



Uttarkashi Flash Floods: Death Toll Reaches Five As Rescue Operations Continue For Over 100 Missing People

Rescue teams are racing against time in Uttarkashi district following catastrophic flash floods triggered by a cloudburst that has claimed five lives and left more than 100 people missing in the devastated village of Dharali. The disaster struck on Tuesday afternoon around 1:40 PM when two separate cloudbursts occurred simultaneously in Dharali and Sukhi Top areas of Uttarakhand. The Dharali village bore the worst impact as massive water torrents swept through the settlement, causing widespread destruction across the mountainous region. Emergency response teams comprising the Indian Army, State Disaster Response Force, National Disaster Response Force, Indo-Tibetan Border Police, and local authorities have successfully rescued 150 people despite facing challenging conditions. Continuous rainfall and treacherous mountain terrain are significantly hampering the ongoing search and rescue operations. Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama remained at the disaster site on Wednesday morning, personally overseeing rescue efforts and conducting aerial surveys of the worst-affected areas. He later



chaired an emergency meeting at the Dehradun State Emergency Operations Centre and met with disaster victims at the Uttarkashi PWD Guest House, assuring them of comprehensive rescue efforts for their missing family members. The Chief Minister reported that ten Deputy Superintendents of Police, three Superintendents of Police, and approximately 160 police personnel are actively engaged in rescue operations. Military helicopters are on standby, ready to deploy once weather conditions improve sufficiently for aerial operations. Prime Minister Narendra Modi contacted the Uttarakhand Chief Minister to assess the situation and coordinate response efforts. Following



their discussion, Dhama expressed gratitude for the Prime Minister's commitment to providing all necessary assistance for the relief operations. The flash floods originated from cloudbursts in the Kheer Ganga catchment area, subsequently triggering mudslides in the Kheer Gadh region. The devastating water surge completely destroyed large portions of Dharali market and swept away an estimated 20-25 hotels and guesthouses that served pilgrims and tourists in the area. Visual evidence from the disaster zone reveals extensive devastation as muddy torrents carved through residential areas and commercial establishments, leaving behind scenes of complete destruction. The scale of damage has made it

extremely difficult for rescue teams to access all affected areas. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has ordered immediate deployment of specialized disaster response teams to the region, while Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has also extended support to the relief efforts. The central government has assured full backing for all rescue and rehabilitation operations. Three National Disaster Response Force teams have been dispatched to supplement local rescue capabilities, working alongside state and central forces to locate survivors and provide emergency assistance to affected families. The coordinated response involves multiple agencies working under challenging conditions to maximize rescue effectiveness. The tragedy highlights the vulnerability of Himalayan regions to sudden weather events during monsoon season, particularly in areas frequented by pilgrims and tourists. Restoration work has begun on the Uttarkashi Gangotri Highway, though the full extent of infrastructure damage is still being assessed as rescue operations continue.

Congress party states Mahadharna at Jantar Mantar in Delhi over BC reservations



The Congress Party is currently holding a Mahadharna at Jantar Mantar in Delhi, pressuring for the immediate approval of bills that have been passed by the Telangana state government. These bills, which aim to increase reservations for backwards classes (BC) in education, employment, and local body elections to 42 percent, have already been sent to the President. The protest includes participation from prominent leaders such as Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka, PCC President Mukesh Kumar Goud, as well as several ministers, MLAs, MLCs, Corporation Chairmen, DCC Presidents, and leaders from BC associations. Rahul Gandhi, a top leader of the Congress Party, is expected to join the closing ceremony this evening. Representatives from various parties within the India alliance, including the DMK, Left parties, Shiv Sena UBT, NCP (SP), RJD, and Samajwadi Party, are also set to attend and show their support for the cause. MP Kanimozhi highlighted the issue, stating, "69 percent reservation is being implemented in Tamil Nadu. Don't put any limits on justice. No one can say that there should be a 50 percent limit on reservations."

CM Chandrababu express shock over Uttarkashi floods, condoles death of several

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu has expressed his deep shock following the devastating floods in Uttarkashi, Uttarakhand, which have led to the loss of lives and numerous individuals reported missing. In a heartfelt message posted on 'X', he conveyed his sorrow for the families affected by the tragedy and extended his condolences to those who have lost loved ones. Naidu also expressed his hopes for the safe return of those still unaccounted for. The village of Dharali, located en route to Gangotri, has been particularly hard-hit, with half of the settlement reportedly erased by the deluge. The floods have swept away houses, vehicles, and trees in the area, trapping approximately 60 to 70 residents. As of now, at least four fatalities have been confirmed, with fears that up to 12 individuals may be trapped beneath the debris.



Supreme Court sets aside Madras HC order asking DMK govt not to use names, photos of CM in welfare schemes

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Wednesday set aside a Madras High Court order asking the DMK government not to use names and photographs of present and former chief ministers in welfare schemes. A bench comprising Chief Justice B R Gavai and Justices K Vinod Chandran and N V Anjaria imposed a fine of Rs 10 lakh on AIADMK leader C Ve Shanmugam for filing plea in Madras High Court. The top court said the plea against using name of CM on Tamil Nadu's welfare schemes was unwarranted and abuse of process of the law. The Madras High Court on July 31 restrained the Tamil Nadu govern-



ment from naming any new or rebranded public welfare schemes after living persons. It also barred the use of portraits of former chief ministers, ideological leaders, or any Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) insignia, emblem, or flag in

advertisements promoting such schemes. A division bench comprising Chief Justice Manindra Mohan Shrivastava and Justice Sunder Mohan passed the order while hearing a PIL filed by Shanmugam. The MP had challenged the naming and promotion of the government's public outreach programme titled 'Ungaludan Stalin' (With You, Stalin), alleging that it violated established norms. While the bench clarified that the order did not prevent the state from launching, implementing, or operating any welfare schemes, it stated the restrictions applied solely to the nomenclature and promotional con-

Private school bus plunges into fields in Eluru district, several injured

Eluru: A private school bus was involved in an accident in Peddakamanapudi, Mudinepalli mandal, Eluru district, when its steering rod broke, causing it to veer out of control and crash into nearby fields. At the time of the incident, there were 27 students on board. Local residents swiftly responded, breaking the bus windows to rescue the students trapped inside. The injured students were transported to the hospital for treatment. Authorities are investigating the cause of the accident.



ED Raids 11 Locations in 260 Crore Crypto-Hawala Cyber Fraud Case

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Tuesday raided 11 locations across Delhi, Noida, Gurugram, and Dehradun in connection with a sprawling global cyber fraud case worth over ₹260 crore, involving cryptocurrency and hawala networks. The searches, conducted under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), follow multiple FIRs registered by the CBI and Delhi Police. How the Scam Worked Investigators revealed that fraudsters posed as police officers and tech support agents from top firms like Microsoft and Amazon. Victims worldwide were duped through fake technical support calls and threats of legal action, forcing them to transfer large sums of money. The extorted funds were con-

verted into cryptocurrency — mainly Bitcoins — and later liquidated into cash via USDT (Tether). The money was then routed through hawala channels to the UAE, creating a complex international money trail. Assets and Evidence Seized So far, illegally acquired assets worth ₹260 crore have been traced, largely held in Bitcoins and linked to both Indian and foreign nationals. The raids led to the seizure of digital devices, documents, and financial evidence, strengthening the ED's case against the accused. ?? Global Network Under Scanner Officials suspect an organized international cybercrime syndicate, with operatives targeting victims across multiple countries, including India. The ED is coordinat-



ing with international financial intelligence units to trace the cross-border flow of illicit funds. ?? What's Next The probe remains at a critical stage, and sources indicate that more arrests and revelations may follow. The ED aims to dismantle the entire network behind one of the country's largest-ever crypto-related frauds.

YSRCP Youth Leader (Manyam Jagan) Consoles Family of Deceased Party Member



YSRCP youth leader Sri Chetti Vinay Anna (Manyam Jagan) visited and consoled the family of a YSRCP party member who passed away due to illness.

A young man named Padanayaki Suman (27), a member of the YSR Congress Party from Sovva village in Dumbriguda Mandal of Araku constituency, had been suffering from jaundice for the past few days and unfortunately passed away. Upon learning about the demise, Dr. Gummadi Tanuja Rani, Member of Parliament (Araku), along with her husband and YSRCP youth leader Sri Chetti Vinay Anna (Manyam Jagan), today visited the grieving family. Accompanied by YSRCP leaders, public representatives, and employee union leaders, they paid respects to the deceased by offering floral tributes and draping a traditional cloth (panche) over the mortal remains.

Expressing deep sorrow, Sri Chetti Vinay Anna stated that the untimely death of the young man is an irreplaceable loss to the family and the village. He extended heartfelt condolences, offering strength and support to the bereaved family, relatives, and friends.

Joining YSRCP Youth Leader (Manyam Jagan) were: Smt. Baka Eeshwari - Dumbriguda Mandal MPP Sri Pandoi Ashok - Local Gram Panchayat Super Sarpanch Sri Chikkudu Mallesh - Former YSRCP Mandal President Sri Pangi Narasingarao - Araku YSRCP Social Media Representative Sri Agathambidi Ganapathi - Senior YSRCP Mandal Leader Sri Baka Simhachalam Sri Sunil, Sri P. Ramarao, Sri Baka Suresh, Sri Kuladhar, Sri Tirumala Rao, Sri P. Mohan, Sri P. Relli, Sri B. Lovaraju ...along with many other local Gram Panchayat YSRCP leaders, all paid their respects to the deceased.

Vaughan's honest admission : 'England panicked, just needed one partnership'



London: Former captain Michael Vaughan feels England panicked on the final day of the fifth Test against India in the absence of inspirational skipper Ben Stokes, with only 35 runs needed to win and four wickets in hand. England eventually lost the match by six runs as India made a stunning comeback to draw the five-match series 2-2 on Monday. "...Ben Stokes in that team, England would've won this Test match. He plays such a big role in this team, the mentality... England did panic (on the fifth morning). "They just needed one partnership. They panicked in the way that they can with the way that they play, they play with a huge amount of aggressiveness. Yesterday (Sunday) afternoon, the Harry Brook dismissal did cause that collapse, but it's the way England play," Vaughan told BBC's Test Match Special. Stokes, who played a pivotal role for England with both bat and ball, missed the fifth Test due to a shoulder injury, while pacers Jofra Archer and Brydon Carse were rested. Vaughan said the thrilling series against India should be a perfect preparation for England for the this year's Ashes in Australia, starting in November. "It's been a tremendous five matches for England. You've got to be realistic, this week they were down to 10 men, lost one of their bowlers early, and not got Ben Stokes. You're looking at the team going to Australia and I think there's more pieces in place. "We'll arrive in Perth for that first Test and know the top seven. It's just a matter of the bowling attack and getting that right. Clearly Ben Stokes is going to have to get fit.

WALTAIR DIVISION INTRODUCES PREPAID AUTO-RICKSHAW SERVICES AT SIMHACHALAM RAILWAY STATION

Waltair Division of East Coast Railway, in collaboration with the Visakhapatnam City Police, has launched prepaid auto-rickshaw services at Simhachalam Railway Station today (06.08.2025) to enhance passenger convenience and safety. This facility, already operational at Visakhapatnam and Duvvada stations, aims to streamline last-mile connectivity for rail commuters.

Dedicated prepaid counters have been set up at these stations, enabling passengers, pilgrims and tourists to pay fares in advance for their destinations. This transparent process eliminates fare negotiations and ensures passengers know the exact amount payable before starting their journey.

The service at Simhachalam Railway



Station was inaugurated today by Shri Lalit Bohra, Divisional Railway Manager, Waltair, and Shri Sankabratha Bagchi, Commissioner of Police, Visakhapatnam, in the presence of members from the Sri Varaha Lakshmi Narasimha Swami Auto Drivers



Welfare Association and officials from the railway and police departments. Over 20 auto-rickshaws are currently associated with this service. Shri Lalit Bohra highlighted This system offers passengers a clear fare structure, assuring transparency and a secure journey within city limits

added All vehicles in the prepaid service are equipped with GPS tracking systems to enhance passenger safety under the surveillance of Andhra Pradesh Police Local representatives and association members welcomed the initiative, noting that it will be especially beneficial for the pilgrims, tourists and commuters.

GENERAL MANAGER, SOUTH COAST RAILWAY, LEADS SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAN DRIVE



In line with directives from the Ministry of Railways, Government of India, Shri Sandeep Mathur, General Manager of South Coast Railway (SCoR), actively participated in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan campaign East Point Colony, reaffirming the commitment to maintain railway premises free from plastic waste, garbage, and filth.

The Swachh Bharat Abhiyan is being observed across Indian Railways from August 1 to August 31, 2025, with the objective of fos-



tering a culture of cleanliness among its entire workforce. Shri Sandeep Mathur led a cleanliness drive at the East Point Colony, joined by officers, staff, Railway Protection Force personnel, and Swachh Sewaks, all demonstrating enthusiastic participation.

During the event, Shri Sandeep Mathur administered the Swachh Pledge to railway officers, staff, and Swachh Sewaks, encouraging them to uphold cleanliness standards and take active roles in the

Swachh Bharat Mission initiatives. The event was also attended by Shri B Chandra Sekhar, OSD/SCoR, and other senior officials.

Addressing the gathering, Shri Sandeep Mathur underlined the importance of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan in eliminating single-use plastic, promoting scientific waste disposal, and enhancing public awareness and participation in creating a cleaner, healthier environment.

Former Mayor Ajay Yadav, who is taking special measures for the development of the Rawcheru pond

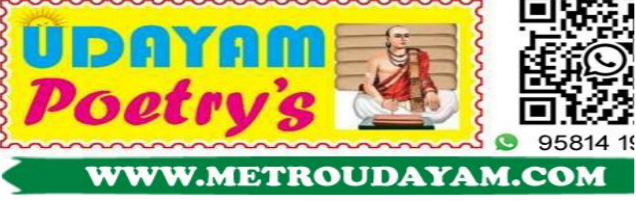
- Social activist Dr: Lakshmi Veeramallu thanked the Commissioner
 - Requested to the Commissioner for planting large trees on the pond bundle along with beautification
- Medipally August:06 (Metro Udayam)

In addition to beautifying the Rawcheru Pond, which has become polluted with contaminated water Former Mayor Thotakura Ajay Kumar, who has taken special measures for the development of Rawcheru Pond

Social activist Dr Lakshmi



Veeramallu thanked the Commissioner. Submitted a petition to the Commissioner on this occasion. In order to plant plants at the pond To make the pond bundle tight along with park beautification plants some trees like Some Ravi, Banyan trees, Neem trees, mango trees, should be planted Considering the ideas of the authorities of the Department, the plants have been appealed for special measures for the protection of the plants. In a statement, Dr: Lakshmi Veeramallu said that the development of the Rawcheru Pond with a vision is a good evolution.



हमारे इसी देश में ज्ञान के उत्तुंग शिखरों को छूने वाली महिलाओं से इतिहास समृद्ध है। लेकिन बाद में स्वार्थी, पाखंडी, अधर्मियों ने धर्म को विकृत करके स्त्री को दुय्यम स्थान पर ले आए।.. (शकील उवाचा - 437)

हमारे देश में स्त्री को देवी के रूप में पूजा जाती है। हमारे अपने देश भारत में पौराणिक गाथाओं में स्त्रियों को देवी - देवताओं के रूप में प्रस्तुत किया गया। और यह देवीयां ज्ञान, शक्ति और वीरता के प्रतीक हैं। बड़े अफसोस के साथ कहना पड़ता है के, एक तरफ स्त्री को देवता के रूप में पूजा जाता है तो दूसरी तरफ लोगों द्वारा स्त्री को ही अपमानित भी किया जाता है। यहां कोई किसीको गालियां भी देता है तो वह गालियां ज्यादा से ज्यादा स्त्री जाती के लिए ही होते हैं। क्या यह बात हमारे सब के लिए शर्म की बात नहीं है?

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अपने भारत देश के इतिहास और पौराणिक गाथाएं वाचकन्वी गार्गी, सीता माता, सती अनुसूया, सती सावित्री, गांधारी, द्रौपदी, अरुंधती, अहिल्या, सत्यवती जैसे तेजस्विनी महिलाओं के कीर्तमान से भरा पड़ा है। अध्ययन करने पर पता चलता है के वैदिक काल में भी महिलाओं को शिक्षा लेने का अधिकार दिया गया था और धार्मिक अनुष्ठानों के साथ साथ सामाजिक जीवन में भी स्त्रियों को महत्वपूर्ण स्थान प्राप्त था।

इसके अलावा तारा, कुंती, मंदोदरी, सुमद्रा जैसे अनेक वीर वनिताओं का नाम पौराणिक इतिहास में हम देख सकते हैं।

सत्राजित की पुत्री सत्यभामा नरकासुर के युद्ध के दौरान अपने पती श्रीकृष्ण के साथ मिलकर युद्ध लड़ने का वाक्या (घटना) हम देख सकते हैं। स्त्री को भी पहिले सभी अधिकार थे लेकिन बाद में स्वार्थी, पाखंडी, अधर्मियों ने धर्म को विकृत करके स्त्री को दुय्यम स्थान पर ले आए, और उन्हें उनके अधिकारों से वंचित रखा।

इस्लाम में भी स्त्री और पुरुष दोनों ही जिम्मेदारियों के मामले में एक दूसरे से कम ज्यादा भले ही नजर आते हो लेकिन दोनों एक दूसरे के बिना अधूरे हैं। पवित्र कुरआन के अध्याय क्रमांक 2, सुराह अल बकरा, अध्याय क्रमांक 187 में स्त्री और पुरुष को चोली दामन का साथ कहा गया है। चोली और दामन एक दूसरे के बिना अधूरे होते हैं वैसे स्त्री पुरुष के बगैर और पुरुष स्त्री के बगैर अधूरे होते हैं।

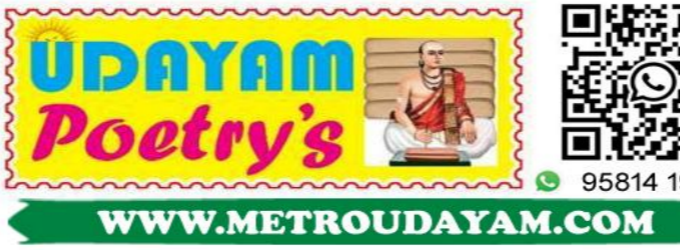
सच्चा धर्म हो या धर्म का कोई सच्चा पंथ कभी भी स्त्री और पुरुष में कोई अंतर नहीं करता लेकिन आज कल झूठ को धर्म से उसमें भी एक विशेष धर्म से जोड़कर समाज में फैलाया जा रहा है। कुछ प्रसार माध्यमों को देखते हैं तो पता चलता है के एक ही झूठ को सुबह से रात तक और रात से सुबह तक फैलाने की जी जान लगाकर कर मेहनत किए जा रहे हैं। हमें जागरूक होकर इस झूठ और फरेब से खुद को बचाना होगा वरना परमात्मा के समक्ष लज्जा से सर झुकाना पड़ेगा।



-डॉ. मोहम्मदशकील ताजमोहम्मद जाफरी (शकील मंत्रवी), मंत्र, पुणे (महाराष्ट्र) भारत

BJP launches Tiranga Yatra and patriotic events to herald I-Day celebrations

Hyderabad: In preparation for the Independence Day celebrations, the BJP Telangana unit organized a state-level workshop at its headquarters on Tuesday to launch the "Har Ghar Tiranga" campaign and a series of patriotic programs. The workshop focused on activities such as the Tiranga Yatra, Partition Wounds Remembrance Day, and community engagement through nationalist events. BJP Telangana State Vice President and Tiranga Yatra Pramukh Dr. G. Manohar Reddy led the initiative, with Former Madhya Pradesh State President and MP V.D. Sharma participating as chief guest on behalf of the central party leadership. He outlined the importance of these programs in promoting national unity and pride. The campaign aims to evoke patriotic sentiment by organizing Tiranga Yatras across districts and mandals, as well as honoring the sacrifices of freedom fighters and soldiers. "Operation Sindoor's success is a tribute to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, the courage of the Indian armed forces, and the shared spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat," said party leaders at the workshop.



एक ही पथ

धर्म की बातें, एक अनोखा खेल
जहां प्रेम और नफरत का मेल
एक ही ईश्वर की पूजा करते हैं हम सब
फिर क्यों ये मतभेद, ये अलगाव?

एक ही पथ पर चलते हैं हम सब
फिर क्यों ये धर्मों की दीवारें?
हमारे ही दिलों में है प्यार और दया की जगह
फिर क्यों ये धर्मों की नफरत, ये वैमनस्य?

एक मुसलमान, एक हिंदू, एक ईसाई
सब एक ही मानवता के हिस्से हैं
हमारे ही हाथों में है हमारे भाग्य की डोर
फिर क्यों ये धर्मों की कट्टरता, ये अंधविश्वास?

एक ही देश के नागरिक हैं हम सब
फिर क्यों ये धर्मों की अलगाव की दीवारें?
हमारे ही दिलों में है प्रेम और भाईचारे की जगह
फिर क्यों ये धर्मों की नफरत, ये वैमनस्य?

आओ हम सब मिलकर इस भेदभाव को खत्म करें
धर्मों की कट्टरता को त्यागें
एक ही मानवता के नाते हम सब एक हैं
फिर क्यों ना हम सब एक दूसरे के साथ खड़े हों?

प्रेम और भाईचारे का संदेश फैलाएं
धर्मों की नफरत को त्यागें
एक ही पथ पर चलते हुए हम सब एक हैं
फिर क्यों ना हम सब एक दूसरे के साथ मिलकर चलें?

एकता में ही है शक्ति, एकता में ही है बल
आओ हम सब मिलकर एक नई दिशा में चलें
धर्मों की कट्टरता से मुक्ति पाएं
और एक नए समाज का निर्माण करें।

वीडि दुर्गाशव एम. ए.



Teej Festival Celebrations at Campus at Osmania University.



Hyderabad August:06 (Metro udayam)

The festival of Teej (Haryali Teez) for the Banjara, Lambadi and Sugali societies was celebrated as a new day at the Saraswati Temple at the Osmania University campus. Natural worshippers Banjara community performs special poojas for the Saptamatas in the month of Asha every year and celebrates the Teej celebrations at the beginning of the month of Shravan.

At the festival, unmarried girls perform the Teej worship with rules for nine days and immersed in the last day in the river or in the pond. Now this festival is expanding not only in the hordes but also in villages and towns. Former minister of the University Visi Padmashri Ketawath Somlal Mrs. Satyavathi Rathod was the chief guests at the Osmania University this year. University current and alumni participated in large scale .



Telangana App-Based Drivers Forum Urges Government to Implement Kilometre-Based Uniform Fare and Ensure Minimum Wage Protections for Platform Workers

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The Telangana App-Based Drivers Forum (TADF), representing thousands of city auto, cab, and app-based aggregator drivers including those on platforms like Ola, Uber, and Rapido, has submitted two formal representations to the Transport Department and the Labour Department of the Government of Telangana. In their letter to the Honble Transport Minister and Transport Commissioner, TADF has demanded the implementation of kilometre-based, uniform fares



for city autos, cabs, and aggregator services—similar to the model introduced in Karnataka. The key concerns raised include: Elimination of exploitative

surge pricing and fluctuating fare algorithms
Transparency in fare structures, including base fare, per km charge, and waiting time

Regulation of illegally operating vehicles from other states on aggregator platforms

In a separate representation to the Additional Commissioner of Labour, TADF has demanded that the state government:

Notify a Uniform Fixed Fare Rule that ensures minimum wage-level earnings for drivers after deductions

Extend the applicability of Platform Workers Law to auto and cab drivers on app-based platforms

Establish a tripartite committee comprising the Labour Department, driver unions, and aggregator companies to frame and monitor fair regulations

TADF emphasized that the rapidly expanding platform economy must not become a space for deregulated, low-paid work. Drivers deserve dignity of labour, predictable income, and protection from exploitation. Telangana must take the lead in ensuring fairness and transparency in the transport gig economy the Forum said. TADF has expressed its willingness to participate in formal consultations and policy review meetings to support the governments efforts toward regulation and worker welfare.



Sitaare Zameen Par on YouTube: Aamir Khan's Film Available to Rent from August 1



As previously announced, Aamir Khan has made a major decision regarding his film Sitaare Zameen Par, in which he plays the lead role. He stated earlier that he would not sell the film to any OTT platform. Instead, after its theatrical run, the movie will be released directly on YouTube. At a press meet, recently held, he revealed the release details. Starting August 1, the movie will be available to rent on YouTube. In India, it can be watched for a rental price of ₹100. For international viewers, the film will also be available for streaming, with rental prices varying by region. Aamir added that the movie will be available not just in Hindi, but in multiple languages, along with subtitles.

Tollywood chokes as wage dispute triggers industry-wide strike

Hyderabad: The Telugu film industry, better known as Tollywood, has come to a standstill as the Telugu Film Employees Federation initiated an indefinite strike, halting film and web series productions across both Telugu states. The strike stems from a long-pending demand for wage revision — a 30 per cent hike for over 10,000 workers spanning 24 departments, including lighting, set design, makeup, and costumes. Hyderabad tourism The current daily wage stands at Rs 1,400, unchanged for the past three years. Former Federation General Secretary Rajeswar Reddy expressed frustration, stating, "Despite multiple meetings with producers, there has been no progress. Workers who are the backbone of sets deserve better. Until our demands are accepted in writing, there will be no return to work." As a result, several high-budget projects have stalled. In response, the Telugu Film Chamber of Commerce (TFCC) issued a



statement condemning the strike and claimed that wages already exceed statutory norms. "This disruption will cause serious financial losses. We urge producers to refrain from making separate deals with unions," said TFCC Secretary K.L. Damodar Prasad. Adding fuel to the fire, the TFCC recently passed a resolution allowing producers to hire any skilled workers — unionized or not — intensifying the standoff. Recognizing the seriousness of the situation, senior producers C. Kalyan, Allu Aravind, Suresh Babu, Mythri Ravi Shankar,

and Supriya Yarlagadda met actor Chiranjeevi at his residence on Monday to seek his intervention. C. Kalyan revealed, "Chiranjeevi garu advised against abrupt halts in shootings and expressed interest in hearing the workers' side. He promised to step in personally if the issue remains unresolved within two to three days." Meanwhile, Telangana Cinematography Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy weighed in, acknowledging the workers' plight amid rising costs in Hyderabad. "Salary hikes are necessary. We've appointed Dil Raju to mediate. I will also meet with workers post my Delhi visit to help facilitate a fair resolution," he assured. Telangana tourism Hyderabad tourism As Tollywood reels from this sudden pause, all eyes are on industry leaders and government mediators to break the deadlock. The coming days will be crucial in determining whether the cameras roll again or the industry faces a prolonged standstill.

Dhadak 2 Box Office collection Day 5: Triptii Dimri, Siddhant Chaturvedi movie

Dhadak 2 holds at the box office despite a weak opening weekend. Dhadak 2, starring Siddhant Chaturvedi and Triptii Dimri is hanging on at the box office despite a weak opening weekend. On its fifth day, the film collected ₹ 1.60 crore, according to Sacnilk, lifting its domestic census to ₹ 14.35 crore. The well-reviewed romantic drama has failed to gather enough money and is n't rising as a front-runner at the box office. Dhadak 2 box office collections on Day 5 On Day 5, Dhadak 2 had a total Hindi (2D) occupancy of 29.22 per cent on Tuesday, August 5, on the back of an increase in the afternoon shows and a drop to nil by the evening and night shows. Breaking it down by



show, Dhadak 2 had a morning occupancy of 13.70 per cent, which increased to 28.60 per cent by the afternoon. It registered 32.07 per cent for the evening shows, and 42.50 per cent for the night shows. City-wisely, Dhadak 2 had a mixed response. The National Capital Region (NCR) was its best-performing region with 44.75 per

cent overall occupancy (344 shows), followed by Jaipur with a strong 40.00 per cent but only a handful of shows. Chennai also had a decent showing with an overall occupancy of 37.00 per cent. Mumbai and Pune had average runs with 29.25 per cent and 30.25 per cent respectively. Bengaluru and Lucknow also did average business around the 26.00–28.75 per cent mark. About Dhadak 2 The film is a spiritual effect to the 2018 film Dhadak. It's a tale of inter-caste romance and oppression. If the weekday trend is anything to go by, Dhadak 2 has to work hard to sustain its run at the box office. Can word-of-mouth save its second weekend?

'G2' promises explosive spy action



The spy game is back—bigger, bolder, and more explosive than ever. 'G2', the much-anticipated sequel to the acclaimed thriller 'Goodachari', is officially set for a worldwide theatrical release on May 1, 2026. Starring Adivi Sesh, 'G2' raises the stakes with an all-new mission on a global canvas. The makers have released a series of posters showcasing different aspects of the movie. Directed by Vinay Kumar Sirigineedi in his directorial debut, the film builds on the success of its predecessor while expanding its scope to an international level. Shot across six countries over 150 days with 23 intricately designed sets, 'G2' is being mounted as a high-stakes, high-style thriller set to redefine the spy genre in

Indian cinema. Joining the franchise as Agent 116, Wamiqa Gabbi adds emotional depth and fierce intensity to the narrative. The ensemble cast includes Emraan Hashmi—making his Telugu debut—alongside Murali Sharma, Supriya Yarlagadda, and Madhu Shalini in key roles. Produced by TG Vishwa Prasad and Abhishek Agarwal under the banners of People Media Factory, Abhishek Agarwal Arts, and AK Entertainments, 'G2' will release in Telugu, Hindi, Tamil, Kannada, and Malayalam. With its powerful cast, global production values, and ambitious vision, 'G2' is shaping up to be a defining action thriller of 2026.

Actor Vijay Deverakonda appears before ED in betting apps case

In a significant development, actor Vijay Deverakonda has recently appeared before the Enforcement Directorate (ED) for questioning. The inquiry pertains to his alleged involvement in promoting banned betting applications, with officials investigating the remuneration and commissions received by the actor from these platforms. This comes as part of a broader investigation, during which the ED has already questioned fellow actor Prakash. Additionally, notices have been sent to Rana Daggubati, who is required to appear for questioning on the 11th of this month, and to Manchu Lakshmi, who is expected to appear on the 13th. The situation continues to unfold as authorities delve deeper into the matter.



BCCI unlikely to allow stars to pick and choose games going forward

Gautam Gambhir has always been against the mega-star culture prevailing in Indian cricket but Mohammed Siraj's Herculean effort throughout the English summer has definitely given the Indian head coach a real shot in the arm. The creditable 2-2 series draw in England will certainly empower Gambhir and chairman of selectors Ajit Agarkar to crack the whip and usher in a uniform team culture where certain individuals who would not be treated more than equals as it happened in recent years. It is understood that the selection committee, Gambhir and the decision makers in the Indian cricket board are all on the same page with regards to putting an end to players picking and choosing games and series in the pretext of workload management. "There have been discussions and the message will be sent across to the centrally contracted players, especially those who are all format regulars that this culture of picking and choosing games won't be entertained in near future," a senior



BCCI official privy to current happenings told PTI on conditions of anonymity. "It doesn't mean that workload management will be thrown out of the window but a more objective approach is expected in near future. Obviously, fast bowlers' workload needs to be managed but it can't be accepted that in the name of workload management, people will miss crucial matches." Siraj, who sent down 185.3 overs across five Tests, not to for-

get the hours of fielding and also overs bowled in the nets during the last six weeks is a shining example of what peak fitness looks like. More importantly, the performance of Siraj, Prasidh Krishna and Akash Deep has proved that even the biggest of stars are dispensable and no one is bigger than the team. Even England skipper Ben Stokes despite multiple issues bowled marathon spells till the end of the fourth Test raising debates whether workload has become an "over-rated concept" used for convenience. Former India skipper Sunil Gavaskar ripped apart the over-usage of workload management. "When you are playing for your country, forget the aches and the pains. On the border, do you think that the jawans are complaining about cold? What did Rishabh Pant show you? He came out to bat with a fracture. That is what you expect from the players. Playing cricket for India is an honour," Gavaskar told 'India Today'. "You are representing 140 crore people and that is

what we saw in Mohammed Siraj. I think Siraj bowled his heart out, and he debunked forever this business of workload. For five Test matches, non-stop he has bowled 7-8 over spells, because the captain wanted him and the country expected of him," added the former skipper. "I hope that the word 'workload' goes out of the Indian cricket dictionary. I've been saying that for a long time... And I think that is the one thing that we all should keep in mind that this workload is only a mental thing, not so much a physical thing," he added. It can be said with some degree of certainty that Jasprit Bumrah not being able to take the workload of five Tests hasn't gone down too well with the powers that be in the BCCI. It has also raised questions about the competence of the Sports science team working at the Centre of Excellence in Bengaluru. It is expected that after a month-long rest, Bumrah will be available for the Asia Cup T20 in the UAE from September 9 to 28.