



Survivors recall horror as Gambhira-Mujpur bridge collapses in Gujarat's Vadodara

Vadodara: Tragedy struck Gujarat's Vadodara district when a portion of the Gambhira-Mujpur bridge in Padra taluka collapsed, plunging several vehicles into the Mahisagar (Mahi) River. Even as nine people died in the tragedy that left scores injured, survivors of the mishap on Wednesday recounted the terrifying moments when the bridge suddenly gave way beneath them. Speaking to IANS, Raju, one of the survivors, said, "There was a pick-up vehicle, a rickshaw, and a two-wheeler on the bridge when it collapsed. I was on the bridge with my uncle. I don't know where he is now. I fell into the river and somehow survived. I was traveling from Dwarka to Tadkeshwar in a bus." Narendra Singh, another survivor, shared, "I was returning home after my duty. I was on my bike. Just as I reached the bridge, it collapsed



right under me." The bridge, which serves as a crucial connector between Anand and Vadodara districts, collapsed during peak traffic hours. Preliminary reports suggest that four vehicles — a Bolero SUV, two trucks, and a pickup van —

were crossing the structure when it crumbled without warning. Eyewitnesses described hearing a loud cracking sound moments before the vehicles plummeted into the river. Emergency services, including the fire brigade, local police, and

Vadodara district administration officials, rushed to the site and launched rescue operations. Meanwhile, Prime Minister Narendra Modi also expressed grief over the loss of lives and announced ex-gratia compensation of Rs 2 lakh each to the next of kin of the deceased and Rs 50,000 to the injured from the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund (PMNRF). "The loss of lives due to the collapse of a bridge in Vadodara district is deeply saddening. Condolences to those who have lost their loved ones. May the injured recover soon," the Prime Minister's Office (@PMOIndia) posted on X. Locals joined the rescue effort, helping pull the injured from the water and wreckage. At least three individuals have been rescued and hospitalised. Padra MLA Chaitanyasinh Zala visited the scene shortly after the incident,

while authorities cordoned off the area and launched an investigation into the cause of the collapse. Locals allege years of administrative neglect led to the disaster. "This bridge was already in a dangerous condition. People had been warning about it for a long time. It's not just a traffic hazard — it had become a suicide point," said one resident. Senior Congress leader Amit Chavda expressed concern on social media: "The main Gambhira bridge connecting Anand and Vadodara has collapsed. Multiple vehicles have fallen into the river. Rescue efforts must be immediate, and alternative traffic arrangements should be made." Rescue teams continued to search for missing persons late into the evening, using cranes to retrieve submerged vehicles from the river.

Nimmala Ramanaidu performs Jalaharati at Krishna and Godavari confluence

In a vibrant celebration, Irrigation Minister Nimmala Ramanaidu recently officiated a water festival at the sacred confluence of the Krishna and Godavari rivers. The event saw participation from Vijayawada MP Kesineni Chinni, Jaggayyapet MLA Sriram Tataiah, and other dignitaries. During the festivities, Minister Nimmala announced that 1.3 million acres would be irrigated this year through the Pattiseema project. He was joined by MP Kesineni Shivanath, MLA Sriram Tataiah, and the district collector as he presented traditional gifts such as saffron and sarees to the attendees. Addressing the media afterward, Minister Nimmala praised Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu for being the first in the nation to link rivers within the state. He highlighted Naidu's visionary efforts in connecting the Krishna and Godavari rivers.



AP cabinet meeting underway, to addresses key issues

The Andhra Pradesh Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, convened at the AP Secretariat to deliberate on significant matters stemming from the 50th Capital Region Development Authority (CRDA) meeting. Key topics up for discussion include the progress of residential complexes designated for MLAs, MLCs, and IAS officers, with administrative permissions sought for their completion. Hyderabad nightlife Among the critical issues on the agenda is the approval for the acquisition of 34,964 acres of land for the capital's second phase, affecting 13 villages. The



cabinet will also address plans for dredging sand from the Krishna River to facilitate construction in Amaravati, along with the potential allocation of CBI and JanSI lands. In addition, the meeting will cover the distribution of lands for establishing a Sports Academy and

seek approval for 71 projects within the Water Resources Department. This includes discussions on funding for repairs of various medium-scale projects and the proposal to establish the AP Jaljeewan Water Supply Corporation. Hyderabad nightlife Further legislative amendments will be considered, including several changes to the AP Motor Vehicle Bill and the Industries and Labour Bill. The cabinet will also deliberate on the establishment of a quantum computing centre in Amaravati. Hyderabad nightlife The continuation of pensions for 1,575 underprivileged families without land in the Amaravati area will be discussed, with the Cabinet expected to approve the extension of these pending pensions

Revant Reddy returns Hyderabad after two-day visit meeting union ministers

Hyderabad: Following a productive two-day visit to Delhi, Chief Minister Revant Reddy has returned to Hyderabad after meetings with key Union Ministers, including Manak Mandaviya, Piyush Goyal, and JP Nadda. During his discussions, Reddy sought cooperation from the central government for the development of the Zaheerabad Industrial Smart City and requested financial assistance for the enhancement of Warangal Airport. Hyderabad travel guide Additionally, the Chief Minister emphasised the need for a reliable supply of fertilisers to support the state's agricultural sector. He also appealed for the opportunity to host prominent events such as 'Khelo India' and the 40th National Games, which he believes will enhance sports infrastructure and promote healthy competition in the region.



Andhra Pradesh: Chandrababu Naidu Orders Timely Completion of Amaravati Construction Projects

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu told all groups who got land in Amaravati city to finish their building work on time. He said they must not take even one extra day after the deadline. Naidu checked land given to 72 groups like schools, hotels, government offices, banks, hospitals, and IT companies. The land covers 948 acres in the capital area. Hyderabad nightlife He told them to start building soon and finish in two and a half to three years. Many groups joined a meeting to talk about their plans and when they will start and finish work. Naidu said these groups are not just users of the land but partners in building the city. He promised help from the government and said if there is any delay from officials, people should tell him directly. Some groups asked for more land for things like parking and training centers. They also shared how many people they will hire after the buildings are ready. Some groups will start work in July, some in two months, and others in five or six months. Some have already started, and a few finished their buildings. The government owns 54,000 acres of land for Amaravati and plans to add 40,000 more acres to build a big city by joining nearby towns.



32-Km long 'Giri Pradakshina' commences in Vizag



Visakhapatnam: The grand annual festival of Lord Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narasimha of Simhachalam Devasthanam 'Giri Pradakshina' commenced in Visakhapatnam on early hours of Wednesday. Devotees arrived at Tholipavancha from 5 am and started their trek by breaking a coconut at the foothill of Simhachalam. Lakhs of devotees believe that circumambulating the 32-km-long trek on the occasion of 'Ashada Pournami' help them overcome struggles in life and invoke the blessings of Lord Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narasimha. According to the muhurtham, the Devasthanam is commencing the Giri Pradakshina at 2 pm by pulling the 'pushparatham' of the presiding deity the Tholipavancha. The pushparatham will be flagged off by the hereditary trustee of the temple, Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju. As per the Devasthanam estimates, five lakh people are expected to participate in the trek and arrangements are made accordingly.

GENERAL MANAGER, ECoR INSPECTED KK & KR LINES



General Manager, East Coast Railway Shri Parmeshwar Funkwal inspected Jagdalpur-Koraput (KK-II) line today 09.07.2025. He inspected track, station Yards, railway establishments, railway stations etc. He conducted window trailing inspection of the section to check the safety aspects of the track, curves, bridges, points & crossing etc. Divisional Railway Manager Shri Lalit Bohra, Senior Officials from Head quarters, Construction from various departments and officers of Waltair accompanied GM, ECoR during his inspection.

General Manager inspected the maintenance works between Jarati and Maliguda. He focused on key safety aspects at Jarati and Maliguda station yards, Overhead Equipment (OHE), Points and crossings, Track circuits, Overall yard layout between Jarati-Maliguda and carried window trailing inspection from Jagdalpur to Koraput-Raygada. Further Shri Parmeswar Funkwal conducted window trailing inspection of Koraput-Raygada line for safety checks of curves, bridges, tunnels, and signaling systems along the route. He also inspected railway siding at Kakiriguma, a major bridge between Lelligumma-Rauli and also conducted safety audit at Level Crossing Gate No. KR-15. During his inspection he interacted with the railway staff and gangmen to evaluate their skill levels and awareness regarding safety protocols and operational procedures.

Weather Update: Rain and Winds Expected in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh

The Meteorological Department has forecasted continued weather disturbances across Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, driven by troughs extending from the Arabian Sea to the Bay of Bengal. In Telangana, a trough extending southeast to the northeast Bay of Bengal at 0.9 km above mean sea level, combined with another from the northeast Arabian Sea to a low-pressure area in West Bengal at a height of 7.6 km, is expected to bring light rain and gusty winds. Over the next two days, districts in North Telangana may experience winds reaching speeds of 30 to 40 km/h. A yellow alert has been issued for the Adilabad district, with forewarnings of light rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, specifically in Adilabad, Komaram Bheem, Mancherial, and Nirmal today. Other regions, including Nizamabad, Karimnagar, Warangal, Khammam, Rangareddy, Hyderabad, Sangareddy, and Medak, could experience moderate rain alongside similar gusty conditions. Meanwhile, in Andhra Pradesh, moderate rain is also predicted as a trough stretches from the northeast Arabian Sea to southern Gujarat, traversing several states. Districts expected to witness light rain include Srikakulam, Vijayanagaram, Parvathipuram Manyam, Alluri Seetharamaraju, Visakhapatnam, East and West Godavari, Krishna, Guntur, Kurnool, and others. Winds in these areas could reach speeds of 40 to 50 km/h. Rainfall data from yesterday indicates significant precipitation in various locations, with 37 mm recorded in Adhoni (Kurnool district), 23.5 mm in Kautalam, 22 mm in Anantapur, and 18.25 mm in Rekhalpalle (Alluri Seetharamaraju district). Residents are advised to remain prepared for changing weather conditions over the coming days.

Bozza Ramesh, State President of the Dalit Labour Department participated in a nationwide universal strike

Hyderabad, July: 9, Metroudayam.

State President of the Jana Labour Department Bozza Ramesh participated in the labour strike under the aegis of CITU Medchal Malkajgiri district president Ganesh on Wednesday as part of a nationwide workers universal strike.

Speaking afterwards, they welcomed the demand for the abolition of 29 labour laws and withdraw the 4 Labour Codes brought by the central state government. Large-scale public groups have united all the labor unions in the country, in the country's 28 and 29 states, united all the large-scale workers on the issues of equal wages on the issues of the lowest wages in the united unorganized sectors in all sectors. It is a good evolution to participate in the



strike. The Nacharam IDA Industrial Area, JVK Company, Shahi Exports Company, and some corporate companies are working with workers sisters. On the day of the general strike, the owners of some companies are also making a lot of slogans in the wake of how much workers labour is stolen by the nationwide

universal strike, which is not supported by the owners of some companies without supporting the development of workers. Companies have been taken over by the bandh. State President of the Dalit Labour Department Bozza Ramesh has warned that the country will be able to make free independence

for the rights of workers in this country. The central and state governments have been warned to change your thoughts on the attitude of the workers by saying that they should cooperate with their development. Many participated in the event and this universal strike was successful.

RAILWAY TO IMPLEMENT ADVANCED CHARTING OF WAITLISTED TICKETS

For trains departing before 2 pm, chart will be prepared by 9 pm previous day

For trains departing after 2 pm to 5 am next morning will be prepared eight hours in advance

As per the directives of the Railway Ministry, East Coast Railway will implement the advance charting of the waitlisted tickets of the trains from 11.07.2025.

Currently, the reservation chart is prepared four hours before the departure of the train. This creates



uncertainty in the minds of passengers. Wherever passengers are coming from a nearby area to catch the train, this uncertainty can cause serious problems.

To remove this uncertainty, the railway board has proposed preparing the reservation chart eight hours before the departure. For trains departing before 14:00 hours, the

chart will be prepared the previous day at 21:00 hrs itself.

This move will reduce uncertainties for passengers with waitlist tickets. The passengers will get the first update on waitlist status well in advance. It will benefit passengers travelling from remote locations or suburbs of major cities for catching long distance trains. It will also provide more time to make alternative arrangements in case the wait list is not confirmed.

People are requested to note the changes and act accordingly.

Resonated with world: ICCR director on cultural events held during PM Modi's Brazil visit

Brasilia: Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Brazil saw a spectacular display of cultural diplomacy with the traditional performances by Indians and indigenous Amazonian artists. Speaking about the unique programme curated for the occasion, ICCR Director Jyoti Kiran Shukla expressed pride in the fusion of Indian and Brazilian cultural traditions. "Everyone liked it a lot, the Hon'ble Prime Minister also had a very enthusiastic reaction to it," said Shukla. "In addition to that, we presented Operation Sindoor, which is a matter of national pride for India and deeply resonates with the diaspora. We conveyed its message through a dance performance." A standout moment of the event held in Brasilia was the performance by Amazonian



priests or chiefs, a historical first for any global leader. "A special highlight of yesterday's programme in Brasilia was that, for the first time, priests or chiefs from the Amazon forests performed for any Prime Minister in the world. Their holy chants, just like we have mantras, were performed in their traditional attire, alongside our Shiv Tandav," Shukla added. Complementing the grand cultural welcome, classical singer Meeta Ravindra

Kumar Karahe lent a deeply devotional note to the occasion. She sang a traditional Ram Bhajan at the Alvorada Palace to welcome PM Modi. Reflecting on her experience, she said, "I met the Prime Minister yesterday evening and simply greeted him with a 'Namaste' from a distance. I told him from afar that I would be singing for him the next day. The invitation I received was actually from the Brazilian govern-

ment. They found me and said that someone from their own country should perform for the President, someone who could sing devotional songs that he likes." The serene moment was captured and shared by Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal, who posted a 2-minute and 48-second video on X, showcasing Karahe's soul-stirring performance. Prime Minister Modi, seen alongside Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, appreciated the performance with gentle applause, visibly moved by the cultural tribute. From chants echoing in the Amazon to devotional hymns of India, the welcome was a harmonious blend of cultures, a gesture that marked not just diplomacy but deep mutual respect.

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मदकशी के नशे में भी मजबूर होकर करता रहा।
मैं दुनिया की गर्दिरा में डूबा, गुमसुम सा रहता रहा।
जिंदगी के सुरूर में भी कड़वाहट के घूंट पीता रहा।
मुझे नहीं पता था, अकेलेपन की ओट में रोता रहा।



अब मैं सोचता हूँ, आंखों से अश्रु छलकने लगे।
जो मेरा खोया, वह हर पल मुझ पर यूँ हंसने लगे।
मैंने देखा, तुम्हें छोड़कर यह दिल बहुत रोने लगा।
वो सारी जिंदगी हरपल तेरी याद में यूँ ही खोने लगी।

मैं क्या बताऊँ, हर सख्त नफरत में जीवन गंवाया है।
ऐसी जिंदगी किसी दुश्मन को भी ना हो गवारा है।
गुजरी बातों को भुलाकर प्रेमियों का संग निभाना है।

जब साथ हो अपना, यह दिल प्रेम का राग गुनगुनाता है।
क्या रखा है जीवन में कहर पल की खुशबू ही सच्चाई है।
प्रीत को छोड़, औरों को दुख देना ही सबसे बड़ी बुराई है।
हर इंसान माणिक है, जो मिट्टी में ढंका रहता है।
इसका अर्थ यह नहीं कि वह बुरा इंसान कहाता है।

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The Quiet Path to Wealth

Do not chase coins like autumn leaves in the wind,
fragile and fleeting in their fall.
Instead, become the root beneath the forest
invisible, essential,
feeding a thousand branches through unseen systems.

Build — not castles in the Sky,
but bridges across unseen chasms.
Let your hands mold what the heart envisions,
while the World runs breathless after mirages.

Read the pages that smell of ancient dust,
where forgotten kings and thinkers whisper.
Yet in your grasp, hold tools forged in firelight
new, sharp, humming with the futures breath.

Write as the river carves the canyon
not for applause, but for permanence.
Let each word strike stone,
etching your presence in the silence of time.

Master the alchemy of value
sales, the golden thread in the fabric of exchange.
It is not mere persuasion,
but a candle passed from one hand to another,
lighting need with trust.

When the crowd sits in the dust of failure,
rise
like a tree that keeps blooming through drought.
Consistency is a quiet warrior,
carving its legend not in speed, but in return.

Where rhythm repeats, let machines dance.
Automate the echoes,
so your Soul may sing the verses yet unwritten.

Guard your energy as a priest guards flame
not every spark deserves your word.
Spend your fire on creation, not combustion.

And when wealth comes,
wear it not as armor,
but as light.
Serve
not the hollow drum of ego,
but the deep well of others
becoming.

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शीर्षक : इंसान की कीमत और उसका श्रेष्ठत्व उसके अक्ल (बुद्धि) से ही नापी जायेगी। इस दुनिया में इंसान का मर्तबा (मानव का स्थान) उसके अक्ल की खूबी (बुद्धिमत्ता के विशेषता) के जितना ही होगा। (शकील उवाचा - 409)

सत्य से जुड़ने के लिए आदमी को जागरूक होने की सख्त जरूरत है। जागरूक व्यक्ति ही धर्म के तथ्य को समझ सकेगा। ऐसे देखा जाए तो तथाकथित धार्मिक लोगों ने धर्म को अपने स्वार्थ के लिए बहुत दूधित कर चुके हैं। इसी के कारण आज लोग धर्म के विरोध में खड़े नजर आते हैं। भले ही धर्म किसीको पसंद हो या नापसंद लेकिन सच्चा धर्म इंसान को जागरूकता सिखाता है। जिस किसीने इस तथ्य को जानलेगा वह कभी धर्म के विरोध में खड़ा नहीं रह सकता।



मानव में और दूसरे प्राणियों में जो अंतर है वह केवल बुद्धि का ही अंतर है। धर्म कहता है कि परमात्मा ने जो बुद्धि हमें दिया है उस बुद्धि का उपयोग करो लेकिन कुछ स्वार्थी राजकीय नेता और धार्मिकता का मुखौटा लगाए हुए पाखंडी लोग हमारे बुद्धि को नष्ट करने में लगे हैं। ऐसे लोगों से जागृत रहना चाहिए। गफलत न बरतने के बारे में और जागृत रहने के बारे में सभी धर्म पंथों ने जोर दिया है।

बुद्धिमत्ता जिसे उर्दू भाषा में अक्ल कहा जाता है, यह बहुत बड़ी कीमती चीज है। इंसान की कीमत और उसका श्रेष्ठत्व उसके अक्ल से ही नापी जायेगी। पैगंबर साहब मोहम्मद (स्व.) के पहिले उत्तराधिकारी इमाम अली इब्न अबू तालिब अलैहिस्सलाम फरमाते हैं कि, "इंसान का मर्तबा (स्थान) उसके अक्ल की खूबी (बुद्धिमत्ता के विशेषता) के जितना ही होगा।" (हैदरी कुतुबखाना, मुंबई द्वारा प्रकाशित उर्दू पुस्तक तजल्लियाते हिकमत, अक्ल 150, हदीस क्रमांक 20, पुष्ट क्रमांक 330)।

इस जगत में जीवन को अनंत रूपों में देखा जा सकता है इस जीवन के अनंत रूपों में हम अनंत प्राणियों को देख सकते हैं। लेकिन इन सभी प्राणियों में मानव जीवन दुर्लभ है। इस मानव जीवन को माध्यम बनाकर हमें हमेशा मोक्षप्राप्ति के लिए प्रयत्नशील रहना चाहिए। जिसके लिए पल भर की बेहोशी भी धर्म को मान्य नहीं है। धर्म ने हर तरह के गफलत से दूर रहने पूर्ण रूप से होश में रहने का आदेश हमें देता है।

अगर हम धर्म की शिक्षाओं का अध्ययन करते हैं तो पता चलेगा कि, धर्म होश चाहता है। हमें ग़ाफिल, प्रमादित और मूर्खित करने वाले हर काम को धर्म ने हारम (निषिद्ध) करार दिया है। चाहे वह क्रोध हो, लोभ हो, मद हो, मत्सर हो और शराब हो या अन्य कोई भी बात जो हमसे हमारी और हमारे ईश्वर की विस्मृती करवा दे वह हर काम हारम (निषिद्ध) है। क्योंकि जो आदमी अचेतना में पड़ा हो तो वह कभी अपने कर्मों के प्रति जागरूक नहीं रह सकता और कर्म ही का फल सुख — दुःख के रूप में हमें भोगना पड़ता है।

बहुत से लोगों को ध्यानधारणा का मतलब अपने आप को भूल जाना या अपने आपको खो देना लगता है लेकिन वास्तव में ध्यान इंसान को जागरूकता सिखाने की कला है। ध्यान आदमी को गफलत से निकाल कर होश में रहने की कला सिखाता है। इतनी होश के हर सांस (स्वास) के प्रति सजगता। जिसने अपने सांसों को साध लिया उसने अपने जीवन को साध लिया क्योंकि ज़िंदगी सांसों के लय पर चलती है।

एक साधक को गफलत नहीं बरतनी चाहिए इस विषय को समझते हुए जैन धर्मग्रंथ आचारांग सूत्र में भी स्पष्ट रूप से लिखा है कि, "अंतरं च खलु इमं संपेहाए, धीरो मुमुक्षुमवि पो पमयए।" (आचारांग सूत्र 01/02/01)। याने अनंत जीवन प्रवाह में मानव जीवन को बीच का एक सुअवसर जानकर धीर साधक को एक घड़ी के लिए भी गफलत (प्रमाद) न करे।

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माँ, तेरा प्यार, सबसे अनमोल है,
माँ, तेरी ममता, सबसे बड़ी पूजी है।
तेरे बिना जिंदगी, सूनी है,
तेरे साथ जिंदगी, खुशियों से भरी है।

तू मेरी पहली गुरु, मेरी पहली दोस्त है,
तेरी सीख, मेरे जीवन को संवारती है।
तेरा प्यार, मुझे जीने की वजह देता है,
तेरी ममता, मुझे हर मुश्किल में साथ देती है।

माँ, तेरा आशीर्वाद, मुझे हमेशा चाहिए,
तेरा प्यार, मुझे हमेशा साथ चाहिए।
तेरी याद, मेरे दिल को छूती है,



तेरी ममता, मुझे हमेशा बचाती है।

माँ, तू मेरी जिंदगी की सबसे बड़ी निधि है,
तेरा प्यार, मेरी जिंदगी की सबसे बड़ी पूजी है।
मैं तेरा शुक्रगुजार हूँ, माँ,
तेरे प्यार और ममता के लिए।

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IF NOT NOW WHEN?

Is it proper time to start?

Can the work be commenced now itself?

Any possibility to postpone?

Various doubts arise!

It is very common now a days!

Everyone forget one thing!

Time and tide wait for none!

Except time and life passed away, anything may get back!

May take life time to recur!

No use of sorry later on!

Strike the iron when it is red!



Suitably apply to discharge duty then and there!

It is wisely said dull postpone!
Clever attempt the task instant!
Forget about "If not Now When
%Be ready to face itself now!

Composed by:
B Satyanarayana Rao,
(Ba. Sa. Raa)
Vijayawada.



Flash floods wash away Nepal-China trade route, leave 8 dead

Kathmandu: At least eight people died and 19 have gone missing in the flash floods that struck Nepal's Rasuwa district, according to Nepal Police. The missing reportedly included 11 Nepali nationals, including two police personnel and six Chinese nationals. The flood on Tuesday wrought extensive damage to crucial trade infrastructure along the Nepal-China border, disrupting the Rasuwagadhi-Kerung trade corridor ahead of Nepal's major festivals. Traders in Nepal are concerned that the losses may amount to billions of rupees, potentially causing a spike in the prices of imported goods during the festive period. The primary imports through this border point included readymade garments, electronic items, footwear, and electric vehicles, the country's leading news-

paper, The Kathmandu Post, reported. The Assistant Chief District Officer of Rasuwa stated that the massive flood swept away the Nepal-China Friendship Bridge and several newly imported electric vehicles (EVs) parked at the dry port. "We are currently focused on the search and rescue rather than collecting detailed damage reports," said Dhruva Prasad Adhikari, information officer at the Rasuwa District Administrative Office, adding that the damage assessment may be delayed due to adverse weather conditions. "As the weather remains unpredictable, aerial rescue by helicopter has become difficult. All communication networks have been knocked out, and the road network brought to a halt," Adhikari said. According to Ganga Bahadur Ghimire, senior vice president of the

Nepal Trans Himalayan Border Commerce Association, the actual loss figures are still not estimated. However, early reports suggest that the value of damaged goods and physical infrastructure could amount to billions of rupees. "We've heard that 40 to 50 electric vehicles have been submerged, 17 containers carrying apples have been washed away, and 22 to 25 containers filled with footwear and electronic goods -- some already cleared through customs and others awaiting clearance -- have been inundated," Ghimire said. "We don't know how soon the route will reopen. We urge the government to quickly build a Bailey bridge so that stranded containers can be cleared and festival-targeted goods can reach the markets," he added.

Virat Kohli Breaks Silence on Possible Test Retirement: 'There Comes a Time When Priorities Change'

Virat Kohli retirement news: Legendary India cricketer Virat Kohli opened up on Virat Kohli test retirement for the first time on July 8, 2025, almost two months after Kohli opens up on retirement to bid adieu to the longest format of the game. A number of former and current international cricketers, including many from the current Indian team, attended a fundraiser for the YouWeCan Foundation in London on Sunday night, which was hosted by Indian cricketer Yuvraj Singh. Kohli dropped the Virat Kohli beard comment to imply that it was time for him to bid adieu to his Test career. "I just coloured my beard two days ago. You know it's time when you are colouring your beard every four days," Virat Kohli interview 2025 when insisted by Gaurav Kapur to join Chris Gayle, Ravi Shastri, Yuvraj Singh, Kevin Pietersen, and Darren Gough on the stage. Kohli shared a lengthy post on his Instagram account on May 12, revealing his Kohli cricket retirement plans from the format he had "wholeheartedly embraced" in his career. "I've given it everything I had, and it's given me back so much more than I could've hoped for. I'm walking away with a heart full of gratitude -- for the game, for the people I shared the field with, and for every single person who made me feel seen along the way. I'll always look back at my Test career with a smile." I'll always look back at my Test career with a smile." Indian cricket star retirement came just five days after captain Rohit Sharma bid adieu to red-ball cricket. Ever since then, Kohli has stayed away from making any comments on cricket-related matters. He ended the hiatus by congratulating new India Test skipper Shubman Gill on his record-breaking 269-run knock against England in the second Test.



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AR Rahman comes on board for SJ Suryah's directorial 'Killer'

After a decade-long break from direction, SJ Suryah is making a grand comeback with his upcoming film Killer. Known for his distinct storytelling and impactful screen presence, Suryah will don multiple hats—director, lead actor, writer, and screenwriter—for this ambitious project. Killer is being mounted on a large scale under the joint banner of Angel Studios and Sree Gokulam Movies, with veteran producer Gokulam Gopalan backing the venture. The film is co-produced by V.C. Praveen and Baiju Gopalan, with Krishnamoorthy serving as Executive Producer. Adding to the excitement, Academy Award-winning composer AR Rahman has been roped in to handle the music. This marks the fifth collaboration between Suryah and Rahman, following successful outings in Naani, New, Anbe Aaruyire, and Puli. Rahman's presence hints at a powerful musical score that will be integral to the film. Planned as a pan-India release, Killer will hit screens in five languages, aiming to reach a diverse audience across the country. The remaining cast and crew details are expected to be announced shortly, building further anticipation.



Alia Bhatt Duped of Rs 77 Lakh; Ex-Staff Member Taken Into Custody

Alia Bhatt ex assistant arrested for cheating actor of Rs 77 lakh. Vedika Prakash Shetty (32), is accused of financial irregularities involving ₹76.9 lakh which is alleged to have impacted both Eternal Sunshine Productions Pvt. Ltd as well as Ms Bhatt's personal account. Alia Bhatt cheating case, the police have said, was done between May 2022 and August 2024. It came to light after Alia Bhatt's mother, actor-director Soni Razdan, filed a complaint with Juhu police on January 23. Alia Bhatt assistant fraud case was registered under sections of criminal breach of trust and cheating in connection with Alia Bhatt's assistant and the police have issued a look-out notice for Vedika Shetty. According to police sources, Vedika Shetty was

working as Ms. Bhatt's personal assistant from 2021 till 2024. During her employment with the actor, she dealt with Ms Bhatt's financial documents, payments and also planned her schedule. The Alia Bhatt latest controversy has found that Vedika Shetty used professional paraphernalia to make these fake bills look authentic. After Ms Bhatt signed them, the amounts were transferred to the account of a friend who would then reverse the money in Vedika Shetty's account. After Ms Razdan filed the police complaint, Vedika Shetty was on the run, sources said, and was constantly shifting her location. She was traced to Rajasthan, then to Karnataka, then Pune and then Bengaluru. Acting on the complaint, Juhu police



searched and arrested her from Bengaluru and brought her to Mumbai after transit remand. "We had registered an FIR against Shetty in January after Bhatt's mother Soni Razdan approached us," the police said. "The officials said that Shetty had produced several fake invoices or Rs 77 lakh scam to Bhatt, which were

signed by her. Shetty then transferred Alia Bhatt 77 lakh fraud to her friend's account who reversed the payment in her personal account," they added. "The police said that they have arrested Shetty as she had been absconding and constantly changing her location," sources added.

'HHVM' is not a biopic, but an incarnation of Lord Vishnu and Shiva

Amid swirling reports that Hari Hara Veera Mallu is inspired by a legendary folk hero, inside sources reveal an intriguing truth—the upcoming period drama is, in fact, a fictional tale centered on a divine warrior who safeguards Sanatana Dharma. Following a change in directorial leadership, Jyothi Krishna stepped in and reshaped the film's narrative while retaining its spiritual core. Sources say the character of Veera Mallu draws inspiration from divine elements, akin to how Lord Ayyappa is born from Lord Shiva and Mohini, symbolizing unity between Shaivism and Vaishnavism. "The title itself—Hari (Vishnu) and Hara (Shiva)—captures the film's essence," shared a source. With powerful symbols like Garuda (eagle) and Damarukam (drum), the character visually embod-



ies both deities, emphasizing his mission to uphold Dharma. Bankrolled by A.M. Rathnam, known for his grand productions, the film has been made on a lavish scale without compromising quality. The team resisted early rights sales, except for overseas and

Hindi markets. Following the trailer's blockbuster reception, distributors are now lining up, offering massive deals. Star Pawan Kalyan in a never-before-seen avatar, the film chronicles the journey of a rebellious warrior who defies the Mughal empire. With Krish Jagarlamudi's creative input and Jyothi Krishna's direction, the project has shaped into a cinematic spectacle. The ensemble cast includes Bobby Deol, Nidhi Agerwal, and others. M.M. Keeravani's powerful music has already struck a chord with fans, while visuals by Gnanu Shekar V.S. and Manoj Paramahansa and editing by K.L. Praveen ensure an epic visual ride. Produced by A. Dayakar Rao under Mega Surya Production and presented by A.M. Rathnam, Hari Hara Veera Mallu is set for a grand theatrical release on July 24th.

'Kingdom' promo wins hearts ahead of release on July 31

The wait is finally over! The much-anticipated action spectacle KINGDOM, starring Vijay Deverakonda, Satyadev, and Bhagyashree Borse, has officially locked its worldwide release date for July 31, 2025. Written and directed by Gowtam Tinnanuri, the film promises a grand cinematic experience filled with emotion, heroism, and edge-of-the-seat action. To add to the excitement, the makers unveiled a gripping promo that offers a sneak peek into the world of KINGDOM. Packed with intense battle sequences, fiery confrontations, and visually stunning war visuals, the promo has already gone viral, setting social media abuzz. The team, in their official statement, expressed, "KINGDOM is not just a film, it's a vision and a world we've passionately built. We want every frame to be unforgettable. July 31st will mark the beginning of a cinematic storm." The film has been produced on a massive scale by S. Naga Vamsi (Sithara Entertainments) and Sai Soujanya (Fortune Four Cinemas), and presented by Srihara Studios. With a powerhouse technical crew that includes Anirudh Ravichander for music, Navin Nooli (National Award winner) for editing, and the celebrated cinematography duo Jomon T. John and Girish Gangadharan, KINGDOM is shaping up to be an unforgettable cinematic journey. As the promo continues to win hearts, fans are eagerly marking their calendars for July 31. KINGDOM is all set to unleash its might at the box office and redefine action-packed storytelling in Indian cinema.



Amazon Prime Day Deals: OnePlus Offers Big Savings on Smartphones & IoT

With Amazon Prime Day 2025 just around the corner, OnePlus is turning up the heat with unbeatable offers across its entire product lineup - from flagship smartphones to audio gear and tablets. These exciting deals, available from July 10 to 15 on Amazon.in, OnePlus.in, and select offline partners. Looking to upgrade your smartphone? Start with the OnePlus 13 at ₹59,999. The ultimate flagship experience is now more accessible than ever. The OnePlus 13 is available at an effective price of ₹59,999, thanks to a limited-time ₹5,000 price drop and an additional ₹5,000 bank discount. With up to 9 months of no-cost EMI, this sleek powerhouse is a top pick for tech lovers looking for raw performance wrapped in a premium design. Prefer something compact yet powerful? Meet the OnePlus 13s at ₹49,999. If you've



been eyeing a compact flagship, the OnePlus 13s deal this Prime Day is hard to beat. Buyers can avail an effective price of ₹49,999 with ₹5,000 bank discount and an additional ₹5,000 exchange bonus. With 12 months of no-cost EMI on select cards, it's a sweet deal for users who want flagship features without the bulk. Bundled bonus: OnePlus 13R +

Buds 3 at ₹39,999. If you're looking for a complete smartphone and audio upgrade, the OnePlus 13R delivers excellent value. Priced at ₹39,999 with a ₹3,000 bank discount, it also comes bundled with the OnePlus Buds 3 at no extra cost. That's powerful performance and immersive audio in one unbeatable deal. Budget-friendly brilliance: OnePlus Nord CE4 Lite at ₹15,999. For those eyeing an everyday performer, the Nord CE4 Lite is a great pick. Featuring a bright AMOLED display, sleek design, and reliable battery life, it's now available at ₹15,999 after a ₹2,000 bank discount. Additionally, consumers can avail themselves of 3 months of no-cost EMI. This makes it hard to pass for first-time buyers or budget-conscious upgraders. Audio deals starting at ₹1,149. Music lovers are in for a treat. The newly launched Bullets Wireless Z3

is available at just ₹1,549, while the premium OnePlus Buds Pro 3 are down to ₹8,999. Other audio options include Buds 3 at ₹4,299, Bullets Wireless Z2 at ₹1,149, Z2 ANC at ₹1,599, and the Nord Buds 3 Pro at ₹2,299—all with additional bank discounts to sweeten the deal. Big Tablet Deals - Up to ₹4,000 Off + Free Stylus. OnePlus tablets are also seeing major price drops. The OnePlus Pad Go Wi-Fi starts at ₹13,999 with student and bank offers, while LTE variants go up to ₹17,499. The high-end Pad 2 starts at ₹32,999 and comes bundled with a free Stylus 2—ideal for creatives, professionals, and students looking for an all-in-one portable solution. These offers are also part of the OnePlus Monsoon Sale, available across OnePlus.in, Experience Stores, Croma, Reliance Digital, Flipkart, Myntra, and more.