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India shut 1,524 gambling sites, applications since 2022



Divya Delhi: The ministry of electronics and information technology (MeitY) notified the Lok Sabha that professionals India blocked 1,524 illegal gambling websites and mobile apps between 2022 and June 2025. In a letter response to TDP MP Krishna Prasad Tenneti's July 23 query, MoS MeitY Jitin Prasada said the government issued 1,524 blocking instructions betting/gambling/gaming websites and mobile apps from 2022 to June 2025. At the February budget session, Union minister Ashwini Vaishnaw revealed the government had issued 1,410 blocking orders by February. Offshore online gaming platforms that violate Indian tax and local restrictions are causing concern. Under the Information Technology (IT) Act and the butions for three years, Integrated Good and Services Tax | benefiting finance and (IGST) Act, of GST Intelligence (DGGI) can direct intermediaries to They will also develop a block unregistered online gaming platforms, including international gaming platforms without IGST compliance. Even foreign online gaming enterprises must register under the IGST Act to operate in India, or risk being barred.

## India gets better UK market access in landmark deal

Rajesh Chauhan

Divya Delhi: A comprehensive trade deal signed Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his UK counterpart Keir Starmer will give Indian easier access to the UK and British exporters easier access to India's vast market through dramatic tariff cuts. Both parties called it a landmark partnership for shared prosperity. The pact will boost two-way trade by \$35 billion over time, and the two sides also announced plans to negotiate a Double Contribution Convention (DCC) that exempts Indian employers from UK social security contritechnology workers.

Defence Industrial Roadmap for military hardware collaboration. The trade deal and DCC



just an economic partnership, but a plan for shared prosperity" for India's young, farmers, fishermen, and the MSME sector in London. Starmer called the pact "biggest and most ecosignificant nomically trade deal" the UK has made since leaving the EU in 2020 and "one of deals" by India.

After more than three years of negotiations, commerce minister Piyush Goyal and his UK counterpart Jonathan Reynolds signed the Comprehensive will take effect. Modi Economic and Trade called the accord "not Agreement in May dur-

ing Modi's visit to Britain. With US President Donald Trump's tariffs causing economic uncertainty, both parties resolved long-standing divisions on subjects including British alcohol and car duties, which will be reduced. British whisky import duties reduce from 150% to the most comprehensive 75% immediately and 40% over 10 years. Quotas will lower UK automotive export duties from 110% to 10%. The UK eliminated tariffs on 99% of Indian exports, up from 65% that had zero or near-zero charges, expanding the benefits for both sides.

#### India, Maldives Reset a Year After **Record Low Diplomatic Ties**

Divya Delhi : India and the Maldives appear to have improved relations a year after a historic low. Narendra Modi's first visit to the Maldives in over a year marks a turnaround in a relationship that had been strained since President Mohamed Muizzu's November 2023 election. Last January, President Muizzu, elected on a 'India Out' platform, ordered New Delhi to withdraw all Indian miliforces Maldivian soil by March

A statement was pub-



However, Mr Muizzu claimed that foreign soldiers damaged Maldivian sovereignty. PM Modi's visit this week is the clearest show of normalization. He met with President Muizzu, Vice President Uz Hussain Mohamed, People's Majlis Speaker Abdul Raheem Abdulla, and former President Nasheed in Male for two days. India announced a Rs 4,850 crore infrastructure and development credit line. Trade, renewable energy, and climate change were

lished shortly after Mr. Muizzu's high-profile China visit. India had 77 soldiers and 12 doctors in the Maldives. The crew operated two India-gifted helicopters and a Dornier for search and rescue, medical evacuations, and surveillance. The deployments began in 2010 under President Mohamed Nasheed. discussed.

## Impeach HC judge notice signed by 100 MPs

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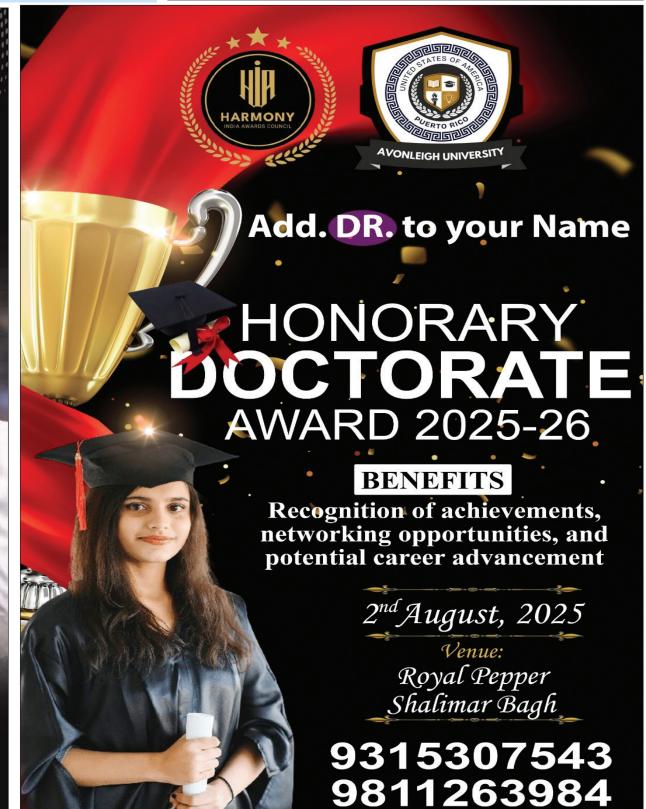
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impeachment. "The judge requires 100 Lok House.

Divya Delhi: Union par- court judge justice still underway, indicat- signature is underway Sabha and 50 Rajya Yashwant Varma, from ing that the govern- and it has crossed 100 Sabha signatures. With whose Delhi home a ment wanted many already," Rijiju told over 100 signatures, massive stash of cash politicians to sign the before Parliament's the impeachment Monsoon Session. A motion is likely to be port for Justice Varma's motion to remove a moved in the Lower









## Hindon's IndiGo flights start to four metros and four cities

Divya Delhi: India's largest airline will begin flights from Hindon Civil Terminal at 6.55am as it grows in Delhi-NCR. After Air India Express started flying from Hindon air base's runway in March, Indigo will be the second frontline airline to use it. IndiGo will launch 70 weekly departures to eight destinations: Bengaluru, Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Varanasi, Patna, Indore, Ahmedabad. After the maiden Indigo flight Bengaluru, everyday incoming and outgoing services include 12.10pm-1pm flight. Daily operations are scheduled for Patna, Varanasi, Kolkata, and However, Mumbai. return flights Mumbai would not

Ahmedabad flights will run daily, however return flights will miss Sundays save for one Sunday-only Chennai will fly six days a week, excluding. Daily operations



#### Coalition to secure TN elections, **AIADMK** to establish government

**Delhi:** The AIADMK and the BJP, the two main opposition parties in Tamil Nadu, are still at odds about how the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) would be formed into a government if it were to win the state assembly elections in 2026. The AIADMK's general secretary and opposition Edappadi leader, Palaniswami (EPS), reaffirmed his opposition to the formation of a coalition government by the NDA led by the AIADMK in on Nadu Wednesday, contra-

are scheduled for Varanasi, Kolkata, and Mumbai.

dicting what Union home minister Amit Shah had previously indicated. In reaction to Shah's comments, EPS stated, alliance will win but the AIADMK will form the government independently." They went on to say, "It is the AIADMK that leads this alliance."

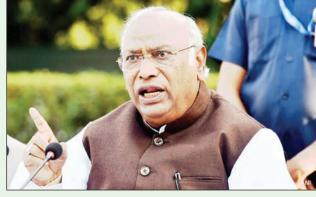
Thus, I have made up my mind., the BJP has made it clear that I will be the chief minister. Am I missing anything? According to EPS, Shah only said that the alliance will constitute the government.

However, return flights to Mumbai would not

## Opposition group to 'collectively decide' VP election: Kharge

Divya Delhi : Congress president Mallikarjun Khargeon said National **Developmental Inclusive** Alliance (INDIA) will "collectively take a decision" for the vice-president election. Early in the day, the Election Commission of India said it "has already started the preparations relating to the vice-presidential elections, 2025."

After preparations, the Vice-President of India election date would be announced as soon as possible." VP Jagdeep Dhankhar unexpectedly quit , claiming health rocking issues, Parliament for two days.



According to Kharge, "We will call a meeting of the INDIA group parties and take a collective decision on what to do for the VP election." The Congress-led Opposition ran former Union minis-Margaret Alva against Dhankhar in the 2022 VP election. Kharge said every party

must be consulted to make a decision and the bloc will work together within and outside Parliament. The INDIA group's choice would rely on numerous circumstances, including the National Democratic Alliance's selection, according to Congress

#### Insulting your husband in front of friends is harsh

Divya Delhi : Does it constitute cruelty if a wife refuses to touch her husband, accuses him of an affair, and degrades him in front of his friends? Yes, said Bombay High Court. A division bench of Justices Revati Mohite-Dere and Dr. Neela Gokhale told Live Law

that the husband will suffer "mental agony" from his wife humiliating him in front of his friends and mistreating his employees. According to the judges, "The spouse works for his family. The unrebutted evidence of the wife's behavior with his employees will hurt

him." Shaming him in front of his pals is also 'cruelty' Apathy and indifference for his disabled sister would also hurt him and his family, the judge added. The judge added that the wife's refusal to have a physical interaction and claims of extramarital encounters.

# CAPSULES

#### Fadnavis warns against fake **SC** certificates



Divya Delhi: Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis said a Scheduled Caste certificate obtained falsely by a non-Hindu, Buddhist, or Sikhish individual will be revoked. If they have government jobs or other reservation advantages, they will be punished. Fadnavis warned in the legislative council that a false SC certificate will nullify an election. He also said the state administration will introduce robust rules to combat religious conversion through compulsion and cheating in response to a calling attention motion. Amit Gorkhe (BJP) said that "crypto Christians" were abusing religious freedom and taking advantage of SC reservations. "Crypto Christians" were people who secretly practice Christianity but identify with another religion. They appear to be SC and receive reservation advantages like government jobs, he added. Fadnavis stated that the Supreme Court ruled on November 26, 2024, that only Hindus, Buddhists, and Sikhs can claim Scheduled Castes category reserva-

## Indian authorities cannot authorize foreign kid adoption: HC

Divya Delhi: The Bombay high court ruledthat the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act and adoption regulations do not allow Indian couples to adopt foreign children, even if related. While dismissing a petition by a Pune-based couple, the division bench of justices Revati Mohite Dere and Neela Gokhale stated that the JJ Act and adoption regulations do not allow relatives to adopt a foreign-citizen child unless it is Adoption Resource Agency a 'child in need of care and protection' or a 'child in conflict with law'. The 2011-married couple sought to adopt the woman's sister's six-yearold kid in the US. They petitioned the Pune district court

to adopt their 'relative'



because Muslims have no Advocate Shirin Merchant, court in 2024, the Central (CARA) refused to register parents or issue a preapproval letter because the 2022 adoption regulations did not allow American citizen adoption. couple approached the high court.

adoption statute. While their representing the couple, plea was pending in district argued that the adoption was in-country adoption because both the adoptive and biological parents were them as prospective adoptive Indian citizens. The JJ Act defines "in-country" adoption as adoption "by a citizen of India, residing in India" and allows relatives to adopt, Merchant added. However, CARA's position that neither

#### Bastar villages get 300 phone towers

Divya Delhi: Centre and state have built at least 300 cell towers Chhattisgarh's Bastar region in areas freed from Maoist rule in the last year. Security troops and Maoists fight over cell phone towers. Tower construction is a government priority. Destroying them is equally vital to Maoists. According to sources, at least 32 cell phone towers were built in Abhujmad, a vast forest of 5,000 sq km in Maoistaffected Bastar regions. In recent years, security troops penetrated portions of Abhujmad that had never been mapped and was Maoist-controlled.

## **CCTVs** compulsory at pharmacies by July-end

Divya Delhi : End of July is the deadline that the Delhi administration has set for the installation of closedcircuit television camaround nation's capital. In an effort to reduce the availability of illicitly obtained Schedule H, H1, and X narcotics, a resolution was reached following a conference held under the 11th National Narcotics Coordination portal (NCORD). Reducing the likelihood of dual-use medication abuse is a major goal.

The authorities made decision after



receiving complaints The letter that was sent effects of these sub- of stances on humans and animals, as well as their use in working together with government, action is anticipated to improve surveillance and reduce the distribution of illegal drugs.

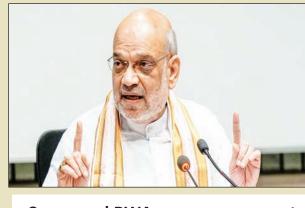
over the intoxicating said, "As per provisions the both Narcotics Coordination Portal, in collaboration with the Narcotics textiles, chemicals, and Control Bureau, has food products. By been advised to stop, prevent and discourage the Narcotics Control the sale of dual-use Bureau and the Delhi medicines without prethis scription and an advisory dated first August 2024 on this matter was already issued ear-

### Shah orders a multi-disciplinary central team to visit the Himachal catastrophe zone

Divya Delhi : Union Home Minister Amit Shah has ordered a multi-sectoral central team to visit Himachal Pradesh due to its frequent and intense natural catastrophes. The team would include experts from the Disaster National Management (NDMA), Authority Building Central Research Institute (CBRI) Roorkee, IITM Pune, a geologist, and IIT Indore, according to officials. According to a senior MHA official, the Union Home Minister was informed in a recent meeting that Himachal Pradesh has seen an increase in cloudbursts, floods, landslides, and torrential rainfall, causing widespread loss of life, damage to infrastructure, livelihoods, and environmental degradation. He added that after floods, flash floods,

and landslides in vari-

ous parts of the state



#### **Concerned RWAs urge government** action to end stray dog problem

Divya Delhi: Various residents welfare groups (RWAs) of Delhi-NCR gathered at Jantar Mantar to demand prompt action from the federal government in response to the increasing number of stray dogs in the nation's capital. In response to recent comments made by the Supreme Court in a case concerning the alleged harassment of a Noida resident for feeding stray dogs, the protest was spearheaded by former Union minister and senior BJP functionary Vijay Goel. Creating a safe haven in your own home is our recommendation.

The highest court in the land had made the remark, "Feed every dog in the community in your own house," emphasizing the need of protecting both stray animals and the public from harm.

during the South West without waiting for monsoon 2025, the Centre deputed an Inter-Ministerial Central Team (IMCT)

their memorandum for on-the-spot, firsthand damage assess-

## Poll body rejects Aadhaar in Bihar roll modification, clarifies citizenship

Commission of India (ECI) told the Supreme Court that citizenship would not be canceled if an individual is found ineligible for registration in Bihar's Special Intensive Revision (SIR)

watchdog defended the exercise in poll-bound Bihar in an 88-page affidavit, claiming it may request proof of citizenship for "enabling the constitu-

jurisdiction of the ECI," stated. The opposition claimed that SIR was a "citizenship screening" effort that would disenfranchise the masses. The ECI tional right to vote". "No par-responded. The top court and ration cards.

Divya Delhi: The Election voting registers. The poll liamentary law can oust this refused to suspend Bihar's electoral roll renovation, but questioned its timing months before the Assembly elections. It further requested that the ECI verify Aadhaar, voter ID,

#### Strategic sale of **IDBI** Bank expected by October

Divya Delhi: Two sengovernment sources said the longpending strategic disinvestment of IDBI Bank will be completed in October, and financial bids will be called soon as the sale process nears its close. "IDBI Bank stake sale will be completed by October," a senior government source stated.

The Inter-Group Ministerial (IMG) on disinvestment met on July 9 to examine the draft Purchase Share Agreement, a key step before seeking higher authority approvals.

## NH-148A section between DND Flyway, Sohna to finish in Sept

Divya Delhi: NH-148A project to connect Delhi-Noida-Direct (DND) Flyway to Sohna and reduce Delhi congestion is likely to be finished by September. They said 93% of the project is done. The extended highway will traverse Ballabgarh Faridabad, NH-19, and minimize travel time from east, north, and south Delhi Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, and Maharashtra. The ramp to Ashram crossroads is virtually finished, while the Sarai



side is Kale Khan being built.

Officials stated that an arch bridge across the Agra Canal in southeast Delhi's Kalindi Kunj is being NH-148A

built. NHAI said in June t hat the project will

boost connection with

Noida's planned inter-

national airport. The

project,

and Noida's Jewar International Airport, is 93% complete and on track to fulfill its amended September 2025 deadline. An NHAI official said the multi-phase structure project will reduce traffic in Delhi, especially from north and east Delhi, and improve connectivity with neighboring areas like the upcom-Noida International Airport in Jewar, Ghaziabad, Jaipur, Faridabad, Mumbai, and Kolkata.

which connects the

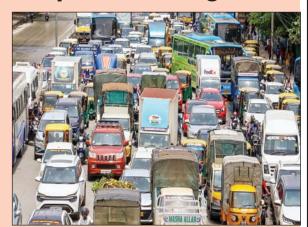
DND Flyover to Sohna

## Delhi decongestion scheme enters 'Super Six' stage

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Divya Delhi: Delhi and the central government have collaborated on several infrastructure projects to improve connectivity and reduce traffic in the capital and its surrounding areas. The National Highways Authority of India will decongest 128km of Delhi roads with six big projects costing Rs 23,850 crore. A 17km link from NH344M to Tronica City and a 65km eastern Extension Road II extension from the Delhi-Dehradun Expressway to Noida via Ghaziabad and Faridabad are planned. A 5km tunnel from Mahipalpur to Nelson Mandela Marg and a 20km elevated corridor from AIIMS to Faridabad Road aim to decongest south and central Delhi. A new interchange at Kalindi Kunj and a 20km Delhi-Amritsar-Katra Expressway extension complete the Rs 27,000 crore project. These initiatives will divert longdistance traffic from Delhi, downtown relieve NH44 and NH48,

and improve regional



#### Dhankhar will leave the VP enclave for Lutyens' Delhi

Vice-President Jagdeep Dhankhar started packing his

belongings after returning from the Rashtrapati Bhavan after submitting his resignation and will soon leave the Vice President Enclave for a type VIII governbungalow. Dhankhar will soon receive the allotment letter for the new Lutyens' Delhi government home. All retired Presidents

connections speedier highway access. The Kalindi Kunj junction will improve

Divya Delhi: Former and Vice Presidents can choose a class VIII bungalow in the national capital.

The largest government lodging in Lutyens' Delhi is these bungalows. M Venkaiah Naidu, Dhankhar's predecessor, lives in a home on Thyagraj Parliament. The former VP will move to a new government residence, some of his family

Delhi-Noida-Faridabad traffic. Senior officials said the government will support NHAI.

lives in Delhi.

### **Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar** resigns for health reasons

Divya Delhi: After presiding over the Rajya Sabha's maiden monsoon session, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, 74, resigned on health concerns in an extraordinary and unexpected decision. Dhankhar wrote to President Droupadi Murmu, "To prioritise health care and abide by medical advice, I hereby resign as Vice President of India, effective immediately, in accordance with Article 67(a) of the Constitution.'

Dhankhar's resignation letter thanked the President of India for her unflinching support and the pleasant resignation,



working relationship we shared during my

According to

sources, the government did not immedireply Dhankhar's departure, which was expected. After the President accepts Dhankhar's

Election Commission of India will call a new election for the second-highest office. Only MPs from both Houses can vote for the next VP. Unless the President Dhankhar to continue, Rajya Sabha deputy chairman Harivansh

### Delhi may eliminate the necessity for MCD health trade licenses to run restaurants

Divya Delhi: The Delhi restaurant licensing government may soon eliminate the need for a health trade license from the civic body to build restaurants and cafés in the city to enhance the hospitality sector. At the "Expresso" Lt Governor V K Saxena announced the city's

requirement is being eliminated. The Delhi government and MCD did not immediately respond to the develop-

Recently, the Delhi government eliminated the need for hotels, clubs, restaurants, and guest homes to get a police 'Eating Registration Lodging Certificate' to serve liquor. The L-G removed the Delhi Police Commissioner's ease-of-doing-business permit for the eating house registration certificate last month.



#### Two months, 16k hoardings, 1L posters removed

Divya Delhi : Delhi Municipal Corporation claimed to have removed over

16,000 hoardings and 100,000 posters in two months. When the Delhi election code of conduct takes effect, such



drives are common. Following chief minister Rekha Gupta's unambiguous order to clean the city and take stern action against defacement, MCD has removed these illegal signs in significant numbers. MCD has directed deputy commissioners in 12 zones to visit their regions everyday and remove hoardings and posters from walls and public spaces without using the civic body's authorized advertising spots. An MCD report shows 1,00,370 posters, 39,075 banners, and 16,642 hoardings destroyed in May and June. Shahdara North removed the most hoardings at 6,643, followed by West at 4,733 and Rohini at 1,580. West had 41,258 posters removed, Karol Bagh 14,922, and South 13,794. The report indicated that 23,333 banners were removed from Rohini zone and 4,852 from Shahdara North. MCD reported to the chief minister that the zonal deputy commissioner regularly inspected roads and public places. "Zonal sanitation and licensing must remove defacement and give challans to defaulters. The study noted that the maintenance wing regularly paints vandalized walls.

## Center approves Rs 800 crore for Delhi Jal Board under AMRUT

Divya Delhi: The Delhi Jal Board received Rs 800 crore from the Central government under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) initiative to connect slums and unauthorised colonies with sewers. Delhi Jal Board (DJB) officials and the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs' AMRUT scheme apex committee approved Yamuna cleaning project money at a

The idea calls for 13,000 new sewage connections in slums under the AMRUT scheme to rehabilitate the Yamuna river holistically. "The Union Territory (Delhi) was also advised to work holistically



cessing strategy to work out its reuse," a report said. The DJB cannot process all municipal sewage to ing all residences to sewer-

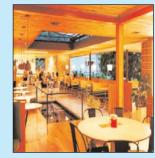
for Yamuna rejuvenation and age treatment facilities. The sewerage management and first BJP budget gave the to have a clear sludge pro- water and sewerage sector Rs 9,000 crore, one of the largest amounts. Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta has budgeted Rs 500 crore for enhance its capacity by link- STP rehabilitation, covering two projects.

#### A New Blood Donor **App Is Coming Soon** to Delhi

Divya Delhi : Delhi Chief Rekha Gupta announced that the city will soon release an app listing blood donors who are willing to donate their blood voluntarily. A blood donation camp in the Anand Vihar area was the site of the announcement, given by Ms. Gupta. "Details of those who intend to donate blood will soon be available on a blood donor app. "Details about their blood type, when they last donated, and whether they are eligible to donate again.

### Delhi's hotels and restaurants no longer need police NOCs

Divya Delhi: Hotels, restaurants, discotheamusement ques, parks, and auditoriums in the Capital will no longer need permission or NOCs from the Delhi Police. Recent order by L-G V K Saxena removed Delhi Police sanction power in such instances. The Delhi Police's Licensing Branch would now the directive added. L-G Saxena issued an order rescinding the sanction granted to the Commissioner



Police, Delhi, for issuing regulations Section 28 (1) of the Delhi Police Act, 1978, suit of "minimum govcovering the seven ernment and maximum exclusively issue guns activities listed in Para governance and explosives licenses, 1. These include hotels, reduced various licenspools, restaurants, dis- ing regimes in states cotheques, video game and Union Territories parlours, amusement (UTs) and urged simpliparks, and auditoriums. fied licensing proce-L-G ordered

to issue notification "repealing the said regulations with immediate effect". The order added, "The repeal notification shall be given wide publicity by Delhi Police and the Home Department." The decision stated that the Centre in purthe dures.

Commissioner of Police

## Pink Tickets Out, Aadhaar-Linked **Delhi Women's Free Bus Rides**

Divya Delhi : Delhi's Chief Minister Rekha Gupta declared that the current pink tickets for free bus trips on Transport Corporation and cluster buses will be replaced with an Aadhaar-linked Pink Pass for women and transgender residents alone. Ms. Gupta said a Pink Pass for free Delhi bus travel for women will replace the pink ticket soon. "This benefit will be limited to Delhi residents only." Eligible applicants must submit Aadhaar, PAN, evidence of address, a passport-size photo, and KYC documentation for the pass. Transport Minister Pankaj Singh confirmed launch preparations. The Pink Pass's digital and administrative structure is being finalized "Aadhaar would be the primary ID for eligibility verification,



women use the 2019 pink ticket initiative for free transport daily. Officials believe the open-access system was misused by nonresidents and led to corruption allegations in recent months. Inflated ticket counts, ridership data anomalies, and revenue leakages raise doubts about transparency and scheme reach. No date has been established for the transition, but authorities say the Pink Pass system will be implementfollowing months.

#### Govt allocates 12,952 crore for public transport system

The BJP government, led by Chief Minister Rekha Gupta, presented its maiden budget on Tuesday, March 25. Gupta presented 1 lakh crore budget for 2025-26, a 31.56% increase from last year. In the budget for the financial year 2025-26, the government has allocated 12,952 crore to improve Delhi's public transport system.It has allocated 1,000 crore to improve ed in phases over the the connectivity of Delhi with the NCR region.

## Take a stand against stray dogs by feeding them inside: SC backs a petition

Divya Delhi : Bench members expressed alarm over the increasing incidence of stray dog attacks on people, bicycles, and early risers during a Supreme Court hearing into a petition seeking designated areas for community dogs to eat. The focus then shifted to public safety.

Reema Shah of Noida's Gautam Budh Nagar submitted the plea, which asked for guidance on how to find open, designated spaces in the city where community canines



Although the court recognized the petitioner's good intentions, it stressed the dangers of wandering dogs in public areas and empha- ty. The court advised sized that the "cruelty faced by the common one day and see what

sidered. Justices Vikram Nath and Sandeep Mehta inquired, "Do you go cycling in the morning?

With an air of formalithat one should "try it

#### Parents asked to update Aadhaar biometrics of kids aged between 5 & 7

Divya Delhi: The Unique Identification Authority of India has urged parents to update the Aadhaar biometrics of children between five and seven years. "Timely completion of mandatory biometric update is an essential requirement for maintaining the accuracy and reliability of biometric data of children. If the MBU is not completed even after seven years of age, the Aadhaar number may be deactivated, as per the existing rules," the agency said in a statement. This is required to ensure seamless access to school admissions, entrance exams and other benefits such as direct benefit transfer, it added.

bike or two-wheeler, particularly on vacant may be fed without man" must also be con- happens" when riding a sive dogs are common. bench said.

"These animals have space, but streets where aggres- humans don't," the

#### It is possible to return to the drawing board with Master Plan 2041

Divya Delhi: Would it be necessary to start over with the Delhi 2041 Master Plan draft? Master Plan 2041 is back in the spotlight after being put on the back burner for over two years after the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) submitted the draft to the



Centre for notification and implementation. The govern-

ment of Delhi met behind closed doors to pore over the document's sections, which lay out the groundwork for the city's future infrastructure and urban planning. DDA briefed chief minister Rekha Gupta, cabinet members, and high-ranking officials in the Delhi government on the draft

in great detail. The Delhi secretariat is expected to have more discussions over the paper, but according to sources, the officers were requested to provide comments on various parts of the plan. "Depending on the nature of inputs received from various departments, we may

he said. Lakhs of

## **EDITORIAL**



## Editorial

#### India uses BRICS to push reforms—not to challenge the US

The latest edition of the BRICS Summit was significant because all 10 member countries participated. It included Iran, Egypt, Ethiopia, and the UAE, which attended as member states for the first time at the 2024 summit in Russia, and Indonesia, which joined in early 2025 as the first Southeast Asian country in the bloc. With its expansion, the group is now known as BRICS Plus—a term first used at the 2024 summit. Although forming groups of countries to promote cooperation is common globally, BRICS is more than a conventional grouping. It is a group of countries challenging the clout of the developed powers, particularly the US and European nations. In 2010, the first five members-Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa—constituted 18 per cent of the global GDP. Their collective share has risen to 26.5 percent in 2025. These nations are now challenging the hegemony of the West. Calls for dedollarisation—reducing reliance on the US dollar in trade and finance— are becoming prominent, posing a threat to America's financial and geopolitical dominance. It gives China and Russia (and India too) a louder voice on the world stage. It fuels global economic realignment away from the dollar and Western institutions, pointing to a multipolar world order something that US President Donald Trump doesn't support. The recent expansion of BRICS, with five new members joining, has increased the worries of the West, particularly the US. And without mincing words, Trump has started expressing his unhappiness over the developments happening in BRICS. Here are the key reasons why Trump opposes BRICS: The primary reason is that both the original members (Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa) and new entrants like Saudi Arabia, UAE, Egypt, Iran, and Ethiopia are openly discussing reducing reliance on the US dollar in trade and finance. Trump's long-standing "America First" stance makes any move away from the dollar a direct challenge to U.S. economic influence and its ability to enforce sanctions. The second point that irks Trump is BRICS' geopolitical opposition to the West. BRICS increasingly positions itself as a counterweight to Western institutions like the G7, the International Monetary Fund (IMF), and the World Bank. The deepening ties between China and Russia within BRICS are seen as part of a broader anti-Western alignment. Third, Trump has consistently taken a hardline stance on China, through trade wars, tariffs, tech and investment restrictions, etc. BRICS giving China a leadership platform to challenge the US on the global stage agitates him. He views BRICS as a vehicle for China's global expansion under the guise of multipolarity. Fourth, the inclusion of Saudi Arabia and Iran gives BRICS influence over global energy markets. There is growing potential for oil trade to be conducted in nondollar currencies (e.g., yuan or BRICS currency), which would weaken the petrodollar system a critical pillar of US global economic power. Fifth, Trump perceives BRICS expansion as a sign that the 'Global South' is drifting away from Western influence, forming its own independent bloc. This runs contrary to Trump's vision of negotiating "from strength," where US dominance is unquestioned. Sixth, Trump views global influence in zero-sum terms. Any rise of a non-Western grouping that excludes the US is seen as a personal and national affront. BRICS summits that propose alternative visions for world order without US involvement are perceived as a threat to 'American prestige'—something Trump values highly. He has threatened to impose higher tariffs on countries siding with the BRICS. He has already announced the imposition of 50 per cent tariffs on Brazil. Although India is a member of BRICS, its approach is more nuanced.

## Defence, tech, education—Modi's visit will boost India-UK ties

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is on his fourth visit to the UK. He will hold wideranging discussions with PM Keir Starmer on the entire gamut of India-UK bilateral relations, and exchange views on issues of regional and global importance. He is also expected to call on King Charles III. During the visit, the two sides will also review the progress of the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP) with a specific focus on trade and economy, technology and innovation, defence and security, climate, health, education, and people-to-people ties. Following the UK's exit from the European Union, economic and trade relations between the two countries acquired a new salience. India-UK bilateral trade set a new record when it crossed \$55 billion (£42.6 billion) in 2024, registering an increase of around 10 per cent over the previous year. Indian companies have made significant investments in the UK. Grant Thornton (GT) and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) research in 2024 highlighted a record number of 971 Indian companies in the UK with a combined turnover of over £68 billion. The report India Meets Britain Tracker 2024 found that Indian companies in the UK are thriving, with 100 companies having a revenue growth of at least 10 per cent. The Britain meets India Tracker 2024 identified 667 British companies in India with a turnover of approximately £47.5 billion. The UK is the sixth-largest contributor of FDI to India.



Cumulative FDI from the UK to India is around \$36 billion between 2000 to March 2025. India's investment in the UK during this period is close to \$20 billion. The Indian diaspora in the UK is also a major presence in the UK's economic scenario. The 2020 GT report, done with the High Commission of London, India, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI), identified 654 diaspora-owned companies with a turnover of at least £100,000, generating a cumulative annual turnover of £36.84 billion. The wealth generated by Indian diaspora-owned businesses in the UK was estimated to be around £75 billion by this report. The 1.8 million Indian diaspora forms about 2.7 per cent of the UK's population. During PM Modi's visit, the signing of the India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA) is expected. The forward-looking agreement complements India's growth aspirations. The FTA has been described as both historic and ambitious. It is expected to boost jobs, exports, and growth, benefitting 99 per cent of Indian exports from zero per cent duty, opening export

opportunities for labourintensive sectors such as texmarine products, tiles, leather footwear, sports goods and toys, gems and jewellery, and others such as engineering goods and organic chemicals. Trade in services is also expected to receive a significant fillip. Enhanced global mobility for aspirational young Indians and a three-year exemption from social security payments come as a major relief for Indian employees and companies based in the UK. Despite the record bilateral trade, the UK's trade with India accounts for around 2.5 per cent of its total trade. With both sides seeking trade diversification and supplychain resilience, an India-UK FTA will hopefully create the doorway for businesses to drive the economic relationship forward. Given the immediate challenges on India's borders, cooperation in the defence sector with partners such as the UK has achieved greater importance. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's visit to the UK in January 2024 provided fresh impetus to the defence pillar of the relationship. In 2023, ties were elevated to a 2+2

mechanism. The British

defence sector could emerge as a key collaborator in technology transfers, the development of advanced capabilities, and supporting the Make in India effort by attracting more British FDI into the defence sector. Several defence cooperation agreements—covering production of Man Portable Air Defence Systems (MANPADS) and Lightweight Multirole Missiles (LMM), the establishment of an Advanced Short-Range Air to Air Missile (ASRAAM) assembly and test facility in India and a Statement of Intent to design and develop an Integrated Full Electric Propulsion system for Indian Navy ships signal good times ahead for India's defence sector. India's focus on indigenous development does present challenges for the British industry, with fears that it could potentially make cooperation in certain sectors commercially unviable. Intellectualproperty (IP) issues also need to be resolved. These issues can hopefully be addressed through the robust defence engagement mechanism that now exists between the two countries. Moreover, the UK-India military cooperation has grown in recent

The Royal Navy made six ship visits to India in 2023, while its Littoral Response Group (South) conducted exercises with the Indian Navy in March 2024. In August 2024, the UK's Royal Air Force participated in exercise Tarang Shakti in India. An naval officer, Lieutenant Commander N Dinesh Anand, has joined Britannia Royal Naval College as Divisional Training Officer for the first time. India and the UK are making a serious effort to build technology partnerships. The new bilateral Technology Security Initiative (TSI), formally launched during UK Foreign Secretary, David Lammy's visit, aims to catalyse collaboration on critical and emerging technologies in seven key sectors: telecoms, critical minerals, semiconductors, Artificial Intelligence, quantum, biotechnology and health technology, advanced materials. Tech collaboration between India and the UK also extends to sectors including financial services, innovation in health, climate, renewables, and startups. The participation of stakeholders from government, industry, and academia would be important for taking Technology Security Initiative forward. Both countries are global hubs of innovation, science, technology, and research. India is one of the world's largest startup ecosystems and has over 100 unicorn companies. The increasing focus on these areas is welcome. Education is an important pillar of India-UK relations. The University of Southampton opened its campus in Gurugram on 16 July 2025, becoming the first foreign university campus under the New Education Policy (NEP). The UK remains one of the preferred destinations for Indian students, with around 1,70,000 students studying in the UK in the academic year 2023-

### Pak accomplices, shootouts, sealed chargesheet—how the 7/11 blasts case fell apart

in a one-room tenement inside the announced it will appeal—but dis-Deccan Cooperative Society in Sewri, turbing evidence will surface that the on the grimy eastern fringes of suburban Mumbai. They began packing ammonium nitrate-fuel oil gel, the lethal but readily available commercial explosive used across India, inside 35-kilogram pressure cookers. Then, a detonator cap was loaded into each pressure cooker and linked to a simple Ajanta-brand digital clock, set to 6:30 pm. Each cooker was then packed in a shopping bag. Later that evening 209 people died far more than on 26/11—when the bombs went off in packed first-class compartments on seven separate trains running from Churchgate. This week, 19 years on, the Bombay High Court finally held what successive governments, police services, and the intelligence services themselves have long known: The five men sent to death row for their role in the bombings, and the seven others given shorter sentences, had nothing to do with the bombing. The

**The** men gathered early one morning Maharashtra government has botched trial has enabled the terrorists actually responsible for the crime to evade responsibility. Intelligence and police services at the time were struggling to detect the real workings of the Lashkar-e-Taiba-linked network that came to be known as the Indian Mujahideen. Therefore, following the 7/11 bombing, the usual suspects—generally men with loose ties to conservative Muslim groups were pulled in and charged with terrorism, as was the pattern in several prosecutions from the period. Following the bombing of the Sankat Mochan Temple in Varanasi, as well as the local railway station, the Imam of the mosque at Phulpur was arrested and charged with the murder of 28 people. The Uttar Pradesh police alleged that Waliullah had handed over the explosives and the pressure cooker cases to three terrorists from Bangladesh, who were never identi-

## Saiyaara proves star kids don't need hype, just a good film and a killer soundtrack

son in successfully launching opening even had Ajay Devgn new actors. The film did not hold press conferences, 'exclusive' interviews, or have its lead pair jet-setting across cities to interact with crowds. Instead, it opted for radio silence. It banked on the release alone. The movie had a box office opening of Rs 21.5 crore, and has now crossed the 100-crore mark before completing the first week of its release. Ahaan Panday and Aneet Padda stole the thunder when it came to making a memorable big-screen debut.

Mohit Suri's Saiyaara is a les- The film's unprecedented scramble to postpone the release of his film Son of Sardaar 2 from 25 July to 1 August. The film relied on one star—the music. Suri, known for his films Zeher (2005), Woh Lamhe (2006), and Aashiqui 2 (2013), has let his films' music do the talking. Each of these films had a breakout song that pushed the film to audiences. Be it 'Woh Lamhe' from Zeher to 'Kya Mujhe Pyar Hai' of Woh Lamhe and 'Tum Hi Ho' from Aashiqui 2, Suri's films capture the mood of heart-

The star-crossed lovers, the music have all been done before by Suri. Gen Z has now succumbed to what was millennial 'poison'. While most star kids were launched with an overdose of PR appearances, from doing a hook step of their movie's title track to being part of creators' videos, Saiyaara's lead cast was conspicuous through their absence from social media. The PR team clearly decided to learn from others' mistakes.

break like no other in their Ahaan Panday had a blink-andmiss appearance in his sister Alanna's wedding and was looming tragedy, and the absent from her Prime Video show, The Tribe (2024). In contrast, his cousin Ananya Panday was everywhere before and during her debut in Student of the Year 2 (2019). Her social media already had a massive follower count, and she was seen rubbing shoulders with the who's who of Bollywood. More recently, massive social media hype was built before Ibrahim Ali Khan made his debut with Nadaaniyan (2025).

### China was quick to test the nuclear bomb. India missed vital landmarks

tinents, an anniversary quietly slipped Manhattan Project was to be disunder the radar of world watchers. cussed. It is patently clear that the US Eighty years ago, an explosion ushered in a new age of combat, weapons, tactics, and technology. At 5:29 am local time on 16 July 1945, the United States tested the world's first atomic bomb in the desolate desert of New Mexico in an area called Jornada del Muerto-Spanish for "Dead Man's Road". The site couldn't have been chosen because of the irony in its name. In the days of Spanish expansion into the New World, this must have certainly been a deadly route to take, but that was centuries before America's wartime quest for the world's most potent weapon. And it was tested under the codename 'Trinity'. A multi-billiondollar initiative that involved scores of enterprises, institutions, and scientists of various disciplines working under strict military supervision, it was innocently labelled 'Manhattan Project'. Innocent, since the name didn't convey its unifocal military purpose. The world entered the nuclear age with a military purpose, and its impact on 6 and 9 August 1945 over Hiroshima and Nagasaki are historical landmarks that will not be erased anytime soon. Reams have been written about the Manhattan Project and its impact. The ghastly use of the bomb against Japan has also been dissected. What has been relegated to dusty shelves and nerdy researchers, however, is the official report on the programme. It's unambiguously called Atomic Energy for Military Purposes. Among the most extraordinary aspects of the report is that it was made public on 12 August 1945, even before the radioactive clouds had lifted from Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Princeton University physicist Henry DeWolf Smyth penned the report. Within the community that contributed to making the nuclear fission device a success, the Smyth Report

In an era of multiple strifes across con- was the working paper on how the was working on a long-term nuclear perspective. The American military approach is a far cry from how India viewed the arrival of the nuclear era. Although its nuclear journey is extraordinary among formerly colonised nations, India missed vital landmarks along the way. In July 1945, India already had a nuclear research programme at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), established months before Washington's Trinity test. Within a year of Independence, the country also had an Atomic Energy Commission, and in less than a decade, it had commissioned Asia's first nuclear reactor, APSARA, at Trombay. India was light years ahead of any other Asian country. In the 1950s, China was largely dependent on its larger ideological ally, the Soviet Union. It entered the nuclear age with a sole purpose, based on Chairman Mao's dictum, "Power flows from the barrel of a gun." The simple formulation offered Beijing both short-term benefits and dividends in the long run, too. It is now obvious that the possession of weapons of mass destruction will not

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## **Prasar Bharati distributes free** high-quality news content

Divya Delhi : Prasar Bharati has invited newspapers, periodicals, and television channels nationwide to register on its newswire platform, PB-SHABD, to improve access to high-quality news and multimedia content. This extensive content-sharing effort, launched in March 2024, provides over 800 daily news pieces in several Indian languages to support businesses. media More than 40 categories of stories cover current events, economy, society, and science. The portal also broadcasts major national and international events, has a large visual archive, and publishes explanatory and researchbased pieces. PB-SHABD's free, mediafriendly content is easily accessible and used for traditional and digital content makers. All media legitimate organizations must be on the platform, officials said at a recent high-level conference convened



Information **Broadcasting Secretary** Sanjay Jaju. The goal is to spread accurate, authentic, and understandable information through trusted PB-SHABD. means. India's first government-backed digital newswire, launched in March 2024 and offers over 800 multimedia news pieces daily in multiple Indian languages. This platform covers over 40 topics, politics, including health, economy, foreign affairs, ecology, and more. Built to enable a robust and inclusive media ecosystem, PB-SHABD offers: Registered media partners get free, copyright-cleared

#### The PM SHRI Institute

Divya Delhi: The Government of India is a major backer of SHRI School. Every student should feel welcomed and cared for in more than SHRI 14,500 PM Schools managed by the Central Government, State Government, Government, and local bodies like KVS and NVS. These schools should also provide a safe and stimulating learning environment, a variety of learning opportunities, and adequate physical infrastructure and resources that help students learn.

## Digital wallet payments must cross boundaries

Alex Chriss told us in an exclusive interview that digital wallets and rapid payment systems must integrate into a global, interoperable network to scale. Chriss lauded local payment rails like UPI, Venmo, and WeChat Pay. The next wave of digital commerce growth depends on making these technologies function together, he said. He believes travelers should be able to pay retailers or send money using their preferred apps, regardless of location. On PayPal World: PayPal has created PayPal World, a global

Divya Delhi: PayPal CEO



network TenPay Global (China), International (India), Mercado Pago (Mexico), PayPal, and Venmo. UPI apps will let Indians shop at European scan UPI QR codes with ambition.

connecting their home wallets. Chriss also supported cryptocurrency as the next payment revolution. PayPal wants merchants to accept bitcoin by providing rails for stores. such transactions as Tourists in India might part of its worldwide

#### **Sweden's Electrolux sells Kelvinator to Reliance**

Divya Delhi : Reliance Industries (RELI.NS), opens new tab and announces that its retail unit bought Kelvinator's Indian brand from Electrolux Sweden's (ELUXb.ST), opens new tab, expanding its foothold in the fastgrowing consumer durables industry. Reliance Retail is devel-

oping its private-label portfolio and home electronics and appliances due business increased incomes, urbanization, and competition. It runs Reliance Digital stores that offer smartphones, laptops, washing machines, and refrigerators. Since 2019, Kelvinator-branded refrigerators, air conditioners, and washing machines have been sold through smaller appliance retailers in general trade under a license agreement with Electrolux.

In India's 1970s and 80s, Kelvinator's "the coolest one," refrigerators became a symbol of middle-class aspiration.

#### For UPI's long-term success, a sustainable financial strategy is essential



Divya Delhi: In order to sustain the fast expansion of UPI and guarantee the digital payments infrastructure's long-term viability, RBI governor Sanjay Malhotra has raised the need for a sustainable financial model. "The daily volume of UPI transactions was around 31 crore approximately two years ago. "In just two years, it has doubled to over 60 crore a day," Malhotra said, adding that it is vital to fund operational expenses due to the rising volumes.

Someone will have to pay the price; expenses are inevitable. "It is an important infrastructure," he stated at a Financial Express-hosted event. At the moment, the expenses are being covered by the government. The future handling of those charges is crucial. We will do whatever is necessary to guarantee that our nation has a reliable, strong, secure, and easily accessible payment system. He claimed that the move to subsidize UPI transactions by the government had contributed to the increase in adoption. The government is subsidizing it because they believe it should be offered for

## Microsoft investigating 'internal leak' after hackers exploit SharePoint hole

Divya Delhi : A leak in Microsoft Active Protections Program (MAPP), an early alert system for cybersecurity organizations, may have allowed Chinese state-backed hackers to attack SharePoint vulnerabilities before updates were publicly accessible. Following a security fix provided by the IT giant earlier this month that failed to adequately address a crucial server software flaw, cyber espionage attempts increased. As determine ways to improve, Typhoon" and and apply them broadly, "a Microsoft representative told Bloomberg. Microsoft told Reuters that it evaluates "the



"Violet Typhoon," two Chinese hacking groups, and a third were exploiting these vulnerabilities. At the Pwn20wn cyberseefficacy and security of all of curity conference in Berlin in

our partner programs and May, Viettel researcher Dinh makes the necessary improve- Ho Anh Khoa revealed the vulpart of our usual procedure, ments as needed." Microsoft nerability. Microsoft released we'll analyze this incident, said last week that "Linen—an initial patch in July after Khoa received \$100,000 for his findings. Dustin Childs, head of threat awareness for Trend Micro's Zero Day Initiative, which organizes Pwn2Own.

#### YES Bank Stole Rs 2,850 Crore From **Reliance MF**

Divya Delhi: Reliance Mutual Fund of Anil Ambani invested Rs 2,850 crore in YES Bank AT-1 bonds for alleged quid pro quo. Enforcement Directorate sources said. Additional Tier-1 or AT-1 bonds have no maturity date and investors never get their principal, but they do receive a higher interest rate forever. If necessary, the bank might convert them to equity or write them off. Reliance Mutual Fund's bonds were written off and the money was siphoned off, ED sources stat-

#### American solar firms sue Indonesia and India over trade

Divya Delhi : American solar panel makers have resorted to submitting trade complaints against Laos, India, and Indonesia, claiming that businesses in those nations, which are dominated by Chinese ownership, are engaging in unfair trade practices. The Alliance for American Solar Manufacturing and Trade has just filed additional claims against dumping and countervailing duties. This group comprises First Solar, Mission Solar Energy, and Qcells. Chinese goods manufactured in these



three Asian countries able energy sources. are allegedly flooding and the most recent the market at unjustly trade case just adds to low prices, according to their woes. the trade association. U.S. solar companies United States' imposiare already feeling the effects of tariffs and Trump administration efforts to slow the

This follow tion of additional tariffs on machinery and tools produced in Cambodia, Vietnam, Thailand, and expansion of renew- Malaysia.

### Tesla sets foot in India with Rs 61 lakh Model Y

Divya Delhi: Tesla is finally here. The electric car giant run by Elon Musk opened its first India showroom in Mumbai's BKC . Musk had set his eyes on India since at least 2015, but high tariffs, limited flexibility, and charging infrastructure challenges, kept Tesla away from the country, which the company had described as a hard market. While bookings opened, deliveries of Model Y SUVs, prices for which start at Rs 61-lakh onroad (500km range), will begin in Oct. A 'long- range' (622km) Model Y variant will be available from Jan 2026 with an on-road price tag of just over Rs 69 lakh. For context, BMW iX1 LWB electric SUV is priced at about Rs 51 lakh on-road, and Mercedes-Benz EQA electric SUV costs just over Rs 70 lakh. Users will have a simple 'plug and charge



#### 59 countries waive the visa requirement for **Indian citizens**

Divya Delhi: According to the Henley Passport Index-2025, the Indian passport has become more valuable, rising eight spots to the 77th spot. The number of countries that allow Indian passport holders to enter visa-free or with a visa upon arrival has increased to 59. In this measure, which rates 199 nations according to the amount of destinations their people can visit without a visa beforehand, this year's surge follows a five-place decline in 2024 compared to the previous year. India jumped from 85th place in 2024 to 77th place this year due to two new tourist destinations—Sri Lanka and the Philippines. India ranked 80th in 2023.

experience' with up to 267km range in superchargers adding 15 minutes.

## **Trump warns trade partners** will face 15%-50% tariffs

Divya President Trump said retaliatory tariffs on US trading partners will range from 15% to 50%, with tough countries receiving a higher amount. "We'll have a straight, simple tariff of anywhere between 15% and 50%," the president stated at an AI meeting in Washington, D.C. "We have 50 because we haven't been getting along with those countries too well." Trump had said tariffs would stay around 10% or 15%. Multiple sources indicated that the US and EU are close to a trade and tariff deal, even as the EU prepares a possible retaliatory package on over \$100 billion in US goods. US taxes on EU imports to 15% from 30%, as President Trump warned on Aug. 1. Bloomberg stated the

15% tariff will apply to



#### Samsung may make India a US hub amid rising tariffs

Divya Delhi: Samsung may move some smartphone production from Vietnam if US tariffs drop in India. The world's largest smartphone maker would follow Apple in making India a top US smartphone manufacturing base. Samsung manufactures in various countries. Due to heightened US uncertainty, we are ready for several possibilities.

"most products." Trump's plan with Japan, which includes 15% tariff on imported goods and \$550 billion in US investment, is compa-

rable. Trump also announced the US had reached a trade deal with the Philippines that would impose a 19% tariff Philippine goods.

#### Adani gets Rs 11,000cr for 30% JV share

Divya Delhi: Adani Enterprises will sell its remaining 30.4% ownership in AWL Agri commercial to Wilmar International of Singapore and institutional investors for Rs 11,080 crore, exiting one of its first commercial endeavors from the turn of the millennium. In January, it sold 14% of AWL Agri Business (formerly Adani Wilmar) for Rs 4,856 crore through the offer for sale (OFS), signaling its exit from non-core infrastructure operations. The Ahmedabadbased Adani Group sold Adani Capital, Adani Housing, and the Myanmar port project. AWL stated on Thursday that Wilmar will buy Adani Enterprises' 20% interest in Fortune edible oil and Kohinoor basmati rice manufacturer for Rs 7,148 crore, increasing its ownership to 64% from 45%. In another transaction, institutional investors would buy Adani Enterprises' remaining 10.42% interest for Rs 3,934 crore. Wilmar and institutional investors pay Rs 275 per share for share transfer, compared to Rs 276.5 for Jan OFS. AWL shares on BSE rose over 8% to Rs 284 intraday on Thursday, ending at Rs 278, up 6.1%. AWL will no longer be an Adani Enterprises associate after these transactions, pending Wilmar anti-trust approvals. Adani Enterprises, the group's flagship company, plans to invest AWL divestiture revenues in airports, green hydrogen, roads, and copper activities, where it sees growth potential. The corporation has indicated airports will be a "full-blown consumer story" rather than FMCG.

## **Central varsities have** 26% vacancies

Divya Delhi According to education ministry data provided with Rajya Sabha, roughly 26% of 18,951 sanctioned posts at central univer-(CUs) unfilled, with a disproportionate scarcity in reserved

categories. Reserved categories—SCs, STs, and OBCs-make up 36.7% of the 4,889 open positions in 46 UGC-funded central universities. In contrast, 14.6% of general category roles are empty.Union minister of state (MoS) in edu-Sukanta Majumdar Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) MP Manoj Jha that 54% of 2,537 professor posts, 36.6% of 5,105 associate professor posts, and 14.5% of 11,309 assistant professor posts unfilled.Official shows almost one-third of the 7,153 reserved professor jobs in CUs are vacant, despite the constitutional obligation of 15% reservation for SCs, 7.5% for STs, and 27% for OBCs



#### **Delhi Increases Olympic Winners'** Cash Rewards, Approves Student **Laptop Program**

Divya Delhi: Minister Ashish Sood announced that Delhi has increased cash awards for Olympic and Paralympic medalists. Mr. Sood also approved the Mukhyamantri Digital Scheme to give meritorious students free laptops. At the Delhi Secretariat, Chief Minister Rekha Gupta chaired a Cabinet meeting that made the decisions. "CM Rekha Gupta led a Cabinet meeting today. Many key decisions were made for Delhi's development, students, and youth, "Mr. Sood said at a press conference. The Mukhyamantri Khel Prothsahan Yojana made historic choices. Previous Olympic and Paralympic medalists received Rs 3 crore, Rs 2 crore, and Rs 1 crore. He added Olympic gold medalists will receive Rs 7 crore, silver medalists Rs 5 crore, and bronze medalists Rs 3 crore to boost the sports ecosystem. Mr. Sood declared that the Delhi government will hire gold, silver, and bronze medalists in Group A and Group B, respectively.

to ensure adequate representation.

## **Indian tourist permits for Chinese** tourists resume after 5 years.

Divya Delhi : India resumed Chinese visitor visas, easing bilateral relations that had been strained for six decades by a military standoff on the Line of Control. The Indian embassy in Beijing announced the decision on social media roughly two months after India and China agreed in April to resume the Mansarovar Yatra after five years, the first big milestone in people-to-people contacts.

The Indian embassy in Beijing announced on WeChat that Chinese nationals could apply for tourist visas to India online .



The post said applicants may schedule document submissions in Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou. On condition of anonymity, sources confirmed the return of Chinese tourist visas and stated applications will begin. After border skirmishes between Chinese and Indian troops in April-

May 2020 sparked the LAC face-off in Ladakh, India placed broad visa restrictions on Chinese nationals. China did not prohibit Indian visas, but the lack of direct flights hampered visitation. Between January and June 2025, China provided 85,000 visas to Indian students, visitors, and

#### RIL makes record profit amid oil decline, sets clean energy outlook

Divya Delhi : India's most valuable company, Reliance Industries Ltd., surpassed predictions to register a strong increase in revenue and profit for the April-June quarter, driven by better telecoms and retail profitability despite crude-based difficulties. Profits from its Asian

Paints disposal also boosted the bottom line. According to an investor presentation, Reliance's new energy business's production plants—which will drive its growth over the next decade—are being commissioned quickly. The new energy business would create solar mod-

ules, generate clean electricity from them, use electrons to run data centres, and make hydrogen, ammonia, and aviation Reliance did not provide timescales. Reliance Industries' oil-to-chemicals (O2C) business's operating profit fell in the first quarter.

#### **Qatar joins India, confirms IOC talks for 2036 Olympics** and Paralympics

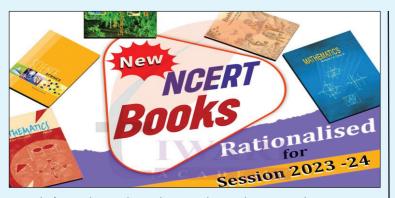


Divya Delhi : The Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) said it was discussing the 2036 Olympic and Paralympic Games host city voting process with the IOC, Reuters reported. After Indonesia, Turkey, India, and Chile, the country is the last to bid for the 2036 Games. It hosted the 2022 World Cup and 2024 Asian Cup. Saudi Arabia and South Korea are also exploring bids. Egypt, Hungary, Italy, Germany, Denmark, and Canada are interested. "We currently have 95% of the required sports infrastructure in place to host the Games, and we have a comprehensive national plan to ensure 100% readiness of all facilities," QOC president Sheikh Joaan bin Hamad Al-Thani told Qatar

"This plan is based on a long-term vision to create a socially, economically, and environmentally sustainable legacy." A few weeks previously, an Indian delegation met with the IOC in Lausanne, proposing Ahmedabad as the official host city. The discussion was productive. It was then revealed that the IOC's message to India was straightforward: clean up before planning the Olympics. Three sources said that the IOC raised concerns about the Indian Olympic Association (IOA)'s governance issues, the doping problem in sports, and the country's poor performance at the Olympics, finishing 71st with six medals at last year's Paris Games.

## Skills like carpentry and animal care are included in the NCERT text

Divya Delhi: The new Class 8 vocational education activity book by the National Council of Education Research and Training (NCERT) introduces students to six projects that aim to blend practical skills with cultural and environmental awareness. These projects range from learning basic carpentry skills to building hydroponics, designing home automation circuits, caring for animals, and creating ethical advertisements for local businesses. From the ecological ethics of woodworking in the Atharva Veda to traditional veterinary treatments and the ancient floating farms of Dal Lake and Loktak Lake, this book traces the origins of vocational education in India



to India's traditional wisdom. The 202-page book titled Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and the National Curriculum School Framework for Education (NCF-SE) 2023. It suggests that schools host an end-of-year exhibition called "Kaushal Mela" where stu-

dents showcase their own creations, talk about what they "Kaushal Bodh" was created learned, and interact with to align with the National their teachers, classmates. and community members to celebrate their talents and creativity. There are three main types of work outlined in the 2023 National Curriculum Framework School Education (NCF-SE)

#### Irish education minister invites Indians for education, research

**NEW DELHI:** James Lawless, Ireland's Education Minister, on Monday said his country is 'very welcoming" for students and has a supportive poststudy employment arrangement. "Ireland is a very welcoming country. We have a very cosmopolitan culture. We have many nationalities now in Ireland, and many people have made their home, including many, many Indians," the Irish minister said, when asked whether his government is considering any changes in poststudy work or immigration policies to retain skilled talents.

### NMC again threatens action against medical colleges not paying stipend

**Delhi:** The National Medical Commission (NMC) has once again warned medical schools that they will take legal action if their students not receive stipends while they are in residency and internship. It is uncertain if the commission will take action this time due to a change in chairman, as no measures were implecomparable threats in 2023 and 2024. The National Colleges Council (NMC) warned three months ago to fine medical schools Rs



50,000 for not providing stipends, even though these schools save crores of rupees annually. All medical prior to the most schools are required recent public notice, mented following by NMC laws to pay which was dated July their interns and resiamount as the state government medical schools. Medical schools, universities, and state directorates

of medical education were tasked resolving student complaints three days 11, by NMC. Still, it's threatening to take measures including financial fines, course recognition removal, and admiccion suspension.

## **UGC** stops research projects due to lack of funds from central govt

Divya University Grants Commission has stopped several research projects while some are lying dorallegedly mant because of lack of funds from the Centre. The Major Research Project (MRP) of higher education regulator UGC is a case in point. (See chart) According to the annual reports of the UGC, funding for the scheme has been declining over the past five years as it has declared "closed".The number of existing beneficiaries has been decreasing as researchers finish their projects. A retired academic blamed poor research proposals for the decline in funding. The UGC secretary is yet to respond to a query from this newspaper

The UGC web-

on the closure of the



#### An uptick in enrollment in foundational engineering courses

Divya Delhi: A change in parental and student choices is beginning to show itself in the continuing admissions process at engineering universities. Mechanical, civil, chemical, and aerospace engineering, among others, continue to enjoy strong interest and see brisk enrollment, on par with computer science programs. This willingness to explore fields outside of computer science is being propelled by a number of causes. According to academics and students who spoke with businessline, some of the main factors are the following: the increasing number of job prospects in core engineering streams, students' preference for taking minors that focus on emerging technologies, and the trend toward students acquiring stronger domain expertise.

around half a dozen tion schemes have suggests that other research promo- been shelved.

### Over 70% of Delhi University students decide to stay for the 4th year under the new FYUP

Divya Delhi : Delhi University (DU) administrators announced that over 70% of thirdvear students had elected to remain on for an additional year under the new curriculum a week before the first fourth-year undergraduate class begins. Data is tentative as of July 24. Dean of academic affairs Ratnabali K said, "While the final data will reveal more accurate trends, initial observations show that peripheral colleges have higher fourth-year retention rates, whereas topranking colleges have slightly lower retention. One factor may be because students in these universities choose traditional postgraduate grams. Students can

drop out of the fourth

year through the uni-

versity's portal until



#### Samsung may make India a US hub amid rising tariffs

Divya Delhi: Samsung may move some smartphone production from Vietnam if US tariffs drop in India. The world's largest smartphone maker would follow Apple in making India a top US smartphone manufacturing base. Samsung manufactures in various countries. Due to heightened US uncertainty, we are ready for several possibilities.

August 1. Vice chancellor Yogesh Singh said, "While the portal for opting out of fourth year is still open, as of now, 20,221 students

have decided to exit

out of the 72,000 seats." The new Four-Year Undergraduate (FYUP) Programme created under the National Education Policy (NEP)

#### Government schools with smart classrooms and Al tools

Divya Delhi: Delhi education minister Ashish Sood attended an orientation for Nursery, KG, Class I children and their parents at Sarvodaya Kanya Vidyalaya in Chirag Dilli. Principals, teachers, and the director of education attended the start of the new academic year. Sood praised parents for choosing Delhi government schools. "Every child in Delhi deserves a modern, inclusive and inspiring learning environment," he remarked. "Many of you are taking your kids to school for the first time and wonder, 'Is my child safe? Will they be looked after? We started orientation programs for that reason." He continued, "Delhi government is devoted to improving educa-

We emphasize academic success and comprehensive development for all children." Nearly 40 years ago, these institutions produced doctors, engineers, IAS officers, scientists, and actors. According to him, government schools are increasingly seen as inferior to private ones. "I want to assure you that your child studying in a government school can achieve just as much, if not more." Smart classrooms, AI tools, and computer laboratories will be installed in our schools during the next five years. Sood said these upgrades will prepare kids for a quickly changing environment. He also highlighted government student initiatives. "We provide scholarships for SC and ST students to ensure no child is left behind due to lack of resources. Our teachers volunteer to teach pupils who need academic help during summer holidays."

projects.

Ram Charan has gone beast mode at the gym to prepare for the next shoot of his next flick 'Peddi' and posted a workout photo on Instagram. The actor shows his pumped biceps and muscular

build." The sports action drama 'Peddi', directed by Buchi Babu Sana, is being produced by Venkata Kilaru's Satish Vriddhi Cinemas and presented by



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Mythri Movie Makers and Sukumar Writings. Janhvi Kapoor plays Ram Charan. Shiva Rajkumar, Jagapathi Babu, and Divyendu Sharma are key characters. Academy Award-winning AR Rahman scores. On Ram Charan's birthday, March 27, 2026, the film will be released. 'Game Changer' was Shankar's second box-office failure after Indian 2. The 2007 film 'Chirutha' introduced Ram Charan to acting. He became famous after acting in S. S. Rajamouli's fantasy action flick Magadheera, the highest-grossing Telugu film ever.

#### Akshay Kumar claims the Hera Pheri trio will come back shortly

Divva Delhi: After months of rumors, Akshay Kumar has confirmed the third season of the 2000s comedy 'Hera Pheri'. From legal troubles to cast departures, fans wondered if the cherished trio would rejoin. Akshay Kumar has verified that the film is in production and that all concerns have been overcome. Akshay discussed The Right Angle with Sonal Kalra Season 2, produced by Gautam Thakker Films, saying, "This is not a promotional stunt. It became legal, so it's not a publicity gimmick; it's real. Later, he told followers, "But ab sab kuch thik ho gaya hai (But now everything is fine.) An announcement may shortly follow.

## Good luck this week

Aries (Mar 21 - Apr 19) So many possibilities, so many choices. The longer you take to decide the more confused you may become. Strike now, and go with your gut. A good time to re-evaluate your life and focus on your priorities. Get your paperwork and finances a little more organised. And consider your life from a long-term perspective. Even in your love life, you may be forced to make a few choices about whether to continue with an existing relationship or not. Don't mistake lust for love.



Leo (July 23- Aug 22) A new chapter begins in work matters. It could be a new job, a new role or a whole

new set of responsibilities. And with your diligence and attention to detail, things should proceed smoothly. You may look at upgrading your skills or even taking a break from work to pursue higher studies. Focus your energy towards what you want to manifest. In matters of the heart you will be the responsible one, living up to your family duties and ensuring everyone is comfortable.



Saggitarius (Nov 22- Dec 21) If there's anything you want right now it's honesty – from others and your own self. You

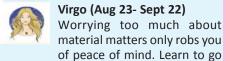
may soon discover you were living a lie, or realise the truth about your own actions and motivations. Self-employed Saggitarians may receive a lucrative offer, check the facts if it feels too good to be true. At home, your attention may be on the wellbeing of a loved one. Remember you're doing the best you possibly can.



Taurus (Apr 20- May 20) Be a little cautious about

those around you and be pre-

pared for any unexpected challenges and hurdles that come your way. Not everyone is your fan, and you may discover a hidden hater or two in your life. Now that you've seen their true colours, don't expect them to change. In the home front, tension between family members can be defused with a calm approach. Money matters look up with the promise of long-term gains in the coming weeks.



Virgo (Aug 23- Sept 22) Worrying too much about material matters only robs you

begin to get noticed. Seniors may trust with the flow and trust that things will work out in the long run. An over-ambitious colleague may make things a little unpleasant for everyone, and you may be tempted to lash out at them. Choose you think about helping others, the more your words wisely before communicating with anyone. Family matters are you will be blessed. At home, a special manageable for now. Someone may not someone may need to be indulged. A be telling you the full story. Or you may family celebration reminds you of the hear of a family secret.



Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan19) Take nothing and no one for granted. Energies are shifting

rapidly. And you may need to

adjust and readjust to new directives and environments at a moments notice. Work matters may be hectic. Keep cool and remain organised till the storm subsides. Watch out for arguments with loved ones.. Engage in open conversations with those around you to address misunderstandings or conflicts, fostering your peace of mind. An older woman deeper connections. Children need to be may remind you of something you'd forhandled with sensitivity.



Gemini (May21- June 20) Sharing is caring. The Universe wants you to give,

serve and do for others. It could be the office team, your family or the community you live in. The more you extend yourself with little or no expectations, the more you will be blessed for your service. Someone could be praising you behind your back and though you may not realise it now, it will help you open doors in the long run. Family matters show minor readjustments to a new routine. Alternative healing starts showing results.

Libra (Sept 23- Oct 22)

you with confidential matters. Or you

may find your scope of influence grows

in the coming months. Along with power

will come great responsibility. The more

Aquarius (Jan 20- Feb 18)

You may feel like you've

been short-changed. Or start

sensing the politics at the

play the game, stay neutral. A rival may

have an advantage over you in profes-

sional and business matters. Tempers

may run high. Or you could feel like just

taking time out purely for yourself and

power of love.

gotten about.

You may level up at the

workplace as your efforts



Cancer (June 21 - July 22)

Bring back the balance. Doing

too much or too little isn't helping. A little self-discipline may be required, especially if you're fond of overindulging in the good things. Networking and office events brings some surprising news your way. Jobseekers can get lucky through their contacts. If you've been feeling excluded, make the effort to connect with friends and family regularly. A long chat with a loved one will be therapeutic.



Scorpio (Oct 23- Nov21)

Your patience will be tested. Unexpected delays may frustrate you but when you under-

stand the Universe is only teaching you a valuable life lesson you will learn to relax in the present moment. At work, clients may not respond the way you'd like them to. Or you may have to put up with several modifications in the original strategy. Remain open minded without losing your cool. Even with loved ones, a controlling attitude will only bring the opposite result.



Pisces (Feb 19-Mar 20)

Take charge. Think long term. Think 5 years from now. Think about building your brand.

workplace. Trust few. And if you can't Think about enhancing your portfolio. Whatever you plan now will bring the desired success in the long run as long as you don't get distracted from your goals. An elder man will give you the support and guidance you need. Dig deep and find the courage you need to move forward. You may connect with new people or make a few new acquaintances.

## Watching TV at home, huh? Juhi

Divya Delhi: After four years away from Hamari Wali Good News, actor Juhi Parmar is back on TV. She says, "I haven't gone anywhere; I was very much here." After appearing in Choodiyan, Rishtey, and Devi, the actor will host a discussion program featuring real, uplifting stories. She debuts in this genre with the untitled project. "I was waiting for something very exciting and completely different from what I have



ever done before," he says. She appreci- were "a step ahead is home for me, toh ates television's evo- of what the content kya jaana ya wapas lution. Drama was the only emphasis, but "finally things are evolving for the better".

return to TV if the felt

project and her work from TV. "Tele-vision before". She was

"I'm thrilled to return. Juhi explored OTT while away from She wanted to soaps, but she never disconnected

aana," she says. "Since OTT requires less commitment, it actually works better for me as it helps maintain work-life balance."

## Macabre meets mumble jumbo in Mandala

Divya Delhi: Bollywood tastemakers have focused on love and romance in theaters, but they still offer dark ages dishes in living rooms. OTT material is becoming predictable and fake after starting as an experiment. Self-censorship limits subversion, making long-form content with decorative layers boring. The latest is Entertainment's confused depiction of a

rect its god from a small of Someone's murder is a sacrifice. Someone's god is a demon. The mood, mystery, and message



take time to match, but we get the point. Gopi Puthran, who created the terrifying Mardani universe, knows how to convey stories of women surviving brutal,

patriarchal societies. He puts them at the center of battle, but the frost is superficial. The eightepisode series begins well. The suspended Delhi Police officer

with childhood trauma after losing his brother and his mother. The murder inquiry gives him hope of connecting the dots. However, Gopi and his authors have different ideas. To construct a complex story, they make it convoluted and opaque, which feels purposeful and dumb. They drop a line of unlikable puppets. The tale jumps from one character's history to another's present, producing artificial tension and super-

Vikram Singh (Vaibhav

Raj Gupta) goes to his

hometown to find a tor-

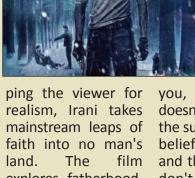
soless corpse in the

pond. Vikram struggled

## Sarzameen review: Prithviraj Sukumaran and Kajol can't save this emotional flop

Divya Delhi: Sulking sons, duty-bound fathers, and suffering mothers make good Hindi movies. Emerging director Kayoze Irani revisits daddy themes this week with mixed results. The plot of Sarzameen resembles Ramesh Sippy's Shakti, where a father in uniform (Prithivraj Sukumaran) must choose between his son (Ibrahim Ali Khan)

and his job. The stakes rise as the neglected boy stumbles into the enemy camp led by feared militant Kabil (K.C. Shankar) in Kashmir's gorgeous political inferno. As expected, the mother (Kajol) tries to con- Kashmir's militancy wounds. After prep- drama doesn't grab



explores fatherhood, patriotism, and militancy, but fails to merge the personal complicated socio-political issues, instead using clichéd cliches. The developers made a safe product for the OTT shelf

you, the conflict doesn't interest you, the suspension of disbelief doesn't hold, and the story's layers don't generate an emotional swell. Kajol and Prithiviraj make a good screen pair. Despite their talent, their chemistry and dramatization Shankar doesn't inspire revenge like Amrish Puri. Ibrahim instead of mapping Ali Khan and the film are undercooked for a nect, but memories through a personal script that needs of the past leave experience. Thus, the emotional engagement.

### TV producer delivered fraud: Actress defrauded of 24 lakh

Divya Delhi : An actress, 27, who walked the Cannes red carpet, accused a TV producer of defrauding her of 24 lakh by promising substantial returns from a non-existent Sony TV show. Oshiwara police have charged 36-yearold self-styled producer Karan Singh Chauhan with luring actress Ruchi Gujjar into investing in a fake project he claimed was greenlit by Sony and slated for OTT release. The complaint claims Gujjar met Chauhan at his Oshiwara office in 2023. He claimed to have significant industry ties and produce a Sony TV soap daily. "He promised me massive returns if I invested," Gujjar told authorities. Chauhan allegedly met with Nazia Sheikh at Sony TV's Malad office to pitch her as the show's approver. Sheikh was uncommitted during the meeting,

but Chauhan told



Gujjar the proposal was approved.

Gujjar transferred 24 lakh to Chauhan, believing she was supporting a legitimate production. After the promised earnings didn't materialize and calls went unanswered, she dug. After Gujjar contacted Sheikh personally, she learned Sony TV had never approved such a show. Chauhan allegedly admitted lying about approval and used the monies to create So Long Valley

when confronted. He

begged for time, prom-

ising to repay her after selling the film rights. It was another empty promise. Gujjar learned on June 25 that So Long Valley had been issued without profit-sharing, credit, or returns. After being duped, she reported it to the

For cheating and criminal breach of trust, we filed a FIR under relevant Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita provisions. An Oshiwara police officer stated the accused will be questioned about their financial dealings.

## **Delhi's CM exempts Anupam Kher's Tanvi** The Great from taxes

ficial grief.



Divya Delhi : CM Rekha Gupta said on X, "I am glad to report that the Delhi Government has declared 'Tanvi the Great' tax-free. young, 'special' named Tanvi is motivated to fulfill her dreams despite all odds in this moving film about inclusiveness."

Tanvi's tale moves and inspires. We support films that inspire Rashtra Seva, patriotism, and national conscience. Her post wished the film team well. CM Rekha Gupta posted a photo with Kher and Shubhangi Dutt following the film's screening in the national

capital. Earlier Monday, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav proclaimed the film taxfree. . Tanvi The Great is about a young child (Shubhangi Dutt) who lives with her mother grandfather and (Anupam Kher) and the Indian Army with autism. Inspired by her late father, she wants to join the military. The film stars Boman Irani, Jackie Shroff, Karan Tacker, Arvind Swami, Nasser, and Iain Glen. The film, produced by Anupam Kher Studios and NFDC, won awards in Cannes, New York, London, and Houston.

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## Action TESA organised a special contractor meeting in Ballabhgarh Faridabad, started with 'TESA Salaam'



Divva Delhi : At Ballabhgarh's Aggarwal Dharamshala, Action TESA convened a special meeting of contractors. The initiative had the enthusiastic support of hundreds of local carpenters and tradespeople. As a way to show appreciation and respect for the carpenters, the programme kicked off with the

company's one-of-a-kind initiative, TESA Salaam. The effort put forth by this group to honour carpenters for all their hard work is admirable. In the Indian industry, Action TESA has quickly acquired a name linked with quality and dependability since its establishment in 2010. Customers and craftspeople



now prefer the company's Boilo, MDF, and HDHMR boards over competing alternatives. In keeping with the demands of contemporary home design, these goods are entirely waterproof, sturdy, and long-lasting. The occasion also gave the carpenters a chance to talk about their experiences with Action

TESA products, and they were quite happy with them. At the end of the event, there was a big fortunate draw, and the winners got gifts. The event did more than just improve commercial ties; it also created a trusting relationship between the corporation and the craftsmen.





## The new office of Harish **Babbar was inaugurated**



Divya Delhi :At the opening ceremony, which was presided over by Harish Babbar, Director of Fern Events, all present joyfully joined in a special prayer, asking for the blessings of tranquility good vibes. Celebrity professional vocalist Gulshan Suman and principal guest Dr. Archana Singh added even more magic to this momentous occasion. This person who showed up

poster advertising Fern Events' forthcoming "Captivating Creation Awards - Edition 15" was unveiled during the opening ceremony by means of a ribbon cutting. Chunky Pandey, Neelam Kothari, and Gulshan Suman are three wellknown Bollywood personalities that will be attending this prestigious awards ceremony, according to Harish Babbar. Fern Events wasn't the only famous never fails to wow their guests with something to the event, though. A fresh and exciting at





each and every one of famous their events. In the Everyone will remempast, this company has ber this occasion for planned numerous the perfect blend of unforgettable events respect and enjoyfor both the public and ment.

people.

Divya Delhi : Paramjit

## Talent and glitz came together magnificently in the season one finale of Begum & Badshah



Divya Delhi : Begum & Badshah Season 1" finally came to a close at the Keshavpur Mandi, Delhi, where the stage transformed into a showcase of style, skill, and community service.

As the models on the enchanted onlookers with their self-assurance and skills, the event's organizers demonstrated how to Samarth, who has won responsibly contribute over audiences with to society. Famous Punjabi musician, direc-

Vimmi V.K. organized this exceptional event, which he did with an air of refined grandeur. Not only was Vimmi V.K.'s initiative a noble one providing a stage for upand-coming artists and models—but it also served as a paradigm for how society should treat its seniors. Famed Bollywood kid artist performances in blockbuster films like "Bhool





Bhulaiyaa 2" and "Luka Chuppi," was a special guest at the ending. Attendees also included Gurmeet Singh, Dr. Naresh Bansal, and Prabhanshu Kumar, the ers.

SHO of Ranibagh. Not only did they liven up the occasion, but they also served as an inspiration to the younger generation of perform-

## For ten years, Pamma's label as "Angry Man" was accepted by the business and social world



Singh Pamma, the president of the National Akali Dal. has been known as the "Angry Man" for the last ten years. He received a hearty welcome from Delhi's traders, business community, and social elite during a welcome event hosted by NAD Delhi State Secretary Vikrant Mohan and the party's women's wing National President Bhavna Dhawan at Kirti Nagar, West Delhi. The welcome ceremony was attended by CAT Delhi State President Vipin Ahuja, Indian Industry Trade Board Registered President Prem Arora, Delhi State President Indian Industry Trade **Board National Senior** General Secretary Hemant Gupta, Bholanath Market Mori Chairman Chandrabhushan

Chemical Gupta,



Pradeep Gupta, Indian Industry Department Delhi State General Secretary, Federation's Sadar Bazar Trades Association Registered President Rakesh Kumar General Yadav, Secretary Rajendra Executive Sharma, President Yogendra Chaudhary, Virendra Arya, and other entrepreneurs and social workers. During this event, Bhavna Dhawan and Vikrant Mohan stat-

ed that Paramjit Singh



Pamma was dubbed the

"Angry Man" in 2015 because of his forceful protests and advocacy for the average person, a term he still holds today. Pamma consistently brings up the concerns of both business-

people and the general public, according to Bhavna Dhawan and Vikrant Mohan. He has always voiced his opposition to the issues surrounding children's school admittance and fees, whether they are

related to corruption or inflation. It is a source of great delight, according to Rakesh Yadav and Vipin Ahuja, that Paramjit Singh Pamma consistently brings the businessmen's voice to the government and administration. Alongside the businessmen is a leader such as Paramjit Singh Pamma. Consequently, a lot of businessmen's issues that come to the attention of the government and administration are promptly fixed.