जीव, बृहस्पित और गुरु के नाम से विख्यात हुए। देवगुरु कि शुभा,तारा और ममता तीन पित्तयां हैं। उनकी तीसरी पत्नी ममता से भरद्वाज एवं कच नामक दो पुत्र हुए। बृहस्पित ग्रह सब ग्रहों में सबसे अधिक वजनी और पृथ्वी से बहुत नज़दीक 37 करोड़ मील से भी कम दूरी पर हैं। इस ग्रह पर वायु नहीं है इसके धरातल पर हमेशा लावा फूटता रहता है इसलिए जो हमारे गुरुजन है उनके अन्दर जो ज्ञान रूपी लावा है वो हमारे कल्याण के लिए निरंतर बहता रहता है।



गणेश मंत्र करेगा सभी कामनाओं की पूर्ति

गणपति जी का बीज मंत्र गं है। इनसे युक्त मंत्र– ऊँ गं गणपतये नमः का जप करने से सभी कामनाओं की पूर्ति होती है।

- बुद्धि का विकास करना चाहते हैं तो श्री गणेश जी के मंत्र ऊँ गं गणपतये नमः
- बच्चे का मन पढाई में न लग रहा हो तो प्रत्येक बुधवार ऊँ गं गणपतये नमः
- साथ गणेश जी का अभिषेक कराएं। इस मंत्र जाप के अतिरिक्त गणपति अथर्वशीर्ष, संकटनाशक गणेश स्त्रोत, गणेशकवच संतान गणपति स्त्रोत ऋणहर्ता गणपति स्त्रोत मयरेश स्त्रोत गणेश

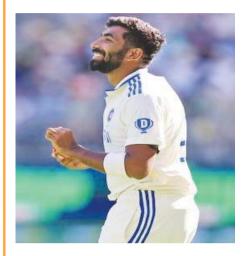
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भाग जाएंगे।

इस मंत्र जीप के आतारक गणपति अथवशाष, सकटनाशक गणश स्त्रात, गणेशकवच, संतान गणपति स्त्रोत, ऋगहर्ता गणपति स्त्रोत, मयूरेश स्त्रोत, गणेश चालीसा का पाठ करने से गणेश जी की कृपा शीघ्र प्राप्त होती है । **NEWS BOX**

Jasprit Bumrah enjoys the responsibility of captaincy: Ravi Shastri

New Delhi. Ravi Shastri reckoned that Jasprit Bumrah laid the foundation for India in the Perth Test with devastating spells that put Australia under pressure in the series opener of the Border-Gavaskar Trophy. Bumrah became the Player of the Match after India took a 1-0 lead in the series with a thumping 295-run win at the Optus Stadium. After India were bowled out for 150 in their first innings, Bumrah's fivewicket haul gave India a small yet crucial lead of 46 runs. Bumrah stepped up in the second innings as well, picking up three wickets, one of which was of the dangerous Travis Head, who scored a quick-fire 89. Shastri also said that Bumrah enjoys the responsibility of captaincy."The Test match was decided by Bumrah's spell with the new ball in both innings. He enjoys the responsibility and is a very competitive and ambitious cricketer. He wants it and believes that he can do it," Shastri told the



broadcasters after the match. The legendary Wasim Akram also heaped praise on Bumrah for taking the responsibility of captaincy and introducing himself into the attack when the opposition batters dictated terms."Whenever a partnership was developing, he brought himself into the attack. He picked up two wickets late on Day 3, and it started the downfall of Australian batting. Even today, he dismissed Travis Head when that partnership was building. That shows how much he wants it," Akram said.Bumrah took eight wickets in the game as India became the first team to beat Australia at the Perth Stadium. Back in 2018, India had lost at the same venue despite Virat Kohli's century, but this time around, they made a stupendous turnaround.

Bumrah is also nearing the landmark of becoming India's top wicket-taker in Tests on Australian soil. Bumrah and India will be looking for a 2-0 series lead when they face the Aussies in the pink-ball Test, starting December 6 at the Adelaide Oval.

Jasprit Bumrah will finish as one of the greatest fast bowlers: Glenn Maxwell

New Delhi. Australia's star all-rounder Glenn Maxwell said that Jasprit Bumrah would finish as one of the greatest fast bowlers. Maxwell was in awe of Bumrah's accuracy and explained how difficult it is to face him. Having faced Bumrah quite a lot in his cricketing career, Maxwell said that it is really difficult to pick and differentiate whether he would bowl a length ball or a bouncer. He also praised India's rising star Yashasvi Jaiswal and made a bold prediction about his career in Test cricket. It almost feels like his bouncer and his length ball are very similar to where his release point is, and it's really hard to pick up the difference between those and ball always feels like it's coming back into you and he's got the ability to take the ball away, which just makes it extremely difficult. Bumrah is going to go down as potentially the best fast bowler of all time, maybe not with the amount of wickets he takes in every format. But for the guys that have played against him, it is just so difficult,



so difficult. He's just got such unique action, unique ability with the ball. He seems like a complete package," Maxwell said on the Grade Cricketer Podcast.Bumrah captained India in the 1st Test vs Australia of the Border Gavaskar Trophy series. He won the player of the match award for taking 8 wickets in the contest, including a five-wicket haul in the 1st innings. India became the 1st team to beat Australia at the Optus Stadium in Perth. India beat Australia by 295 runs to register their biggest-ever win on Australian soil.

Maxwell predicted Jaiswal to score 40 Test hundreds and break many records on his way to glory." Jaiswal as well, doesn't seem to have many weaknesses, plays a short ball well, drives well, plays spin unbelievably well and can absorb pressure for periods of time. He's a guy that's probably gonna get more than 40 test hundreds and re write some different records as well," he added.Jaiswal scored a scintillating hundred in the opening Test as he scored 161 in 2nd innings to lay the foundation for India's win.

Shubman Gill Doubtful For Pink Ball Test In Adelaide: Report

Shubman Gill is dealing with a thumb injury that he suffered while fielding in the slips during India's match simulation in the buildup to the first Test in Perth.

New Delhi. Star Indian batter Shubman Gill, who missed the first Test of the ongoing fivematch series between India and Australia at Optus St adium in Perth due to a thumb injury, is likely to miss the second Test as well. The second Test between India and Australia will be a day-night game and will be played with a pink ball from December 6 to 10 at Adelaide Oval. According to a report in the Times of India on Wednesday (November 27), the 25-year-old righthanded batter, who made his Test debut for India on December 26, 2020, against Australia in Melbourne, is doubtful for the match in Adelaide.He is all set to miss the two-day pink ball warm-up match in



Canberra from November 30."Gill was advised a 10-14 day rest by the medical specialist after suffering that injury. He won't play in the practice match on the weekend and is doubtful at the moment for the second Test too. Let's see how much his injury has healed and how his finger feels. Even after it has healed, he'll need some quality practice before playing a Test match," a source was quoted as saying.Gill suffered the injury while fielding in the slips during the match simulation in the build-up to the first Test.Recently, former Mumbai and India selector Jatin Paranjape had said that Gill could end up missing "two to three Tests" due to the injury.

I know from past experience that finger injuries, especially like the one he has

suffered to the thumb, take two to four weeks to heal, so don't be surprised if he misses two to three Test matches," Paranjape had said. Devdutt Padikkal batted at No. 3 for India in the series opener, but with the return of Rohit Sharma to the side, the left-handed batter from Karnataka is set New Delhi.to lose his place in the playing XI. In all likelihood, Rohit will open the innings for India in Adelaide along with Yashasvi Jaiswal, and KL Rahul, who scored a half-century in the second inning of the Perth Test, will come out to bat at No. 3 in

Is Jasprit Bumrah the greatest ever Indian fast bowler

New Delhi. The numbers at this stage of his career would suggest so, but nothing would have been possible without the great Kapil Dev, the fast-bowling flagbearer who played lone ranger...The other day, as Jasprit Bumrah was wreaking havoc in Perth, Sunil Gavaskar couldn't help going back to that February morning in 1981 in Melbourne. On that day, an injured Kapil Dev won India an incredible Test match, taking 5-28 against a top Australian lineup, which folded for 83 in the second innings as India defended 143 to level the series."This generation sometimes forgets that there were Indian teams before 2000 which also fought and won," Gavaskar said on air. The original Little Master's comment becomes pertinent in the context of the social-media wave hailing Bumrah as the greatest Indian

pace bowler. There's no denying the fact that with an average of 20.06 and a strikerate of 43.6 after 41 Tests, Bumrah's numbers are suggesting that he is way ahead of the pack, including the great Kapil, who finished with a career-average of 29.64 and a strike-rate of 63.9.It's Bumrah's ability to rip open batting lineups on any surface that has made him the best paceman in the eyes of this generation. As the world swoons over Bumrah, and justifiably so, there's a worrying tendency to forget spells like Kapil's 9-83 in Ahmedabad against West Indies, in which he dismissed Gordon Greenidge, Desmond Haynes, Viv Richards and Clive Lloyd.Former India opener WV Raman, who played with and against Kapil, feels the greatness of the 434-wicket man was.

Jacob Bethell has got something very special: Stokes praises England Test debutant

New Delhi. Ben Stokes backed Jacob Bethell's selection for England's opening Test against New Zealand, starting November 28 at the Hagley Oval in Christchurch. Earlier, the Three Lions named their playing XI and handed Bethell his maiden Test cap. Bethell also became the first English batter since Mike Gatting in 1978 to make his Test debut without a first-class hundred to his name. Stokes said that England picked Bethell in their playing XI, keeping in mind the skills he has. The skipper mentioned that including the left-hander in the

team wasn't a shot in the dark and rather a decision that the English team management took after taking into account all factors."I mean, you can totally understand it. But you've got to be true to yourself when you get given the opportunity to be able to make decisions. We've always done what we feel is right for the team. It's gone in our favour quite a lot. So, I think we do know what we're doing. There is thought and there is process towards it, even if it does raise a few



eyebrows. We're not picking people just to wind people up," Stokes said. Bethell made his international debut in the T20I series on the tour of England, after which he also played in the ODIs. In 15 matches for the Three Lions thus far, Bethell has scored three half-centuries with a top score of 62 not out."He's an incredibly talented kid. I think when you look at someone like Jacob, you can just see the ceiling that he has. I remember watching the one-day series. I think it was [Josh] Hazlewood; he bowled NZ vs ENG: England skipper Ben Stokes backed Jacob Bethell's selection saying that the Three Lions picked him after taking into account all factors. Bethell will make his Test debut at the Hagley Oval in Christchurch.

him a full ball and got smacked off the front foot, and then he got tested out, like right there, and then whacked it," he said."Just those tiny little things where you see that there is something very special there. I'm looking forward to him getting going this week," Stokes added.Bethell has a reasonable first-class record, having scored 738 runs from 20 games at an average of 25.44 with five fifties and a top score of 93.

Phil Salt eager to play with Virat Kohli: RCB have always had fiery personalities

New Delhi. England's Phil Salt sounded excited to rub shoulders with Virat Kohli at the Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) in the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2025. Salt was picked up by RCB at a price of INR 11.50 crore after a bidding war with the Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR). After his stints with the Delhi Capitals (DC) and the Knights, Salt is set for his stint with RCB.Salt talked about his healthy camaraderie with Kohli, who has been with the Bengaluru franchise since the inaugural edition back in 2008. Salt also praised RCB for playing an attacking brand of cricket and recalled the times when he used to watch their matches diligently." I've got a tremendous amount of respect for Virat. I've always had a bit of chat with him - and a laugh and a joke - when I've played against him in the past, so I'm looking forward to playing alongside him," Salt told ESPNCricinfo."They've got a very clear way of playing the game which is to go out and attack. They've always had the fiery



personalities and their batting line-ups have been world-class.

"They're one of a few teams who, when I was watching IPL years ago, if they were playing, I'd turn the TV on. Obviously they've got Andy there and Mo Bobat [as director of cricket], and I'm really looking forward to playing under them. Having been around them a little bit, I know that we're quite similar thinkers on the game in some ways - and their track record speaks for

having notched 653 runs from 21 games at an average of 34.36 and a strike-rate of 173.53. Last year, it was his opening stands with Sunil Narine that laid the platform for KKR in their title-winning run.

63 not out: Remembering Phil Hughes on 10th death anniversary

New Delhi. November 27 marks the 10year anniversary of the untimely death of Australian cricketer Phillip Hughes, a moment that shook the cricketing world to its core. Hughes, a tale s old when he passed away after being struck by a bouncer during a domestic Sheffield Shield match on November 25, 2014. Playing for South Australia against New South Wales at the Sydney Cricket Ground, Hughes was on 63 runs when a short-pitched delivery from Sean Abbott hit him on the neck. The impact caused a rare vertebral artery dissection, leading to a brain haemorrhage. He collapsed on the field and was rushed to St. Vincent's Hospital, where he underwent emergency surgery. Tragically, despite the best medical efforts, Hughes succumbed to his injuries two days later. The cricketing fraternity was left in shock and grief. Tributes poured in from across the globe, with players, fans, and officials mourning the loss of a bright young talent.

What changed after Hughes' death Hughes' death raised critical questions about

protective gear in cricket. In response, helmet designs were improved to offer greater neck protection, and more focus was placed on concussion protocols to prevent such incidents in the future. The aftermath of Hughes' death also highlighted the spirit of unity in cricket. His funeral in Macksville, New South Wales, saw cricketers, fans, and dignitaries come together to celebrate his life. The hashtag #PutOutYourBats became a global symbol of respect, with fans posting images of cricket bats placed outside their homes as a

player safety, especially concerning Impacton AUS vs IND Test series

The impact of Hughes' death was especially profound on the Australian team, who were preparing for a highly anticipated Test series against India. The series, initially scheduled to begin on December 4, was delayed as the team and the nation mourned their fallen teammate. Cricket Australia prioritised the players' mental well-being, recognising the emotional toll Hughes' passing away had taken.

In an unprecedented show of respect, the first Test in Adelaide began on December 9, with players and fans paying tribute to Hughes. Australia wore black armbands, and a minute's silence was observed before play. The iconic "63 not out," Hughes' score at the time of the incident, became a rallying cry for strength and unity. David Warner, Michael Clarke, and Steve Smith, visibly emotional, played inspired cricket, dedicating their performances to Hughes. Clarke's stirring eulogy at Hughes' funeral and his gritty century in Adelaide remained reminders of the grief and resolve that defined the series

itself," Salt added. Salt has had an impressive career in the IPL,

Cricketers are bigger than Bollywood stars in the brand market

Virat Kohli, MS Dhoni, and Sachin Tendulkar have ranked higher than popular Bollywood actors, including Shah Rukh Khan and Amitabh Bachchan, in a latest Brand Endorser Report 2024 by Hansa Research.

UPDATED: Cricket's immense popularity in India and the players' performances on the global stage make them relatable and aspirational figures. In contrast, Bollywood actors, while still significant, are increasingly sharing the spotlight with cricketers. But in a latest research, cricketers have emerged as the more popular celebrities than the



Bollywood stars. According to the Brand Endorser Report 2024 by Hansa Research, cricketers have surpassed Bollywood actors as leading brand ambassadors in India. Athletes like Virat Kohli, MS Dhoni, and

Sachin Tendulkar rank among the top choices for endorsements due to their wide appeal, trustworthiness, and immense fan following. Ashish Karnad, the Executive Vice President at Hansa Research, explained

how the cricketers have the ability to connect with their fans. What sets cricketers apart from other celebrities is their unique ability to connect with audiences on both emotional and aspirational levels. Whether it's the nostalgia tied to legends like Sachin Tendulkar or the electrifying energy of stars like Virat Kohli and M.S. Dhoni, their hard work and perseverance have earned them admiration," Ashish Karnad said.

Seen as real-life heroes who have risen from humble backgrounds to make their country proud, they have emerged as dominant brand endorsers, highly preferred by brands to communicate their messages and inspire trust among diverse audiences," he added.

The research was conducted through online questionnaires to 4000 respondents across 36 cities in India. Their overall appeal was adjudged on the basis of 29 sub categories within broader industry categories. Kohli is currently in Australia where he is taking part in the Border-Gavaskar Trophy.



Sara Ali Khan TROLLED For Mistakenly Opening Door To Grey Car Instead Of Her Red SUV: 'Itni Gaadi Hai...' Tavigating Mumbai's traffic chaos can be tricky even for celebrities, as Sara Ali Khan hilariously proved earlier today. Dressed effortlessly in a chic white crop top, ice-blue denims, and her signature wayfarers, Sara stepped out, radiating her usual charm. But amidst the flurry of paparazzi and countless cars lined up, there was a slight mix-up.As Sara walked towards what she thought was her ride, she confidently opened the door of a grey SUV — only to spot unfamiliar items on the seat. In that moment of realisation, her expression was priceless! Unfazed and with a hint of laughter, she quickly moved ahead to her actual car, a red SUV, slipping in with ease as if nothing happened. The internet, of course, wasted no time jumping in with their own commentary. Fans in the comment section jokingly trolled Sara for being "so rich and privileged" that she couldn't remember the colour of her own car. "Red car hai, toh grey wali mein kyun ghus rahi ho?" wrote one. Another quipped, "She must have cars in every colour, so of course, it gets confusing!"On the



film helmed by Kannan Iyer. The movie, co-starring Abhay Verma and Sparsh Shrivastav, saw Sara in a gripping patriotic role. Up next, she will feature in Anurag Basu's Metro In Dino, alongside Aditya Roy Kapur. The ensemble cast also includes veterans like Pankaj Tripathi, Neena Gupta, and Anupam Kher. Additionally, Sara is currently filming an untitled Dharma Productions project with Ayushmann Khurrana. The film, directed by Aakash Kaushik, is reportedly a light-hearted romantic drama. Speculations are also rife that she may team up with Sidharth Malhotra for a rural folk-themed film directed by Panchayat fame Deepak Mishra.

professional front, Sara

Ali Khan was last seen

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Eisha Singh LIKES Avinash Mishra In Bigg Boss 18? Her Brother Says, 'Their Bond Is Very Pure'



ver since Eisha Singh entered the Bigg Boss 18 house, questions have been raised about her equation with her cocontestant, Avinash Mishra. Several social media users have so far argued that the two like each other and are more than friends. Now, Eisha's brother Rudraksh Singh has also broken his silence on his sister's equation with Avinash.In an exclusive conversation with News18 Showsha, Rudraksh dismissed that Eisha and Avinash like each other and called their bond 'very pure'. He explained that they are good friends and argued that his sister is very clear about her relationships with other people in the Bigg Boss 18 house. He claimed that Eisha is as close to Avinash, as she is to Alice Kaushik or Vivian Dsena.

I think their bond is very pure. Just like Esha is with Alice or Vivan, she is with Avinash. It is very pure. It is backed by a lot of loyalty and very good intentions. If my sister makes any relationship, she has very clear definitions of it - whether they are very good friends or anything," Eisha's brother told us. "There are a

lot of assumptions being made in the house also about Alice, Eisha and Avinash. People have been questioning if their relationship is that of friendship or something more than that. It is very natural that when two opposite genders are seen together a lot, people make assumptions. But I also know my sister. When she gives the tag of friendship to someone, she does not see whether the person is a male or a female. She treats both equally. If she is going with her hand on Alice's shoulder, she will also do the same with Avinash. There is no partiality. It's okay to make certain assumptions, whether it is the viewers or the house members, but I know my sister and she knows that she defines her boundaries very clearly," Rudraksh added.

Eisha's brother further talked about the actress' Bigg Boss game and expressed that he is very happy and satisfied with it. "To be very honest, as far as I have seen, nothing is missing in her game from my point of view. I am not just talking as a brother but as a viewer too. When it comes to relations, when it comes to putting forward your point or nominating someone or eliminating someone, she excels in everything. She's an all-rounder," he said.

Armaan Malik JUSTIFIES Assaulting YouTuber Saurabh: 'Insaan Ko Doob Marna Chahiye'



igg Boss OTT 2 fame recently made headlines after he was accused of assaulting a Haridwar-based YouTuber named Saurabh. Reportedly, Malik reached Saurabh's house in Jwalapur on Wednesday night with his men and assaulted him. Now, Armaan has issued a video statement clarifying the entire incident. As reported by Free Press Journal, in one of his vlogs, Armaan seemingly justified his action and claimed that he attacked YouTuber Saurabh because the latter allegedly abused his 1.5year-old daughter. He also accused Saurabh of making a YouTube video with the thumbnail text—"Armaan ne kiya apne beti ka r*pe."

Views ke liye yeh ladka itna girr gaya tha ki isne humare gharpe koi nahi chodda. Insaan ko doob marna chaiye, jab koi kisi ki beti ke liye bol de toh. Har pal yeh rehta tha ki, 'Aaj nahi kal action hoga.' Humne complain bhi kar rakhi hai. Jitne bhi media wale hai, harr insaan ko aap galat mat dikhaya karo. Kisi ki beti 1.5 year ki hai, uske liye itni tipni, yeh comment nahi tha, but 10-minute ka video tha," Armaan Malil said."Hum baat karne gaye the, usne bakwas bazzi ki aur uske baat bohot saari cheezin kharab ho gayi thi. Humne 100 number call kar di thi," the Bigg Boss OTT 2 fame added. Armaan further shared that he is ready to apologise to Saurabh but only if his audience feels that what he did was wrong. He also shared that the Haridwar police has taken action against Saurabh and has deleted his YouTube videos.

Yeh ladke ne 2 saal se hadd macha rakhi thi. Yeh yehi chahta tha ki isko fame kaise mil jaye. Haridwar police ne saari videos delete karwa di usse, usse sorry feel karwaya. Uske baad compromise karwaya, woh bhi isilye hua kyuki meine uski mother ka haalat dekha, unke haalat bilkul theek nahi the," Armaan concluded.Armaan Malik became a household name when he participated in Bigg Boss OTT 2 earlier this year. He was a part of the show with both his wives - Payal and Kritika Malik.