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**NEWS BOX** 

### Milei faces legal heat over crypto controversy as Argentina's stock index experiences a slump

UPDATED An Argentine judge was assigned on Monday to investigate President Javier Milei's role in promoting a cryptocurrency that crashed, the latest shockwave from a scandal that has threatened to slow the libertarian leader's momentum. Milei late on Friday recommended the little-known crypto coin \$LIBRA in a posting on X, kicking off a brief rally. He later deleted the posting and denied having any link to the cryptocurrency, which soon plunged. The country's fintech chamber said the case could amount to a "rug pull," a scam in which a coin's backers lure multiple investors, sending the cryptocurrency's value soaring, then quickly withdraw their fundsOpposition lawmakers have said that Milei, whose tough austerity program has won plaudits from investors and made progress in taming rampant inflation, could face an impeachment trial over his actions. Argentina's benchmark S&P Merval .MERV stock index tumbled 5.6%. The investigation was assigned on a random basis to veteran Federal Judge Maria Servini after local media reported that more than 100 complaints were presented to Argentina's judiciary and several even to U.S. courts."Milei's government is suffering the biggest reputational crisis of its government," consultancy Wise Capital said, noting that the token was now being labeled as a hoax. leaving investors with worthless tokens. Observatorio del Derecho a la Ciudad, a local NGO, filed a lawsuit accusing Milei and other government officials of illicit association, fraud and breach of their duties as public officials."We denounce Milei as being part of an illicit association that organized a scam with the \$LIBRA cryptocurrency that simultaneously affected more than 40,000 people with a loss of more than \$4 billion," it said on its website.

#### Paquita la del Barrio, feminist icon of Mexican music, dies at 77

MEXICO CITY. Mexican musical legend Paquita la del Barrio, known for her powerful voice and fierce defense of women, died at her home in Veracruz early Monday at the age of 77. Her passing was announced on her official social media accounts and confirmed by her representatives to The Associated Press. The state capital of Veracruz will mourn the loss of the iconic singer, who had faced a number of recent health problems."With deep pain and sadness we confirm the sensitive passing of our beloved 'Paquita la del Barrio' at her home in Veracruz," the statement said. "She was a unique and unrepeatable artist who will leave an indelible mark in the hearts of all of us who knew her and enjoyed her music."Born Francisca Viveros Barradas, Paquita la del Barrio captivated audiences with songs of heartbreak and betraval. including anthems like "Rata de dos patas" and "Tres veces te engañé." While her fan base was predominantly women, her powerful performances also drew men to her concerts."At the beginning, many men said 'Why would I go, to get shamed? .. Now they join the concerts. They go with their girlfriend, their wife and they love it," Paquita said in a 2016 interview with the AP

#### Chinese Man Divorces Wife Over Son's Surname, Loses Custody Battle

World A Chinese man divorced his wife following a disagreement over whose surname their son should take. The couple, Shao and Ji, had a daughter in 2019, and she took Mr Shao's surname. But when their son was born in 2021, Ms Ji insisted he bear her surname.

Despite Mr Shao's repeated demands for a name change, his wife refused, leading to their separation and eventual divorce, according to the South China Morning Post. After they split, both children remained with Ms Ji. Mr Shao sought custody of his daughter but was willing to give up custody of his son. Ms Ji, however, insisted on keeping both children. The case went to court, where Ms Ji was granted full custody, as she had been the primary caregiver.

Chinese courts decide child custody based on the "best



though parents' caregiving abilities are also considered.Mr Shao appealed the ruling, but a higher court upheld the decision. He was ordered to pay child support until both children turned 18.In a similar dispute, a married couple in China is on the brink of divorce after arguments over their son's surname. The wife, Xiangjia, said both families agreed before marriage that their firstborn, regardless of gender, would take the mother's surname. But after their son's birth, her husband repeatedly demanded a change, arguing that children traditionally inherit their father's name, SCMP reported. Tensions escalated when Ms Xiangjia underwent surgery and returned home to find that her mother-in-law had unilaterally changed the child's name. Her husband also began calling their son by the new name. Frustrated, Ms Xiangjia suggested divorce, but her husband refused, claiming ownership of their house, car, and son. Since 1980, China's Marriage Law has allowed children to inherit either parent's surname. Though traditionally rare, maternal surnames are becoming more common.

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## The women of 'The White Lotus' check into Season 3 in Thailand

**World** Get ready to check into "The White Lotus" in Thailand for Season 3 — this time, sadly, there's no room for Jennifer Coolidge, who went overboard in the second season. With the absence of her fanfavorite character Tanya comes the opportunity for other characters to win over the audience, when it returns to screens on Sky and Vying for your love or loathing at the indulgent Thailand outpost is Michelle Monaghan's vacationing TV actor and Aimee Lou Wood's cool Brit. Natasha Rothwell is back as spa manager Belinda, herself a victim of Tanya's flighty financial ways in the first season. Blackpink's Lisa makes her acting debut as a resort employee. HBO this Sunday. As before, in Mike White's anthology series, the rich holidaymakers are unable to upgrade themselves away from the sense of menace that lurks around the landscaped hotel grounds. The cast? They're having a much

A nightmare stay is a dream job Monaghan cried when she found out she got the role of TV star Jaclyn."It was such a big deal and it's such an exciting opportunity," she explained, adding that she opened a bottle of Champagne to celebrate. As the show is popular, critically acclaimed and filmed in exotic locations, Monaghan, who recently featured in Apple TV+'s "Bad Monkey," agrees that starring in White's prestige drama is "hands down, no doubt about it" the best job on television.

tothwell agrees with her. She returns as Belinda, who worked at the Hawaii resort, home to Season 1."I don't know what I did in a previous life to deserve this, but I'm so grateful to be a part of this family," Rothwell says. Viewers told Rothwell that they were mad at the affluent Tanya for not investing in Belinda's dreams in the first season. The actor attributes this enthusiastic fandom to the show's initial release during the coronavirus-related lockdowns. "That's what people wanted at a time when the world was at a standstill," she says. "It gave people a chance to sort of imagine and dream and watch the world of



vacationing and seeing the underbelly of it.

There was a bit of jet lag

Not all the of cast found seven months away from home easy. Wood, who previously starred in Netflix's "Sex Education," says that living and working on location got "very claustrophobic."

'Usually you wrap and you go home. But it was like, wrap ... and then I would walk five steps to my little room. And then I'd be having breakfast in the morning and be like, 'Hi,' to all the crew that walking past," she explains. Looking back on it now, she

treasures the experience before she finally went home to "remember" who she was. "It's like 'The Truman Show," she joked.Rothwell's struggles were less existential, centering instead on the reptilian extras. Her character is half-guest and half-staff, in Thailand on a work trip to learn new rejuvenation techniques to take back to Hawaii."I'm very delicate when it comes to green, slimy things. So I had to tap into

Belinda's approach to peace and calm and meditation when I would see those little guys," says Rothwell, who created and starred in "How to Die Alone."

Thailand gets top billing

Each season, the cast ventures to a new White Lotus resort in vacation hot spots. This time, along with the scene-stealing monkeys (and reptiles), Thailand itself gets more of a storyline than Hawaii or Sicily did in the first two seasons.

Monaghan says that the characters (and therefore the cast) got to explore on a sightseeing tour:

## No kings on Presidents Day' rings out from protests against Trump, Elon Musk

BOSTON. Protesters against President Donald Trump and his policies braved frigid temperatures in parts of the U.S. Monday, shouting "No kings on Presidents Day" in East Coast cities and attempting to enter the Arizona Statehouse to oppose a bill that would bolster fast-changing federal immigration enforcement.In Florida and California, local media outlets reported on hundreds of protesters carrying out "Not my Presidents Day" protests. The "No Kings" theme was orchestrated by the 50501 movement, and marked the second set of protests crisscrossing the nation in less than two weeks. A similar nationwide event on Feb. 5 drew participants in dozens of cities. Both sets of rallies denounced Trump and billionaire adviser Elon Musk, the leader of Trump's new Department of Government Efficiency, an outside-government organization designed to slash federal spending. Nearly 1,000 people marched in the snow from the Statehouse in Boston to City Hall, chanting "Elon Musk has got to go" and

other slogans. The temperature was below freezing, with wind chills in the teens.Boston protesters, some dressed in Revolutionary War-style clothing, carried signs saying such things as "This is a Coup" and "Cowards Bow to Trump, Patriots Stand Up." One sign had a depiction of Uncle Sam saying "I Want You to Resist.""I thought it was important to be here on Presidents Day to demonstrate for what America stands for," said Emily Manning, 55, a Boston engineer who came to the rally with her two teenage sons. "American values are not the values of the plutocracy or the limited few rich people."Organizers of Monday's protests, which were focused on state capitals and major cities including Washington, D.C.; Orlando, Florida; and Seattle, said they were targeting anti-democratic and illegal actions of the Trump administration and its plutocratic allies."One sign at the rally that attracted hundreds in the nation's capital said, "Deport Musk Dethrone Trump."Many demonstrations were slated for cities where temperatures

were well below freezing as a polar vortex worked ts way across the country. The rallies followed a series of Trump executive orders and came just days after layoffs across federal agencies as part of an effort to reduce the government workforce. In Phoenix, hundreds of protestors gathered in front of the Capitol carrying signs reading "No Kings" and "Resist Fascism." Security barred protesters from entering the building after a few tried to get inside. Demonstrators were seeking access to a state Senate committee hearing on legislation that would require law enforcement officers across the state to support federal immigration policy.Protest organizer December Archer said her goal was to keep the event civil. She quickly came between someone trying to enter the Statehouse and a security guard who pushed the protestor back through the doorway."We're trying to make sure everything stays civil and stays respectable because again, we're here to make a statement not be the statement," Archer said.

## How Did Earth Become So Colourful? New Research Gives Us Some Clues

World Picture a primordial Earth: a world of muted browns, greys and greens. Fast forward to today, and Earth teems with a kaleidoscope of colours. From the stunning feathers of male peacocks to the vivid blooms of flowers, the story of how Earth became colourful is one of evolution. But how and why did this explosion of colour happen? Recent research is giving us clues into this part of Earth's narrative. The journey towards a colourful world began with the evolution of vision, which initially developed to distinguish light from dark over 600 million years ago. This ability probably arose in early organisms, like single-celled bacteria, enabling them to detect changes in their environment, such as the direction of sunlight. Over time, more sophisticated visual systems evolved and allowed organisms to perceive a broader spectrum of light. For example, trichromatic vision - the ability to

detect three distinct wavelengths such as red, green and blue - originated approximately 500-550 million years ago. This coincided with the "Cambrian explosion" (about 541 million years ago), which marked a rapid diversification of life, including the development of advanced sensory systems like vision. The first animals with trichromatic vision were arthropods (a group of invertebrates that includes insects, spiders and crustaceans). Trichromatic vision emerged 420-500 million years ago in vertebrates. This adaptation helped ancient animals to navigate their environments and detect predators or prey in ways that monochromatic vision could not. trilobites, extinct marine arthropods that roamed the seas over 500 million years ago, suggests they had compound eyes. This means eyes with multiple small lenses, each capturing a fraction of the visual field, which combine to form a mosaic

image. These eyes could detect multiple wavelengths, providing an evolutionary advantage in dim marine environments by enhancing the animal's visibility and motion  $detection. Lizard clinging \, onto \, tree$ 

Boyd's forest dragon blends in with its habitat. Jonathan Goldenberg, CC BY-NC-NDThe stage was set: organisms could see a colourful world before they became colourful themselves.

The first burst of conspicuous colour came from plants. Early plants began producing colourful fruits and flowers. such as red, yellow, orange, blue and purple, to attract animals to help plants with seed dispersal and pollination.

Analytical models based on present-day plant variation suggest that colourful fruits, which appeared roughly 300-377 million years ago, co-evolved with seed-dispersing animals, such as early relatives of mammals. Flowers and their pollinators emerged later, around

### DeepSeek to meet TikTok's fate Why countries are banning the ChatGPT challenger



World Chinese AI startup DeepSeek created ripples in the tech industry when it launched its ultra-cheap challenger to OpenAI's ChatGPT, getting millions of downloads within just weeks. After enjoying its fair share of stardom for being cheaper and a better answer to ChatGPT, Gemini and others, DeepSeek is now facing calls for ban over data privacy and national security concerns, reminding the world of the fate that TikTok met after unprecedented global success.

DeepSeek, which became the most downloaded app in the US to surpass ChatGPT, has been lauded for its speed, efficiency, and mighty reasoning skills. What's more interesting is it runs on less powerful chips than its US competitors. The company claims that those chips allow it to train its model for less than \$6 million, a fraction of what Google, OpenAI, and Meta are spending on training their models with top-of-the-line processors. But, the open source generative AI model has now landed in hot waters same concerns they had with another Chinese app

TikTok, a video-creating platform which turned many normal people into social media influencers and stars even bigger than movie celebrities, has faced a similar ban in India and other countries over security concerns. A decision on its future in the United States is pending after President Donald Trump ordered a 75day pause on the ban's enforcement to determine if he could work out a deal to have ByteDance, TikTok's parent company, divest from the app. Countries like Taiwan, Canada, Pakistan, New Zeland have either banned the app or restricted its useDejavu for China! South Korea on Monday announced that it is banning the Chinese alternative to ChatGPT over national security concerns.

CONCERNS OVER DEEPSEEK

National security: Countries that consider DeepSeek ban have raised national security concerns over fears that its AI models could be used by the Chinese government to spy on people in their countries, learn proprietary secrets, and wage influence campaigns. Data privacy: There are concerns over data collection as well. The company's privacy policy states that it automatically collects a slew of input data from its users, including IP addresses and keystroke patterns, and may use that to train their models. Users personal information is stored in "secure servers located in the People's Republic of China," the policy reads."DeepSeek could pose a greater threat to national security than TikTok", said Allie Mellen, a senior analyst with Forrester.

## Delta jet flips upside down while landing on snowy Toronto runway; all 80 onboard survive; 17 suffer minor injuries

its roof while landing Monday at Toronto's Pearson Airport, but all 80 people on board survived and those hurt had relatively minor injuries, the airport's chief executive said. Snow was being blown by winds gusting to 40 mph (65 kph) when the flight from Minneapolis carrying 76 passengers and four crew attempted to land at around 2:15 p.m. Communications between the tower and pilot were normal on approach and it's not clear what went so drastically wrong when the plane touched down.

Canadian authorities held two rief news conferences but provided no details on the crash. Video posted to social media only showed the aftermath with the Mitsubishi CRJ-900LR overturned, the fuselage seemingly intact and firefighters dousing what was left of the fire as passengers climbed out and walked across the tarmac.

We are very grateful there was no loss of life and relatively minor injuries," Deborah Flint, CEO of Greater Toronto Airports Authority, told reporters. Toronto Pearson Fire Chief Todd Aitken said 18 passengers

were taken to the hospital. Earlier in the day, Ornge air ambulance said it was transporting one pediatric patient to Toronto's SickKids hospital and two injured adults to other hospitals in the city.Emergency personnel reached the plane within a few minutes and Aitken said the response "went as planned." He said "the runway was dry and there was no cross-wind conditions."The crash was the fourth major aviation accident in North America in the past three weeks. A commercial jetliner and an Army helicopter collided near Reagan National Airport in Washington, D.C., on Jan. 29, killing 67 people. A medical transportation plane crashed in Philadelphia on Jan. 31, killing the six people on board and another person on the ground. And on Feb. 6, 10 people were killed in a plane crash in Alaska. The last major crash at Pearson was on Aug. 2, 2005, when an Airbus A340 landing from Paris skidded off the runway and burst into flames amid stormy weather. All 309 passengers and crew aboard Air France



Flight 358 survived the crash.On Monday, Pearson was experiencing blowing snow and winds of 32 mph (51 kph) gusting to 40 mph (65 kph), according to the Meteorological Service of Canada. The temperature was about 16.5 degrees Fahrenheit (minus 8.6 degrees Celsius).

The Delta flight was cleared to land at about 2:10 p.m. Audio recordings show the control tower warned the pilots of a possible air flow "bump" on the approach. 'It sounds to me like a controller trying to be helpful, meaning the wind is going to give

. . .

you're going to be up and down through the glide path," said John Cox, CEO of aviation safety consulting firm Safety Operating Systems in St. Petersburg, Florida."So it was windy. But the airplanes are designed and certified to handle that," Cox said. "The pilots are trained and experienced to handle that."The plane came to a rest at the intersection of Runways 23 and 15L, not far from the start of the runway. Just after the crash, tower controllers spoke

with the crew of a medical helicopter that had just left Pearson and was returning to help."Just so you're aware, there's people outside walking around the aircraft there,' a controller said."Yeah, we've got it. The aircraft is upside down and burning," the medical helicopter pilot responded.Cox, who flew for U.S. Air for 25 years and has worked on U.S. National Transportation Safety Board investigations, said the CRJ-900 aircraft is a proven aircraft that's been in service for decades and does a good job of handling inclement weather.

## India, Qatar Strengthen Strategic Ties with **Key Deals and Visionary Collaboration**

development for India-Qatar relations, both nations have decided to elevate their ties to a Strategic Partnership, focusing on areas including trade, energy, investments, innovation, technology, food security, culture, and peopleto-people connections. This move was confirmed during a high-level delegation talk between Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Amir of Qatar, Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al-Thani, held in New Delhi. The leaders also exchanged views on regional and global matters of mutual interest.

During the talks, two crucial Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) were signed, aimed at bolstering the strategic partnership between India and Qatar. These agreements focus on the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion on



income taxes. The MoUs were exchanged in the presence of both leaders, with key officials from both sides, including India's External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal, and National Security Advi-

sor Aiit Doval, in attendance. Earlier in the day, a ceremonial welcome was extended to the Amir of Qatar at the forecourt of Rashtrapati Bhawan, where President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Modi, and several Union Ministers were present. The visit also witnessed the

signing of two additional MoUs aimed at enhancing business and investment collaboration. These agreements were signed by Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal and his Qatari counterpart, Sheikh Faisal bin Thani bin Faisal Al Thani, in the presence of key stakeThe MoUs were exchanged between the Qatari Businessmen Association and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), as well as between Invest Qatar and Invest

Addressing the India-Qatar Business Forum, Minister Goyal emphasized that the future of India-Qatar relations would be anchored in sustainability, technology, entrepreneurship, and energy. He pointed out that the evolving landscape of trade and business is moving beyond traditional energy exchanges, with emerging sectors such as artificial intelligence, the Internet of Things (IoT), quantum computing, and semiconductors becoming increasingly prominent.

Minister Goyal also highlighted the investment potential within India, emphasizing that ongoing reforms across

various sectors have significantly improved the ease of doing business. "India today provides an oasis of stability, predictability, and continuity," he remarked. He further stressed that collaboration between India and Oatar could help align the two countries visions—India's Viksit Bharat 2047 and Qatar's National Vision 2030-to foster greater prosperity for their people.

In his remarks, Qatar's Commerce and Industry Minister Sheikh Faisal bin Thani bin Faisal Al Thani extended an invitation to Indian investors and entrepreneurs to tap into Qatar's growing economic opportunities.

The strengthening of bilateral ties between India and Qatar, underscored by these agreements and discussions, promises to foster closer cooperation and unlock new avenues for collaboration across diverse sectors

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#### Mamata Banerjee Calls "Mahakumbh" is "Mrityu Kumbh," Slams BJP Over Stampede



Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee criticized the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)-led government in Uttar Pradesh over the recent stampede during the ongoing Maha Kumbh, calling it a "Mrityu Kumbh" or "Death

In a scathing remark, Banerjee expressed her concern over the lack of proper planning and safety measures at the religious gathering.

"I have immense respect for the holy Ganges and Maha Kumbh," Banerjee stated, but she added, "There was no planning at all. So many people died this time."

The stampede, which took place in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh, resulted in the deaths of at least 30 people last month. The Maha Kumbh, the largest religious gathering in the world, is ongoing and will continue until February 26.

Banerjee further criticized the BJP government for making inadequate arrangements for the general public, while allegedly allowing the rich and VIPs to access separate tents by paying Rs. 1 lakh. "During a large public gathering, a stampede-like incident can happen, but did you make proper arrangements for the event?" she asked.

In response, the BJP defended the Maha Kumbh and accused Banerjee of attacking one of Hinduism's most revered pilgrimages. Amit Malviya, the BJP IT Cell chief, wrote on X, claiming that Banerjee's remarks reflected a "deep-seated contempt" for India's cultural and religious traditions. "By calling the sacred Maha Kumbh Mrityu Kumbh, she has launched a deliberate attack on one of Hinduism's most revered pilgrimages," Malviya stated.

Malviya also accused Banerjee of hypocrisy, claiming she appeases one community while displaying disdain for Hindu festivals and traditions.

The tragic incident in Prayagraj has raised concerns about safety at large public events, especially with another deadly stampede occurring at New Delhi Railway Station, where at least 18 people lost their lives as crowds gathered to board trains for Prayagraj.

#### Delhi's New CM to Take Oath on 20th Feb. at Ramlila Maidan

New Delhi: The newly elected Chief Minister of Delhi will take the oath of office on Thursday in a grand ceremony at the iconic Ramlila Maidan. The event will be attended by top Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leaders, ministers, and party allies, as well as a host of other dignitaries.

Reports indicate that the BJP is sparing no effort to make the ceremony a monumental occasion, marking the party's return to power in the national capital after 26 years. The event will begin at 4:30 p.m., with a musical program set to precede the swearing-in. Renowned singer Kailash Kher is expected to perform during the festivities.

The grand gathering will also include Chief Ministers and Deputy Chief Ministers from 20 states, along with diplomats from major countries. BJP leaders and workers who campaigned in Delhi's recent elections are also invited, along with over 50 film stars and prominent industrialists. In addition to political figures, farmers from Delhi, beneficiaries of central government schemes, and common citizens of Delhi are expected to be present at the event. Religious leaders such as Baba Ramdev, Swami Chidananda,

and Baba Bageshwar Dhirendra Shastri will also attend. Despite the high-profile nature of the ceremony, the identity of the new Chief Minister remains unclear. A delay in the decision was attributed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's international visits to France and the US. Even after his return, there has been no official announcement regarding the

appointment. Parvesh Verma, son of former Delhi Chief Minister Saheb Singh Verma, is seen as the leading contender for the top post. However, sources indicate that the list of potential candidates includes around 15 names, with nine individuals expected to be chosen for the cabinet, including the Chief

on Wednesday to select their leader. In the Delhi assembly elections earlier this month, the BJP made a significant comeback, securing 48 of the 70 seats, while the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) was relegated to just 22 seats.

#### **Gyanesh Kumar Appointed as New Chief Election Commissioner of India**



New Delhi: Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar has been appointed as the new Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) of India, replacing Rajiv Kumar, whose term ends on Tuesday. Kumar, a 1988-batch IAS officer from Kerala, is the first CEC appointed under the new law, the Chief Election Commissioner and Other Election Commissioners (Appointment, Conditions of Service, and Term of Office) Act, 2023

As the senior-most commissioner on the three-member panel, Kumar will oversee upcoming elections, including the Bihar Assembly elections later this year and those in Bengal, Assam, and Tamil Nadu next year. His appointment follows a meeting between Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, and Opposition Leader Rahul Gandhi to select a successor.

While the Congress party raised objections over the law under which Kumar was appointed, citing a pending Supreme Court case, the Centre proceeded with the appointment. The Supreme Court is set to hear the matter on February 22.

Kumar's appointment is in line with the new law that involves a committee led by the Law Minister for shortlisting candidates, with final approval from a panel consisting of the Prime Minister, Leader of Opposition, and a Cabinet Minister. The Congress has challenged this process, arguing it undermines the neutrality of the selection panel by including a Cabinet Minister instead of the Chief Justice.

#### **ISM Organizes Cybersecurity Awareness** Session for Faculty, Staff, and Students

Dhanbad: IIT (ISM) Dhanbad conducted a Cybersecurity Awareness Session today at the Golden Jubilee Lecture Theatre, aimed at raising awareness about cybersecurity threats and best practices.

The session, led by Rajesh Mishra, Chief Information Security Officer at SBI Pension Fund, emphasized the shared responsibility of cybersecurity and offered tips on using strong passwords, avoiding untrusted links, refraining from public Wi-Fi for business, and monitoring bank statements. The event, attended by faculty, staff, and students, was part of a broader initiative that also includes an ongoing workshop on Cryptography and Network Security.

Mishra led a session on AI and ML in cybersecurity and Wireshark configuration as part of the workshop, which began on February 12, 2025.

Earlier, a technical session on Security Log Configuration for servers and devices was also conducted for students.

## Rahul Slams Appointment of Gyanesh Kumar as CEC, **Accuses Modi Govt of Violating SC Order**

New Delhi: Rahul Gandhi, Leader of Opposition and Congress MP, has sharply criticized the appointment of Gyanesh Kumar as the new Chief Election Commissioner (CEC), accusing the Modi government of flouting a Supreme Court ruling and removing the Chief Justice of India from the selection panel.

In a lengthy post on the social media platform X, Rahul Gandhi stated, "During the selection committee meeting for the next Election Commissioner, I submitted a dissent note to the Prime Minister and Home Minister, highlighting that the key element of an independent Election Commission, free from political interference, is the process of selecting the Election Commissioner and Chief Election Commissioner." He went on to say, "By disregarding the Supreme Court's order and excluding the Chief Justice of India from the committee,

the Modi government has

deepened the concerns of



millions of voters about the credibility of our electoral process."

Gandhi reaffirmed his responsibility as Leader of Opposition, saying, "As the LoP, it is my duty to uphold the values championed by Babasaheb Ambedkar and our nation's founding leaders and hold the government accountable."

He also criticized the timing of the decision, adding, "It is both disrespectful and inconsiderate for the PM and HM to have made a midnight decision to appoint the new CEC, while the very structure of the committee and the process are under challenge in the Supreme Court, which is

scheduled to hear the matter in less than forty-eight

Gyanesh Kumar, a senior IAS officer from Kerala (1988 batch), replaces Rajiv Kumar as Chief Election Commissioner. Kumar will oversee key upcoming elections, including the Bihar Assembly elections later this year, as well as elections in West Bengal, Assam, and Tamil Nadu next year.

Kumar's appointment is the first under the new Chief Election Commissioner and Other Election Commissioners (Appointment, Conditions of Service, and Term of Office) Act, 2023. The law requires a comdates, with a final decision made by a panel consisting of the Prime Minister, Leader of the Opposition, and a Cabinet Minister. This new law is currently being contested in the Supreme Court, with concerns that including a Cabinet Minister in the selection committee, rather than the Chief Justice of India, compromises the neutrality of the process. Despite objections from the Congress party, which urged postponement of the meeting until after the Supreme Court hearing, the government proceeded with the appointment. Congress emphasized that their legal team also supported this request for de-

Traditionally, the President of India appoints the Chief Commissioner Election based on the advice of the Prime Minister, with the appointee being the seniormost of the two remaining Election Commissioners.

## Harsh Nath Mishra Honored with Top HK Innovator

Ranchi: Harsh Nath Mishra, Director (Personnel) of Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), has been honored with the prestigious "Top HR Innovator" Award for his outstanding contributions to Human Resource Management (HR) at the World HRD Congress in Mumbai.

This recognition celebrates his visionary leadership, innovative approach, and dedication to excellence in HR practices.

Under Mishra's leadership,



CCL has implemented several groundbreaking initiatives in HR and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), fostering an inclusive and empowering work culture while making a significant social impact. His efforts

have focused on employee empowerment, leadership development, skill enhancement, and creating a positive workplace environment.

Additionally, CCL has made significant strides in CSR, implementing programs in

education, healthcare, skill development, and women's empowerment, benefiting marginalized communities. Shri Mishra's leadership has propelled CCL to new heights, setting benchmarks in HR management and sustainable development.

This award is a testament to Mishra's unwavering commitment to innovation and his influential role in shaping the future of CCL, advancing both organizational growth and social well-be-

## Minister and the Assembly Speaker. The 48 newly elected BJP MLAs are scheduled to meet

## Dummy Schooling: A Silent Threat to Educational System & Students' Future

- by Dr. A. S. Gangwar

Education is not merely about acquiring bookish knowledge or securing high scores in examinations. True education finds its essence in the holistic development of a student, nurturing intellectual, physical, mental and moral growth. Schools, as the primary sanctuaries of learning, serve as the cornerstone for this comprehensive development. They are not merely centers of instruction but temples of wisdom, where educators shape the character and future of the nation through their students. However, the emergence of "dummy schooling" — a deceitful practice driven by the lure of monetary gains - poses a grave and disheartening threat to this noble mission. What is even more alarming is the obliviousness of students and parents to the long-term damage caused by this practice.

A recent incident involving a JEE Mains topper who had been associated with a school

whose affiliation had already been revoked underscores the severity of this issue. Such cases spotlight the growing menace of dummy schooling, demanding immediate and collective action to safeguard the integrity of our educational

#### Judiciary's Firm Stance on **Fraudulent Practices**

Dummy schools are steadily eroding the foundation of our educational system. If left unchecked, this malpractice may catalyze an irreversible decline in the quality of education. Recognizing this imminent threat, the Delhi HC recently directed stringent action against dummy schools operating in the capital. The court unequivocally categorized dummy schooling as 'fraud' and instructed the state government and the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) to launch thorough investigations into these activities. The court highlighted a critical concern: dummy schools not only contravene

#### established educational norms but also violate CBSE's mandatory 75% attendance rule. Such practices unfairly disadvantage students attending regu-

lar schools, particularly when seeking admission to prestigious engineering, medical and other professional institutions through state quotas. This judicial intervention serves as a stark reminder that educational integrity cannot be compromised for short-term gains.

#### Parental Accountability: A **Critical Factor** The proliferation of dummy

schooling is not solely attributable to unscrupulous educational institutions; parents, too, share a significant portion of the blame. In their relentless pursuit of academic success for their children — especially in competitive exams like JEE and NEET — many parents actively encourage this malDummy schools, in essence, act as intermediaries between students and coaching centers. Students are enrolled in these schools, but instead of attending regular classes, they spend their time exclusively at coaching institutes. This distorted approach to education deprives children of essential life skills, emotional intelligence and extracurricular development. Alarmingly, several schools across the country

charge exorbitant fees for facilitating such arrangements. For instance, schools with a standard annual fee of Rs. 60,000 often charge up to Rs. 90,000 for allowing students to skip regular classes in favor of coaching sessions.

Such practices reduce education to a mere rat race for competitive success, undermining the very essence of learning. Parents must introspect and realize that genuine academic excellence is rooted in wellrounded development rather than rote memorization and exam-centric preparation.

#### The Perils of Dummy Schooling: Beyond the Classroom

Education is a multidimensional journey that transcends textbooks and examinations. Regular schooling plays a pivotal role in nurturing creativity, emotional intelligence, social skills and resilience — qualities that are indispensable for success in both personal and professional spheres. Schools provide an environment where students engage in sports,

music, art, drama and various co-curricular activities, which collectively shape their personalities and foster critical life

Dummy schooling, by sidelining these integral aspects of education, produces individuals who may excel in exams but often lack adaptability, emotional maturity, and interpersonal skills. The repercussions of this educational myopia are profound, potentially hindering the intellectual and emotional growth of an entire generation.

#### Awareness and Collective Action: The Need of the Hour

The fight against dummy schooling necessitates a collaborative effort involving educational institutions, policymakers, parents and students. CBSE's recent crackdown on over 300 dummy schools across the country is a commendable step in this direction. However, regulatory actions alone cannot resolve the issue; widespread awareness is equally crucial. Parents must

recognize the long-term disadvantages of dummy schooling and prioritize their children's holistic development over the fleeting satisfaction of high exam scores.

#### Reclaiming the True Essence of Education

Education, in its truest form, is an empowering force that shapes individuals into well-rounded, conscientious citizens. The alarming rise of dummy schooling threatens to undermine this foundation, reducing education to a mechanical process of exam preparation.

As stakeholders in this educational journey, we must collectively resist this malpractice and reaffirm our commitment to authentic, holistic learning. Let us remember: schools are temples of wisdom, not factories of marks. By safeguarding the integrity of our educational institutions today, we secure a brighter, more enlightened tomorrow for our children and our nation.

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## Security of 20 Shinde Sena MLAs slashed as Mahayuti tussle intensifies: Sources

The Y-security cover for these 20 MLAs was provided after their defection from the Uddhav Thackeray-led Shiv Sena in 2022, which eventually led to the fall of the Maha Vikas Aghadi government.

Mumbai. Amid speculation of a widening rift within Maharashtra's ruling Mahayuti alliance, the Home Department under Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis has withdrawn the Y-security cover for as many as 20 MLAs of the Eknath Shinde-led Shiv Sena, sources said. While the



security cover for some MLAs from the BJP and the Ajit Pawar-led NCP has also been reduced, the number is much less than those from the Shiv Sena. This move is being seen as part of the Fadnavisled government's initiative to curb the misuse of state resources. Sources said the Y-security cover was granted to these MLAs as an additional perk, despite not being ministers. It was provided to these MLAs after their defection from the Uddhav Thackeray-led Shiv Sena in 2022, which eventually led to the fall



of the Maha Vikas Aghadi government.

This decision is likely to intensify the ongoing tensions between the Shinde Sena and the BJP, with the latest move being perceived as a strategic manoeuvre by Fadnavis to assert his authority.

Taking a dig at the apparent discord among the ruling allies, months after securing a thumping win in the Assembly polls, Sena (UBT) MP Priyanka Chaturvedi tweeted, "Mahayuti celebrating valentine The standoff between the BJP and the Shinde Sena, which began over guardian minister posts for Raigad and Nashik -- an issue still unresolved, has spilled on to other areas as well.

Last month, before leaving for the World Economic Forum summit in Davos, Fadnavis named NCP's Tatkare (Shrivardhan) as Raigad's Guardian Minister. This, however, did not sit well with Shinde, already sulking at being denied the Chief Minister's post.Shinde wanted a leader from his party for the post as the Shiv Sena wields considerable influence in the district. However, Tatkare's appointment was withheld in an apparent bid to pacify Shinde.

Sources said Shinde also seems to be avoiding sharing the stage with Fadnavis. Last month, Shinde skipped a meeting of the Nashik Metropolitan Regional Development Authority called by Fadnavis. He was also absent at the inauguration ceremony of Pimpri-Chinchwad Police Commissionerate.

## **Shashi Tharoor Deletes Post** Calling CPI(M) "Cannibals" **Amid Ongoing Row**

Thiruvananthapuram. Amid ongoing controversy over his article praising the Left government in Kerala, Congress Working Committee (CWC) member and MP Shashi Tharoor on Monday withdrew a poster, reportedly from the KPCC, that he had shared on his Facebook page, which referred to the CPI(M) as "cannibals".

Hours after sharing the controversial poster commemorating Kripesh and Sarathlal, the Youth Congress workers who were killed in Periya in Kasaragod district, by CPI(M) workers five years ago, Mr Tharoor made another post, sharing their photos but without any reference to the CPI(M). The deleted poster had featured the photos of the two Youth Congress workers and read: "Our brothers who were murdered by

CPI(M) cannibals." In the replacement post, alongside the victims' photos, the Thiruvananthapuram MP wrote: "I bow in tribute to the memories of Sarath Lal and Kripesh. In a democratic political system, we must remember that violence can never be



a solution to differences in opinion." The development comes as he has been under attack from the rank and file of the Congress in Kerala for his article praising the state's entrepreneurial growth under the Left government.

As the controversy over Mr Tharoor's article continued, KPCC chief K Sudhakaran said that he had spoken directly to the MP and given him "good advice." "Individuals can have their own opinions, but the party decides its official stance," Mr Sudhakaran told reporters in Kasaragod, responding to a question about Mr Tharoor's article.

When asked about certain leaders' demanding Mr Tharoor to step down from the CWC, Mr Sudhakaran said: "Let the party decide." "It is up to the high command to make that decision. The party is in the hands of capable leaders. There is no rebellion within the Congress," he added.

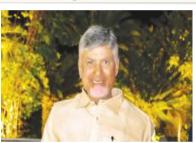
## Rs 6 lakh crore temple economy drives india's growth: Andhra Chief Minister

New Delhi. Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu He stressed that donations made by underscored the significance of India's temple economy, valuing it at Rs 6 lakh crore and calling it the country's largest economic activity. Speaking at the International Temples Convention and Expo (ITCX) in Tirupati on Monday, Naidu highlighted how templerelated activities run year-round, making them a continuous driver of economic growth.

"With India's temple economy valued around Rs 6 lakh crore, I can say that compared to any other economic activity, this is the biggest. It happens 365 days a year—temple darshan or temple town activities. That is the biggest activity. We are all involved in it," he said.

devotees must be used in line with their aspirations. "There is no doubt about it; any government has to abide by and do justice to this," he asserted. This focus on governance and transparency was reflected in his praise for ITCX, which he said promotes AI-driven solutions, fintech, ethical donations, sustainability, security, and financial accountability—aligning with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Viksit Bharat-2047 vision for national development.

Despite advocating for technological integration in temple management, Naidu made it clear that technology could never replace faith.



"Technology is one thing, and God is another. There is no replacement for God... we are all instrumental and ultimately, we have to depend on God. At the same time, we must do our duty," he stated. Shifting focus to India's economic trajectory, Naidu lauded Modi as "the right leader for India at the right time," predicting that the country would become the

world's third-largest economy by 2029 and could claim the top spot by 2047. He also expressed confidence that Indians would emerge as the most influential global community. As part of his vision, Naidu proposed

building Lord Venkateswara Swamy temples in every state capital and in every country with a Hindu population. He noted that Andhra Pradesh alone manages 27,000 temples and sees an annual footfall of 21 crore pilgrims, the highest in the country. The event saw the participation of Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis and Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant, highlighting the national relevance of temple-driven economic

## 'Accusations Or Unparliamentary **Conduct Cannot Solve Problems': UP CM Adityanath**

New Delhi. Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Tuesday expressed hope that the opposition, frustrated by electoral defeat, would not disrupt the Budget Session but rather contribute positively to the smooth conduct of legislative proceedings. Speaking to reporters ahead of the start of the Budget Session (2025-26), Adityanath said the governor's address and the presentation of the budget are crucial events where every member, including the opposition, can put forth their views effectively.

The chief minister assured that the government is fully prepared to respond factually to any issue the opposition raises. He said that the assembly should serve as a platform for meaningful discussions rather than being marred

by baseless accusations or unruly conduct. Adityanath expressed confidence that the governor's address would mark the beginning of a disciplined and

constructive

approach from the opposition.

"We hope to see the opposition and all members conduct themselves in a manner that strengthens public faith in democratic values," he said.

The chief minister stated that the session would commence with the governor's address followed by discussions on it. The Uttar Pradesh Budget for 2025-26 will be presented on February 20.He said that the session, scheduled from February 18 to March 5, would cover key legislative business, including the passage of the state budget, deliberations on grants, and discussions on public welfare and development issues. Adityanath highlighted that rarely in Uttar Pradesh's history has the assembly been convened for such an extended duration. He stressed that ensuring the smooth conduct of proceedings is not just the ruling party's responsibility but also that of the opposition."The House should be a platform for discussion and debate," he asserted. The chief minister also pointed out the significant transformation in Uttar Pradesh's perception on a national and global scale under the BJP-led double-engine government over the past eight

## Congress's big rejig with Rahul Gandhi's imprint after Assembly poll setbacks

The Congress appointed new in-charges of 13 states and four Union Territories (Uts), two state presidents and two new general secretaries in a major organisational reshuffle following setbacks in the Assembly polls in Haryana, Maharashtra and Delhi.

**New Delhi.** After biting the dust in the Assembly polls in Haryana, Maharashtra and Delhi, the Congress has undergone a major organisational reshuffle, bearing the imprint of party MP Rahul Gandhi and his core pitch of social justice. The party has appointed new in-charges of 13 states and four Union Territories (UTs), two state presidents and two new general secretaries in the recent rejig, clearly indicating that the handpicked people by the high command have got prominence.

Apart from this, a major emphasis has been to bring in people who have experience of building organisational structures from scratch.

#### REPRESENTATION FROM SCs, STs, OBCs, **MINORITIES**

The core plank of Rahul Gandhi - ensuring proportional representation to SCs/STs/OBCs/minorities - is seen in the rejig of Similarly, out of nine new states in-charges, three



the Congress's organisational structure. Out of two newly-appointed general secretaries, Syed Naseer Hussein is a Muslim face from Karnataka, while the other one is prominent OBC leader and former Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh

are from the OBCs - Harish Chaudhary, Ajay Kumar Lallu and BK Hariprasad. One belongs to the Scheduled Caste category - K Raju, while another is from the tribal background - Saptagiri Ulaka. The recent two appointments of two state unit presidents also amplify similar sentiments -Maharashtra Congress President Harshwardhan Sapkal, an OBC, and Odisha Congress chief Bhakt Charan Das, a Dalit face.

According to party insiders, with the new appointments, the party's decision-making mechanism now has over 70 per cent representation from the marginalised sections. This is in sync with the Udaipur Declaration, which advocates for reservation of party's posts for such sections. Many leaders believe that this social composition in the organisation will give sharpness to Congress's attacks on the BJP-led

## BJP condemns Karnataka government over delays in guarantee scheme payouts

The BJP accused the Karnataka government of a financial crisis over delayed Gruha Lakshmi and Anna Bhagya scheme payments, while the **Congress insisted** that funds will be released soon and denied any major lapses.

New Delhi. The Karnataka government's delay in releasing funds for the Gruha Lakshmi and Anna Bhagya schemes has the BJP attacking the Congress alleging a financial crisis in the state. The Congress, however, dismissed any major lapses.Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar dismissed allegations of a funds crunch, calling them a "bunch of lies". He insisted that government collections do not happen overnight and that year-end revenue is coming in as expected. "When the government gets money, we will release it. The government has the funds, and there are no issues," he said. On Anna Bhagya, he asserted that only the media and BJP were raising concerns, while beneficiaries had no complaints. "The money is pending for two to three months, but it will be released this month," he assured. Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa, on the other hand, admitted to a delay but rejected claims of a prolonged backlog. "There are no outstanding payments for four or five months; only two months' payment is pending, and even that will be cleared now. We have been disbursing funds once every two months, but going forward, we will ensure monthly



payments. If the opposition criticises us, it means we are doing our job properly," he said. Union Minister Pralhad Joshi, however, countered the claim, alleging that payments had been withheld for five months. "As far as I know, in lieu of ration reimbursements, the government has not been paying people for the last five months. Lakshmi funds have also not been released for three to four months, and this has now become a pattern for the entire government," he said during his visit to Dharwad district.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah defended the

government, stating that there was "no question of stopping the schemes." He said he was not aware of payments being pending for three months and would verify the details.BJP MLC Ravi Kumar hit back, alleging that the government was struggling financially and unable to fulfil its guarantee scheme commitments. "I want to make it clear that the government has no money left. The state was supposed to provide five kilos of ration every other month, but it has stopped because of a lack of funds. Meanwhile, the central government continues to provide five kilos of rice every month," he said. He also claimed that faculty members in high schools and junior colleges had not been paid for four to five months due to the financial crunch.Kumar further alleged that nearly Rs 1 crore in Gruha Lakshmi payments remained pending for beneficiaries, adding that the government was now contemplating tax hikes to bridge the shortfall. "They are thinking about increasing taxes on electricity, drinking water, milk, and other essential items due to a lack of funds. The budget in March will certainly include tax hikes," he predicted.

## **BJP** claims Karnataka government has no funds left

- -Congress says welfare payments will be cleared soon **"Political battle** intensifies over
- guarantee scheme delays

## Being a soldier's wife

Last weekend was my birthday, February 8. It also happens to be the month of love, the Valentine's month. It seemed to be the perfect day to offer this tribute of true love to my husband, the late Brig LS Lidder, who lost his life in the CDS chopper crash in December 2021. The tribute was in the form of a book, straight from my heart.

The book is titled 'I Am a Soldier's Wife'. Well, we got married in 1996 and I have been a soldier's wife since that glorious day... but these words were spoken right after the last rites of my husband, when I was asked by the media, and I said, "I am a soldier's wife, I must give him a smiling sendoff." Never ever have I felt this more profoundly that I need to be the soldier's wife than at that time, when the soldier was gone. This has started on a serious note, so does the book. It starts with the day when we lost him along with the others in the crash. However, like the subtitle of the book — 'The life and love of Toni Lidder' – the book is merely that. An eternal romantic at heart, I love love stories. My own is my favourite. The book is a simple story of true love — a life well lived with precious memories and moments. I always believed that Toni was special. It was after he went that I realised that he was so special to so many people... and that gave me reason to recall and record my life with him. It is a simple, no-fuss book. In fact, you will find yourself in any of the chapters. It is like the Jane and John next door. They are all relatable to any couple, especially the Army ones, for it has glimpses of life as it passes us by, station to station, box to box. Remember, I said the life and love of Toni Lidder, nowhere did I say loss. Yes, we lost him in the physical form, but three years after that day, I can say that he is always with me. These years have taught me that love may not mean togetherness. How else can you explain Radha-Krishna, or Meera-Krishna... true love is faith and devotion, something I can never be short of where Toni was concerned. True love is in the form of Nandi, who has patience, complete surrender and faith as he waits at the door of the Shiv temple, unquestioning about the appearance of the lord. True love is in the form of Hanuman, who is pleased only by the mere mention of Ramji... do you know how many times you say Ram when you chant the Hanuman Chalisa? So, love is independent of physical presence. These analogies are only to justify my faith in the universe and the plan it has for everyone.

We barely ever had an argument and I would tease him — "I love you and you love you!" When we were courting, his coursemates used to say: "Geetika talks like Lakhy. In fact, she says something and looks towards him for validation.' When we got married, I was told by many elders of the paltan — "Humara sabse honhaar beta hai", until one day, our CO's wife told one of them: "Woh jaisa hai, yeh bilkul vaisi hai...." That was music to my ears.

Within 12 hours of his passing, I told myself, if I break down and shatter into pieces, it'll be pieces of him all around, so I have to collect him within me now and reflect him within me — heaven knows it that I have tried my best to live with that spirit of the soldier within me. He and his memories have ensured that I continue to live in the way that would make him proud, befitting of the Lidder way! He taught Aashna and me to grab moments, make them memories and live a life of meaning, purpose and gratitude. We continue to do that as well as we can. Yes, I have to reset my mind to think of a tomorrow without him in it, but the love we had will keep me warm forever. That love comes to Aashna and me in the form of all our friends who envelop us with their love. The purpose to each day comes from the institution where I serve — Shri Ram School gives me identity and relevance and impacting the children each day in my own small way is a humbling feeling which I am eternally grateful for. AWWA and its outreach and dependability is something that never ceases to amaze me. AWWA president Sunita Dwivedi and all other members make me feel so loved, respected and held.

## A gaur-gantuan encounter in the Sahyadri reserve

We had a narrow escape when forest giant gaur attacked us in the Sahyadri Tiger Reserve

It happened on October 13, 2020, that unnerving encounter with one of those forest giants who I thought I had become quite familiar with. It happened in the Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, a little-known reserve in the northernmost frontiers of the Western Ghats. As part of my work with the Wildlife Conservation Trust (WCT), I have spent thousands of hours trekking through this beautiful landscape over the years. That morning was no different. It would be another usual survey for us. Or so we thought.We were staying at the Chandel Protection camp — five of us, a motley mix of forest staff and researchers. The morning started with the usual routine. There was a slight nip in the air that morning. Our team broke off into two. Along with forest guard Dynaneshwar Kale and forest watcher Krushna Wadan, I decided to survey an area reaching up to another camp called Siddheswar. It would be an hour's trek, up a slope, from the spot where we would park our vehicle in the forest.

The walk commenced as planned, and there onwards it was, as I said earlier, 'the usual' fare i.e. collecting data on animal signs as we came across fresh signs of gaur, wild pigs, multiple old droppings of dholes, and fresh scrape marks and scat of a leopard! Exciting,

yes, but nothing out of the ordinary for me by then. We reached Siddheswar as planned, without event.

Then, once at Siddheswar, on a whim, we decided to continue our trek a bit further to a place called Siddhtek, a small grassy knoll at the crest-line of the mountain from where one can get a bird's-eye view Oh, and another thing — when you emerge frothe Konkan region.

You can imagine the view. I always have thought of such views in the Sahyadri Tiger Reserve as my reward at the end of many an arduous trek.m the thick forests on to Siddhtek knoll, your phone buzzes incessantly! Yes, network coverage — that elusive elixir for all us researchers who spend most of our field stays completely cut off from mobile connectivity. When living in such remote camps inside the forests, the buzz of phone messages gives a long-lasting dopamine high, quite unlike the incessant and instant gratification we're used to in cities.

So, we walked. About 20 minutes into our ascent to

little solace to the victims' families. A Delhi court has

found Kumar guilty of murder in connection with the

killings of Jaswant Singh and his son Tarundeep Singh

of rioting, dacoity and other crimes. Yet, this verdict,

while significant, does little to erase the anguish of

those who have spent a lifetime fighting for

evade justice for decades. His political influence,



Siddhtek, everyone's phones started buzzing with messages, an indication that we were nearing the crest-line. However, since we were still on the survey, everyone desisted from viewing their phones. As we would soon find out, this proved to be a very sensible decision. We noted fresh hoof-marks of a gaur leading up along the trail. Since I was leading the walk, I momentarily stopped to look back and whisper to my teammates that we should tread carefully to the

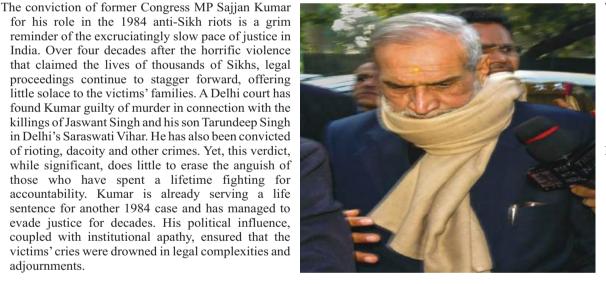
And then, it happened! No sooner had I whispered those words and turned back to look forward towards the trail, a huge gaur metamorphosed in front of us, barely 15m away, peering from the dense Karvi bush! In a matter of seconds, even before I could fully register what was happening, this bull charged at us at full throttle. His aim was clear — knock these intruders down! Involuntarily, I screamed to my teammates to jump to the side of the trail. We leaped immediately, almost mindlessly, even as the ground thundered under this gaur's hooves, almost as if a train engine

was hurtling towards us. They say when accidents happen, in that critical moment, time slows down almost like it does in those movies. In that moment, I realised what that felt. Time slowed down, and all I saw was this startled gaur speed past me with its massive horns, barely a few centimetres away from tearing through my flesh. And then, suddenly, that slow motion reel ended and there were sounds of great commotion and crash as the gaur, having missed his target, thankfully, sped away on the trail through the

My heart was almost bursting through my chest. I remember sitting on my knees to calm myself. The others were in a similar state. We had literally just dodged death, or severe injury, at the very least. No one said a word for a few minutes. Then, and some of you may find this to be strange, we burst into laughter. We were certain the gaur was as spooked as we were. We gathered our wits, took a breather and then forged ahead — after all, the stunning view and the scores of unread messages awaited us!

## Sajjan guilty

40 years after 1984 riots, it feels like injustice



The 1984 riots were not spontaneous acts of violence but a well-orchestrated pogrom enabled by political and police complicity. The involvement of prominent Congress leaders in inciting mobs was widely alleged, yet accountability was scarce. Investigative commissions were formed, cases were reopened, but convictions remained elusive. While Kumar's sentencing may appear as a step forward, it also underscores the systemic failures that allowed perpetrators to roam free for so long.

For survivors and their families, justice delayed is justice denied. Many have passed away waiting for closure, while others live with the trauma of reliving their loss every time a long-overdue conviction makes headlines. The judiciary's role in delivering justice is crucial, but without political will and institutional reform, such delayed verdicts serve as bitter reminders of how the system protects the powerful while failing

## **Universe: True essence of Buddhist practice**

The true heart of Buddhism lies in transformation of the mind

In my many years of sharing Buddhist teachings, I have often observed that people are drawn to the external practices of our tradition — the colourful ceremonies, the peaceful monasteries, and the rhythmic chants. While these aspects hold their own beauty and significance, I must emphasise that the true heart of Buddhism lies in something far more subtle: the transformation of the mind. Let me share with you why this is so essential. In their unique ways, all religions aim to help humans become better, more refined, and more creative. Some traditions emphasise prayer, others physical devotion. In Buddhism, we focus on the mind itself that ever-flowing stream of thoughts, emotions and consciousness that shapes our entire life experience.

Think of it this way: these actions are relatively straightforward when you move your hand or speak a word. You can see them, measure So, how do we train the mind? Let us consider a them, and correct them quickly. But the mind? Indeed, the mind can be challenging to control. It is subtle, quick, and often seems to have a will of its own. This is why mental transformation is both the most challenging and crucial aspect of spiritual practice. I am deeply heartened to see a growing interest in Buddhism worldwide. However, what matters most is not the spread of Buddhism as a religion, but the genuine understanding of its understanding, even the most elaborate temples or the most dedicated recitation of scriptures may miss the true purpose of Buddhist practice.Let me offer an example

from everyday life. Imagine someone walking around a temple, performing the traditional circumambulation. From the outside, it appears to be a perfect act of devotion. But what is happening in their mind? Perhaps they are chatting with a friend about mundane matters, simply passing time on a long day. Or, more troublingly, they might be harbouring thoughts of revenge, planning deception, or nurturing anger. In such cases, though the body moves in circles around the sacred space, the mind moves in circles around negativity. Similarly, one may recite the holiest of mantras, but harmful thoughts may consume their mind. The mouth speaks of compassion while the heart holds onto hatred. This is why I often say that actual Dharma practice — true spiritual practice takes place not in the monastery, but in the

adjournments.

common human experience: anger. Anger can feel overwhelming, akin to a fire that requires nourishment. In these moments, the practice of mind transformation begins. Instead of letting anger dictate your actions, pause. Reflect rationally on the situation. Consider that the person who has sparked your anger, just like you, wishes to be happy and free from suffering. They too have known pain, confusion, and the struggle to find peace.

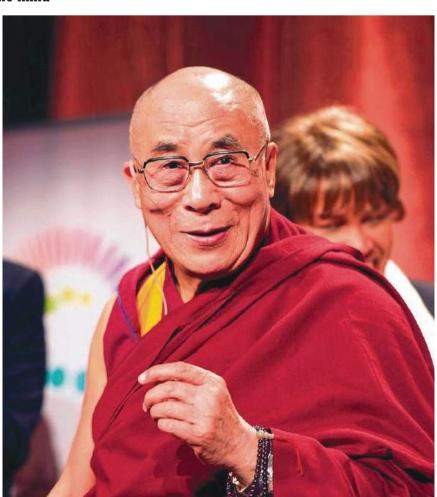
essential teachings. Without this Ask yourself, "If I claim to follow the path of Buddhism, if I begin each day with prayers for the welfare of all beings, how can I now harbour thoughts of harm? How can I face the teachings of compassion while nursing

grudges and plotting revenge?" This selfreflection is not about guilt or selfcondemnation but gentle, honest awareness. Through such contemplation, you can gradually dissolve harsh attitudes and angry feelings. Like ice melting in warm water, negativity naturally subsides when exposed to the warmth of compassionate understanding. In its place, gentleness and kindness can arise naturally, born from the wisdom that sees the fundamental interconnectedness of all beings.

This is the true meaning of Dharma practice not the external actions, but the internal transformation. When the mind is filled with virtuous thoughts, there is no room for negativity. It is like turning on a light in a dark room — the darkness cannot persist in the presence of light.

Remember, even seemingly negative situations can yield positive results when approached with a mind of kindness and wisdom. This is the profound potential of mind transformation. It is not about suppressing our thoughts or forcing ourselves to be 'good'. Instead, it is about cultivating a more profound understanding that naturally leads to compassionate action.

As you practice this transformation, be patient with yourself. The mind's habits are deep and formed over many years, but they can be changed through consistent, gentle effort. This is the journey of Buddhist practice — not a destination to reach, but a continuous awakening to our true nature of wisdom and compassion



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पेट्रोलियम निर्यात हुआ था। इस तरह निर्यात जनवरी 2024 के 26.12 गैर पेट्रोलियम निर्यात में तुलनात्मक रूप से 14.47 प्रतिशत की वृद्धि 2025 में 29.87 अरब डॉलर हो दर्ज की गई। इसी तरह अप्रैल 2024 गया। इसमें तुलनात्मक रूप से

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## स्टॉक मार्केट में चंदन हेल्थकेयर की धांसू एंट्री, पहले ही दिन लगा अपर सर्किट

नई दिल्ली। नॉर्थ इंडिया में डायग्नोस्टिक सेंटर्स चलाने वाली कंपनी चंदन हेल्थकेयर ने आज घरेलू शेयर बाजार में जोरदार एंट्री की। आईपीओ के तहत कंपनी के शेयर 159 रुपये के भाव पर जारी हुए थे। आज नेशनल स्टॉक एक्सचेंज के एसएमई प्लेटफॉर्म पर इसकी एंट्री 3.84 प्रतिशत प्रीमियम के साथ 165.10 रुपए के स्तर पर हुई। लिस्टिंग के तुरंत बाद कंपनी के शेयर खरीदारी के सपोर्ट से उछल कर 173.35 रुपये के अपर सर्किट लेवल पर पहुंच गए। इस तरह कंपनी के आईपीओ निवेशकों को पहले दिन ही 9.03 प्रतिशत का मुनाफा हो गया।चंदन हेल्थकेयर का 107.36 करोड़ रुपये का आईपीओ 10 से 12 फरवरी के बीच सब्सिऋपान के लिए खुला था। इस आईपीओ को निवेशकों की ओर से ठीक ठाक रिस्पॉन्स मिला

था, जिसके कारण ये ओवरऑल 7.04 गुना सब्सऋाइब हो गया था। इनमें क्वालिफाइड इंस्टीट्यूशनल बायर्स (क्यूआईबी) के लिए रिजर्व पोर्शन 7.58 गुना सब्सऋाइब हुआ था। इसी तरह नॉन इंस्टीटयशनल इन्वेस्टर्स (एनआईआई) के लिए रिजर्व पोर्शन में 18.85 गुना सब्सिऋप्शन आया था। इसके अलावा रिटेल इन्वेस्टर्स के लिए रिजर्व पोर्शन 2.44 गुना सब्सऋाइब हुआ था। इस आईपीओ के तहत 70.79 करोड़ रुपये के नए शेयर जारी किए गए हैं।

इसके अलावा 10 रुपये फेस वैल्यू वाले 22,99,936 शेयर ऑफर फॉर सेल विंडो के जरिए बेचे गए हैं। आईपीओ के जरिए जुटाए गए पैसे का इस्तेमाल कंपनी लखनऊ में नया फ्लैगशिप डायग्नोस्टिक सेंटर लगाने, अयोध्या और लखनऊ में नया सेंट्रल रिफरेंस लैबोरेट्री सेटअप करने और आम कॉर्पोरेट उद्देश्यों में करेगी।

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## देश में सतत विकास लक्ष्यों के लिए नागरिक-जनित डेटा के बारे में जागरुकता बढ़ाने पर जोर

नई दिल्ली। सांख्यिकी एवं कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय ने नागरिक-जनित डेटा का उपयोग करने के लिए अपनी चल रही पहलों के हिस्से के रूप में यहां भारत में सतत विकास लक्ष्यों (एसडीजी) के नागरिक-जनित (सीजीडी) का लाभ उठाने पर एक आयोजित की। कार्यशाला का उद्देश्य डेटा अंतराल को संबोधित करने और राष्ट्रीय सांख्यिकीय परिदृश्य में समावेशिता को बढ़ावा देने के लिए एक मूल्यवान उपकरण के रूप में सीजीडी के बारे में जागरुकता और समझ को बढ़ाना है। इसने भारतीय संदर्भ में सीजीडी पर कोपेनहेगन फ्रेमवर्क की

चर्चा में डेटा पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र को मजबूत करने और साक्ष्य-आधारित नीति निर्माण का समर्थन करने पर ध्यान केंद्रित किया गया। कार्यशाला का उद्घाटन सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के सचिव डॉ. सौरभ गर्ग ने किया। इसमें लगभग 75 प्रतिभागियों ने भाग लिया, जिनमें केंद्रीय मंत्रालयों, सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के वरिष्ठ अधिकारी, साथ ही संयुक्त राष्ट्र एजेंसियों और नागरिक समाज संगठनों के प्रतिनिधि शामिल थे। डॉ. गर्ग ने अपने उद्घाटन भाषण में आधिकारिक सांख्यिकी के एक मुल्यवान परक के रूप में नागरिक-जनित डेटा के महत्व पर जोर दिया, जो डेटा अंतराल को पाटने और समावेशिता को बढ़ावा देने में मदद करता है। उन्होंने भारत की कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय की महत्वपुर्ण भूमिका और एसडीजी निगरानी और रिपोर्टिंग में सीजीडी को एकीकृत करने की संभावना तलाशने की आवश्यकता पर प्रकाश डाला। उन्होंने इस बात पर भी जोर दिया कि भारत पहले से ही सहभागी नियोजन प्रिक्रयाओं, सामाजिक लेखा परीक्षा और केंद्रीकृत लोक शिकायत निवारण और निगरानी प्रणाली में लगा हुआ है, ये सभी पहल सरकार के सबका साथ, सबका विकास, सबका विश्वास और सबका प्रयास के दृष्टिकोण के अनुरूप हैं। यह एसडींजी के 'कोई भी पीछे न छूटे' के सिद्धांत के अनुरूप है। इसके अलावा इन प्रयासों को एक व्यापक ढांचे के माध्यम से बढाने की आवश्यकता है। उन्होंने डेटा में नागरिक योगदान की पूरी क्षमता को उजागर करने में शामिल विभिन्न चनौतियों को रेखांकित किया

जैसे कि व्यक्तिपरकता, प्रतिनिधित्व, गोपनीयता और सुरक्षा, मापनीयता, स्थिरता आदि। सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के महानिदेशक एनके संतोषी ने अपने स्वागत भाषण में एसडीजी निगरानी के लिए व्यापक डेटा आवश्यकताओं और बारीक अंतर्दृष्टि की आवश्यकता को संबोधित करने के लिए मंत्रालय के प्रयासों पर जोर दिया। उन्होंने इस बात पर प्रकाश डाला कि सांख्यिकी और पारंपरिक डेटा स्रोतों, जैसे कि नागरिक-जनित डेटा, भू-स्थानिक जानकारी और अन्य नवीन दृष्टिकोणों की खोज कर रहा है। ताकि आधिकारिक सांख्यिकी को पुरक बनाया जा सके और विभिन्न प्रशासनिक स्तरों पर एसडीजी प्रगति की ट्रैकिंग को मजबूत किया

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नर्ड दिल्ली।भारत और कतर मंगलवार को यहां होने वाले भारत-कतर संयक्त व्यापार मंच के साथ अपने आर्थिक और व्यापारिक संबंधों को मजबूत करने के लिए तैयार हैं। संयुक्त व्यापार मंच का आयोजन उद्योग परिसंघ (सीआईआई) द्वारा उद्योग और आंतरिक व्यापार संवर्धन विभाग (डीपीआईआईटी), भारत सरकार के वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय के सहयोग से किया जाएगा। यह निवेश के अवसरों, तकनीकी सहयोग और आर्थिक साझेदारी का पता लगाने के लिए शीर्ष व्यापारिक प्रतिनिधियों, नीति निर्माताओं और उद्योग हितधारकों को एक मंच पर लाएगा। यह कार्यक्रम कतर के अमीर शेख

तमीम बिन हमद अल थानी की 17- के कार्यक्रम में मख्य भाषण देंगे। 18 फरवरी, 2025 की भारत यात्रा कतर के उच्च स्तरीय प्रतिनिधिमंडल



के लिए भारत-कतर संयुक्त व्यापार मंच तैयार

के अवसर पर हो रहा है। कतर के वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्री शेख फैजल बिन थानी बिन फैजल अल थानी और भारत के वाणिज्य एवं में ऊर्जा, बुनियादी ढांचे, वित्त, प्रौद्योगिकी, खाँद्य सुरक्षा, रसद, उन्नत विनिर्माण और नवाचार क्षेत्र के अग्रणी उद्यमी शामिल हैं। फोरम में भारत और कतर के बीच दीर्घकालिक रणनीतिक साझेदारी बनाने के माध्यम के रूप में निवेश. रसद, उन्नत विनिर्माण और खाद्य सरक्षा के क्षेत्र में सहयोग करना और दक्षताओं का लाभ उठाना, भविष्य के क्षेत्रों (एआई, नवाचार, स्थिरता आदि) में सहयोग को बढावा देना और मजबूत करना प्रमुख हैं। ये चर्चाएं भारतीय और कतर के व्यवसायियों को संयुक्त उद्यम, प्रत्यक्ष विदेशी निवेश (एफडीआई), प्रौद्योगिकी साझेदारी और नीति-संचालित सहयोग का पता लगाने में सक्षम बनाएंगी। दोनों सरकारों और उद्योग जगत के अग्रणी के प्रतिनिधि दूरदर्शी व्यापार और निवेश ढांचे को आकार देने में

#### नर्ड दिल्ली। कंक्रीट से जुड़े इक्रिपमेंट बनाने वाली कंपनी अजाक्स इंजीनियरिंग के शेयरों ने अपने आईपीओ निवेशकों को करारा झटका दिया। आईपीओ के तहत कंपनी के शेयर 629 रुपये के भाव पर जारी हए थे। आज बीएसई पर इसकी 593 रुपये के स्तर पर और एनएसई पर 576 रुपये के स्तर पर लिस्टिंग हुई। कमजोर लिस्टिंग के

बाद दिनभर इसमें उतार-चढ़ाव होता रहा। पूरे दिन के कारोबार के बाद कंपनी के शेयर 5.34 प्रतिशत की गिरावट के साथ 595.40 रुपये के स्तर पर बंद हुए। अजाक्स इंजीनियरिंग का 1,269.35 करोड़ रुपये का आईपीओ 10 से 12 फरवरी के बीच सब्सिऋप्शन के मिला था, जिसके कारण ये ओवरऑल 6.06 गुना सब्सऋाइब हो गया था। इनमें क्वालिफाइड इंस्टीट्यूशनल बायर्स (क्यूआईबी) के लिए रिजर्व पोर्शन 13.04 गुना

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सब्सऋाइब हुआ था। इसी तरह नॉन इंस्टीटयशनल इन्वेस्टर्स (एनआईआई) के लिए रिजर्व पोर्शन में 6.46 गुना सब्सिऋप्शन आया था। इसके अलावा रिटेल इन्वेस्टर्स के लिए रिजर्व पोर्शन 1.94 गुना और एम्पलाइज कैलिबरियम पोर्शन 2.62 गुना सब्सऋाइब हुए थे। इस आईपीओ के तहत 10 रुपये फेस वैल्यू वाले 2,01,80,446 शेयर ऑफर फॉर सेल विंडो के जरिए बेचे गए हैं। इसमें कोई नया शेयर जारी

किए गए दावे के मुताबिक इसकी वित्तीय सेहत लगातार मजबूत हुई है। वित्त वर्ष 2021-22 में कंपनी को 66.21 करोड़ रुपये का शद्ध लाभ हुआ था, जो अगले वित्त वर्ष 2022-23 में बढ़कर 135.90 करोड और 2023-24 में 225.15 करोड़ रुपये के स्तर पर पहुंच गया। इस दौरान कंपनी का राजस्व 51 प्रतिशत वार्षिक से अधिक की चऋवृद्धि दर से बढ़ कर 1,780.07 करोड़ रुपये के स्तर पर पहुंच गया। मौजूदा वित्त वर्ष की पहली छमाही यानी अप्रैल से सितंबर 2024 के बीच कंपनी को 181.02 करोड़ रुपये का शुद्ध लाभ हो चुका है। इसी तरह इस अवधि में कंपनी 794.16 करोड़ रुपये का रेवेन्यू हासिल कर

करोड़ का दान नई दिल्ली। अडानी परिवार ने देश में विश्वस्तरीय शिक्षा और सीखने के बुनियादी ढांचे के बनाने के उद्देश्य से दो हजार करोड़ रुपये दान करने की घोषणा की है। इसके लिए अडानी फाउंडेशन ने देश भर में शिक्षा के मंदिर स्थापित करने के लिए निजी के-12 शिक्षा में वैश्विक अग्रणी जेईएमएस एजुकेशन के साथ सहयोग किया है। फाउंडेशन ने आज यहां जारी बयान में कहा कि अडानी परिवार की ओर से 2,000 करोड़ रुपये के आरंभिक दान के साथ, यह साझेदारी

## समाज के सभी वर्गों के लोगों के

लिए विश्वस्तरीय शिक्षा और सीखने के बुनियादी ढांचे को किफायती बनाने को प्राथमिकता देगी। महानगरों और टियर दो से चार शहरों में किफायती और विश्वस्तरीय स्कूल खोलने के लिए 2,000 करोड़ रुपये देने का वादा किया गया है। के-12 सेगमेंट में 20 स्कूलों का आरंभिक नेटवर्क बनाने के लिए जेईएमएस एजुकेशन के साथ सहयोग किया गया है जहां वंचित और योग्य बच्चों के लिए सीबीएसई पाठ्यऋम में 30 प्रतिशत सीटें निःशुल्क होंगी। पहला 'अडानी जीईएमएस स्कूल ऑफ एक्सीलेंस' शैक्षणिक वर्ष 2025-

26 में लखनऊ में खुलेगा।

## लिए खुला था। इस आईपीओ को नहीं किया गया है। कंपनी की वित्तीय लगातार ८ दिन की गिरावट पर लगा ब्रेक, मामूली बढ़त के साथ बंद हुए सेंसेक्स और निफ्टी

एजेंसी

नई दिल्ली। घरेलू संस्थागत निवेशकों की खरीदारी के कारण दिन के दूसरे कारोबारी सत्र में घरेलू शेयर बाजार मामूली बढ़त के साथ बंद हुआ। पूरे दिन के कारोबार के बाद सेंसेक्स 0.08 प्रतिशत और निफ्टी 0.13 प्रतिशत की मामुली मजबूती के साथ बंद हुए। इसके पहले लगातार आठ कारोबारी दिनों तक शेयर बाजार लगातार गिरावट के

शेयर बाजार गिरावट के साथ ही बंद होता, तो ये पिछले 6 साल की सबसे लंबी गिरावट हो सकती थी। इससे पहले 30 अप्रैल से 13 मई 2019

आईटी सेक्टर के शेयरों में लगातार बिकवाली होती रही। इसके साथ ही कैपिटल गुड्स और टेक इंडेक्स भी गिरावट के साथ बंद हुए। दूसरी ओर फार्मास्यूटिकल, पब्लिक सेक्टर एंटरप्राइज और मेटल सेक्टर के शेयरों में लगातार खरीदारी होती रही। इसके अलावा ऑयल एंड गैस, कंज्यूमर इ्यूरेबल और बैंकिंग इंडेक्स भी मजबूती के साथ बंद हुए। ब्रॉडर मार्केट में आज मिला-जुला कारोबार होता रहा, जिसके कारण

हुआ। दुसरी ओर, स्मॉलकैप इंडेक्स ने 0.56 प्रतिशत की गिरावट के साथ आज के कारोबार का अंत किया। आज शेयर बाजार में हुई रिकवरी के कारण स्टॉक मार्केट के निवेशकों की संपत्ति में करीब 20 हजार करोड़ रुपये की बढ़ोतरी हो गई। बीएसई में लिस्टेड कंपनियों का मार्केट कैपिटलाइजेशन आज के कारोबार के बाद बढ़ कर 400.39 लाख करोड रुपये (अस्थाई) हो

प्रतिशत की मजबूती के साथ बंद आखिरी कारोबारी दिन यानी शुऋवार को इनका मार्केट कैपिटलाइजेशन 400.19 लाख करोड़ रुपये था। इस तरह निवेशकों को आज के कारोबार से करीब 20 हजार करोड़ रुपये का मुनाफा हो गया। आज दिन भर के कारोबार में बीएसई में 4,219 शेयरों में एक्टिव ट्रेडिंग हुई। इनमें 1,336 शेयर बढ़त के साथ बंद हुए, जबकि 2,738 शेयरों में गिरावट का रुख रहा, वहीं 145 शेयर बिना किसी उतार चढ़ाव के बंद हए। एनएसई में आज 2,637 शेयरों में

1,736 शेयर नुकसान उठा कर लाल निशान में बंद हुए। इसी तरह सेंसेक्स में शामिल 30 शेयरों में से 20 शेयर बढ़त के साथ और 10 शेयर गिरावट के साथ बंद हुए। जबिक निफ्टी में शामिल 50 शेयरों में से 35 शेयर हरे निशान में और 15 शेयर लाल निशान में बंद हुए। बीएसई का सेंसेक्स आज 297.80 अंक की कमजोरी के साथ 75,641.41 अंक के स्तर पर खुला। कारोबार की शुरुआत होते ही बाजार में

पहले सत्र में बिकवाली का दबाव मुनाफा कमा कर हरे निशान में और अधिक नजर आया, जिसके कारण सेंसेक्स 644.45 अंक की कमजोरी के साथ 75.294.76 अंक तक गिर गया। दिन के दूसरे सत्र में खरीदारों ने लिवाली का जोर बना दिया, जिससे इस सुचकांक की चाल में तेजी आ गई। आज का कारोबार खत्म होने के थोड़ी देर पहले ये सूचकांक निचले स्तर से 747.20 अंक की छलांग लगा कर 102.75 अंक की मजबूती के साथ 76,041.96 अंक तक पहुंच गया।

#### के बीच शेयर बाजार लगातार 9 कारोबारी दिन तक गिरावट के साथ बंद हुआ था, लेकिन इस बार 5 से 14 फरवरी तक लगातार गिरावट का

सामना करने के बाद आज नौवें कारोबारी दिन शेयर बाजार मामूली तेजी के साथ बंद होने में सफल रहा। आज दिन भर के कारोबार के दौरान





## लकड़ी कैसे पचा लेती है दीमक?

पेड़-पौधों में पाया जाने वाला सेलुलोज ही दीमक का भोजन होता हैं। इसलिए वे त्माम चीजें दीमक का भोजन होती हैं जिनमें सेलुलोज होता है। बहुत सी सूखी लकड़ी पर तुमने दीमक का घर बना देखा होगा। लूकड़ियों के बने फर्नीचर, कॉप्री-किताबों जैसी बहुत सी चीजों को दीमक चट कर जाती है और फिर वह सामान किसी काम का नहीं रह जाता। दीमक जो सेलुलोज भोजन के रूप में प्राप्त करती है उसे पचा पाने की क्षमता उसमें नहीं होती है। इसे पचाने के लिए दीमक को दूसरे जीव की मदद लेना पड़ती है। ये दूसरे जीव प्रीटोजोआ कहलाते हैं, जो दीमक की आतों में रहते हैं। दोनों के बीच सहभागिता का रिष्ठता होता है। दीमक लकड़ी को चबाकर निगल जाती है और आँतों में रहने वाले प्रोटेंजोअंस इस लकड़ी की लुगदी को भोजन में बदल देते हैं। इस भोजन से ही दोनों जीव अपना जीवन चलाते हैं। दीमक पर्यावरण में सफाईगार की भूमिका निभाती है पर कई बार यह कीमती सामान को खराब करके नुकसानदायक भी साबित होती है। दीमक समूह में रहती है और भोजन तलाशने में एक-दूसरे की मदद भी करती है। ये चींटियों से मिलती-जुलती लगती हैं। इसलिए इन्हें 'व्हाइट एंट' भी कहा जाता है। आकार के अलावा चींटियों से इनकी कोई समानता नहीं होती।

## जानो स्पेस सूट के बारे में



बच्चो, आप लोगों ने सुनीता विलियम्स के बारे में जरूर सुना होगा। सुनीता विलियम्स ने अंतरिक्ष में छह महीने तंक रहने और सबसे लंबी स्पेस वॉक करने का रिकार्ड बनाया है। आप ने टेलीविजन चैनल और समाचार-पत्रों में सुनीता विलियम्स और अन्य अंतरिक्ष यात्रियों की तस्वीरें देखी होंगी। आपने देखा होगा अंतरिक्ष यात्री हमेशा एक खास तरह की ड्रेस पहनते हैं। एक मोटा सा सूट और उस पर हैलमेट और ऑक्सीजन मास्क भी लगा रहता है। अंतरिक्ष में जाने के बाद अंतरिक्ष यात्रियों को यहीं सूट पहनना पड़ता हैं। इसे स्पेस सूट कहते है। इस स्पेस सूट को पहने बगैर अंतरिक्ष में रहना संभव नहीं होता है। स्पेस सूट की वजह से ही अंतरिक्ष के प्रतिकूल माहौल में अंतरिक्ष यात्री जीवित रह पाते हैं। इस स्पेस सूट को तैयार करने के लिए भी वैज्ञानिकों ने बहुत मेहनत और शोध किया हैं। यह सूट उस कपड़े से नहीं बना होता है, जिसे हम और आप पहनते हैं। नासा के वैज्ञानिक अंतरिक्ष की स्थितियों का आँकलन करने के बाद अंतरिक्ष यात्रियों के लिए इस सूट को तैयार करते हैं। 'हार्ड अपर टोर्सों' नामक पदार्थ का इस्तेमाल करते हुए अंतरिक्ष यात्रियों के सूट तैयार किये जाते हैं। इस सूट को पहनने के बाद हमारे शरीर का तापमान और बाहरी वातावरण से शरीर पर पडने वाला दबाव नियंत्रित रहता है। इसके साथ ही यह सूट इस तरह से बनाया जाता है कि यह अंतरिक्ष में मौजूद हानिकारक किरणों से हमारे शरीर को बचाने के लिए कवच का काम करे। इस सूट के अंदर ही एक लाइफ सपोर्टिंग सिस्टम होता है, जिससे अंतरिक्ष यात्रियों को शुद्ध ऑक्सीजन प्राप्त होती है। इस सूट के अंदर गैस और द्रव पदार्थों को रीचार्ज और डिस्चार्जें करने की व्यवस्था भी होती है। इस सूट में ही अंतरिक्ष यात्री वहाँ से एकत्रित किये गए, ढोस कर्णों को सुरक्षित रख सकते हैं।

स्ट्रिच और इमू की तरह पैंगुइन भी पंख होने के बावजूद उड़ते नहीं हैं। कहते हैं आज से ६५० लाख साल पहले पैंगुइन के पूर्वज उड़ पाते थे और धीरे-धीरे उनकी यह क्षमता खत्म हो गई। पैंगुइन के पूर्वज समुद्र के ऊपर उड़ते थे और भोजन की तलाश में समुद्र में डाइव लगाते थे। लाखों सालों पहले पैंगुइन की हिंड्डयाँ पक्षियों की तरह ही हल्की होती थीं और वें उड़ पाते थे, पर समय के साथ उनकी हड़िडयाँ भारी हो गईं और वजन बढ़ जाने से उनका खुद को हवा में उठाना नामुमिकन हो गया। हालाँकि इन्हीं हडि्डयों के कारण पैंगुइन अब पानी में डाइव बेहतर तरीके से लगा पाते हैं।





समुद्र में पायी जाने वाली विचित्र मछलियां धरती के ७० प्रतिशत भाग में फैला हुआ सागर पृथ्वी की जलवायु को संतुलित रखने, भोजन और ऑक्सीजन प्रदान करने, जैव विविधता बनाये रखने और परिवहन के क्षेत्र में भी महत्वपर्ण लेती है। यह एक जहरीली मछली है और भूमिका निभाता है। वैज्ञानिकों के इसका शिकार हृदयाघात से बेहद दर्दनाक मौत मरता है। मतानुसार धरती पर प्रारंभिक स्टार गैजेर्स जीवन सागर से ही प्रारम्भ हुआ

#### फलस्वरूप यह धरती पर भी पनपने लगा और वर्तमान में

था और चरणबद्ध विकास के

उपलब्ध जैव विविधताओं का कारण

बना। वाइपर फिश बेहद गहरे पानी और उच्च दबाव वाले क्षेत्र में रहने वाली यह मछली देखने में काफी डरावनी लगती है। बेहद कठिन परिस्थितियों में रहने के कारण यह बहुत कम खाने पर भी

## सिलिकेन्थ

प्रागैतिहासिक युग के प्राणियों के सामान दिखने वाली यह मछली एक जीवित जीवाश्म ही है। वैज्ञानिकों के अनुसार यह ७ करोड़ वर्ष पहले मिलने वाली मछलियों की संरचना से काफी मिलती है।

लम्बे समय तक जिन्दा रहें सकती है। इसके

पास से गुजरने वाले किसी भी शिकार का

इसके नुकीले दांतों से बचना नामुमकिन ही

## इलेक्ट्रिक ईल

समुद्र में पायी जाने वाली यह ईल प्रजाति की मछली आकार में २ मीटर तक लम्बी और २० किलो तक वजनी हो सकती है। यह ६०० वोल्ट का तेज विद्युतीय झटका दे सकती है। वैज्ञानिकों के अनुसार यह अपने विद्युत का इस्तेमाल रास्ता खोजने में भी कर सकती है।

### मिस्ट्री शाके

दुनिया के सबसे गहरे समुद्री क्षेत्र के रूप में विख्यात मरियाना टेंच में पाई जाने वाली यह अत्यंत दुर्लभ शार्क की तस्वीर है। यह एक प्रागैतिहाँसिक जीव है जिसे सबसे पहले जापानी वैज्ञानिकों ने देखे जाने का दावा किया

### स्टानाफश

हिन्द महासागर और पश्चिमी प्रशांत महासागर में पाई जाने वाली यह मछली एकदम पत्थर की तरह समुद्र की सतह पर निष्क्रिय पड़ी रहती है। जैसें ही कोई शिकार इसके पास आता है यह झपटकर उसे पकड़

माउंट रशमोर अमेरिका में

राष्ट्रपतियों की याद को समर्पित

एक स्मारक है। यह ६० फुट या

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थियोडोर रूजवेल्ट और अब्राहम

लिंकन को अंकित किया गया है।

भुतपूर्व राष्ट्रपतियों जार्ज

यह समुद्र में पायी जाने वाली एक जहरीली मछली है। यह खुद को रेत में अच्छी तरह छुपा लेती है और जैसे ही शिकार इसके पास आता है तेजी से झपट्टा मारकर उसे पकड़ लेती है। अन्य मछलियों के विपरीत इसकी ऑखें सामने की ओर होती हैं।

### पफर फिश

पफर फिश अपने नाम के अनुसार खतरा महसूस होने पर ढेर सारा पानी अपने लचीले पेट में भरकर अपना आकार बढ़ा लेती है जिससे शिकार कंफ्यूज हो जाता है और यह मौके का लाभ उठाकर बच निकलती है। यह भी एक जहरीली मछली है।

#### फ्रिल्ड शार्क

बहुत गहरे पानी में पायी जाने वाली यह शार्क की अत्यंत दुर्लभ प्रजाति है जिसे देखने मात्र से ही भय उत्पन्न होता है। यह पत्थर की बनी हुई दिखती है और एक जीवित जीवाश्म है।

### वैम्पायर स्क्विड

यह गहरे पानी में पाया जाने वाला एक प्रकार का स्क्विड ही है जिसने अपने आप को गहरे पानी के अनुकूल ढाल लिया है। यह अँधेरे में बल्ब के सामान चमकीली संरचनाओं से प्रकाश उत्पन्न करता है। खतरा महसूस होने

की स्थिति में यह चमकीली स्याही छोडता है जिससे शिकारी चौंक जाता है और यह मौके का लाभ उढाकर बच निकलता है।

### बिगफिन स्क्विड

रिक्वड प्रजाति से सम्बन्ध रखने वाला यह जीव गहरे पानी में पाया जाता है। यह स्क्विड आकार में १६ फीट तक लम्बा हो सकता है।

### मंड स्किपर

यह ऐसे समुद्र तटीय क्षेत्रों में रहती है जहाँ ज्वार और भाटा निरंतर आता रहता है। यह खारे पानी और जमीन दोनों पर रह सकती है। यह एम्फीबियन प्रजाति की तरह ही त्वचा से साँस ले सकती है।

### एंगलर फिश

लगभग सभी महासागरों में पाई जाने वाली यह मछली आकार में 9 मीटर तक लम्बी हो सकती है। इसके सर पर चारे के सामान संरचना होती है जिसे यह जब हिलाती है तो जीवन के लिए संघर्ष करते हुए चारे के सामान प्रतीत होता है जिससे दूसरी मछलियां आकर्षित होती हैं और इसका आसान शिकार बन जाती हैं।

## हैमर हेड शार्क

देखने में किसी दूसरी दुनिया के जीव सी लगने वाली यह शार्क सामान्य रूप से दुनिया भर के महासागरों में पाई जाती है। इसकी ऑखें शरीर से बहुत दूर होती हैं जो इसे ज्यादा क्षेत्र तक देखने में सक्षम बनाती हैं।

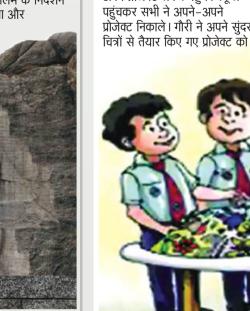


## अमेरिका में राष्ट्रपतियों की याद को समर्पित स्मारक माउंट रशमोर यह स्मारक १,२७८ एकड़ में फैला हुआ है। चार्ल्स ई रशमोर के नाम पर रखा गया।



इसकी देखरेख नेशनल पार्क सेवा द्वारा की

असल में रशमोर पर्वत में इस तरह की कलाकृति उकेरने का उद्देश्य दक्षिणी डकोटा की ब्लैक हिल्स में पर्यटकों का आकर्षण बढ़ाना था। काँग्रेस के प्रतिनिधि मंडल और राष्ट्रपति केल्विन कूलिज के बीच लंबे समझौते के बाद यह प्रोजेक्ट प्रारंभ हो पाया। मूर्तिकार गुट्जन बोर्गलम के निर्देशन में 1927 में काम शुरु हुआ और 1941 में बनकर तैयार





## दक्षिण व मध्य अमेरिका में पाया जाने वाला एक स्तनधारी प्राणी जाइंट एंटइटर

बियर भी कहते हैं। यह अपनी लंबी थूथन से कीटों को खाता है। इसकी संघने की शक्ति मनुष्य से 40 गुना अधिक होती है। यह अपनी जीभ को 18 इंच तक तेजी से बाहर निकाल सकता है। जाइंट एंटइटर दक्षिण व मध्य अमेरिका में पाया जाने वाला एक स्तनधारी प्राणी है जो अपने विचित्र मुख-आकार, थूथन और अपनी पतली व लम्बी जीभ से केवल चींटी, दीमक और अन्य छोटे कीट खाने के लिये प्रसिद्ध है। चींटीखोरों

इस घने बाल वाले प्राणी को एंट की चार जातियाँ पाई जाती हैं: सिर-से-पूँछ तक १.८ मी (५ फुट ११ इंच) लम्बा विशाल चींटीखोर, केवल ३५ सेमी (१४ इंच) लम्बा रेशमी चींटीखोर, १.२ मी (३ फुट ११ इंच) लम्बा उत्तरी तामान्दुआ और लगभग उतना ही लम्बा दक्षिणी तामान्दुआ। चींटीखोर पिलोसा नॉमक जीववैज्ञानिक गण में शामिल हैं जिसमें स्लॉथ भी आते हैं, यानि

स्लॉथों और चींटीखोरों का

आनुवंशिक (जेनेटिक) सम्बन्ध है।

मीं की छुटि्टयां खत्म हो गई थीं। सभी बच्चों के स्कूल खुल गए थे। सरगुन आंटवीं कक्षा में पढती थी। एक दिन असेम्बली में स्कल की प्रिंसिपल स्वाति कपूर बोलीं, 'बच्चो, तुम सबके लिए एक बहुत अच्छी खबर है। तुम सभी ने गर्मी की छटिटयों में बहुत कुछ नया सीखा होगा। तुम सब अपने माता-पिता के साथ घूमने भी गए होंगे। मैं चाहती हूं कि तुम सब अपने अनुभवों पर आधारित एक प्रोजेक्ट बनांकर जमा करो और जिसका प्रोजेक्ट सर्वश्रेष्ठ होगा, उसे इनाम दिया जाएगा।' यह सुनकर सभी बच्चे खुशी से उछल पड़े। प्रिंसिपल ने बच्चों को सिर्फ एक सप्ताह का समय दिया था। सभी बच्चे अपने-अपने तरीके से प्रोजेक्ट बनाने की तैयारियों में जुट गए। अचानक सरगुन की क्लांस की सबसे चंचल और सुंदर लड़की गौरी बोली, 'हम सब तो कुछ न कुछ नया कर ही लेंगे, पर बेचारी सरगुन कैसे करेगी? इसके दाएं हाथ में तो केवल तीन.।' उसकी बात पूरी होती, उससे पहले ही सरगुन की बेस्ट फ्रेंड अर्निका बोली, 'गौरी, तुम्हें ऐसा नहीं बोलना चाहिए। देख लेना, सरगुन ही सबसे नई और उपयोगी वस्तु खोजेगी और तुम देखती रह जाओगी।' उसकी बात सुनकर गौरी ने मुंह चिढा दिया और अपनी सीट पर बैठ गई । गौरी अक्सर सरगुन का मजाक उड़ाती थी। सरगुन के दाएं हाथ में

केवल तीन उंगलियां थीं। उसकी दो उंगुलियां दो साल पहले एक एक्सीडेंट में बुरी तरह मसल गई थीं, इसलिए अब उसके दाएं हाथ में केवल तीन उंगलियां रह गई थीं। शुरुआत में सरगुन को अपना काम करने में थोड़ी परेशानी हुई, लेकिन फिर धीरे-धीरे उसे आदत पड़ गई। अब तो उसे ऐसा महसूस ही नहीं होता था कि उसकी दो उंगलियां नहीं हैं। सभी बच्चे अपना-अपना प्रोजेक्ट बनाने में लगे हुए थे। प्रिंसिपल ने बच्चों को ग्रुप में प्रोजेक्ट बनाने की अनुमति दे दी थी, इसलिए सरगुन, अर्निका और कुछ अन्य छात्रों के साथ अपना प्रोजेक्ट बनाने में लगी हुई थी। किसी ने भी अपने प्रोजेक्ट की खबर किसी को नहीं होने दी थी। प्रोजेक्ट जमा कराने से एक दिन पहले सभी बच्चे इस बात को लेकर आश्वस्त थे कि उनका प्रोजेक्ट ही बेस्ट होगा। अगले दिन अचानक तेज बारिश होने लगी। सभी बच्चे स्कूल बड़ी मुश्किलों से अपने-अपने प्रोजेक्ट लेकर पहुंचे। स्कूल पहुंचकर सभी ने अपने-अपने प्रोजेक्ट निकाले। गौरी ने अपने सुंदर

निकाला तो यह देखकर उसके होश उड गए कि सारे चित्रों में न जाने कैसे पानी की बूंदें पड़ गई थीं। केवल दो–तीन चित्र ही साफ बचे थे, बाकी सभी में बड़े-बड़े धब्बे बन गए थे। यह देखकर गौरी खुद पर कांबू नहीं रख पाई और रोने लगी। उसके रोने पर किसी का ध्यान नहीं गया। सभी अपने प्रोजेक्ट को सजाने-संवारने में

जुटे थे। अंचानक सरगुन ने उसके कंधे पर हाथ रखा और बोली, 'गौरी, तुम्हें परेशान होने की जरूरत नहीं है। तुम मेरे ग्रुप में शामिल हो जाओ । इससे तुम्हारे मार्क्स नहीं कटेंगे।' यह सुनंकर गौरी को थोडी सांत्वना मिली। उसने अपने साफ चित्र सरगुन को देते हुए कहा, 'मेरे पास तो केवल ये हैं, तुम इन्हें अपने प्रोजेक्ट में कहीं प्रयोग कर सको तो अच्छा होगा।' सरगुन बोली, 'बिल्कुल गौरी, तुम्हारे चित्र मेरे प्रोजेक्ट को और सुंदर बना देंगे।' इसके बाद गौरी सरगुन के ग्रुप में शामिल हो गई। सभी बच्चों ने अपने-अपने प्रोजेक्ट जमा करा दिए। आखिर परिणाम का दिन भी आ

गया। सभी बच्चे असेम्बली में खड़े हुए थे और बेसब्री से परिणाम का इंतजार कर रहे थे। अचानक मंच पर प्रिंसिपल आईं और बोलीं, 'सभी बच्चों ने एक से बढकर एक प्रोजेक्ट बनाए हैं। लेकिन परस्कार तो किसी एक को ही दिया जाना था, इसलिए इस बार आठवीं कक्षा के प्रोजेक्ट वाल मगजान का पुरस्कार के लिए चुना गया है। इस प्रोजेक्ट की ग्रुप हेंड सरगुन है और उसके ग्रुप में अर्निका, गौरी, काव्या, तन्मय व गौरांश शामिल हैं। इस मैगजीन में सामान्य ज्ञान की बातों के साथ ही कहानी, कविता, चित्रों, पहेलियों, चुटकुलों और अन्य मनोरंजक जानकारियों को भी नए तरीके से पेश किया गया है। हमने निर्णय लिया है कि स्कूल की पत्रिका में इस सामग्री को डाला जाएगा और इन सभी बच्चों को उसके सम्पादन मंडल में शामिल किया जाएगा।' यह सुनकर सरगुन के साथ ही पूरा ग्रुप उछल पड़ा। इस समय सबसे भावूक गौरी थी। वह तुरंत उठकर सरगुन के पास गई और उसके गले लगते हुए बोली, 'सरगुन, अगर तुम मेरी मदद नहीं करतीं तो मैं मदद का मूल्य कैसे जान पाती? अब मैं कभी भी किसी का मजाक नहीं उडाऊंगी, हर किसी की मदद करूंगी।' सरगुन गौरी के हाथ में हाथ डालकर बोली, 'गौरी अभी तो स्कूल मैगजीन को ऊंचाइयों पर ले जाना है और तुम्हारे बनाए सुंदर चित्रों के बिना यह मुश्किल है।' इसके बाद पूरा ग्रुप एकसाथ अपनी जीत की खुशी मनाने लगा ।



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### Hosting CWG would be a stepping stone for India's 2036 Olympic Dream: CGF CEO Sadlier

New Delhi. Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) CEO Katie Sadleir has said that hosting the 2030 CWG would be a step in the right direction for India to pursue the ambition of hosting the 2036 Olympics. Speaking on Day 2 of the Times Group ET NOW Global Business Summit on Sunday, February 16, Sadleir said that hosting the Olympics is a massive achievement for any

Hosting the Olympics would be an incredible achievement, and having the 2030 Commonwealth Games in India would be the right step toward that goal," she said. The CGF CEO's comments come in the backdrop of informal discussions between the federation and the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) on the possibility of hosting the 2030 CWG.India has formally placed a letter of intent to host the 2036 Olympics with the International Olympic Committee (IOC). While a formal decision will take a year to make, India is hoping to make the event country-wide, with different cities playing host to different sports. Sadleir also said she is optimistic that India will be among the top-10 performIndia's work is transformational. With the right leadership, infrastructure, and passion, India is on track to becoming one of the top 10 countries in the Olympics," she said. "Sports are hugely



significant in creating the image of a country," she said. "Being recognized as a sporting powerhouse enhances a nation's influence on the global stage." India has hosted the Commonwealth Games (CWG) for the first and only time so far in 2010.

Sadleir praised India's growing sports infrastructure, saying it's a sign of the country's commitment to international competitions."The political support and passion of the people here are amazing," she said. "The will is there, and people understand the power of sports and the Commonwealth Games." Speaking alongside her, President of the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Luciano Rossi echoed the importance of India's role in global sports."India is working hard not just in Delĥi, but in Bhopal as well. These efforts are concrete actions that showcase India's seriousness about the future of sports," he said.ers in the Olympics in the

#### Virat Kohli will perform like a champion: Childhood coach backs India star-batter

New Delhi. Despite concerns over his recent form, India's star batter Virat Kohli has received strong backing from his childhood coach, Rajkumar Sharma, who believes the veteran cricketer will perform like a "champion" in the upcoming Champions Trophy. With the tournament set to kick off on February 19, all eyes will be on Kohli to see whether he can overcome his recent struggles and lead India's charge. Although Kohli managed a half-century against England in the third ODI in Ahmedabad, his overall performances have come under scrutiny. His lean patch in the Border-Gavaskar Trophy, combined with his dismissal for just five runs in the second ODI against England, has raised questions about



his form heading into a crucial ICC tournament. However, speaking on the sidelines of the Restaurant Cricket League in Delhi, Rajkumar Sharma dismissed these concerns and argued that a few poor outings do not define a player of Kohli's calibre."Just because some matches went bad, does not mean the player is out-of-touch. When you look at his previous records, you will see what he did for the country. I believe that he will be performing like the champion player he always has been," Rajkumar said.

Kohli's track record in the Champions Trophy further supports Sharma's confidence. The right-hander has amassed 529 runs in just 13 matches at a phenomenal average of 88.16 and a strike rate of 92.32. His consistency is reflected in his five half-centuries in the tournament, with his highest score of 96\* coming in the semi-final of the 2017 edition against Bangladesh at Edgbaston. Kohli also played crucial unbeaten knocks of 81\* and 76\* against Pakistan and South Africa, respectively, further solidifying his reputation as a big-game player. As India aims to end its long wait for an ICC trophy, the team will be banking on Kohli to find his rhythm and deliver on the grand stage once

## Champions Trophy 2025: Why vice-captain Shubman Gill will be India's MVP

<u> ✓ Vice-captain Shubman Gill h</u>as stepped up in ODIs for India in a big way in the past few years and could prove to be India's MVP during the upcoming Champions Trophy in Dubai.

**New Delhi.** The Indian team is getting ready to reclaim the Champions Trophy and all the attention around the build-up has been mainly on the 2 star batters of Indian cricket. Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli have been the pillars of the Indian batting lineup for a long time and both men were able to gain some form ahead of the tournament with their exploits in the England ODI series. However, it could be a certain Shubman Gill who may be the main man for India during the Champions Trophy.

Gill has been one of the most consistent performers for India with the bat in the past few years as he has gone from strength to strength. This was evident during the England ODI series when he scored 2 fifties Vice-captain Gill stepping up

and a magnificent hundred in Ahmedabad to score 259 runs in 3 matches at a stunning average of 86.33.But this is something Gill has made a habit of as he became the No.1 rated ODI batter in 2023 and is closing in on the ranking once again. So, what makes the 25-year-old one of India's key players heading into the Champions Trophy?

Shubman Gill: The run machine

Since the start of 2022, Gill has been the highest run-getter in ODIs. In 47 matches, the Indian star has scored 2538 runs at an average of 63.45 and a strike-rate of 102.87. During this time, he has scored 7 hundreds, the jointhighest in the time period, and 15 fifties.

In 2023, the year of the ODI World Cup, Gill topped the charts for the most runs with 1584 to his name ahead of his seniors, Kohli (1377) and Rohit (1255). The 25-year-old was hit by dengue at the beginning of the ODI World Cup, and we weren't able to see the best version of him. Despite this, Gill scored 354 runs in 9 matches at an average above 44.If Gill is able to continue in the same vein of form, he could be one of the reasons why India could lift the trophy in



"I take it (vice-captaincy) as a challenge to lead my way, firstly with my performance and then definitely on the field if Rohit bhai would want my opinions. It's my duty to let him know what my thoughts are.'

These were the words of Gill about being vicecaptain of the Indian team ahead of the England series. And the additional responsibility has always brought the best out of the batter. Even in his first season as a captain in the IPL, the 25-year-old showed that he has a good brain, even though the results didn't go the way of GT in 2024.

During the England series, he showed maturity with the bat as the vice-captain when he was

Championship (WTC) finals,

and two Champions Trophy

tournaments, with the upcoming

edition set to be his third. His

vast experience on the

international stage makes him a

crucial figure in India's

campaign. When it comes to the

Champions Trophy, Rohit

boasts an impressive record. In

10 matches, he has scored 481 runs at an average of 53.44, with

one century and four fifties to his name. This remarkable

consistency places him as the

fourth-highest run-scorer for

India in the tournament's

history.As the Men in Blue chase another

ICC title, Rohit Sharma's leadership and

experience will be pivotal in guiding the

team through high-pressure encounters.

With his proven track record in major

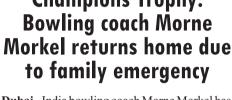
asked to come in place of an injured Virat Kohli at No.3 and played a composed knock when India were in a spot of bother. He did the same in the final match in Ahmedabad as India lost Rohit early. A happy India coach Gautam Gambhir is hoping that the additional role will help Gill blossom during the Champions Trophy."It's just the start. Hopefully, he can keep his head on his shoulders. He's learning every day and he's actually taken off that leadership role in a very positive way as well. He's been appointed as the vice-captain. Once you get that responsibility and see how

consistent he was in the series, hopefully he can continue going forward and in the Champions Trophy as well," Gautam Gambhir said after the match on Star Sports. To sum p, Gill's interview with ICC shows his mindset heading into the Champions Trophy. He is very hungry and after coming close to winning an ICC event, he wants to ensure he gets his side over the line this time around."I'm definitely very hungry, and it is something that you always dream of as a kid, and I've played one ICC tournament and came very close to winning a senior men's trophy," Gill said.

## **Champions Trophy:**

**Dubai.** India bowling coach Morne Morkel has rushed out of Dubai due to a family emergency. Morkel left for South Africa on Monday, February 17, after he received the news of his father Alberts' demise. The development comes just days before India's first match against Bangladesh in the Champions Trophy 2025.India is stationed in Dubai, where they will play all their matches of the tournament. Sources have told India Today that the former South African bowler flew back home to attend to the emergency. Morkel was expected to play a vital part in guiding India's bowling attack, which does not have the services of their star fast bowler and the leader of the attack - Jasprit Bumrah. Morne and his father were known to be close. In an earlier interview with the Board of Control for Cricket in India, the bowling coach had revealed that the first call he made after landing the India job was to his

"When I ended the call, I sat for about five



minutes in the room reflecting on it and then I first phoned my dad. He spoke to me, I didn't even go to my wife. You know, normally they say go to your wife first, but I spoke to my dad and I mean, being a cricket fan for years and knowing what was going to come up, this is



quite a special moment for me. So yeah, I enjoyed it for about 5 to 7 minutes to myself and then obviously shared with the family that this is an opportunity and potentially that might happen. I'm just so delighted that we eventually got things over the line, and I'm here," Morkel said. India will play a minimum of three matches in Dubai. They will take on Bangladesh, Pakistan and New Zealand in their group-stage fixtures. If India qualify for the semi-final and the final of the tournament, one of the semi-finals and the final will be held at the Dubai International Stadium as

## Rohit Sharma featured in his 17th ICC photoshoot, wows Jadeja and Gill

New Delhi. In a recent video shared by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), India skipper Rohit Sharma was seen recalling all 17 ICC tournaments he has participated in throughout his illustrious career. As he counted them out, even his teammates Ravindra Jadeja and Shubman Gill were left amazed by the sheer number of global events he has featured in.

As India gear up for the highly anticipated Champions Trophy, which kicks off on February 19, Rohit Sharma remains a focal point for fans and analysts alike. While the veteran batter has faced some struggles in Test cricket recently, he bounced back with a stunning century against England in Cuttack, showcasing his

ability to rise to the occasionThe video,

uploaded by BCCI, captures a light-hearted

moment as Rohit and Jadeja head for their



team photoshoot in India's newly unveiled jersey. During their walk, the duo reminisce about their journeys in ICC tournaments, with Rohit listing out each one he has played in, leaving everyone impressed..Rohit has represented India in nine T20 World Cups, three ODI World Cups, two World Test

## tournaments, fans will be hoping for another memorable campaign from India's captain. Champions Trophy: New Zealand name Kyle Jamieson as Lockie Ferguson's replacement

New Delhi. New Zealand's injury concerns continue to mount ahead of the highly anticipated Champions Trophy, as star pacer Lockie Ferguson has been ruled out of the tournament. The Black Caps have named Kyle Jamieson as his replacement, hoping he can provide the much-needed depth in the bowling attack. With the tournament set to begin on February 19, New Zealand head coach Gary Stead and captain Mitchell Santner will now have to adjust their plans without one of their most experienced all-

Ferguson's injury had already

been a major concern for the team, and his absence adds to the growing list of setbacks. Initially, New Zealand had only named Jacob Duffy as a replacement for the injured Ben Sears. However, Ferguson failed to recover in time from the injury he sustained while playing for Desert Vipers in the ILT20. The 33-year-old pacer was forced to leave



the field midway through his spell during a crucial qualifier against Dubai Capitals. Unable to complete his allotted overs, Ferguson had to be replaced by Mohammad Amir for the final delivery of his spell.

Despite missing New Zealand's recent Tri-Series against South Africa and Pakistan, Ferguson was initially hopeful of regaining match fitness. Stead had revealed that the

was gradually improving. However, with New Zealand set to play the tournament opener against co-hosts Pakistan in Karachi, Ferguson was deemed unfit to participate.

pacer had resumed training and

Kyle Jamieson's ODI Record The Black Caps will now turn to

30-year-old Kyle Jamieson to fill the void left by Ferguson. Jamieson, known for his height and bounce, has played 13 ODIs, scoring 511 runs and picking up 11 wickets. His last ODI appearance came during New Zealand's 2023 tour of Bangladesh, where he scored 20 runs and registered figures of

2/32 in seven overs.

Meanwhile, New Zealand are also closely monitoring the fitness of Rachin Ravindra, who suffered a facial injury during a match against Pakistan in Lahore. With injuries piling up, the Black Caps will need their squad depth to step up as they chase their first-ever ICC Champions Trophy title.

## Novak Djokovic calls out 'favouritism' shown in Jannik Sinner doping ban

Novak Djokovic slammed WADA for showing "favouritism" in Jannik Sinner's doping case, criticising the lenient threemonth ban that allows the World No.1 to compete in Grand Slams, calling it unfair treatment compared to other doping cases.

New Delhi. Serbian tennis legend Novak Djokovic has finally broken his silence on the recent controversy surrounding World No.1 Jannik Sinner's doping ban, calling it an example of "favouritism." The 24-time Grand Slam champion expressed disappointment over the lenient three-month

World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) for what he believes is preferential treatment. The case surrounding Sinner has sparked intense debate within the tennis world. On February 15, WADA and Sinner reached a settlement, concluding the longpending doping investigation against the Italian star. After testing positive for a banned substance, Sinner accepted a threemonth suspension—an outcome that allows him to compete in the remaining Grand Slam tournaments this year. The decision, however, has been met with widespread criticism, with many, including Djokovic, arguing that the ruling was far too lenient. Speaking at the Qatar Open, Djokovic did not hold back his thoughts, suggesting that Sinner's world No.1 status played a key role in his reduced sentence. The 36-year-old expressed concern that the ruling sets a dangerous precedent, indicating that top-ranked players may receive lighter



penalties compared to others facing similar allegations."It almost seems like you can influence the outcome if you are a top player and have access to the best lawyers. Sinner and Swiatek are innocent, it has been proven. Jannik will have a three-month suspension due to some mistakes and negligence of some members of his team, who are working on the tour. This is also something that I personally

Djokovic said."I have spoken to several players in the locker room, not only in the last few days but also in the months before. Most of them are not satisfied with how the whole process has gone and do not think it was fair. Many believe that there was favoritism," he added.

Debate Over WADA's Decision

Djokovic is not the only high-profile player to question the verdict. Daniil Medvedev, another top-ranked player, recently commented that he

hopes Sinner's case sets a precedent for future doping investigations, allowing other players to negotiate lesser sentences. This has led to growing concerns that WADA's ruling could weaken the strict anti-doping measures that have long governed the sport.Sinner originally tested positive for clostebol, an anabolic agent banned under WADA regulations.

# Katrina Kaif

Is Impressed With Vicky Kaushal's Performance In Chhaava, Says 'You **Truly Are Outstanding'** 

Vicky Kaushal and Rashmika Mandanna starrer Chhaava has finally released today. The periodical drama has been creating a buzz for a long time. Well, the film has been getting an overwhelming response from the audience. Katrina Kaif has also reacted and praised Vicky's performance in the film. She has penned a long note and called the actor 'outstanding'. Taking to her Instagram handle, Katrina Kaif shared the poster of Chhaava featuring Vicky Kaushal and wrote, "What a cinematic experience and what a monumentus task to bring to life the glory of Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj, @laxman.utekar tells this incredible story in the most brilliant way, im in awe, the last 40 min of the film will leave you speechless. I've spent all morning wanting to go and rewatch it again. I'm lost for words at the impact of this film ..... @vickykaushal09 you truly are outstanding, every time you come on screen, every shot, the intensity you bring on screen, you are a chameleon the way you transform to your characters, effortless and fluid, I'm so proud of you and your talent....#DineshVijan what is there to say .....you are a true VISIONARY... you support and

put your conviction in what you believe in and a carving a new trail of brilliance. The entire cast are phenomenal.... This is a film for the big screen ... so proud of the whole team."

At the premiere of Chhaava, Vicky Kaushal made a striking entrance, flanked by his wife Katrina Kaif, by his side. The couple, hand in hand, walked down the red carpet, immediately becoming the cynosure of all eyes. Vicky looked dashing in a sleek black suit accented with subtle sequin embroidery along the shoulders. Meanwhile, Katrina was resplendent in a powder blue sequin

Vicky Kaushal and Katrina Kaif are one of the most adored couples in Bollywood. Recently, the diva took to her Instagram stories and shared a video of her husband Vicky Kaushal. The clip shows Vicky Kaushal having a small laugh. After this, he tells his

"Vichitra kintu satya praani hai aap (You are a strange but honest creature)." The 'Namastey London' actress captioned the clip, "My dear hubbys description of me", along with an angel emoji.

Directed by Laxman Utekar, "Chhaava" will see Kaushal in the role of Maratha emperor Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj, who was the son of Maratha empire founder Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. It is produced by Dinesh Vijan of Maddock Films.For Kaushal, the movie marks the third time he is stepping into the shoes of a historical character, after playing revolutionary Udham Singh in "Sardar Udham" and India's first Field Marshal Sam Manekshaw in "Sam Bahadur"



# Diana Penty

## Channels Her Inner Shehzadi Zinatun-Nissa For Chhaava Screening

team hosted a special screening recently in Mumbai. The event was attended by many popular faces from the industry along with the cast members of Chhaava. Diana Penty, who plays the role of Shehzadi Zinat-un-Nissa in the film, was also seen at the screening. Her character was revealed a day before the film's release

and fans have been looking forward to seeing her in this new role. For the screening, Diana Penty opted for a silk sharara set. The kurta featured a V neckline with embroidery on the edge and red floral print on the hem. She paired it with a matching flared bottom. The dupatta had a similar floral pattern and was left loose on one side. The actress accessorised the dainty look lightly and left her hair

Just a day before the release of Chhaava on the big screen, Maddock Films surprised fans by revealing the cast members' appearances. One of the posters showed actress Diana Penty looking lovely in a royal outfit. Dressed in a pink Anarkali suit and

traditional jewelry, the actress exuded a graceful charm with passion in her gaze. "Grace, intellect, and quiet rebellion-meet Shehzadi Zinat-un-

Nissa," read the caption. The historical drama Chhaava stars Vicky Kaushal, Rashmika Mandanna, Ashutosh Rana, Divya Dutta, Akshaye Khanna,

The much-awaited period drama Chhaava has hit the screens, and the Vineet Kumar Singh, and Santosh Juvekar in pivotal roles. The film is based on the life of Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj, the eldest son of the Maratha Empire's founder. The film, directed by Laxman Utekar and produced by Dinesh Vijan, promises to tell a captivating story about the valour and legacy of one of India's most respected



kings.Next, Diana Penty has Mithun Gangopadhyay and Nishant Nayak's project Daring Partners. The series, which stars Tamannaah Bhatia and Nakuul Mehta, will be available for streaming on Prime Video. She will also appear in Diljit Dosanjh and Boman Irani's film Detective Sherdil. Before this, she was seen in Azaad with Ajay Devgn, Rasha Thadani, Aaman Devgan and others. The film was released last month and received mixed reviews

### Nick Jonas Shares An Unseen Pic Of Daughter Malti Marie Enjoying Piano With Grandfather Kevin Jonas



Priyanka Chopra and Nick Jonas's daughter Malti Marie is one of the most famous starkids. Her photos have always gone viral on social media. Today, also Nick Jonas shared another unseen photo of his daughter to wish his father Kevin Jonas happy birthday. Taking to his Instagram stories, Nick shared a photo in which we can see Malti sitting on Kevin's lap and enjoying the piano. She is happy and wears all winter wears. Nick wrote alongside, "Happy birthday @papakjonas, we love you so much." Earlier, Priyanka Chopra posted an adorable photo of the birthday boy embracing Indian culture. In the photo, he is seen donning traditional attire from Chopra's brother, Siddharth Chopra's wedding while he poses with his hand on his chest. "Celebrating you and your big 60 today. Keep shining brighter than ever. Lots of love, always, read the caption.

Priyanka Chopra was recently in India along with her family to attend her brother Siddharth Chopra's wedding festivities. Priyanka Chopra and Nick Jonas opted for a pastel-coloured ethnic ensembles. The couple posed for the cameras and greeted the paparazzi with folded hands. They gave a couple of adorable poses before they headed to a family event in Mumbai.Priyanka Chopra is currently shooting for her next film SSMB29 with Mahesh Babu. The film shooting is going on in Hyderabad. The official pooja ceremony for this SSMB29 was held on January 2. The ceremony was held strictly private, and no pictures or glimpses from the same were released by the makers.

Mahesh Babu and SS Rajamouli's highly anticipated film SSMB29 is officially underway. While the spotlight has been on this exciting pairing of Mahesh Babu and Priyanka Chopra, the film promises to bring together a diverse array of talented artists from around the world. However, the full list of cast and crew is yet to be revealed, leaving fans eagerly awaiting more updates.SSMB29 is set to be produced in two parts, with the first instalment expected to release in 2027 and the second instalment by 2029. Mahesh Babu will be playing the male lead.

#### Bipasha Basu, John Abraham Had 'Lots Of Issues' During Billo Rani Shoot, Broke Up Days Before: Vivek Agnihotri



Bipasha Basu and John Abraham used to be in love with one another and starred in films like Jism, Goal and Madhoshi among others. The song, Billo Rani, from Goal, is among their most remembered songs together. Recently, director Vivek Ranjan Agnihotri took to X and recalled the song's shoot and 'history'. Vivek wrote, "This song has a history. Producers didn't want it. Javed Saab was against the hook 'Billo Rani', Pritam wasn't sure about the gawwali style. John and Bipasha had a break-up just a couple of days before it so there were lots of issues. But only the Late Saroj Khan believed in me. She said this will become the biggest hit and it did. Big salute to Pritam, Javed saab and Saroj ji.'





Bipasha and John dated for nine years. Their relationship reportedly started around the time they were shooting for the 2003 film Jism, which had become quite controversial during the time of its release for its bold content. Fans were almost certain that the relationship would culminate into marriage, as they were always seen together at several events.

But, after almost nine years of dating, they decided to mutually part ways. The exact time or reason behind their split is still not known, with most reports claiming they had parted ways in 2011. The reason behind the split has also given rise to speculations, as the estranged couple never elaborated on it publicly. Bipasha, in an interview with TOI, had said that the break-up was "definitely not amicable." John, in an interview, claimed that it was "very amicable and there was nothing ugly about it." Meanwhile, John Abraham is all set to be seen in a politically intense thriller The Diplomat. The trailer has finally been released and looks like it has also impressed fans. The film also stars Sadia Khateeb, Sharib Hashmi, Revathy, and Kumud Mishra. The trailer pays homage to her pivotal efforts in 2017, supporting Indian diplomat JP Singh in bringing 'India's daughter' back home.