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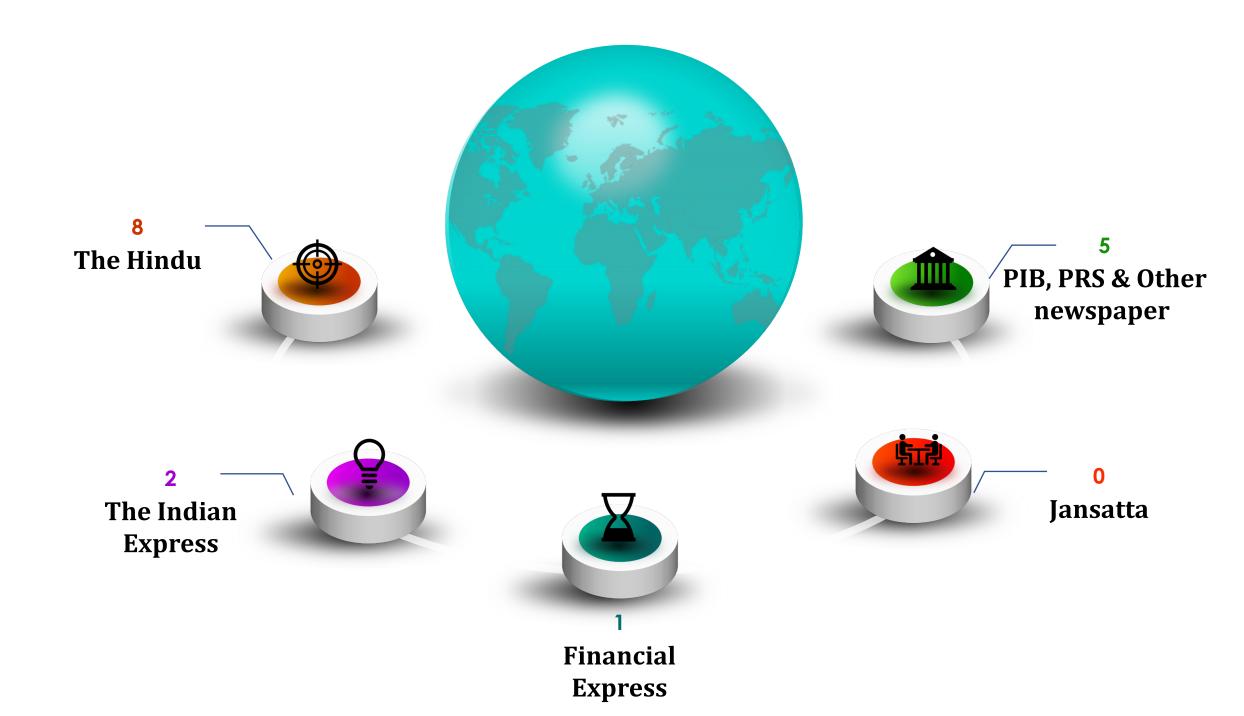




















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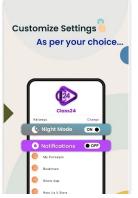


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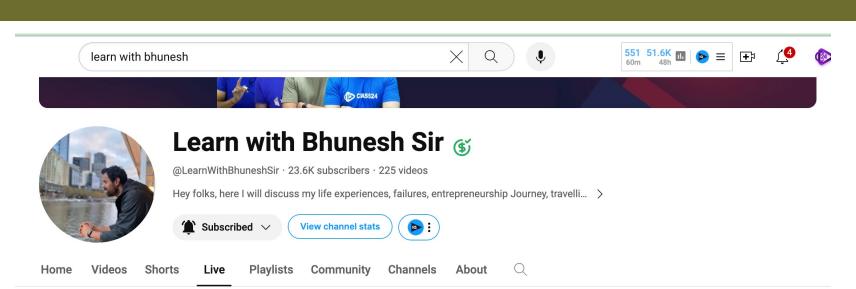








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NEW DELHI

ver a dozen Opposition leaders and iournalists received email alerts from U.S.-based tech giant Apple on Monday night, informing them that their digital devices were being targeted by "state-sponsored attackers". On Tuesday, the Union government said it would launch an investigation into the alerts, though Minister for Electronics and Information Technology Ashwini Vaishnaw described Opposition claims of snooping as "vague".

Prominent Opposition leaders who posted screenshots of these alerts on social media included Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, Trinamool Congress MP Mahua Moitra, Samajwadi Party president and former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Akhilesh Ya-

Under watch?

A look at the tech company's notifications on Monday night, and what they could unfold

- Apple alerted Opposition leaders and journalists of being targeted by a 'state-sponsored attacker'
- These alerts go out when the company detects sophisticated threat actors with government backing
- Targets include Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, Trinamool Congress MP Mahua Moitra, and Telangana IT Minister K.T. Rama Rao
- The government said it would investigate these alerts, and urged Apple to cooperate



dav, Communist Party of India (Marxist) general secretary Sitaram Yechury, and Congress MPs Shashi Tharoor and K.C. Venugopal. Former Congress chief Rahul Gandhi told presspersons that people working in his office had also received alerts.

Mr. Gandhi alleged that "snooping" is carried out the moment Opposition leaders "touch" industrialist Gautam Adani. Ms. Moitra levelled similar allegations throughout the day, saying on X (formerly Twitter) that the episode was a "desperate distraction" from reporting on allegedly corrupt dealings involving the Adani Group.

The alert

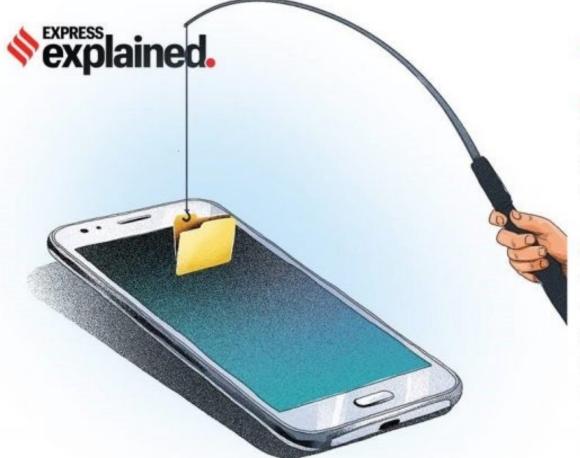
"Apple believes you are being targeted by state-sponsored attackers who are trying to remotely compromise the iPhone associated with your Apple ID," the alert said.

"These attackers are likely targeting you individually because of who you are or what you do... If your device is compromised by a state-sponsored attacker, they may be able to remotely access your sensitive data, communications, or even the camera and microphone."

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WHAT IS PEGASUS?

Built and marketed by Israeli company NSO, Pegasus is a spyware that infects devices and spies on the victim by transferring data to a master server in an unauthorised manner. The company claims to sell it only to "vetted foreign governments" worldwide **explained.**

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Pegasus, in the very basic form, can infect devices that are connected to the internet. Some updated versions, experts claim, can also infect phones even without the victim clicking on any links or messages

Most spyware and stalkerware apps disguise themselves as anti-theft applications that can be used to track stolen or lost devices. While viruses and malware can be detected by anti-virus software, spyware and stalkerware apps disguise themselves as useful and send out stolen data to central servers without the knowledge of the users



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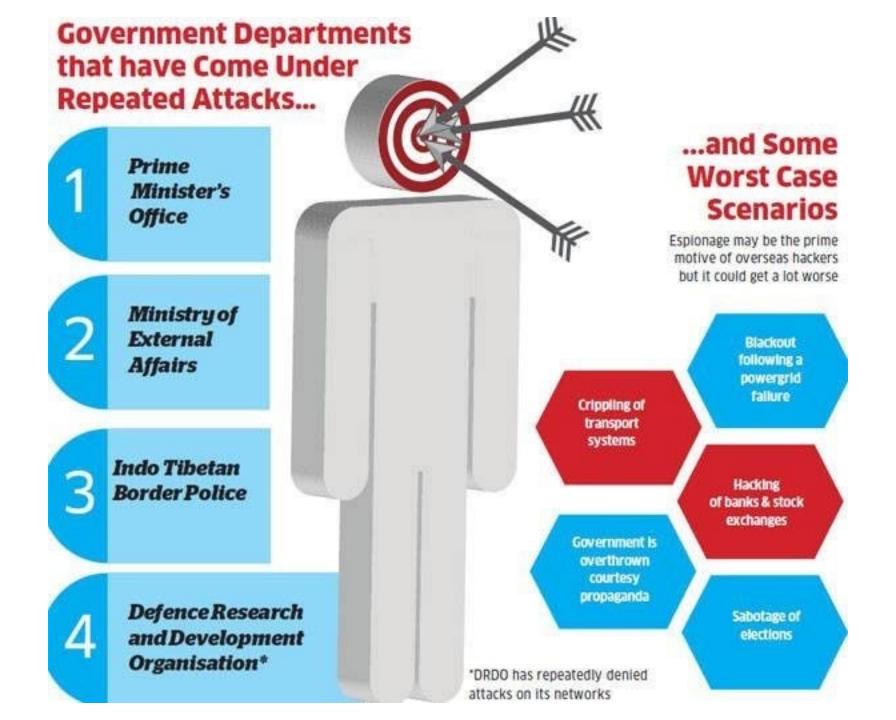
Paris-based media nonprofit Forbidden Stories and Amnesty International accessed a leaked database of thousands of phone numbers across the world targeted by a spyware called Pegasus

They shared the data with global media organisations as part of a collaborative investigation called Pegasus Project

➤ An Israeli

company called NSO Group makes Pegasus, a spyware capable of extracting data from a phone

> According to the report, at least 2 Union Cabinet ministers, 3 opposition leaders, a Constitutional authority, government officials, scientists and over 40 journalists in India were targeted



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Cyber disruptions



Akhaura-Agartala rail link to be inaugurated virtually by PM Modi, Sheikh Hasina today

Kallol Bhattacherjee

AGARTALA/NEW DELHI

In a historic move, Bangladesh and northeast India will re-establish rail connectivity through Tripura on Wednesday, after a gap of nearly seven and a half decades. The much-awaited Akhaura-Agartala rail link will be inaugurated virtually by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Bangladesh counterpart Sheikh Hasina at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said.

This rail link is being seen as a first step to con-



A goods train entering Agartala during a trial run for the rail link. ANI

nect Tripura to Kolkata through Bangladesh. At present, trains to Agartala must run through a longer route via Guwahati and Jalpaiguri stations. The link will significantly reduce the time and distance needed to reach Tripura, southern Assam, and Mizoram from Kolkata. It will also help boost India-Bangladesh trade in agriculture products, tea, sugar, construction items, iron and steel, consumer items, besides people-to-people ties. The Akhaura-Agartala Cross-Border Rail Link project was supported by a grant aid of ₹392.52 crore extended to Bangladesh by the Indian government, according to an MEA statement.

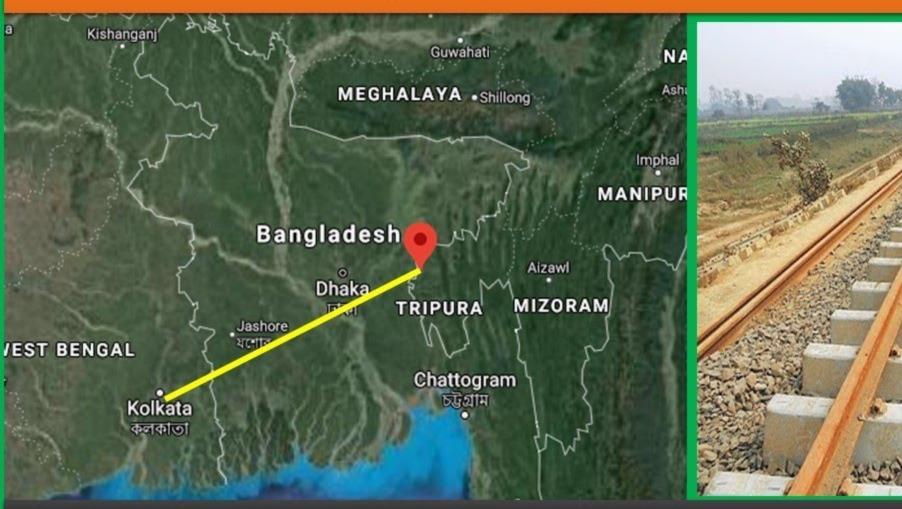
Connectivity boost

The rail link is 12.24 km, with a 6.78-km dual gauge line in Bangladesh and 5.46 km in Tripura. As part of the preparation, a goods train from Bangladesh carried out a trial run on Monday between the two stations. The Akhaura junction, located in Bangla-

desh's Brahmanbaria district, is part of the Chittagong division, and has a rich history of commercial and cultural ties with India's north-eastern region since the colonial era. One of the main drivers behind the initial construction of the junction in the late 19th century was the demand from Assam's tea industry, which wanted a connection to the Chittagong port. The project was revived in 2010, when Prime Minister Manmohan Singh signed an agreement to rebuild the connection during Ms. Hasina's visit to New Delhi.



INDIA बना रहा है BANGLADESH में RAIL-LINE





KOLKATA TO AGARTALA VIA-DHAKA

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Petrapole	Benapole	Western	Current	Bandhan Express and freight trains	Barisal Express ^[10]
Singhabad	Rajshahi	Western	Current	Freight	
Radhikapur	Birol	Western	Current	Freight	
Haldibari	Chilahati	Northern	Current	Mitali Express	
Changrabandha	Burimari	Northern	Inactive [rail-note 2]		
Mahishasan	Shahbazpur	Eastern	Being restored [rail-note 3]		
Agartala	Akhaura	Eastern	Being restored [rail-note 4]		

NHRC seeks report on death of boy

The Hindu Bureau

The NHRC took cognisance of the incident in which a five-year-old boy died after an iron gate fell on him. It issued notices to the DDA Vice-Chairman, Delhi Chief Secretary, and Police Com-missioner seeking a report.

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ED might arrest Kejriwal, says Atishi; 'INDIA bloc leaders to be next in line'

She says Central agencies lack evidence against Delhi Chief Minister in excise policy case; AAP trying to gain public sympathy, says BJP; Kejriwal summoned for questioning on November 2

apprehension that Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal may be arrested by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in the excise policy case as the BJP-ruled Centre wants to finish off

Centre wants to finish off AAP. She alleged that the BJP-led Centre's tactics would not be limited to AAP lead-ers alone as those part of the Opposition's INDIA bloc will be targeted too by the Central agencies. "After Arvind Kejriwal,

Hemant Soren will go to jail because the BJP lost to him in Iharkhand, Then Tejashin Jharkhand. Then Tejash-wi Yadaw, Pinarayi Vijayan, and M.K. Stalin will go to jail because the BJP lost to them in Bihar, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu," she said. The ED has summoned

Mr. Kejriwal for question-ing on November 2 in con-



nection with the excise policy case, in which form-er Delhi Depury Chief Mi-nister Manish Sisodia and Rajya Sabha member San-jay Singh are already in

The ED's case is based The ED's case is based on an FIR registered by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBB), alleging irregularities in the formulation and implementation of the now-scrapped 2021-22 Delhi excise policy. The case involves allegation of the work of the control of t

that sending AAP leader to jail won't deter them from protecting the country's

Meanwhile, senior BJP leader Ravi Shankar Prasad said the excise policy "scam" could not have ta-ken place without Mr. Kejriwal's knowledge.
"All leaders of AAP, in-

excise policy case was false, but Mr. Sisodia has been in jail since February and his bail plea keeps get-ting rejected. Mr. Kejriwal has not given a single word of clarification on the scam till now," he added. Delhi BIP chief Virendra

Delhi BJP chief Virendra Sachdewa said by claiming that Mr. Kejriwal will be ar-rested, AAP is trying to gain public sympathy. "But they should understand that Delhi residents can see the true colours of Mr. Kejriwal," he said.

MCD House passes meat shop licence proposal amid ruckus



The Hindu Bureau

Meat shops in the city will of 150 metres from reli of 150 metres from reli-gious places, according to a proposal passed by the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) on Tuesday. The proposal, which needs to be approved by the civic body's Standing Committee to become a nolicy, states, that meat

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shops must maintain the necessary distance from places of worship to remew their existing licence or to a per the proposed As per the proposed policy, the distance between a meat shop and a religious place will be measured through public pathways or roads.

sals that the MCD Ho passed amid a ruckus dur-ing its brief proceedings.

CM congratulates Chief Minister Arvind Kejri-wal congratulated the civic

body for approving propo-sals for the welfare of the city residents. However, Leader of the However, Leader of the Opposition in the House and BJP councillor Raja Iq-bal Singh slammed the Aam Aadmi Party, saying the proposals were "un-constitutional" as they needed the nod of the Standing Committee Fore being tabled in the

Social worker from Bastar wins Rohini Nayyar Prize



N.K. Singh (left) presenting the award to Deenanath Raiput.

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Swiss woman's murder: Delhi Police scans footage of 350 CCTV cameras

the footage of at least 350 CCTV cameras to connect the dots in the Swiss wo-

man murder case.

According to a police official, these cameras include those installed at places where accused Gur-preet Singh allegedly took Nina Berger before killing

her and dumping her body outside a school in the Ti-lak Nagar area in west Del-hi. The victim's body was found outside the school on October 20 with her limbs tied with a chain.

ty," she claimed.

dealers, who had allegedly dealers, who had allegedly agreed to give kickbacks and bribes. Ms. Atishi said no case could be made out against the AAP chief as the Cen-

tral probe agencies lack evidence against him.

"He will only be arrest-ed because Prime Minister

ed because Prime Minister Narendra Modi is afraid of him," Ms. Atishi said.
"The BJP and PM Modi know they can't defeat Ar-vind Kejriwal, so they are putting every AAP leader in jail to eliminate the par-

The governments of Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, and Rajasthan were on Tuesday directed by the Supreme Court to

enumerating measures in-itiated by them to control air pollution in the Capital. A Bench of Justices S.K.

Kaul, Sudhanshu Dhulia, and P.K. Mishra said the ci-

List anti-pollution steps: SC to Delhi, 4 States

sening air quality and it is difficult to even step out-side the house, adding that stubble burning is a major cause of the pollution. It posted the matter for hear-ing on November 7. According to data from the Central Pollution Con-trol Board, Delhi's air qual-ity was recorded in the "ve-ry poor" category for the fourth consecutive day on Tuesday. The air quality in some parts was "severe", it showed.



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NEW DELHI

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Mr. Rajput, 33, set up the FPO in 2018 with an initial membership of 337 tribal women from Jagdalpur in Bastar. This is the second edition of the Rohini Nayyar Prize, instituted in the memory of the eponymous economist who passed away in 2021.

About the Prize:

- The prize had been instituted by the family of the late Dr.
 Rohini Nayyar, an eminent scholar-administrator who spent much of her professional life working on issues related to rural development in India.
- Dr. Nayyar, a well-known economist and former principal adviser at the erstwhile Planning Commission, was one of India's foremost authorities on rural development. She passed away in October 2021.

IN BRIDE



Charity ball in Delhi raises funds in support of UNICER

New Delhi was witness to a glamorous and glitzy charity ball last week to raise funds in support of UNICEF. The evening saw philanthropists, artists, fashion designers and activists in attendance. Hosted by art, design and fashion patron and known as MASH Ball was held at the City's Taj Mahal hotel and is likely to become an annual feature which may even travel around the country to cities such as Jaipur. Hundred per cent of the proceeds from the event, collected in the for the proceeds from the event, collected in the for its art-based therapy programme for children. New Delhi was witness to a glamorous and glitzy

Swain takes over as J&K DGP, holds meeting with officers

IPS officer R.R. Swain on Tuesday took over as and Kashmir at a function held at the police and kasmir at a function field at the police headquarters in Srinagar.Mr. Swain was received by senior officers and was presented with a guard of honour. Top officials attended the ceremony, an official said. A 1991 batch IPS officer, Mr. Swain an official said. A 1991 btG IPS officer, Mr. Swain also serves as Special DG CID and the Intelligence Chief of Jammu and Kashmir since June 2020. Mr. swain chaired a meeting of senior officers and was briefed wips with the working and functioning of different wips within the department, the

State govt. accepts Shinde panel report on procedure to grant **Kunbi certificates to Marathas**

Backward Commission to undertake survey, recommends Maharashtra Cabinet; will give up water from today, says Jarange-Patil in fresh ultimatum to seek immediate reservation for the community; Chief Minister calls all-party meet

he Maharashtra Ca-binet on Tuesday accepted the first report of the first committee, with Chief Mi-nister Eknath Shinde say-ing the process of issuing Other Backward Classes catha community mem-catha community memratha community mem-bers –identified as Kunbis – on the basis of old re-

cords had already begun. The Cabinet also made a recommendation to the state Backward Commisand collect data to make the curative petition filed in the Supreme Court "error-free", Chandrakant Pa til, head of the State go ment's sub-comm

vernment's sub-committee on Maratha reservation, told reporters in Mumbai. "With this, the State can contest vigorously in fa-vour of awarding reserva-tion benefits to the Ma-ratha community," he ratha community, added. The Cabinet also asked



the commission to deploy all the required State ma-chinery and rope in private institutions like the Tata In-stitute of Social Sciences

(TISS) for this task, he said In order to defuse the current situation arising out of the agitation started by activist Manoi Jarange Patil, Mr. Shinde called for an all-party meeting on No-

vember I. Meanwhile, Mr. Jarange-Patil issued a fresh ultima-Patil issued a fresh ultima-tum seeking immediate re-servation for Marathas via a special session of the State Legislature. Mr. Jarange-Patil warned of giving up drink-ing water from November 1 if the government did not

do so.
"If you do not take a concrete decision by No-vember 1, then I will stop drinking water from the evening onwards. I do not know what effect it will have on my health. But the State government will be responsible for everything henceforth. Maharashtra is henceforth. Maharashtra is peaceful. But our guess is that this government does not want the situation to remain so." Mr. Jarange-Pa-til said. As his indefinite hunger

vernment should have no problem in giving reserva-tion to us," he said. Meanwhile, the police arrested 49 persons linked to Monday's violence which saw the homes of two NCP leader being torched besides and sever-

strike entered its seventh strike entered its seventh day, Mr. Jarange-Patil cate-gorically refused to accept any "half-baked reserva-tion" and insisted that the government would have to and arson. Curfew conti-

and arson. Curfew continued and Internet services remained suspended in those the continued and the co and arson.

'Centre must step in' Former Chief Minister and Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray urged the Centre to resolve the Maratha reservation issue by calling a special session of ent. "Force the PM to take a decision. All Un-ion Ministers of BJP in Maharashtra in the Central Go-vernment Cabinet should demand that Modi put demand that Modi put aside all issues in this meet-ing and resolve the issue of Maratha reservation first," Mr. Thackeray said. (With PTI inputs)

Oppn. accuses AAP govt. of clampdown in Punjab

The Hindu Bureau

The Opposition Congress, the Shiromani Akali Dal the Shiromani Akali Dal and Bharatiya Janata Party on Tuesday accused the ruling Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) government in Punjab of resorting to clamp down as it feared facing pe e's questions rounding the govern-

surrounding the govern-ment's failures.

After the AAP govern-ment faced criticism over Sutlej-Yamuna Link (SYL) canal - the focal point of a water-sharing dispute bet-ween Haryana and Punjab, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann had challenged leaders of Opposition parties for an open debate on is

Senior SAD leader Bik ram Singh Majithia said the manner in which the Pun-jab Police was being mis of the debate was condem

BIP State chief Sunil lakto run away from facing pe ople of Punjab, which is clear from the massive

clear from the massive clampdown in Ludhiana. Congress's state unit chief Amarinder Singh Ra-ja Warring also criticised the government for this.

Modi pays tribute to Patel, launches development projects at Statue of Unity

The Hindu Bureau

Prime Minister Narendra Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday paid flo-ral tribute to Sardar Val-labhbhai Patel at the Statue of Unity in Narmada, Guja-

development projects at le Statue of Unity, which has emerged as a major tourism hub. It is the world's tallest statue with a height of 182 metres. Over

the site annually.

The Prime Minister also administered the oath of unity to the gathering at

Mr. Modi witnessed the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) parade, comprising marching con-tingents from the BSF,



CRPF and the State police. The Prime Minister ad-dressed the gathering and launched multiple deve-lopment projects worth ₹160 crore.

Addresses trainees After paying tributes to Sar-dar Patel, Mr. Modi addressed the officer trainees of the 98th Common Foundation Course at the culmitrainees from Indian civil services and three from Bhutan civil services

participated. The 5th edition of the "Aarambh" programme was held on the theme of 'Harnessing the Power of

The course provides a first-hand introduction to the ideas, challenges and responsibilities of gover-nance in a large and di-

7 held for vandalising | Tutor, boyfriend held for Dalit homes: search on for AIADMK man

The Hindu Bureau

A day after a Dalit neigh-bourhood was vandalised by a group of persons be-caste, allegedly led by an AIADMK functionary at sokkadi village in Krishna-sarrested seven persons. The police are on the Krishnagiri west union se-retary. Sokkadi Rajan, who has been named as He is alleged to have fuelled the vandalism after complained of dust from A day after a Dalit neigh-

complained of dust from stone polishing in their neighbourhood on Sunday. An altercation with him had led to fisticuffs and, eventually, ended in the houses of the Adi Dravidars being vandalised by those belonging to the nu-merically dominant interAmong those arrested was the husband of the panchayat president

mediate community.
Seven persons were arrested under the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled
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have egged on the vandals.
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ing 13 from the Adi Dravi-dar neighbourhood, based Among the Adi Dravidars, six persons have been arrested. Mr. Rajan was seen on Monday with AIADMK leader K.P. Munusamy, tak-ing part in the Thevar guru pooja at the party office.

killing student; ransom note used to mislead police The victim, a Class X

The Hindu Bureau

The Kanpur police on Tuesday recovered the body of a 16-year-old boy and of your factor of the control of the c

"Blanket reservation"
"We want a blanket reservation for all Marathas. Marathas and Kunbis are the

same primary occupation

which is farming," he said.

Mr. Jarange-Patil ob-served that 60% of the Ma-

ratha community had al-ready come under the

ambit of reservation by vir-tue of being classed as OBC

us remaining in the Ma-rathwada region. The go-vernment should have no

"There are only a few of

Kanodia, a Ciass X Student and son of a prominent bu-sinessman, Manish Kano-dia, was allegedly kid-napped on Monday afternoon while on his way to a coaching institute in the Swaroopnagar locality. According to the police, Mr. Shukla and his friend followed the victim for at least three days. On Mon-day, they accosted him

student and son of a prominent Kanpur allegedly kidnapped on Monday afternoon while on his way to a

near Zarib Chowk locality and offered him a ride to the coaching centre. They are the control of the coaching centre house and offered him cof-fee laced with sleeping pills, before killing him. "Initial investigations have revealed that the inci-dent took place between

4.30 p.m. and 5.15 p.m. on Monday. A forensic team has also examined the spot. It appears that the ransom letter was sent after the murder to mislead the police. A probe is under way to ascertain the motive behind the crime. All three accused are in

custody," said Kanpur Inspector General of Police Anand Prakash Tiwari.

'Very serious matter Reacting to the incident, Samajwadi Party chief and leader of the Opposition in Uttar Pradesh Assembly Akhilesh Yadav called the

"In the case of kidnar ping and murder of a tex-tile businessman's son in Kanpur, a conspiracy to demand ransom by linking the crime to a particular community and thereby diverting the attention o matter. This kind of trend is extremely dangerous fo taken in the matter," he

68 to get Rajyotsava Award as Karnataka celebrates 50 years of its renaming

nty-five-year-old Huchchamma Basappa Chowdri is among the 68 people who will be given Karnataka's second-high-est civilian honour - Rajyotsava Award - on Wed-nesday, when the State celebrates the golden jubilee of its renaming.

A resident of Kunikeri

A resident of Runners village in Koppal district, she is being given the ho-nour in the social category for donating two acres, worth over ticrore, for the development of a govern-ment school.

Hasanabba, popularly known as 'Charmadi Hasa-nabba', will also be given Published by Remarks Lisbansas and Printed by S. Ramanujam stirff Media Ltd. Flot No. 8, Udyay Whar, Greater Noda Distr. Gautam Buth Najar, U.P. 283396, or behalf of THE PUBLISHING PVT LTD., Chemish 600002, Editor. Phys.

Ghat in Belathangady of Dakshina Kannada. He runs a small restaurant. ISRO Chairman S. Soma-nath, golfer Aditi Ashok and retired Supreme Court Judge V. Gopala Gowda are amone tha prominent facamong the prominent fac-es who figure on the list picked by a committee headed by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah.

Minister for Kannada and Culture Shivaraj Tangadagi said every district has been given representahas been given representa-tion while selecting the awardees. "The awardees include 13 women, 54 men and one transgender per-son. Also, two centenar-



A decorated statue of Kittur Channamma on the eye of Kannada

day on November 1, it will day on November I, it will also be 50 years to the day when then Chief Minister D. Devaraj Urs unveiled a granite plaque with the new name for the State, "Karnataka", along with a map at Kanteerava Stadi-

um in 1973. While multiple

Historians date the name "Karnataka" to the Before Common only as a name for the region but also to lescribe language spoken here

naming followed years of impassioned campaigning from legislators, writers and activists.
Propelled by the Karna-

taka Ekikarana movement and decades of protests, all Kannada-speaking regions Kannada-speaking regions outside the Mysore Prince-ly State were earlier unified into one State on Novem-ber 1, 1956. This State was named as Mysore. Seventeen years later, a resolution was enacted by

through the Mysore State (Alteration of Name) Act,

1973.
The then State Chief Secretary, R.J. Rebellio, had read the Centre's communication on the change in the name of the State. Historians and linguistic

scholars date the name "Karnataka" to the Before "Karnataka" to the Before Common Era (BCE). It was used not only as a name for this region but also to de-scribe the language spoken here. Both Karnataka and Kannada have common etymology, scholars say. "One of the earlier refe-

rences is in the Sanskrit Mahabharata (6th century Mahabharata (6th century BCE) while listing out va-rious janapadas. It's re-ferred to as 'Karnaataaha' in Sabha Parva and 'Karna-tikaaha' in Bhishma Par-

Bilimale.

Historians argue that during several phases in history, land encompassing the present day Karnataka and many regions beyond the modern state's boundaries were included. boundaries were included in empires whose identities were linked to Kannada or Karnataka. Historian Vasundhara Filliozat has argued that what we now know as the Vijayanagara Empire was in fact called the 'Karnataka Samrajya'.

As the State prepares to

As the State prepares to mark its formation and re-naming days, the past con-tinues to cast a shadow ov-er the present. The Maharashtra Ekikaran Samiti (MES), which has been fighting for the merg-er of Marathi-speaking areas of Karnataka with

Maharashtra, observes "Karnataka Rajyotsava" as a black day every year. The border issue dates back to 1957 when States

were reorganised on lin-guistic lines and Maharash-tra laid claim to Belagavi (Belgaum), which was part of the erstwhile Bombay Presidency, since it has a sizeable Marathi-speaking population.

Ministers banned

The Belagavi administra-tion on Tuesday banned three Maharashtra Ministers and an MP from enter ing the border district. Maharashtra Ministers Maharashtra Ministers Shambhuraje Desai, Chan-drakant Patil, Deepak Ke-sarkar and MP Dhairyash-eel Mane are expected to attend a "black day" event organised by the MES, offi-cial sources said.

Modi pays tribute to Patel, launches development projects at Statue of Unity

The Hindu Bureau

AHMEDABAD

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday paid floral tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at the Statue of Unity in Narmada, Gujarat, on the birth anniversary of India's first Home Minister, which is celebrated as National Unity Day.

He also launched several development projects at the Statue of Unity, which has emerged as a major tourism hub. It is the world's tallest statue with a height of 182 metres. Over three million visitors visit the site annually.

The Prime Minister also administered the oath of unity to the gathering at the site.

Mr. Modi witnessed the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) parade, comprising marching contingents from the BSF,



Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Statue of Unity at Kevadia in Gujarat on Tuesday. ANI

CRPF and the State police.

The Prime Minister addressed the gathering and launched multiple development projects worth ₹160 crore.

Addresses trainees

After paying tributes to Sardar Patel, Mr. Modi addressed the officer trainees of the 98th Common Foundation Course at the culmination of the fifth edition of "Aarambh" in which 560

trainees from Indian civil services and three from Bhutan civil services participated.

The 5th edition of the "Aarambh" programme was held on the theme of 'Harnessing the Power of Disruption'.

The course provides a first-hand introduction to the ideas, challenges and responsibilities of governance in a large and diverse country.

- Headed various Committees of the Constituent Assembly of India, namely:
 - Advisory Committee on Fundamental Rights.
 - · Committee on Minorities and Tribal and Excluded Areas.
 - Provincial Constitution Committee.

• Reforms:

- He worked extensively against alcohol consumption, untouchability, caste discrimination and for women emancipation in Gujarat and outside.
- Integrated the farmer's cause in Kheda Satyagraha (1918) and Bardoli Satyagraha (1928) with the national freedom movement.
- Women of Bardoli bestowed the title 'Sardar' on Vallabhbhai Patel, which means 'a Chief or a Leader'.

 Remembered as the 'Patron Saint of India's Civil Servants' as he established the modern all-India services system.

Integration of the Princely States:

As India's first Home Minister and Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Patel played a key role in the integration of about 565 princely states into the Indian Union.

Few princely states like **Travancore**, **Hyderabad**, **Junagadh**, **Bhopal and Kashmir were averse** to joining the state of India.

Sardar Patel worked tirelessly to build a consensus with the princely states but did not hesitate in employing methods of Sama, Dama, Dand and Bhed wherever necessary.

He had used force to annex princely states of Junagadh ruled by Nawab and Hyderabad ruled by Nizam, both of whom had wished not to merge their respective states with the Union of India.

• Death:

• 15th December 1950 in Bombay.

Statue of Unity

The Statue of Unity is built in honor of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

It was inaugurated on 31st October, 2018 to mark the 143rd birth anniversary of Sardar Patel.

The Statue of Unity is **the tallest statue in the world**. At 182 meters, it is 23 meters taller than China's Spring Temple Buddha statue and almost double the height of the Statue of Liberty (93 meters tall) in the US.

In January 2020, it was added to the 'Eight Wonders' of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO).

From Page One

Apple cyberattack alert: Opposition slams govt.

Apple said that there was a chance of these alerts being a false alarm, but also urged recipients to take the warning seriously.

Apple told The Hindu in a statement that it was

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are unable to provide information about what causes us to issue threat notifications, as that may help state-sponsored attackers adapt their behaviour to evade detection in the future," the company says on threat alert-related documentation

Politicians who reported receiving these alerts POINCIAINS who reported receiving these alerts include K.T. Rama Rao, the Minister of Informa-tion Technology, Electronics and Communica-tions in Telangana, Chhattisgarh Deputy Chief Mi-nister T.S. Singhdeo, All India Majlis-e-lttehadul Muslimeen MP Asaduddin Owaisi, and Shi Sena

Muslimeen MP Assaluddin Owaisi, and Shiv Sena (URT) MP Priyanika Chaturvedi.

No member of the BJP or other National Democratic Alliance has reported receiving such an algorithm of the BJP of the BJ

T.N. moves SC against Governor over Bills

The State urged the Supreme Court to declare the "inaction, omission, delay and failure to comply with the constitutional mandate by the Governor of Tamil Nadu" as illegal and arbitrary.

The "unreasonable mala fide exercise of pow er" by the Governor to neither consider Bill: ed and forwarded to him by the State Legisla-

Fix deadline*
The State sought the Supreme Court to fix a deadline or an "outer time limit" for Governor Ravi to consider the Bills and government orders pending to the state of the state

stance of rift.

The TNPSC is functioning with merely four members and without a Chairman. One of the members is holding the additional charge of

According to the petition, frequent reminders were sent to the Principal Secretary to the Gover-nor along with a copy of TNPSC Regulations, 1954 on August 17 for carrying out these appointments, but the Governor returned the file on September 27. Despite further efforts, the Governor returned the files "wrongfully without proper reasoning"

tober 27. e State accused the Governor of "politically ated conduct" for denying sanction to probe

Hacking a clear sign of panic, it's against entire Opposition: Rahul

Former Congress chief says snooping is carried out the moment anyone targets Adani Group; he accuses govt. of indulging in distraction politics' to divert attention from the doings of the firm; Kharge says Centre trying to destroy democracy

evealing that peo-ple in his office re-ceived an alert from Apple about an at-tempted "state-sponsored hacking", former Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Tuesday a sileged that by deploying Intelligence by deploying Intelligence agencies the moment they

agencies the moment they target business tycoon Gautam Adani. At a press conference at the AICC headquarters in New Delhi, Mr. Gandhi said "Prime Minister Narendra Modi's soul is with Adani

"As soon as Adani is touched, Intelligence agen-cies and snooping are de-ployed... Earlier, I used to think that PM (Prime M think that PM [Prime Mi-nister] is number one, Ada-ni is number two, and Amit Shah is number three. But actually, this is wrong. We have come to know that Adani is number one and PM is number two," Mr.



taking a point: Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, flanked by Jairam Ramesh (left) and K.C. Venugopal speaking at a press conference in New Delhi on Tuesday, SHASH SHEGHAR K.

The former Congress The former Congress chief accused the govern-ment of indulging in "dis-traction politics" to divert attention away from the Adani group, which is al-legedly creating monopo-lies in various sectors in

the country.
"We are not scared. You

said the entire wealth of equalities would not go unthe people, let they be Da-lits, tribal people, back-ward sections and the less a caste census was done and the people were given their rights accordward sections and the poor, was being taken away and given into the hands of one or two people to create monopolies. These monopolies, in turn, ing to their population af-ter conducting this X-ray. "Our job is to make them understand what is were leading to ine ties and gre

them understand what is going on. This [attempted hacking] is clearly a sign of panic. This is against the entire Opposition...This is the work of thieves and cri-minals," he alleged. Mr. Gandhi alleged that the country is divided into

pro-Adani control and pro-people control which was the anti-monopoly they were fighting for. Further, he said an issue like an Ap-ple warning of "state-spon-sored attackers" on their phones would have top-pled any government in the past, be it of Manmo-the past, be it of Manmo-lating or Atal Bhari Wain Sungh or Atal Bhari Vajpayee.
"We have now entered politics. This "We have now entered different politics. This would have been explo-sive, dynamic earlier... it would have blown the go-vernment then. It would

have toppled any government earlier," he said. Congress president Mal-likarjun Kharge, who received a similar message, said on X, "Modi government has only one slogan – 'Save Adani and destroy democracy". The 'B jasoos

democracy". The 'B Jasoos' party first used 'Pegasus' to snoop on Opposition leaders and institutions, now through some other mechanism. INDIA that is Bharat will not be intimi-dated by such threats."

Murmu visits Leh for U.T. Foundation Day events

The Hindu Bureau

President Droupadi Mur mu arrived in Leh on her maiden visit to Ladakh on

Territory.

Ladakh Lieutenant-Go-Lauakn Lieutenant-Go-vernor Brigadier B.D. Mis-hra (retd.) accorded a warm welcome to Ms. Mur-mu at the Leh airport, offi-cials edd.

rials said.

The President attended the Foundation Day events at Sindhu Sanskriti Kendra in Leh. Adoption of the Jammu & Kashmir Reorganisation Act, which was introduced after the Centre ended J&K's specia to the creation of the U

to the creation of the Un-ion Territories of J&K and Ladakh. They completed four years on October 31. The President is sche-duled to visit the Siachen Base Camp and interact with troops on her two-day

"She will also attend the

Police constable shot dead in Baramulla

The Hindu Bureau

Militants shot and killed a policeman on Tuesday in Baramulla of north Kash-mir, in the third targeted attack in Kashmir in the

attack in Kashmir in the past three days. "Terrorists fired upon one J&K Police personnel, head constable Ghulam Muhammad Dar, a resident of Wailoo Kralpora in Bara-nulla at his residence. He was shifted to Sub-District Hospital, Tangmarg, for treatment," a police spo-lesperson said on Tues-

While the condition of While the condition of the policeman was de-scribed as "critical", he la-ter died of his injuries. "We pay our rich tri-butes to the martyr and stand by his family at this critical juncture," the pol

e said. The attacks come at a The attacks come at a time when J&K witnessed a change of guard at the top position. IPS officer R.R. Swain took over from Dilbag Singh as 17th Director General of Police (DGP) of Jammu and Kashmir in Sri-

Suspected extremists kill police officer in Moreh; Manipur CM vows action

Manipur Chief Minister Nongthombam Biren Singh has vowed action grant of the control of the cont Manipur Chief Minister

the Border Security Force (BSF), officials said.

Taking to social media, Mr. Singh said the killers would be brought to justice. Kukis are in a majority in Moreh and the killing followed the demand of some organisations for the removal of the State forces from the town. The Manipur Cabinet, which met in an emergen-



cy meeting on the law-andorder situation, said the ex-tremists struck when the Kuki and Meitei communities had been exercising restraint and peace had been maintained for almost months.

Strategic position
The Cabinet approved an ex-gratia of ₹50 lakh and a suitable government job to the next of kin of the slain the next of kin of the slain police officer. It directed the forces to launch a joint operation in Moreh and ad-joining areas to nab the culprits. Apart from decid-ing to rush additional state

armed without permission shall be allowed in or around Moreh, considering the strategic position of the town under India's Act East Policy. The Cabinet further not-

ed that an organisation named the World Kuki-Zo Intellectual Council issued a press release on October 24 calling upon the Kuki-Zo community to maintain sufficient stocks of their

electoral bonds being used to trade favours

SC flags possibility of

with verified accounts to purchase electoral bonds for them through the regular of the country of the country favour with political parties or amonymously enter into a quid pro quo among the country of the country of

actually gives the donation to the political party... 'B' can also be an aggregator of electoral bonds by hav-ing a 100 people buy bonds worth ₹1 crore each." Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chan-drachud, heading a five-judge Bench, observed orally on the first day of

the electoral bonds scheme.
Senior advocate Kapil Sibal, for a petitioner, said:
"The Indian mind can be ingenious in these matters... We control the economy of the world in many ways."

Justice Sanjiv Khanna said that buying bonds through KYC account holders maintains a curtain of anonymiy about the actual donor, with "no questions asked

"practical politics", the do-nor would anyway inform the political party about his donation. "The source of the do-

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only for the public," the Chief Justice said. Advocate Shadan Fara-sat termed the electoral bonds scheme a "legally diry principle of an informed

electorate".
"The scheme is no meant to reduce the black money funding of politica parties, but to re-route the non-anonymous banking channel funding to anonymous electoral bonds," Mi Farasat submitted. On the other hand, the

court mused that anonymi-ty aided those who want to donate to Opposition par-ties without fearing reper-

egime. But advocate Prashant ing field during elections Over 90% of the donation go to ruling parties, mak ing it apparent that they are meant for favours done Mr. Sibal and Mr. Bhush

an said that the scheme promoted corruption. Mr. Sibal noted that the donations could even be kick

'China is welcome to be part of Solar Alliance

The Hindu Bureau NEW DELHI

part of the International Solar Alliance (ISA), as the membership of the 116country compact is open to all, R.K. Singh, Minister

Assembly here con Tuesday.

Mr. Singh said this in response to a question from The Hindra on why the Hindra on why helper of solar panels globally, wasn't a member of the group which was formed ship of India and France.

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NMC to launch 'one nation. one registration platform' for unified info on doctors

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lowest' since 1901 Rainfall during the north-

southern India 'sixth

October rainfall in

east monsoon, which re-placed the southwest monsoon in October and brings vital rain to several parts of southern India, has been the "sketh lowest" since the "sketh lowest" since India Meteorological De-partment (MDD Director-General, said at a briefing In September, the agen-cy had forecast 'normal' rainfall for Tamil Nadu, and Kerala, but October rainfall saw a 60% rainfall deficiency in these regions, said, was due to the pre-said, was due to the presoon in October and bring

said, was due to the pre-vailing El Nino and, para-

Ocean Dipole (IOD). A pos-itive IOD usually brings good rainfall. "Historically, an El Nino year and positive IOD indi-

vidually means normal rainfall over southern In-dia in October. This year, however their combine effect seems to have duced rainfall," he noted a e briefing. Rainfall in November in

Rainfall in November in these regions is likely to be 'normal', though this can mean anything from a 23% deficiency to 23% excess rain, given the inherent va-riability in November rain-fall, he added. The El Nino conditions are expected to get stron-

ger and will continue to do so until March 2024.

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NMC to launch 'one nation, one registration platform' for unified info on doctors

<u>Bindu Shajan Perappadan</u> NEW DELHI

The National Medical Commission (NMC), the regulatory body for medical education and medical professionals, is all set to launch its "one nation, one registration platform" for doctors across the country to eliminate duplication and red tape and allow the public to access information on any physician working in India.

The NMC will unveil a patch pilot of the National Medical Register (NMR) in the next six months where doctors will be allotted a unique identification number and then can also apply for their licence to



The data of nearly 14 lakh doctors in the system will be transferred to the NMR.

work in any State depending on where they are.

The commission had earlier this year issued a Gazette notification titled "Registration of medical practitioners and licence to practise medicine regulations, 2023" announcing the move. "The idea is to provide an ID to undergraduate students on the NMR. This ID can be used to update any further qualification," said Dr. Yogender Malik, member, Ethics and Medical Registration Board, NMC.

The data of nearly 14 lakh doctors registered in the system will be transferred to the NMR.

Meanwhile, the panel has signed an MoU with the Quality Council of India for rating medical institutions.

Both government and private medical colleges will be rated based on the quality of education they provide, from the 2024-25 academic session.

National Medical Commission



राष्ट्रीय आयुर्विज्ञान आयोग National Medical

Commission

Abbreviation NMC

Predecessor Medical Council of India

Formation 25 September 2020; 3 years

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Purpose Regulatory agency

Headquarters New Delhi, Delhi, India

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Regional diversity: a quest for equitable recognition within Indian Union'

s we celebrate 50 glorious years of our State being years of our State being reasortions to root out regionalism, as stated by Prime Minister Navendra Steed in a Dusars speech, contrary to being an anomaly, is in fact, the very essence that fortifies the rich tweety essence that fortifies the rich tweety essence that fortifies the rich tweety in the state of the stat diversity of its regions – a sentiment that echoes that of millions across the

The call to eliminate regionalism contradicts the spirit of our Constitution, which upholds and respects the diversity of India's States. respects the diversity of India's States. Regionalism is not a divisive element; it is the bedrock of our unity, reflecting the multiplicity that binds our nation in a beautiful mosaic. Embracing and celebrating regional diversity is not a threat; it is an acknowledgement of our

Layers of history
Karnataka, a proud testament to
linguistic, cultural, and regional
diversity, stands as an integral part of
the Indian federation. From the proud



Karnataka, with its profound legacy, stands at risk of being

marginalised within a narrative that emphasises uniformity over of Hampi and the intellectual legacy of great thinkers such as Basavanna, Akka Mahadevi, and Kuvempu, Karnataka's identity has layers that evoke a sense of belonging, pride, and history. The ideological influence on the BJP derived from figures such as V.D. of "one

derived from figures such as V.D. Savarkar, advocating the notion of "one nation, one language, and one culture", appears to overshadow the distinctiveness of regional identities. Karnataka, with its profound legacy, stands at risk of being marginalised within a narrative that emphasises

uniformity over diversity.

Preserving this identity is not about seclusion or exclusivity but about sechision or exclusivity but about fostering a sense of belonging and pride in the hearts of its people. It is about celebrating the distinctiveness that Karnataka brings to the Indian Identity, contributing its rich culture to the greater cultural tapestry of the nation. In a federal structure, it is crucial to

In a tederal structure, it is crucial i recognise and respect the individual identities that make up the whole. Nourishing these identities entails promoting regional languages, traditions, art forms, and history, traditions, art forms, and history, ensuring rights over natural resources and fair treatment in empowering the States. Simultaneously, it involves ensuring the seamless amalgamation of these diverse regional identities into the larger fabric of the country. Preserving regional identity lies in

Karnataka's quest for equitable recognition within India's Union. Our State's celebration of 50 years as Karnataka is marred by a pressing concern hat shadows our progress: the evident negligence by the BP-led Union government, which is also reflected in Prime Minister Narendra Modifs statement. The foundation of a federal democracy rests upon equitable attention, care, and collaboration from the Union government towards all States. Unfortunately, in the case of Karnataka, this equitable principle

Noticeable disparities

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It is deeply disconcerting to observe the noticeable disparities in the allocation

noticeable dispartites in the allocation of relief funds. Over 216 tallush have been plagued by drought, with losses mounting to 533,770 crore. Vet, the Union government's response has been with the contract of the relief we germinely required. Alarmingly, our neighbouring States received more considerable States received more considerable attention. Such inconsistent allocation raises concerns about the Union government's commitment to the welfare of all States.
Water is the lifeline of any State.
However, the Union government's inaction in crucial water-sharing

projects, such as the Mekedatu and Mahadayi river projects, impedes our Mahadayi river projects, impedes our provide basic amenities to our citizens. Even the long-awaited grant for the Upper Bhadra Irrigation Project has While the Union government readily amounces projects during politically characteristic projects of the property of the property

consistently witnessed a downtrend in the grants received. The reduction in our share of tax devolution from 4.72% to 3.64% by the 15th Finance y the 15th Finance on has effectively robbed our

State of ₹45,000 crore over the past four years. Our efforts, our contributions to years. Our efforts, our contributions to the national exchequer are substantial, yet the return we witness is a mere 15 paise per rupee. This glaring disparity is not just about numbers; it is about the very essence of federal cooperation and

justice.

There has been a failure in releasing tunds for the Bengaluru suburban rail crore in the 2018-19 Union Budget. The demand for an AIIMS in Kalyana Karnataka has been put forth, but there karnatical has been put forth, but there government. Even though the Union Budget for 2023-24 announced ₹5,300

crore for the Upper Bhadra project, not a size is passed to the control of the passed to the control of the con indicators of cultural marginalisation.

When even simple gestures like
translating PIB posts to Kannada are
overlooked, it paints a troubling picture
of cultural neglect.

It is crucial to understand that

Karnataka's plea for recognition does not stem from a desire for isolation bu not stem from a desire for isolation but from a call for just inclusion. Recognising and nurturing regional identity within the federal framework only strengthens our national fabric. Federal autonomy allows States to cater Federal autonomy allows States to cater to their unique needs and challenges, to their unique needs and challenges, more cohesive nation. As we cherths 50 years as Karnataka, it is imperative for the Union government to recognise and of its States. For in the property and acknowledgement of its regions lies the true strength and unity of a nation. The please is the control of the states of the property and please is the true strength and unity of a nation. The please is the control of the states of the state of the states of the

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IAF phases out MiG-21 fighter squadron based at Uttarlai

The Indian Air Force (IAF), on Tuesday, phased out one more MiG-21 fighter squadron, the No. 4 squadron based at Uttarlai, and is re-equipping it with SU-30MKIs. This leaves two squadrons of the legacy jets in service. The MiG-21s will be entirely phased out by 2025 and will be replaced by the indigenous Light Combat Aircraft (LCA)-MKIA which the IAF will start receiving

LCH Prachand successfully carries out inaugural firing

The Army's Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) Prachand successfully carried out inaugural firing of 70 mm rockets and 20 mm turret guns both by day and night. Both the Army and the Ai Force have inducted the indigenous LCH in small numbers and a bigger deal for 156 LCH is awaiting the government approval. The contract for 156 indigenous LCH, 90 for Army and 66 for the Air Force, is estimated to cost ₹45,000 crore



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1 Crooned a tune over a drink (7)
5 Base i belong is different (7)
9 When a vestibule is found in such places in church (5)
10 Offering bag of rice - provided inside (9)
11 Flowers tend to be short on land (9)

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Navy chief calls for a plan among GMC countries

Dinakar Peri PANAJI

Navy chief Admiral R. Hari Kumar has called for the establishment of a working mechanism among the 13 countries part of the Goa Maritime Conclave (GMC) that is "structure light and that is "structure light and functional heavy" as there was a need to have an op-erational framework that is free, flexible, nimble, res-mention and reliable.

tree, flexible, nimble, res-ponsive and reliable. He also called for deve-lopment of several regional centres of excellence (CoE) isopinent of several regions, insignate the Indian Navy's Information Fusion Centre for Indian Ocean Region of maritime security such as maritime law, maritime, and the security such as maritime law, maritime, manitarian Assistance and Indian Colfe, and the security for the regional Colfe, and the security such as the repository of information, knowledge and best management practicate the regional great production of the colfess of the regional decision of the colfess of the regional colfess of the region of the colfess of the region of the region of the region of the colfess of the region of the colfess of the region of the region of the colfess of the region of the region of the region of the colfess of the region of the

The GMC has emerged as an important platform for India's interaction with the Indian Ocean littoral

WHO post: India to choose Bangladesh or Nepal nominee

Candidates will need six votes to win the contest; Sheikh Hasina's daughter is contesting against Nepali public health veteran

ndia, along with other South Asian and South East Asian countries, will choose between candi dates from Bangladesh and Nepal for the post of Re-gional Director of the World Health Organization

tought campaign to an
The vote will take place
on November I, the third
day of the 76th session of
mittee for South-East Asia
being hosted by Union
Health Minister Mansukh
The nominees are Saima Wazed, daughter of
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Nepal and WHO senior offi
need six votes to win the
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Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste - The Countries are being mostly represented by their Health Ministers. Fegine is under sanctions for the coup in 2020, has not sent a delegation to the rea in being represented by its Ambassador to India. While the campaign for the coveted position saw a heated campaign between

India's two neighbours, in-cluding officials levelling charges of "nepotism" and candidates themselves shared a "selfie" photo-graph together on social media at the start of the WHO session. Ahead of pressed confi-

both sides expressed confi-dence that they had the support of the majority of countries. (With inputs from Bindu Shajan Perappadan)

Strive to make India a developed nation by 2047. PM tells citizens

Prime Minister Narendra Modi urged citizens on Tuesday to strive to make India a developed nation by 2047 when the country completes 100 years of Independence.
"We will have to fulfil

"We will have to fulfil the resolve we took, the promises we made to the coming generation", the coming generation", the citizens to intensity efforts. The contribution of every Indian is important to developed country, be said at an event to mark the conclusion of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav", a cele-conclusion of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav", a cele-pendence. S years of finde-pendence.

pendence.
Launching a special
platform for the youth
called 'My Bharat', Mr. Modi said various pro-grammes that are being run for youth will be made available on this platform. He asked the youth to

re asked the youn to connect with it as much as possible and fill India with new energy. "MY Bharat organisation is going to play a big role in nation-building in the 21st centu-ry", said Mr. Modi. The Prinne Minister was

across the country who had carried around 8500 urns containing soil from their respective villages and cities as part of the 'Meri Mati Mera Desh' cam 'Amrit Vatika' which will be built using this soil which was poured into a giant pitcher. The soil from this pitch-

The soil from this pitch-er would be use to create the garden which is being built next to the India Gate. Drawing an analogy bet-ween the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' and Mahatma Gandhi's famous 'Dandi March', be asside Dandi March', be asside Dandi of Independence while

March reignited the flame of Independence while Amrit Kaal is turning out to be the resolution of the 75-year-old journey of India's development journey". Mr. Modi noted that 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' helped him understand many aspects of the freemany aspects of the free dom struggle. "It has reminded the people that there was not a single mo-ment during the foreign rule when there was no movement for freedom and no section or region was untouched by these

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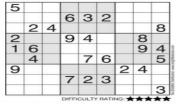
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Relevance of the epics

Though the epics Ramayana and Mahabharata were writen thousands of years ago, the hidden principles and concepts are relevant even today for our everyday life. Dr. our everyday life. Though the epics Ramayana and Mahabharata were writ-

dedicate himself to a life of unbroken chastity. But Sathya-vathi's sone Chithrangatha and Vichithraveerya unexpect-edy died. The kingdom had to be ruled by Bhishma as a representative, which only shows what the 'Tamili Saint Poet Thiruvalluvar said: if you harm others in the fore-noon, evil will follow in the afternoon. When Krishna went as an emissary, He did not accept the invitation of Duryodhana and others, including Bhishma, because they were goaded with one kind of infatuation or the other. The Lord took the invitation of the humble Vithura

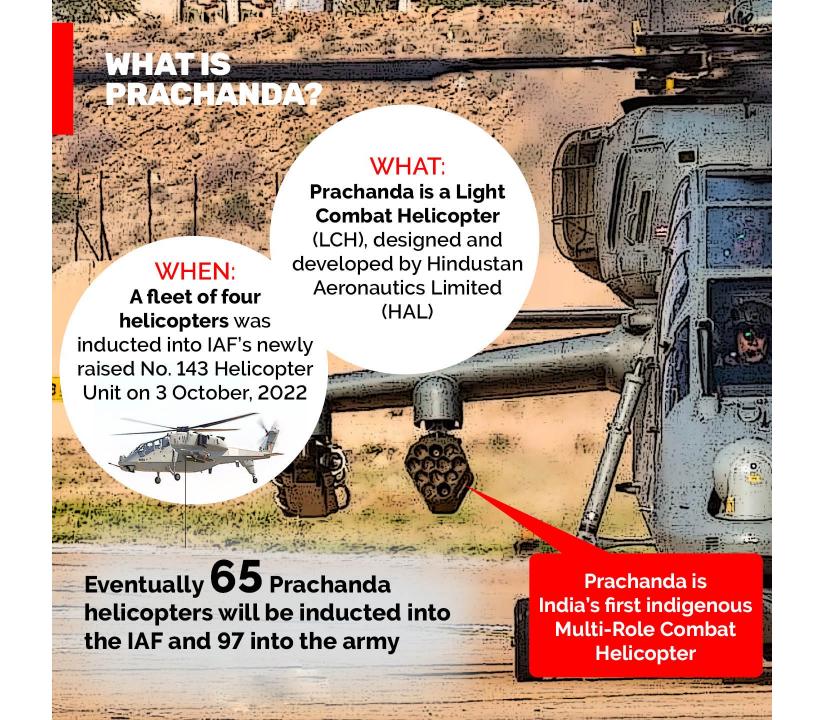


IAF phases out MiG-21 fighter squadron based at Uttarlai

The Indian Air Force (IAF), on Tuesday, phased out one more MiG-21 fighter squadron, the No. 4 squadron based at Uttarlai, and is re-equipping it with SU-30MKIs. This leaves two squadrons of the legacy jets in service. The MiG-21s will be entirely phased out by 2025 and will be replaced by the indigenous Light Combat Aircraft (LCA)-MKIA which the IAF will start receiving from February.

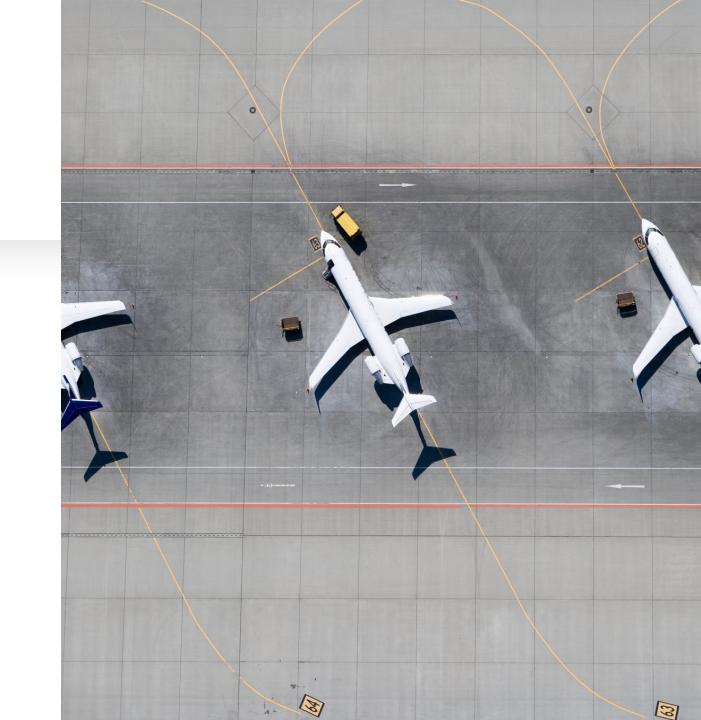
LCH Prachand successfully carries out inaugural firing

The Army's Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) Prachand successfully carried out inaugural firing of 70 mm rockets and 20 mm turret guns both by day and night. Both the Army and the Air Force have inducted the indigenous LCH in small numbers and a bigger deal for 156 LCH is awaiting the government approval. The contract for 156 indigenous LCH, 90 for Army and 66 for the Air Force, is estimated to cost ₹45,000 crore.





- The LCH is the only attack helicopter in the world which can land and take off at an altitude of 5,000 meters with a considerable load of weapons and fuel.
- The helicopter uses radar-absorbing material to lower radar signature and has a significantly crash-proof structure and landing gear.



The helicopter is equipped with a countermeasure dispensing system that protects it from enemy radars or infrared seekers of enemy missiles.

LCH is powered by two
French-origin Shakti
engines manufactured by
the HAL.

- India has been operating sub 3 ton category French-origin legacy helicopters, Chetak and Cheetah, made in India by the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL).
 - These single engine machines were, primarily, utility helicopters. Indian forces also operate the Lancer, an armed version of Cheetah.

 In addition, the Indian Air Force currently operates the Russian origin Mi-17 and its variants Mi-17 IV and Mi-17 V5, with maximum take-off weight of 13 tonnes, which are to be phased out starting 2028.

Two dead as Bangladesh garment workers protest against low pay



against low wages on Monday, sparking clashes with security forces that left at least two persons dead. Bangladesh is one of the world's largest garment exporters, with the industry accounting for 85% of the country's \$55 billion in annual exports. AFP

Canada bans WeChat app and Kaspersky on government phones



Canada banned Chinese messaging app WeChat and Russian platform Kaspersky from government smartphones. Treasury B President Anita Anand, who oversees Canada's federal public service, said the chief information officer determined the apps

China set to build new Sri Lanka refinery as rival bidder pulls out



Sri Lanka is set to award a multi-billion dollar oil refinery project to a Chinese state-owned company after a rival bidder pulled out, Energy Minister Kanchans Wigeselera said. He said the government would shortly enter into an investment agreement with Sinopec to build the refinery next to the Chinese-run port in Hambartota. APP

Japan police detain 86-year-old who held several people hostage



people hostage in a post office after shooting into a hospital and injuring two people on Tuesday. After a stand-off lasting eight hours in Warabi, outside Tokyo, the police said they finally detained the man after 10 p.m. after surrounding the three-storey building. AFF

Houthis claim drone attack on Israel

Associated Press

Yemen's Houthi rebels for the first time on Tuesday claimed missile and drone attacks targeting Israel, drawing their main spon-sor Iran closer into the on-going Israel-Hamas war in the Gaza Strip and further all conflict erustine.

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50 killed in Israeli air strike on refugee camp in Gaza

Israel says attack targeted a Hamas commander; onlookers say people were 'transporting the remains of children, women and elderly: Palestinian death toll before latest attack stood at 8.525

he Health Ministry in the Hamas-run Gaza Strip said at least 50 people were killed on Tuesday in Israell bom-bardment of a refugee camp in the Palestinian ter-ritory, which the Army tank commander.

tant commander. "More than 50 martyrs and around 150 wounded and dozens under the rub-ble, in a heinous Israeli massacre that targeted a large area of homes in Jabaliya camp in the northern (Gaza) Strip," a Ministry statement said.

AFP video footage from the scene showed at least 47 bodies recovered from the rubble after the strike hit several houses in the densely crowded camp. Dozens of onlookers

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strike in Nusseirat refugee camp in Gaza Strip on Tuesday, AP

key Hamas commander linked to the October 7 attack on Israel by the group.

"His elimination was carried out as part of a wide-scale strike on terro rists and terror infrastructure belonging to the Cen-tral Jabaliya Battalion, which had taken control

soldiers operating through-

out the Gaza Strip.
"As a result of the strike, a large number of terro-rists who were with Biari were killed. Underground terror infrastructure em-bedded beneath the buildings, used by the terrorists, also collapsed after the

also collapsed after the strike," the Army said.
Ragheb Aqal, a Jabaliya resident, described the strike, the shook the five regree camp.
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under the rubble and bods parts and martyrs and wounded in huge num-bers," the 41-year-old told

Hundreds of deaths "There's no exaggerating when they talk about hun-dreds of martyrs and wounded.

wounded.
People were still "transporting the remains of children, women and elderly", he added.
Before the strike on Jabaliya, the Health Ministry

in Gaza said 8,525 people have been killed in the narrow strip of land since Is-rael launched its bombing campaign on October 7. The war erupted after Hamas militants from Gaza

launched attacks on Israeli communities and army posts, killing around 1.400 people, according to Israeli officials.

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to hold hostages. It had captured 229 individuals in cers, during its raid. Though he did not back a ceasefire, Mr. Starmer, however, called for a "hu-ering the raid of the con-ing the control of the clighting, starting imme-diately, to enable aid to reach Palestinians in Gaza. He also added that political engagement towards a re-

Starmer says 'no' to backing Gaza ceasefire, despite differences within Labour

Sriram Lakshmar

The U.K. Labour Party's The U.K. Labour Party's leader Keir Starmer stuck to his guns on Tuesday, as he reiterated his opposi-tion to an immediate cea-sefire in the Israel-Gaza conflict. Mr. Starmer, who heads a party divided on its resense to the critical. its response to the crisis, stressed the need for a "hu-manitarian pause" so aid can continue to reach

solution should begin now. aza. Speaking at Chatham bour MPs and leaders, in-Speaking at Chausain House, Mr. Starmer said a ceasefire "always freezes any conflict in the state where it currently lies" and cluding London's Mayor, Sadiq Khan, and Scottish Labour's leader Anas Sar war have not toed the par would give Hamas the cap-ability to strike Israel ty line, calling instead for an immediate ceasefire. A again, as it had on October 7, and would enable the total of 50 Labour MPs and 250 councillors have backed a ceasefire, accordmilitant group to continue to hold hostages. It had captured 229 individuals in

Rules of war Several of Mr. Starmer's cased his comments from an October II interview, where he appeared to back in the several of the several power to Gaza. On Tuesday, however, Mr. Starmer stressed that Israel must abide by the

Keir Starmer

rules of war. "The right to rules of war. "The right to self-defence is fundamen-tal. But it's not a blank check," he said, referring to Israel's retaliation on Ga-za. He clarified that water, medicines, electricity and fuel to civilians in Gaza must not be blocked by Is-rael.

by airstrikes and a ground assault by Israel, with thou-sands dead. Some 8,00,000 Gaza residents had fled south, the Asso-

ciated Press reported. Palestinians displaced by the war must be given "crystal clear" guarantees for their ability to return quickly he added.

Mr. Starmer reiterated his support for the two-state solution, saying Pales-tinians needed to see determination from Arab states, the West and Israel

towards this.
"The Palestinian claim to statehood is not in the to statehood is not in the gift of a neighbour. It is in-alienable right of the Pales-tinian people," he said, ad-ding that Palestine would need to be freed from Ha-mas and terror and Israel would need security gua-

Gaza now a 'gravevard' for thousands of children: UN

Agence France-Presse

The Gaza Strip has become a graveyard for thousands of children, the UN said on Tuesday, as it feared the

dehydration.
The Gaza Health Minis-try said the Israeli strikes have killed more than 8,500 people, mainly civians. The UN children's agen-

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"Our gravest fears about the reported numbers of children killed becoming dozens, then hundreds, and ultimately thousands were realised in just a fort-night," UNICEF spokesman

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Galendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the kpp portal of Government of Karnataka from 04.11.2023 (2) Tenders must be submitted orline through kpp portal on or before 15.11.2023 uptol 4.00 pm. (3) Pre-Bid for 2 Cover tender meeting will be held on 10.11.2023 at 111.30 pm in the Office of the Chief Engineer. on 16.11.2023 at 11:30 pm in the Office of the Chief Engineer, Desarahalir Zone, MEI Layout, Begalegunte, Bengaluru - 73, (4) Technical Bids will be opened on the website https://kpp.karnataka.gow.in in the office of the Executive Engineer, Desarahalli Division, BBMP on 16.11.2023 at 4:30 pm. (5) Financial Bids will be aned in the Office of the Executive Engineer, Dasaraha sion. BBMP on 17-11-2023 at 4:30 pm. (If Possible Division, BBMP on 17.11.2023 at 4:30 pm. (If Possible (6) This tender notice can also be seen on the BSMP Websiks www.bbmp.gov.in. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. Sdf-

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Associated Press

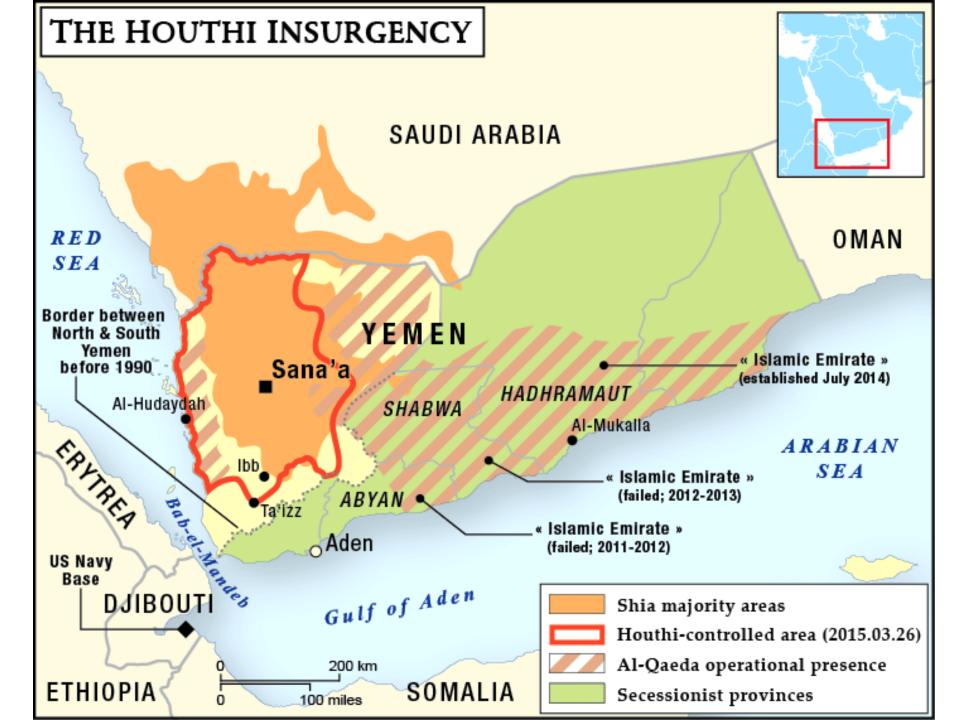
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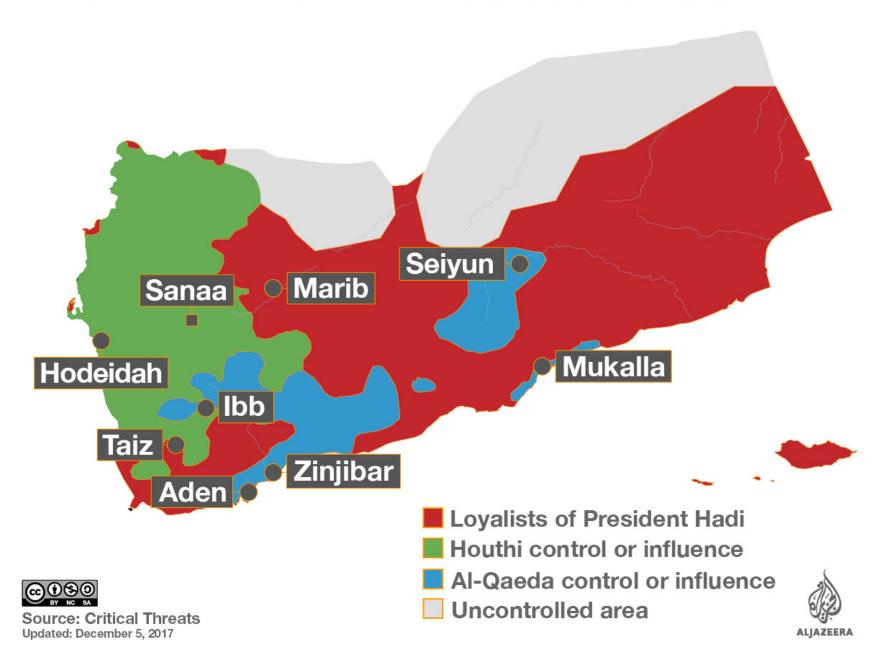
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The Houthis, who have held Yemen's capital, Sanaa, since 2014 as part of that country's ruinous war, claimed three attacks on Israel in a later military statement, without elaborating on the timeframe of the operations



Yemen: Who controls what

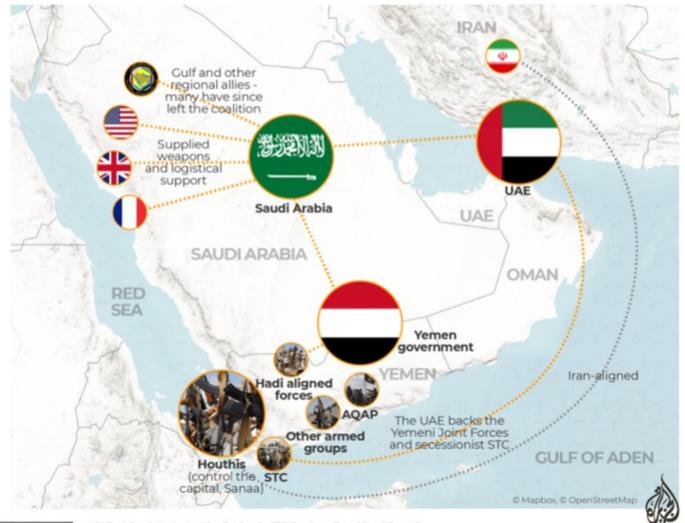




YEMEN

Key players in the conflict

In March 2015, a Saudi-led coalition – backed by the US – intervened militarily in Yemen in a bid to fight the Houthis, restore Hadi's government, and reverse what they say is growing Iranian influence in the region.







Major evacuations post Arab-Spring:

RESCUE in YEMEN

India's evacuation vessels

Libya 2011 & 2014

Iraq June 2014

Egypt 2011

(commercial evacuation, assisted by government)

Available routes out of Yemen



Ships/ferries to Djibouti or back to India



Sana'a airport Air India flights were on standby in Muscat

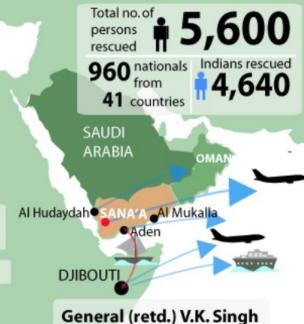
Land route through Saudi Arabia: used sparsely

The Background

Through **Feb-Mar**, Houthi rebels supplant Abd Rabbuh Mansour Hadi govt., take over swathes of Yemen

On **Mar 27**, Royal Saudi Air force leads military intervention with Arab states against Houthi rebels

2 days before the intervention, on **March 25**, MEA issues urgent evacuation advisory to all Indians in the region



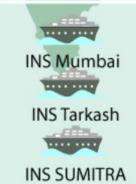




3,500 evacuated









The evacuation operation from Yemen is over. General V.K. Singh is returning tonight. We are closing our Embassy there

INBRIEF.



Martinez wins Yashin Trophy as fans boo the goalkeeper

Argantinas World Cap-winning goalkeeper Argantinas World Cap-winning goalkeeper Capitalina Againet execution for the best goalkeeper of the season at the Ballon d'Or night on Monday, But Martinez, who Ballon d'Or night on Monday, But Martinez, who French fans linside as he walked onto the stage and Didler Drogha, who hosted the ceremony, had to stop fans from booling him, saying: please, the final was shown.



Bellingham wins Kopa Trophy for best young player

Real Madrid and England star Jude Bellinghan won the Kopa Trophy for the best player of last season aged under 21 at the Ballon d'Or ceremony in Paris on Monday. The 20-year-old. ceremony in Paris on Monday. The 20-year-old, who has had a sensational start to his Real caree with 13 goals in his first 13 games for the Spanish giant, scored 14 times in 42 games for Borussia Dortmund as it came second in the Bundesliga last season. He also helped England reach the



Vinicius vows to continue fight against racism

Real Madrid and Brazlian winger Vinicius Ir said will keep speaking out against racism in world football after receiving the Socrates Award on Monday at the Ballon d'Or ceremony for his contribution off the field. "I will remain strong the fight against racism," said the 23-year-old who received the award from the Prince of Monaco. "It is a very sad thing to talk abor racism nowadays, but we have to continu-fight so that people suffer less.

Manchester City voted the men's club of the year

Manchester City won the men's club of the Manchester City won the men's club of the season award at the Balloin d'Or 2023 award ceremony on Monday. Pep Guardiola's team which bagged the award for the second time on the trot won the coveted treble last season by clinching the Premier League, FA Cup and its first Champions League title. FC Barcelona Fermeni claimed the women's club of the season honours.

Teja and Luana pair exits in the round of 16

Teia Tirunelveli and Luana Araujo of Brazil was beaten 3-6, 1-6 by top seeds Gao Xinyu and Zhibek Kkulambayeva in the pre-quarterfinals of the \$25,000 ITF women's tennis tournament in Monastir. Tunisia, on Tuesday.

The results (doubles pre-quarterfinals): \$25,000 ITF men, Sharm Elsheikh, Egypt: Erik Arutiunian

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\$25,000 ITF women. Monastir: Gao Xinyu (Chn) & Zhibek

6-3, 6-1. \$15,000 ITF women, Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt: Carolann Delaunay (NCL) & Aminata Sall (Fra) bt Humera Baharmus & Chanel Janssen (Ned) 5-7, 6-4, [10-6].

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Messi wins record-extending eighth Ballon d'Or

The Argentine superstar claims the coveted honour ahead of Haaland and Mbappe; Spanish midfielder Bonmati takes the women's award

FOOTBALL Agence France-Presse

ionel Messi won the eighth Ballon d'Or of his remarkable career at a glittering ceremo-ny in Paris on Monday, while Spain's World Cup-winning star Aitana Bon-mati took the women's

For Messi, the trophy re-For Messi, the trophy re-wards his inspirational per-formances during last year's World Cup in Qatar when he skippered Argen-tina to victory, scoring se-ven goals and being de-clared the tournament's best player.

Crowning moment It was the crowning moment of his astonishing ca-reer, and it allowed him to see off competition, in particular from Erling Haa-land, Kylian Mbappe, and Kevin De Bruyne, to take the award on the stage of the Chatelet Theatre in

Paris.
"This is a gift to the whole Argentina team for what we have achieved," said Messi on stage after re-ceiving his award from Da-vid Beckham, the co-owner of Inter Miami for which the 36-year-old legend now



The Best! Messi and Bor big prize, AFF

turns out. Messi dedicated the trophy to late Argenti-na legend Diego Marado-na, who would have cele-brated his 63rd birthday "Happy birthday Diego. This is for you too," he

said. The women's prize The women's prize seemed even more clear cut, as Bonmati was re-warded for starring as Spain won the World Cup in Australia in August.

The 25-year-old midfielder was named the best player at the World Cup as the Spanish team overcame off-field turbulence. including protests against their national federation and coach Jorge Vilda, to lift the trophy. "It is difficult to improve

on this. It has been a unon this. It has been a unique year.

"If anyone said to me when I was little that I would play at the Camp

two Champions Leagues, a Ballon d'Or, a UEFA award, these are extraordinary things," said Bonmati. Last year's winner Alex-

ia Putellas, also part of that Spain side, was not nominated after missing almost all of last season with a

Australia's Sam Kerr came second with team-mate Salma Paralluelo in third place.



I need to work on my leg movement: Neeraj

pra is going to wait till De-cember to plan his competition schedule once it comes clear where the ja-velin events will be held in

the Diamond League. Speaking to the media on the sidelines of an event as the Brand Ambassador of Optimum Nutrition, Neeraj said, "My focus will be to take part in hand-

"South Africa provides "South Africa provides the best climatic condi-tions to train for javelin throwers. I will focus on strengthening my groin strengthening my groin (which troubled him this year). In the coming year). In the coming months, I need to work on flexibility and strength be-sides enhancing my techni-cal awareness." When asked about his ability to consistently win competitions despite lack-ing the strength and frame of several fellow competi-tors on the world stage, Neeral said, "If you take the example of Jan Zelezny (West recombeder and World, champion), be did World, champion), be did World champion), he did not have a big frame. Look at our own Kishore Jena. "For you to do well in ja-

ror you to do wen'n ja-velin, you need strength, speed and technique. In my case, my flexibility helps. Personally, I feel my

arm-speed is good. "For instance, in the recent Asian Games, I could not get the technique right when I wanted it. I was not happy with my leg-work. My blocking leg was bending. But I owe it to my arm speed that helped me throw long.
"Like my coach says, it

is about 60% leg-work and

Swiatek gets off the mark with | Shriyanka Sadangi victory over Vondrousova

Agence France-Presse

World No. 2 Iga Swiatek overcame a shaky start to defeat Wimbledon cham-pion Marketa Vondrousova in straight sets in her open-ing WTA Finals match here.

In Monday's other clash, US Open champion Coco Gauff opened her tourna-ment with a 6-0, 6-1 drub-bing of Tunisia's Ons Jabeur.

Polish star Swiatek looked out of sorts in an er-ror-strewn first set in which

ror-strewn first set in which she trailed 2-5 before roar-ing back to clinch a 7-6(3), 6-0 victory. The 22-year-old four-time Grand Slam champion is bidding to reclaim her World No. I ranking from Aryna Sabalenka at this in Mexicon-ending finals in Mexicon-ending finals

in Mexico. However that goal looked unlikely during a nervy opening from Swia-tek, who was broken in her first service game before seventh seed Vondrousova held for a 2-0 lead.

Swiatek managed to claw the break back in the fourth game to square the first set at 2-2 but then fell

Montfort School sweeps

boys' titles
Montfort School was
dominant as it won the
senior and under-15 boys'
titles in the 34th Hanssraj
Prahakar baskerball
tournament on Tuesday,
Bal Bharati School won
the under 16 side; title.

the under-16 girls' title, beating Apex School 52-42

Bhaskar Mahor, Grivansh

Tyagi and Diya Sehrawat were adjudged the 'best players' in the three different sections.

Vikrant, coach of Apex

DELHI ROUND-UP



then held to go 4-2 up. Another shaky service game from Swiatek ended in a break of serve to leave Vondrousova in the driving seat at 5-2.

But Vondrousova's game collapsed thereafter, and Swiatek broke back twice

in quick succession to level the set at 5-5 before holding for 6-5. Although Vondrousova steadied the ship to hold serve and set up a tie break, it was only a tem-

Swiatek quickly took control of the breaker and clinched the set when Von-

throw competition with 13 throws in 30 seconds.

Three-pointer competition was won by Soham Sharma of Oxford

Choudhary was adjudged

Ranbir Kohli of Bal Bharati

was the highest scorer of

Boys: Senior: Montfort School 57 (Shubham 15, Chetanya 14) bt Bal Bharati School 40 (Prateck 15,

the tournament with 96

School, won the free

School, Chaitanya

points.
The results (finals):

the 'most promising player'.

Vondrousova's service game went into melidown in the second set, with Swiatek breaking her three times in a row. Another Vondrousova double-fault left Swiatek 5-0 up, and the Pole sealed victory on her serve in the

final game.
"In the first part of the match I wasn't feeling like I was playing bad," Swiatek said.

Group 1: 2-Swiatek (Pol)bt 7-Vondrousova (Cze) 7-6(3), 6-0; 2-Gauff (USA) bt 6-Jabeur (Tun) 2-Gabri (USA) bit 6-Gaberr (Hull) 6-0, 6-1. Doubles: Group 2: 2-Hunter (Aus) & Mertens (Bel) bit 3-Aoyama & Shibahara (Jpn) 6-4, 6-2.

Under-15: Montfort School 53 (Madhav 18, Griyansh Tyagi 13) bt SD Public School 37 (Naitik Dhaka 20, Naitik Sharma 10).

Girls: Under-16: Bal Bharat School 52 (Diva Sehrawat 3)

Yuvika Maan 10) bt Apex Scho 42 (Khushi 19, Shumaylla 10).

Mohd. Zaid hits five as Guru Gobind Singh Sports College wins big

Mohd. Zaid Khan scored

five goals to power Guru Gobind Singh Sports

Simdega, in a league

College, Lucknow, to a 9-2 victory over St. Mary's High School, Samtoli,

wins rifle 3-position Olympic quota

ASIAN SHOOTING

Sports Bureau

Shriyanka Sadangi missed a medal, but won the Olympic quota in women's rifle 3-position event in the Asian shooting champion-ship in Changwon, Korea,

ship in Changwon, Korea, on Tuesday, and Tuesday, and the Law and

It was the 13th Olympic and sixth from the ongoing Asian championship.

There were gold medals for India in junior shotgun events, as Bakhtyaruddin Malek and Bhavya Tripathi emerged on top.

50m rifle 3-position: Women: 50m riffle 3-position: Women: 1. Lee Eunseo (Kor) 468.5 (587); 2. Han Jiayu (Chn) 463.3 (590); 3. Xia Siyu (Chn) 453.3 (587); 4. Shriyanka Sadangi 440.5 (588). Team: 1. India 1766; 2. Kazaikistan 1760; 3. Korea 1759.

match of the Kanwarji 51st

Nehru junior hockey tournament at the Shivaji

Stadium here on Tuesday

The results (league): The results (league): Guru Gobind Singh Sports College, Lucknow, 9 (Mohd. Zaid Khan 5, Priyanshu Singh 2, Triloki Verwanshi 2) bt St. Mary's HS, Samtoli, Simdega, 2 (Kapil Minz 2).

Naval Tata Academy.

Jamshedpur, 2 (Ujjwal Pal 2) drew with SGPC, Amritsar, 2 (Sukhveer Singh, Harshdeep

Singh).
Odisha Naval Tata Academy,
Bhubaneswar, 7 (Irengbam Rohit
Singh 2, Deepak Pradhan 2,
Adhikariyum Suresh Sharma,

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Shriyanka.

Junior men: 1. Matvey Timofeyev (Kaz) 458.3 (582); 2. Mao Yiming (Chn) 457.5 (586); 3. Ye Yishun (Chn) 445.5 (581). Team: 1. China 1753; 2. India Ye Yishun (Chn) 445.5 (581). Team: L. China 1753; J. India 1744, 3. Kazakhstan 1728. 1744, 3. Kazakhstan 1728. Youn Jacyson (Kor) 576, 2. Wang Xinje (Chn) 576; 3. Lee Gunhyeok Kor) 576. Junior men: 1. Kim Minson (Kor) 572; 2. Wang Shiwen (Chn) 572; 3. Chai Shujie (Chn) 570.

alah Alrashidi (Kuw) 31 (114). Seam: 1. India 328: 2. China 323 Team: 1. India 328; 2. China 32; 3. Kazakhtstan 305. Junior women: 1. Bhavya Tripathi 40 (104); 2. Han Ting (Chn) 35 (1.10); 3. Aadya Tripath 28 (100). Team: 1. India 312; 2. Kazakhtstan 242.

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Konaindad 2, Aashir Adil Khan 2 Subhan Abid, Aley Rasoo() bt Government Model SSS, Sector 37-D, Chandigarh, 1 (Komaljeet

LIVE TELECAST

Men's Cricket World Cup: Star

ISL: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 8 p.m.

Shivtei surprises Prakaash

Sports Bureau

Shivtej Shirfule beat third seed Prakaash Sarran 5-7, 6-4, 6-3 in the boys' pre-quarterfinals of the Asian under-16 tennis champion-ship in Aurangabad on Tuesday.

The results

The results (pre-quarterfinals): Boys: Hruthik Katakam bt Eshan Khadeer 6-1, 6-2, Arjun Yekuri bt Devendra Kulkarni 6-3, 6-2; Shivtej Shirfule bt Prakaash Sarran 5-7, 6-4, 6-3, Fazai Ali Meer Sarran 5-7, 6-4, 6-3; Fazai Ali Meer bt Daksh Mudanoori 6-3, 6-3; Aditya Acharya bt Shashanik Karnati 6-4, 6-0; Nived Konerira bt Yaharaj Jarwal 6-3, 6-2; Krishank Joshi bt Kabir Jaitly 6-0, 6-0; Ayush Poojary bt Sahil Kothari

Ayush Poojary bit Sanii kotmani 6-0, 6-2. Girls: Parthsarthi Mundhe bt Kavya Deshmukh 6-1, 6-1; Dhanashree Patil bt Mishka Tavade 6-0, 6-2; Twisha Nandankar bt S.R. Dakshanasree Nandankar bt S.R. Dakshanaaree 4-6, 6-0, 6-0, Dia Agarwal bt Ishwari Markande 6-3, 6-2; Röya Pucilyokkada bt Prutha Ran 6-0, 6-1; Riddhi Shinde bt Madhumita Oranga Shawar Banakar Tajne be Ananya Shawar 6-1, Braikit Tajne be Ananya Shawar 6-1, Vrandika Rajput bt Meha Patil 6-2, 6-3.

Pawan stuns top seed to clinch the over-55 title

Sports Bureau

Pawan Kapoor beat top seed Chandra Bhushan 6-3, seed Chandra Bhushan 6-3, 7-5 to win the over-55 title in the ITF Masters tennis tournament on the clay courts of the Joygaon

Academy. The results (finals):

Over-50: Narendra Kankaria Bal Krishan Bhatia 7-6(5), 6-4 Over-55: Pawan Kapoor bt Chandra Bhusshan 6-3, 7-5; Chandra Bhusan Over-60: Nagaraj

Revanasiddaiah bt Sharad Tak Revanasiddaiah bt Sharad Tak Jaket Bharah 6-1, 6-0, Over-70 George Thomas bt SJS Randhawa 6-3, 6-0, Over-75: Ashok Jindel bt Ramakrishna Sudagani 6-0, 6-0.



The Best! Messi and Bonmati, who were instrumental in their countries winning the World Cup, with the big prize. AFP

Ballon d'Or



Ballon d'Or trophy

Date 1956; 67 years ago

Location Paris, France

Presented by France Football

First awarded 1956

Current Lionel Messi

holder (8th award)

Most awards Lionel Messi

(8 awards)

Most © Cristiano Ronaldo

nominations (18 nominations)^[1]



Bellingham wins Kopa Trophy for best young player

Real Madrid and England star Jude Bellingham won the Kopa Trophy for the best player of last season aged under 21 at the Ballon d'Or ceremony in Paris on Monday. The 20-year-old, who has had a sensational start to his Real career with 13 goals in his first 13 games for the Spanish giant, scored 14 times in 42 games for Borussia Dortmund as it came second in the Bundesliga last season. He also helped England reach the quarterfinals of the World Cup in Qatar.



Martinez wins Yashin Trophy as fans boo the goalkeeper

Argentina's World Cup-winning goalkeeper Emiliano Martinez won the Lev Yashin Trophy for the best goalkeeper of the season at the Ballon d'Or night on Monday. But Martinez, who was presented the award by his father, booed by French fans inside as he walked onto the stage and Didier Drogba, who hosted the ceremony, had to stop fans from booing him, saying 'please, please, respect' in French as replays of his save in the final was shown.

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Vaishnaw: Will probe,

info by Apple vague,

have asked them to

KHARGE TO OWAISI, AKHILESH TO MOITRA: 'BEING TARGETED'

Several in Opp allege snooping after Apple phone alert, Govt rejects charge

rights: Yechury, Chaturvedi write to PM: Tharoor for changes in IT Act



A POLITICAL firestorm erupted fuseday after several (Opposition leaders said they received an latert from Apple warning them trying to remotely compromise? their iPhones and alleged sur-veillance by the government, a charge rejected by Information Fechnology Minister Ashwini Vashrawe who assured a thor-

ple threat notification in notification. However it led Congress president ilkarjun Kharge, party lead-Shashi Tharoor, K C has said that it "does not EXPLAINED, PAGE 15







Opposition leaders who got the notification: (clockwise) Priyanka Chaturvedi, Mahua Moitra, Akhilesh Yadav, Mailikarjun Kharge, Sitaram Yechury, Asaduddin Owaisi

(UBT)'s Priyanka Chaturvedi

(UBT)'s Priyanka Chaturvedi; AIMIM's Asaduddin Owaisi; AAP's Raghav Chadha. A few journalisis including Siddharth Varadarajan and Organized Crime and Corruption Reporting Project's Ravi Nair and Anand Mangnale, and Observer Research Foundation president Samir Saran also said that they received such alerts from Apple

As per screenshots shared by many in the list, the notification from Apple said: "Apple believes you are being targeted by state-sponsored attackers who are try-CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

join investigation SUKALPSHARMA

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Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said Tuesday that the government will investigate the matter. "The Covernment of Bharat takes its role of protecting the takes its role of protecting the zens very seriously and will in-vestigate to get to the bottom of these notifications. In light of such information and wide-spread speculation, we have also

asked Apple to join the investi-gation with real, accurate infor-mation on the alleged state sponsored attacks," Vaishnaw

State for Electronics and Information Technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar said on NDTV Chandrasekhar said on NDTV Goyal had also received a threat notification from Apple. Vaishnaw also posted that much of the information CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Bombay HC takes suo motu notice of rising pollution, asks BMC, state, Centre to explain

Everyday and everywhere, quality of air is deteriorating: Chief Justice

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These BOMBAY FIGH Court
Tuesday took suo motu cognisance of news reports including
the 'Death by Breath' series of
The Indian Express on deteriorating air quality in and around
Mumbai and the lack of action by public authorities including the city's civic body Brihanmumbai Municipal

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The first report of The Indian Express series dated October 20

No fireworks in Mumbai & Delhi matches, quality of air a concern: BCCI

Cup matches in Mumbai and Delhi since it "can add to the pol



President terminates services of Major with Strategic Forces unit for security breach

omised national security. The SFC is responsible for op-itional and administrative

ajor was posted with an SFC uit in North India. Citing exercise of powers nferred by Section 18 of the my Act, 1950, read with Article 310 of The Constitution of India and of all other powers enabling in this behalf, the President, on September 15, ordered that the services of the Major be termi-

nated with immediate effect. The order was promulgated ear-lier this month. On March 5 last year, the

Army had set up a board of offi-cers to carry out an initial inves-tigation into the Major's likely in-volvement in suspicious activities, social media violations ing/leakage of classified informa-

Breaching security protocol, ne allegedly kept a copy of confi-dential documents on his elec-tronic devices, and was report-edly in touch with a Pakistani CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

GOVT & POLITICS

DAY AFTER MARATHA NAIDU GETS BAIL FOR 4 WEEKS ON MEDICAL

Manipur cop killed, police suspect sniper; convoy draws fire, 3 injured

JIMMY LEIVON

THE FRAGILE peace in Manipu evening, a large number of state Assam Rifles, which had left Imphal for Moreh, came under

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Poll bonds anonymous since Govt protecting the citizen's right to privacy, SG tells SC

ourt, which began hearing the onstitutional challenge against constitutional challenge against the electoral bonds scheme, that political affiliation forms the "in-ner core of a person's private life which the State is protecting through the poll bonds. "Political self-expression, el-ther through voting or donations one's preferred party or candi-tate lies at the heart of the zone

ect." Mehta stated in a 123-

Patterns trigger Apple alert

APPLE HAS developed a system to spot activity tha matches certain patterns

and the person concerned would have their privacy re-spected," he stated. Mehta cited the 2017 land-mark ruling KS Puttaswamy v Union of India in which the Supreme Court upheld the right

POLL BONDS MEANT

THE CAMPAIGN FINALE

PM Narendra Modi puts soil into the Amrit Kalash at Kartavya Path in New Delhi on Tuesday. The event marked the culmination of the 'Meri Maati, Mera Desh' campaign. Inhi Tolgyal PAG

Alleging a plot to arrest Kejriwal, J&K policeman shot dead AAP goes into a huddle on what if near home by militants,

MALLICA JOSHI & JATIN ANAND

ALLEGING A BJP conspiracy to ned out to a few of its trusted



inate the AAP government since it came to power, and now BJP leaders are preparing for Arvind Kejriwal's arrest through the ED. BJP lead-

third attack in three days

a militant attack in north Kashmir Tuesday evening, police said, a day after militants gunned

took charge as the

at in Srinagar Sunday.
Police said militants fired at
Head Constable Ghulam
Mohammad Dar (56) near his
residence at Wailoo Kralpora vii-lage of Tangmarg in Baramuilla

District Hospital at Tangmarg,

On Tuesday, party leaters, mi-cluding ministers Gopal Rai, Atishi, Saurabh Bharadwaj, Dilip Pandey and Sandeep Pathak al-leged that the BJP wants to get Kejriwal arrested to "destroy" BASHAARAT MASOOD A POLICEMAN was shot dead in the AAP. "A conspiracy has been un-

'Nothing worse in this world than the silence of the audience'

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old in the cracks and make it nautiful. That's what we are do-ong here," said comedian Vir Das fulle talking about rules of stand-p comedy and the role it plays. About the audience getting frended by comedians, Das aid. "We are like this big joint meone is going to hate the indi and somebody may want anaz. What I love about my art

form is that we can fundamen-tally disagree about it and laugh about it at the same time. Das along with actors Shefali Shah and Jim Sarbh was the chief guest at The Indium Express

Anant Goenka, Executive Director, The Indian Express Group, in Mumbai on Monday nominated for the International Emmy Awards 2023 to be pre-sented in New York on November 20. Shah has been nominated for her performance as top cop Vartika Chaturvedi in the second season of Netflix's Delhi Crime (2022). For Sarbh, it was his performance as Dr Homi Bhabha on the SonyLIV show



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ties, Shah said, "One thing that occurred to not just me but all the people involved in Delhi Crime Season 1 was that when not going into the rape (inci-dent). There's enough damage done there. Our show was more

Sarbh, who plays the role of legendary scientist Hom Bhabha in Rocket Boys, said, "We it mean to take a tragedy and

Road accidents up by 12% to 4.6 lakh from last year, 19 deaths/hour: Report

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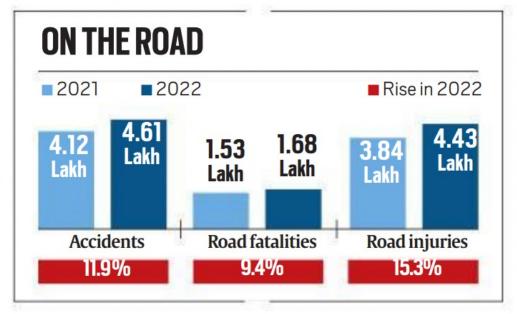
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 31

THE NUMBER of road accidents in India went up by an alarming 12 per cent to over 4.6 lakh in 2022, resulting in deaths of 19 persons every hour, according to a report by Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH).

The report showed that 53 road accidents take place every hour in the country.

"A total of 4,61,312 road accidents have been reported by states and Union Territories (UTs) during the calendar year 2022, which claimed 1,68,491 lives and caused injuries to 4,43,366 persons.

"This marks an increase of 11.9 per cent in accidents, 9.4 per cent



in fatalities, and 15.3 per cent in injuries compared to the previous year," the report titled 'Road accidents in India -- 2022' said.

As per the report, for the fourth consecutive year in 2022, fatal road accident victims largely constituted young people in the productive age groups.

"Young adults in the age group of 18 - 45 years accounted for 66.5 per cent of victims during 2022," the report said, adding that people in the working age group of 18 - 60 years constitute 83.4 per cent of total road accident fatalities.

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari

has set a target to reduce the number of accidents in the country and the resulting deaths by half by 2024. In 2022, a total of 1,68,491 road accident fatalities were reported by states/UTs, which is higher than the 2021 reported figure of 1,53,972.

As per the report, of the 4.6 lakh accidents recorded in the country in 2022, 1,51,997 (32.9) per cent) took place on national highways, including expressways, 1,06,682 (23.1 per cent) on state highways and the remaining 2,02,633 (43.9 per cent) on other roads. "Of the total of 1,68,491 fatalities reported in 2022, 61,038 (36.2 per cent) were on national highways, 41,012 (24.3 per cent) were on state highways and 66,441 (39.4) per cent) were on other roads." it added.

Country to experience warm days in November, says IMD

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

BENGALURU, OCTOBER 31

IT WILL be a warm November over most parts of the country, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said in its monthly forecast issued Tuesday.

This except Jammu and Kashmir, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, some areas in the west and northeast India, where the western disturbances could trigger rainfall or snowfall activities could keep the temperatures under check, this month.

Both the maximum and minimum temperatures over the country are expected to remain on the higher side of normal for most days of November. Such warm conditions may not be particularly good for the upcoming rabi sea-

son. While some southern regions experience the start of winter season, over most other parts of the country, winter onset is realised later. 'Moderate' El Nino conditions – the warmer than usual sea surface temperature over the equatorial Pacific Ocean—continue to prevail.

"Models suggest that El Nino will last till early March, next year," Mrutyunjay Mohapatra, director general, IMD, said. October, too, had ended up being warmer than usual as very little rainfall was realised over mainland India. The country experienced a 32 per cent rainfall deficit.

There were four low pressure systems developed in the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal, combined, but these did not largely bring rainfall over the country, the IMD officials said. Two cyclones, Tej and Hamoon, developed in the Arabian Sea and the Bay of Bengal, respectively, during mid-October. Their subsequent movement away from the Indian coasts also had a role in poor rainfall last month.

Besides, there was prolonged prevalence of anticyclonic circulations, which acted as a ridge, the IMD said. As a result, the wind patterns too turned out of favour for any rainfall over most parts of the country, except extreme northern plains, where recent streams of western disturbances caused light rainfall and snowfall. While the Northeast monsoon is turning active over the southern peninsula, rainfall over rest of the country will be normal and range between 77-123 per cent of the Long Period Average of 297mm (1971 - 2020) record), the IMD officials said.

Southern peninsular India sees 6th driest October in 123 years; 60% less rainfall

ANJALIMARAR

BENGALURU, OCTOBER 31

THE INDIA Meteorological Department (IMD) Tuesday said that the southern peninsular India experienced the sixth driest October in 123 years.

The region— comprising Kerala, Mahe, south interior Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Karaikal, Puducherry, coastal Andhra

Pradesh,
Yanam and
Rayalaseema
— received
only 74.9 mm
rainfall in
October,
which was
over 60 per
cent below

normal.

The southern peninsular India, during October, sees rainfall from both the retreating Southwest monsoon and the in-coming Northeast monsoon. But this year, the region remained dry for nearly 25 days of October, the IMD officials said. Unlike the past few years, the Southwest monsoon ended nearly on time after a 134-day season this year.

One of the major contributors for this poor rainfall was the timing of the Northeast monsoon coinciding with other oceanic factors. While the Northeast monsoon onset happened on October 21, the active Bay of Bengal and a cyclogenesis around the same time influenced the monsoon onset.

"This year, the commencement of the Northeast monsoon coincided with the genesis of the cyclone Hamoon, which crossed the Bangladesh coast. As a result, most of the moisture was dragged away from the southern peninsular India. So much so that it even altered the wind flow pattern. Thus, it was a weak Northeast monsoon onset," explained Mrutyunjay Mohapatra, director general, IMD.

According to the IMD, the October rainfall, as on October 31, was -- coastal Andhra Pradesh and Yanam (18 mm, -90 per cent), Rayalaseema (12.7 mm, -90 per cent), Tamil Nadu, Karaikal and Puducherry (98.5 mm, -43 per cent), south interior Karnataka (64.5mm, -53 per cent) and Kerala (311 mm, 1 per cent),

"During El Nino years and the positive IOD phase, there is less rainfall over northern Tamil Nadu and adjoining areas. Whereas, the southern most areas of Tamil Nadu and Kerala receive good rainfall in October," he said.

Despite a slow start, the Northeast monsoon has picked up during the past two days. During this active phase, widespread good rainfall is predicted over Kerala and Tamil Nadu during the week ahead, the IMD has forecast.

"A fresh rainfall spell will affect these states during November 3 -5," the IMD official said.

The rainfall forecast for November, too, for this region is promising. The Long Period Average (LPA) of rainfall for south peninsular India during November (based on 1971 to 2020) is about 118.69 mm.

(ANJALI MARAR WORKS AT RAMAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE, BENGALURU.)

Indians can travel to Thailand without visa from Nov 10 to May 10

REUTERS

NEW DELHI, BANGKOK, OCTOBER 31

INDIANS CAN travel to Thailand without a visa from November 10 to May 10, 2024 as the Southeast Asian country looks to boost tourism.

India is one of the major tourism sources for Thailand.

Indians can travel to Thailand without visa during the period from November 10, 2023 to May 10, 2024. A person can stay for up to 30 days, Siriges-A-Nong Trirattanasongpol, Director of Tourism Authority of Thailand at New Delhi Office, told PTI on Tuesday.

Thailand in September scrapped visa requirements for Chinese tourists, the country's top pre-pandemic tourism market with 11 million of the record 39 million arrivals in 2019. From

January to October 29, there were 22 million visitors to Thailand, generating 927.5 billion baht (\$25.67 billion), according to the latest government data.

"Arrivals from India and Taiwan can enter Thailand for 30 days," Thailand government spokesperson Chai Wacharonke said.

India has been Thailand's fourth largest source market for tourism so far this year with about 1.2 million arrivals after Malaysia, China and South Korea. Inbound tourism from India showed signs of growth as more airlines and hospitality chains targeted that market.

Thailand is targeting about 28 million arrivals this year, with the new government hoping the travel sector can offset continued weak exports that have constrained economic growth.

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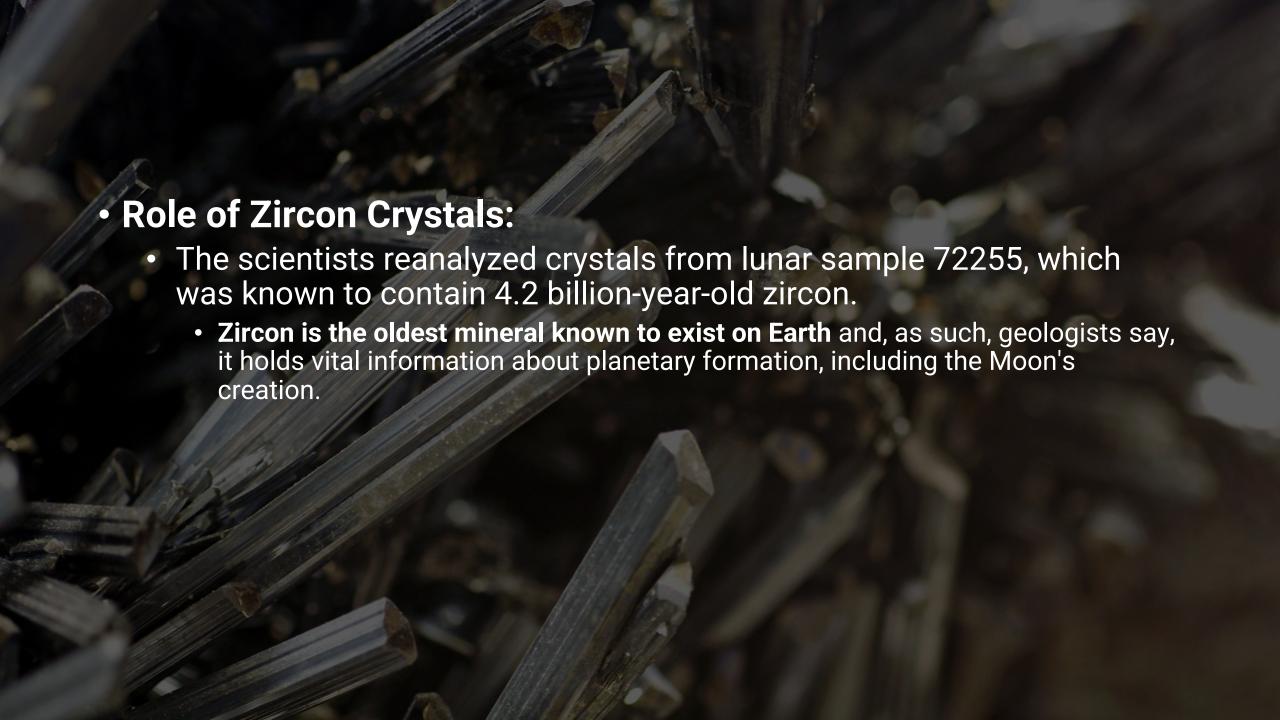
Moon May Be 40 Million Years Older Than Previously Thought

A new study appears to show that the moon is about 40 million years older than previously thought. This finding, based on lunar dust collected in 1972 as part of the Apollo 17 mission, has implications for our understanding of the solar system's history.

Apollo 17, for now, is the **last human expedition to the moon** making astronauts **Eugene Cernan and Harrison Schmitt** the last men to walk on the moon.

Lunar Age Reevaluation:

- The study reveals that the Moon is around 40 million years older than the previous estimate of 4.425 billion years.
 - Its formation is now believed to date back around 4.46 billion years, aligning it closely with the early history of our solar system.



- Zircon Dating:
- Zircon incorporates uranium at the time it crystallizes, which over time decays to lead. By using a very sensitive measuring device the amounts of uranium and lead in zircon can be determined.
 - It is then a simple calculation to determine how much time has passed as the lead formed from the uranium decay.

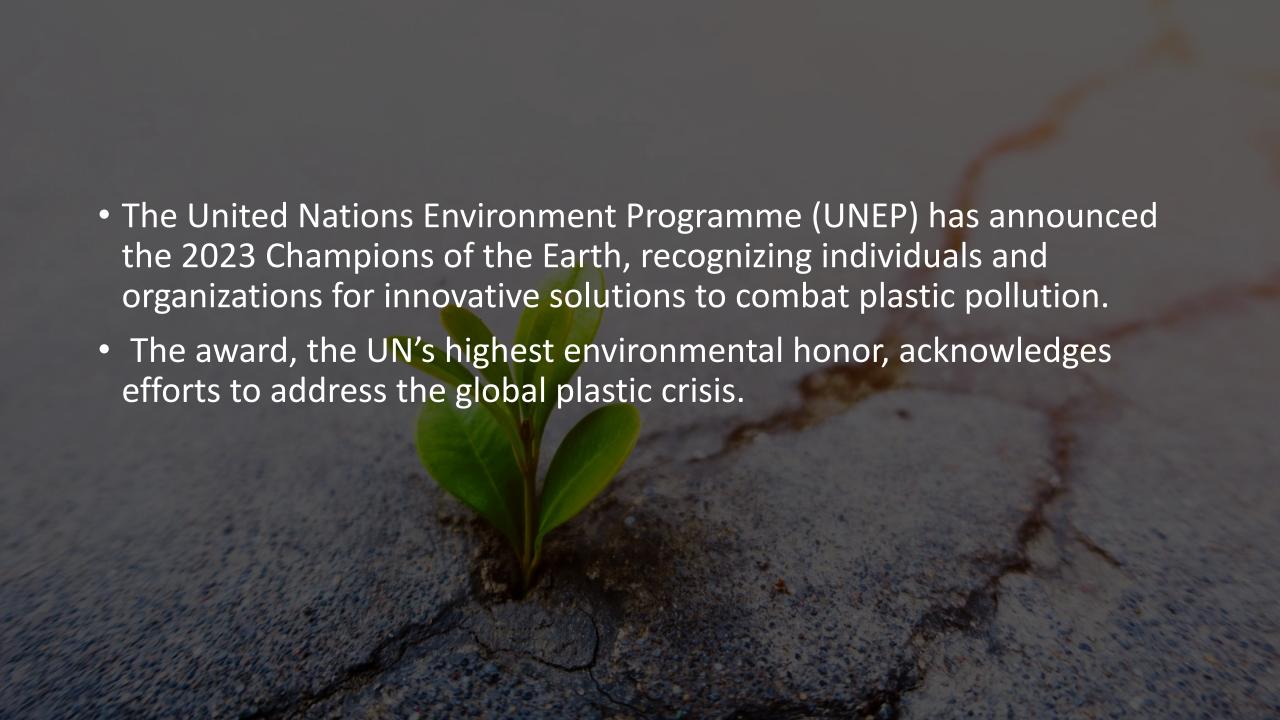


 The Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) is observing the Vigilance Awareness Week 2023 from 30th October to 5th November, 2023, centered around the theme "Say no to corruption; commit to the Nation." This comprehensive initiative demonstrates a concerted effort towards promoting vigilance and combating corruption within government departments and organizations.

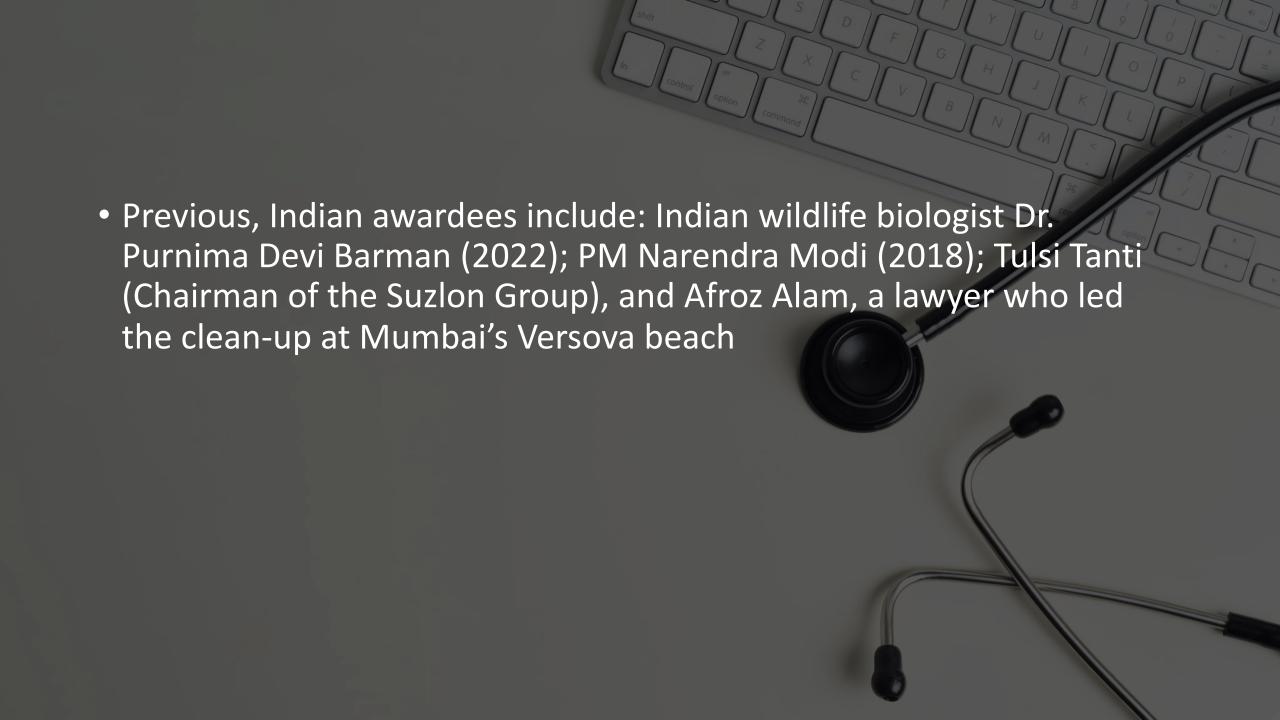
CVC is an apex governmental body in India that is responsible for promoting integrity, transparency, and accountability in the country's public administration.

It was established in 1964 based on recommendations of the Santhanam Committee on Prevention of Corruption.





Awardee	Category	Work Description
Mayor Josefina Belmonte, Quezon City, Philippines	Policy Leadership	Implementing policies to combat climate crisis, end plastic pollution, and promote green urban initiatives.
Ellen MacArthur Foundation, United Kingdom	Inspiration and Action	Mainstreaming a lifecycle approach for plastics, fostering collaborations among decision-makers, academia, and more to address climate, biodiversity, and plastic pollution.
Blue Circle, China	Entrepreneurial Vision	Utilizing blockchain and IoT to track and manage plastic pollution lifecycle, including collection, regeneration, re- manufacturing, and resale.
José Manuel Moller, Chile	Entrepreneurial Vision	Leading Algramo , a social enterprise offering refill services to reduce plastic pollution and lower costs of everyday essentials.
Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, South Africa	Science and Innovation	Employing cutting-edge technology and multidisciplinary research to develop innovative solutions for plastic pollution, including sustainable alternatives and local manufacturing.



Haemoglobin Source: TH





- Haemoglobin is a Iron containing protein found in red blood cells that carries oxygen from the lungs to the body's tissues and returns carbon dioxide to the lungs for exhalation.
- It plays a crucial role in oxygen transport and maintaining the body's overall oxygen balance.



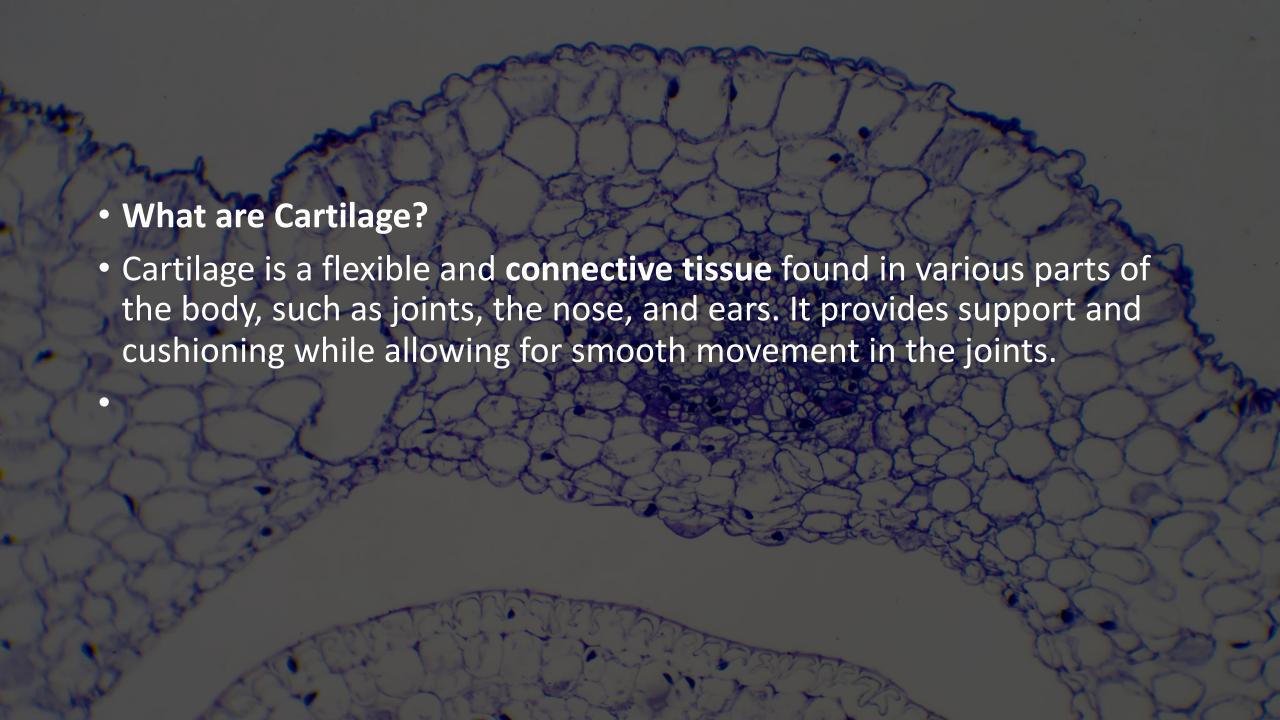
What does the new study says?



A recent study revealed that **chondrocytes**, responsible for forming **cartilage**, produce haemoglobin, contrary to the previous belief that **only Red Blood Cells (RBCs)** contained it.



Chondrocytes play a role in strengthening and flexibilizing cartilage, and they rely on haemoglobin for oxygen transport and survival. Haemoglobin within chondrocytes stores and releases oxygen as needed.







 The Amangarh Tiger Reserve, an extension of the Jim Corbett National Park, has seen a marginal increase in its tiger population. However, this growth in the tiger population has had unintended consequences for the leopards in the area. About Amangarh Tiger Reserve:

Aspect	Information
Location	Located in Amangarh, Bijnor district , Uttar Pradesh.
	Situated in the Terai region , covering approximately 578 sq km.
	Shares boundaries with Jim Corbett National Park in Uttarakhand.
	Originally part of Jim Corbett National Park, remained in Uttar Pradesh after the creation of Uttarakhand.
Establishment	Declared a tiger reserve in 2012.

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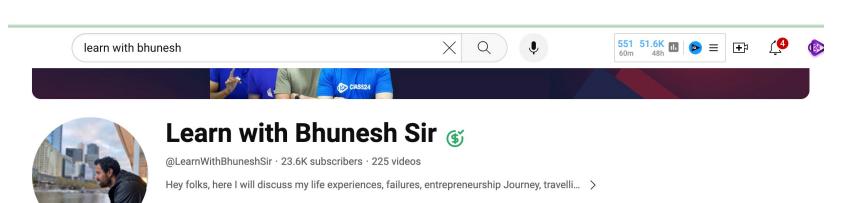
Vegetation includes grasslands, wetlands, and dense forests.

Mammals: Tigers, Elephants, Swamp Deer, Hog Deer, Sloth Bear, Porcupine

Fauna

Birds: Hornbill, Red Jungle Fowl, Pea Fowl, Bengal Florican,

Reptiles: Monitor Lizard, Turtles, Gangetic Dolphin, Mugger, Gharia, etc.



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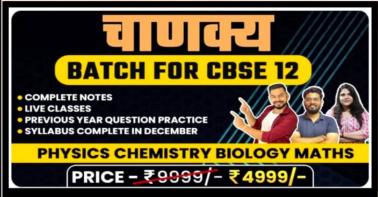


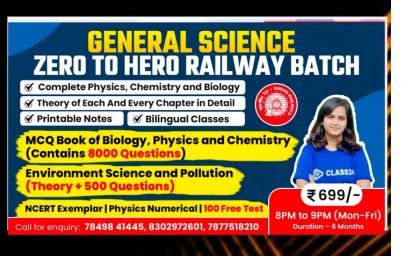


















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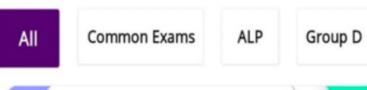
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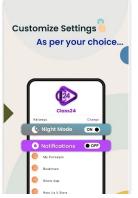


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