



Xi Jinping To PM Modi: 'Elephant And Dragon Must Unite As good neighbours' At SCO Summit

Chinese President Xi Jinping emphasized the need for India and China to strengthen their relationship, stating that "the dragon and the elephant must come together as good neighbours." Speaking during delegation-level talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit in Tianjin, Xi highlighted that both countries, representing two ancient civilizations and the world's most populous nations, must cooperate for peace and prosperity. Marking the 75th anniversary of China-India diplomatic ties, Xi said relations



should be managed from a long-term and strategic perspective. He also urged both nations to take joint responsibility in promoting multilateralism, multipolari-

ty, and democracy in global institutions. This was PM Modi's first visit to China in seven years amid strained ties following the 2020 Galwan

Valley clash. In his remarks, Modi affirmed India's commitment to relations based on mutual trust, respect, and sensitivity. He noted that border stability has improved after last year's disengagement and announced the resumption of direct flights and the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra. The meeting comes nearly a year after the two leaders last met, when both sides reported progress in resolving the military standoff along the Line of Actual Control. Modi also stressed that the welfare of 2.8 billion people depends on stronger India-China cooperation.

BC Reservation Bill Approved in Telangana Assembly



The Telangana Assembly has finally given its nod to the BC Reservation Bill, sparking widespread discussion across the state. The legislation lifts the previous government's cap on reservation in panchayats, now providing 42 per cent reservation for Backward Classes (BCs). Minister Seethakka endorsed the Bill during the session. Alongside the BC Reservation Bill, the Congress-led government also introduced amendments to the Panchayat Raj Act 285A and the Municipal Act, aiming to bring reforms to local governance structures.

AP Assembly Sessions Scheduled for September 18



The Andhra Pradesh State Assembly is set to convene from September 18, with plans to hold sessions over a period of ten days. The finalised schedule is expected to be approved during the upcoming Cabinet meeting on September 4. Speaker Ayyannapatrudu previously disclosed details about these arrangements. There may be a special debate marking the first anniversary of the coalition government's tenure. The sessions are also expected to feature PowerPoint presentations on significant state issues. Discussions will include recent political developments and the progress of government schemes. Notably, the Banakacharla project is likely to be a focal point of the debate. In commemoration of one year since the coalition assumed power, a comprehensive review of governance is planned.

AP offering most welfare schemes, says Union Minister Pemmasani

Union Minister Pemmasani Chandrasekhar praised Andhra Pradesh as the state offering the most welfare schemes. Speaking at an event in Nandivelugu, Tenali mandal, Guntur district, where State Minister Nadendla Manohar and MLC Alapati Rajendra Prasad distributed smart ration cards, Pemmasani criticised the YSRCP regime for attracting no new companies. He expressed confidence that with Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu and Minister Lokesh Chawra, significant job opportunities will soon arise. Nadendla Manohar announced that ragi, oil, wheat flour, and lentils would now be available at ration shops, with supplies expected throughout the month. He criticised the previous government for weakening the system and emphasised that recent government decisions aim to benefit the poor. Despite financial challenges, he assured that the implementation of the Super Six scheme is progressing to bring positive changes.



AP Minister Nara Lokesh Receives Honour from Australian High Commission

Andhra Pradesh Minister Nara Lokesh has received a prestigious invitation from the Australian High Commission to participate in their Special Visits Programme (SPP). The commission commended Andhra Pradesh's progress in human resources, technology, and economic development. Additionally, it was noted that India's current Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, also joined the National Development Programme (NDP) in 2001.



Andhra state carrom tournament kicks off

Chilakaluripet: The Andhra State 2nd Ranking Carrom Tournament-2025 was inaugurated here on Saturday at the CR Club premises. Hosted by the Palnadu District Carrom Association under the supervision of the Andhra State Carrom Association, the event has drawn over 170 players from across the state. Chilakaluripet MLA Prattipati Pulla Rao, who was the chief guest, inaugurated the tournament. He expressed his delight at the participation of 150 men

and 20 women players, encouraging them to showcase their talent and bring pride to Andhra Pradesh. Pulla Rao also praised the CR Club for providing excellent accommodation and food for all participants and announced that winners will receive trophies and a total cash prize of Rs 30,000. A special moment of the ceremony was the felicitation of Ch Janardhan Reddy, who has been selected to represent India at the upcoming 7th Carrom World Cup (Swiss League

Event) in the Maldives. Cherukuri Kanthayya, Vice-President of CR Club, affirmed the club's full support for hosting the event. Sk Abdul Jaleel, General Secretary of the Andhra State Carrom Association, stated that the tournament will feature separate knockout competitions for men and women, with the top six players from each category earning a spot on the Andhra State team.

Second Flood Warning Issued at Bhadrachalam as Godavari Rises to 48 Feet

Bhadrachalam: The Godavari River at Bhadrachalam crossed the second flood warning level on Saturday morning, with the water level touching 48.00 feet at 9:00 AM, according to an official statement from District Collector Jitesh V. Patil. As per reports, the river is currently discharging an estimated 11,44,645 cusecs of water downstream. The surge in water levels has been attributed to intense rainfall in upstream regions, leading to continued flood flow through the Bhadrachalam region. Collector Patil has appealed to residents in low-lying and vulnerable villages to stay alert. "Rehabilitation measures are already underway. Additional



relief centres are ready to be set up if the situation demands," he said. The administration has arranged for essential supplies such as clean drinking water, food, medical services, and uninterrupted electricity at all

shelter points. Authorities from the Revenue, Police, Health, Panchayati Raj, Municipal, and Electricity departments have been deployed for round-the-clock monitoring in affected areas.

Emergency response teams are on standby to provide immediate assistance wherever necessary. In a public advisory, the Collector issued the following instructions:

- Avoid entering the Godavari River for any reason, including bathing.
- All boat operations are suspended until further notice.
- Refrain from visiting or crossing flooded bridges, lakes, canals, and streams.
- Do not risk lives by taking selfies or videos near flooded or fast-flowing water bodies.

To facilitate prompt response and support, the district administration has set up dedicated control rooms. Citizens are advised to contact the following

numbers in case of emergency:

- Sub-Collector Office, Bhadrachalam – 08743-232444
- Flood Control Room – 7981219425
- District Collector's Office, Paloncha – 08744-241950
- ITDA Office, Bhadrachalam – 7995268352

Collector Patil emphasized that the district machinery is fully alert and operational 24x7 to ensure public safety. "We request all citizens to follow official advisories and relocate to safer locations if required," he added. As the flood situation remains fluid, residents are urged to stay informed through verified channels and avoid panic.

All parties should fully support the implementation of 42 percent reservation for BCs in the state

Dr. Diddi Sudhakar
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A meeting of key workers was held at the Aam Aadmi Party head office today.

In this meeting, the state committee announced that the Aam Aadmi Party will contest the upcoming local body elections and also introduced some resolutions. All parties should fully support the implementation of 42 percent reservation for BCs in the state. It is not enough if the bill is passed only in the assembly. BJP leaders should put pressure on the government to pass the BC bill in the parliament as well. The state government should also fight hard against the government.

Similarly, the opposition party TRS should also fully support the government.

The assembly sessions should



not be time-pass meetings but discussions on public issues. Similarly, due to the recent heavy rains, the people of Kamareddy, Medak, Nirmal, Sircilla districts have been Immediate assistance should be provided

50 lakhs should be given to the family members of the deceased, and ten lakhs should be provided to those whose houses were destroyed, and compensation should be paid for the crops.

Road repairs should be under-

taken immediately.

The government should pay compensation to the farmers and provide them with financial assistance of ten lakhs. Many crops have been damaged due to urea shortage in the state.

They should also be compensated. Urea should be provided to the farmers properly. The unemployment problem in the state is huge, so job notifications should be issued immediately and jobs should be filled.

All the promises made by the Congress party should be implemented.

Pensions should be increased from 2000 to 4000 and from 4000 to 6000 for the disabled.

The two thousand rupees that will be given to every woman should be withdrawn immediately.

Scooties that will be given to girls should also be given immediately.

Under the Rajiv Yuva Vikasam Yojana, which will be given to the unemployed. Bank loans should be given immediately. All the above resolutions were introduced by the Aam Aadmi Party state committee. In this program, Aam Aadmi Party state convener Dr. Diddi Sudhakar, former convener Burra Ramugaud and former core committee members Dr. Ansari, Majeed as well as women leaders, Yamuna Goud, Hema Sudarshan Zilloju, Jaaved Shareef as well as former presidents of the Divyang Committee Darshan Ramesh as well as former presidents of the youth wing Vijay, Nirmal constituency convener Haider Mancheri, convener Naeem Pasha, senior party leaders Abdul Mukhtar, Shahbaz, and Afzal Salam, Ramya Goud, Sudharani, Kodungal Srinivas, and other leaders participated.

MANAGEMENT OF ADVANCED PATHOLOGICAL CASES IN HOMEOPATHY - C.M.E , AT H.M.A.T

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Homeopathic Medical Association of Telangana (HMAAT) organised , Sri Kandula Venkata Narsinga Rao, Smt. Manikyam Memorial Oration and Dr. Gouribai Kirthane Memorial Oration on Sunday at Jupalli bamma Auditorium. Star Homeopathy managing director Dr. K. S. Gupta , Mrs. Ratna Mala sponsored this program.

Dr. Ashok Borkar, a renowned homeopathic medical expert from Goa, a world-renowned speaker, discussed in detail about the treatment and management of chronic and incurable diseases, autoimmune diseases in homeopathy. H.M.A.T. President Dr. K. Gopalakrishna presided over and welcomed the doctors & students , while General Secretary Dr.G. Durgaprasad Rao spoke about the medical services they have been carrying .Dr.Ashok Borkar shared his vast experience in homeopathic treatment with decades of his clinical knowledge and management of advanced pathological condi-



tions .He discussed how homeopathic treatment can achieve better results or manage complex cases like PCOD, Thyroid ,Diabetes, Pyelonephritis , Avascular Necrosis of the hip , Hepatic encephalopathy & Cancer etc. The event was graced by the sponsor, Dr.K. S. Gupta, Dr Borkers daughter Dr Simran Ashok Borkar ,H.M.A.T Vice

President Dr.Anand Rao Mengji , other governing members, Technical Advisor Dr.C.V. Swamy, Joint secretaries Dr.Ganesh Achari ,Dr N S Raghuram ,Dr Annapurna mantha ,Organising Secretary Dr.K.Chamundeswari , Practitioners, College professors , Postgraduate scholars and homeopathic students from city participated.

BRS leader Nagesh Mudiraj Participated in Ganesh puja and Annadanam Program



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Nagesh Mudiraj BRS state leader, Participated as a Chief Guest of the Sri Vignaraja Vinayaka puja and Anna Prasadam Programs in Ramnagar, Adikmet, Gandhi Nager Divisions of Musheerabad Assembly Constituency. Many Devotees Participated in this Puja and Anna Prasadam Program.



University College of Engineering Celebrates Graduation Day 2025 along with Felicitation to Honble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Kumar Molugaram

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..... The University College of Engineering (UCE), Osmania University, celebrated a landmark Graduation Day today, honouring the academic achievements of the Class of 2025, presented 25 Gold medals, 15 cash awards, 25 Rank certificates and huge gathering of 510 students. The college has awarded Distinguished Alumni Award-2025 to Sri. Srinivasa Rao Kakumanu, CEO & MD, MosChip Technologies Ltd. The profound felicitations to its distinguished alumnus and Honble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Kumar Molugaram overwhelmed the stage.

The event, which served as both a convocation for the graduating class and a tribute to the newly appointed Vice-Chancellor, was a source of immense pride for the entire UCE community. Speakers highlighted Prof. Molugaram's inspiring journey and scholarly contributions, which have culminated in his elevation to the highest academic position at Osmania University. The College has presented a Citation of Honour. In his address as Chief Guest, Prof. Kumar Molugaram urged graduates to uphold the values of innovation and integrity. He spoke of the rich legacy of the university and his vision for its future. He motivated students to solve the unsolved problems in the societal needs. He also added hard work along with smart work and network will lead to reach your goals. He advised to practice Art of Living to lead good life. He announced that Sri Gopala TK



Krishna has been appointed as Adjunct Professor of the College. He informed that the newly inaugurated Bhima Hostel will be available to students shortly. He also announced to replace the Ganga Hostel with new one.

The ceremony was graced by a distinguished panel of guests and faculty who were instrumental in the days proceedings. These included:

Sri. Gopal T.K. Krishna, Founder and President, Krishna Engineering Consultants, USA (Guest of Honour) He congratulated all the outgoing students, the rank holders and the gold medallists. He advised the students to remember the teachers who thought them, parents and love towards the Alma matter.

Sri. Srinivasa Rao Kakumanu, CEO & MD, MosChip Technologies Ltd. (Distinguished Alumnus). He congratulat-

ed all the outgoing students, the rank holders and the gold medallists. He addressed the gathering that he is very happy to be invited for the Graduation Day 2025 by University College of Engineering, OU. He was heartening to see the efforts being put in by Vice Chancellor Prof. Kumar Molugaram, the college principal Prof. P. Chandra Sekhar and his team for the development of the college. He was very humbled to be bestowed upon Distinguished Alumnus Award and he thanked the principal, faculty and the selection committee for their kind recognition. From MosChip, the company he is leading and have been supporting the infrastructure development initiatives through our CSR initiative. He announced the cash award of 15000/- each to the toppers of the all eight departments. He wished the college

and the current batches of engineering all the best Initially, Prof. P. Chandra Sekhar, Principal, UCE(A), OU welcomed the dignitaries and briefed the developments of the College. Prof. L. Siva Rama Krishna, Director of Evaluation, Exam Cell, UCE(A), OU has outlined about the Graduation Day 2025. Sr. Prof. A. Krishnaiah, Dean, FoE & Director, CDAAC, UCE(A), OU congratulated the outgoing students and announced all Gold medal winners. Prof. B. Mangu, Vice Principal, UCE(A), OU has announced Cash awards. Dr. P. Lokender Reddy, Jt. Director, Examination Cell, UCE(A), OU has introduced the Guests. Dr. G. Shrivanya, Jt. Director, Examination Cell, UCE(A), OU proposed Vote of Thanks, solidifying a day that will be remembered as a significant milestone in the history of the college.



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हमें सिखाती है।

ज़िंदगी हर कदम एक नई जंग है, जहां हार और जीत की बातें हैं। हर पल एक नई चुनौती है, जहां साहस और हौसले की ज़रूरत है।

ज़िंदगी की राह में कई उतार-चढ़ाव हैं, जहां खुशियों और ग़मों की बातें हैं।

हर कदम पर एक नई परीक्षा है, जहां धैर्य और संयम की ज़रूरत है।

ज़िंदगी एक सफ़र है अनजाने रास्तों पर, जहां हर कदम पर एक नई मंज़िल है। हर पल एक नई शुरुआत है, जहां नए अवसर और नई चुनौतियाँ हैं।

ज़िंदगी की जंग में हार नहीं माननी है, बल्कि हर कदम पर जीत की बात करनी है।



ज़िंदगी को जीना है पूरे हौसले से, और हर पल को बनाना है एक नई शुरुआत।

जीवन ही चुनौती है, एक सच्चाई की राह, हर कदम पर संघर्ष है, पर हिम्मत नहीं हार। जीवन की चुनौतियों का, सामना करना होगा, जीतने के लिए खुद को, तैयार करना होगा।

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I am alone but I have Everything here
The sea ,water,sand
Waves,the breezing
Sounds around me
Make me happy

I can be alive until the sun
And the moon shines
I can enjoy by seeing the
Beauty of the nature
Watching the daffodils
Fish in the water,
I can get rebirth like
A Phoenix

I can enjoy the calm
And cool weather
Here it is the better
Than the worst weather
Of the outside due to
The heavy polluted
Carbon monoxide



Dirty drainage

Here there is stress
No noise, no shoutings
No tensions, no fear
It is best place for living

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**अन्या हो, अत्याचार हो या फिर
भ्रष्टाचार हो इन सभी घृणित, धर्म
निषिद्ध कार्यों के माध्यम से जो भी
व्यक्ती समाज में अराजकता फैलाता है वह
हत्या से भी बुरे पाप को अंजाम देता है।
.. (शकील उवाचा -४६१)**

हमारा केवल धार्मिक कहने से कुछ बदलता नहीं है जब तक हमारा आचरण धर्मदेशों के अनुसार नहीं होता। अगर कोई खुद को मुस्लिम भी कहे और अन्याय, अत्याचार का सहारा भी ले वह कभी मोमिन (सच्चा धार्मिक) नहीं हो सकता। पैगंबर साहब मोहम्मद (स्व.) के बाद उनके पहिले उत्तराधिकारी इमाम अली इब्न अबू तालिब अलैहिस्सलाम ने जिन से जंग किए है वह सभी खुद को मुसलमान कहने वाले मुनाफ़िक (ढोंगी, पाखंडी) लोग ही थे। यह सभी मुनाफ़िक (ढोंगी, पाखंडी) लोगों ने न्याय, धर्म और सत्य के नाम पर अन्याय, अधर्म और असत्य को समाज में फैला रहे थे।

एक बात को हम कभी नहीं भूलना चाहिए के धर्म कभी जुल्म और जालिम (अत्याचार एवं अत्याचारी) के पक्ष में नहीं था, अब भी नहीं है और कभी भी नहीं रहेगा। जहां भी प्रेम, करुणा और न्याय जैसे मानवीय मूल्यों का ह्रास होता हो। जहां भी ईर्ष्या, घृणा और नफरत का पाठ पढ़ाया जाता हो। जहां भी मानव मानव के बीच जाती, नस्ल, लिंग, रंग के आधार पर भेदभाव करने की शिक्षा नज़र आती हो। और जहां भी भाषा, प्रांत या किसी भौगोलिक विविधता के आधार पर अन्यायपूर्ण असमानता कि शिक्षा नज़र आती हो वहां सत्य, न्याय और धर्म की भाषा भ्रामिक ही होगी।

हम सभी मुसलमानों को एक नज़र से देखते हैं जब के पवित्र कुरआन ने मुसलमानों को दो भागों में विभाजित किया है। मुसलमानों में जो धर्मदेशानुसार जीवन बिताने वाले को मोमिन (सच्चा धार्मिक) कहा गया है तो, खुद को मुसलमान कहते हुए धर्म विरोधी कर्म करने वाले को मुनाफ़िक (पाखंडी) कहा गया है। पवित्र कुरआन में 23 व अध्याय सुराह मोमिनून के नाम से और पवित्र कुरआन में 63 व अध्याय सुराह मुनाफ़ेकून के नाम से मौजूद है। जिसमें दोनों के बारे में विस्तृत चर्चा मिलती है।

सच्चा धर्म या सच्चा पंथ कोई भी हो अगर जुल्म और ना इसाफ (अन्याय और अत्याचार) की तालीम (शिक्षा) देता हो तो वह कभी सच्चा नहीं हो सकता। "पूरी दुनिया की हुकूमत के बदले में एक चूंटी के मुंह से अनाज का छिलका छीनने के लिए कहे तो यह काम मैं कभी नहीं कर सकता हूँ" ऐसा कहने वाले इमाम अली अलैहिस्सलाम के अनुसार अन्याय अत्याचार गुनाह (कबीरा (सबसे बड़े पाप) में आता है। न्याय में राजनीतिक हितों से ऊपर नैतिक सत्य को प्राथमिकता देना, दूसरों के साथ सम्मानजनक व्यवहार करना, और विरोधियों के साथ भी गरिमा के साथ पेश आना शामिल है।

अन्याय हो, अत्याचार हो या फिर भ्रष्टाचार हो इन सभी घृणित, धर्म निषिद्ध कार्यों के माध्यम से जो भी व्यक्ती समाज में फितना (अराजकता) फैलाता है वह दर अस्ल हत्या से भी बदतर गुनाह (बुरे पाप) को अंजाम देता है।

क्योंकि हत्या एक व्यक्ती को ज़रूर (नुक़सान) पहुंचा सकती है लेकिन अन्याय, अत्याचार और भ्रष्टाचार जैसे बुराइयों से पूरा समाज, देश और दुनिया को ज़रूर (हानी) पहुंचता है। इसीलिए पवित्र कुरआन अध्याय क्रमांक 02, सुराह अल बक्रा, आयत क्रमांक 217 में स्पष्ट रूप से कहा गया है के फितना (अराजकता) क़त्ल से बड़ा अपराध है।

आदमी समाज में अपने स्वार्थ के लिए अन्याय, अत्याचार और भ्रष्टाचार को आधार बनाकर फितना (उपद्रव) फैलाने की को. शिश करता है तो समाज में न्यायिक, धार्मिक, आत्मिक, नैतिक, सामाजिक, शैक्षणिक, साहित्यिक मूल्यों पर इसका गहरा प्रभाव पड़ता है। और अन्याय, अत्याचार, हिंसा और भ्रष्टाचार जैसे बुराइयां पनपने लगते हैं जिन्हें धर्म ने कभी पसंद नहीं किया। जीने और दूसरों को जीने दो का सूत्र को हर व्यक्ती अपने जीवन का भाग बना लेना चाहिए।

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



WALT AIR DIVISION MARKS NATIONAL SPORTS DAY WITH THREE-DAY FIT INDIA MISSION



Indian Railways, inspired by the qualities of speed, endurance, and teamwork, proudly observes every milestone in its pursuit of excellence on National Sports Day. This years celebration embraces the theme Sport to Promote Peaceful Societies shining a spotlight on unity, inclusivity, and the vital role of sports in bringing communities together. Waltair Division has been a vibrant part of this three-day nationwide event (August 29-31), integrating activities from the Fit India Mission that advocate for at least one hour of daily physical exercise. Sports

competitions were held by the East Coast Railway Sports Association, Waltair (ECORSA-Waltair), followed by the felicitation of outstanding athletes and spouses of Railway employees who have attained national and international recognition, led by Smt Jyotsna Bohra, President of ECOR Womens Welfare Organisation, Waltair. Today, a dynamic cycle rally was organized by the Division, led by DRM Shri Lalit Bohra and joined by Sports Officer Shri K Harnath, ADRM (Op) Shri Manoj Kumar Sahoo, along with many officers and sports enthusiasts.



Their enthusiastic participation stands as a testament to the divisions dedication to health, wellness, and sportsmanship within the railway community. On this meaningful occasion, Waltair Division sends warm wishes to everyone, honouring the values of excellence, teamwork, and motivation that continuously drive progress within the organization. The success and spirited participation in National Sports Day celebrations strengthen bonds among employees and the public, underscoring the transformative effect of sports on society.

Illegal Construction in Vepagunta: GVMC Turns a Blind Eye - Government Revenue at Stake



* Builder Constructs Unauthorized Shopping Complex Right in Front of Zonal Office
* Town Planning Officials Remain Indifferent
* Reliable Sources Claim Large Sums Exchanged as Kickbacks

Visakhapatnam, September 1 - Despite illegal construction of commercial shops going on for the past three months right in front of the

GVMC Zone 8 office in Vepagunta, the Town Planning officials have shockingly remained indifferent. This inaction has led to growing criticism and suspicion among locals. The builder has been openly constructing these shops without any approved plan or payment of government fees, right across from the Town Planning office. Yet, no action has been taken so far by the

concerned authorities. Credible sources suggest that large bribes might have been received behind the scenes. Locals are urging the GVMC Commissioner to take immediate action against this illegal construction and have it removed without delay. They are also demanding that vigilance and ACB (Anti-Corruption Bureau) focus their attention on the Town Planning officials involved.

Deeply honoured and humbled, says Azharuddin on MLC nomination

Deeply honoured and humbled, says Azharuddin on MLC nomination Highlights Hyderabad: Former captain of the Indian cricket team Mohammed Azharuddin said on Sunday that he is 'deeply honoured and humbled' by the Telangana... Hyderabad: Former captain of the Indian cricket team Mohammed Azharuddin said on Sunday that he is 'deeply honoured and humbled' by the Telangana Cabinet's decision to nominate him as Member of Legislative Council (MLC) under the Governor's quota. The former MP took to 'X' to thank All India Congress Committee (AICC) President Mallikarjun Kharge, top Congress leaders Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and K.C. Venugopal for their 'trust and blessings'. Azharuddin said he was also grateful to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president Mahesh Kumar Goud and AICC in-charge for Telangana Meenakshi Natrajan for their guidance and support. "I remain committed to serving our state with integrity and dedication," he said. The Telangana Cabinet on Saturday decided to nominate M. Kodandaram as MLC under the Governor's quota. The Cabinet meeting, presided over by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy decided to recommend their names to Governor Jishnu Dev Varma for nomination as MLCs. The move came two weeks after the Supreme Court stayed the appointment of Kodandaram and Amer Ali Khan as MLCs under the Governor's quota. Both Kodandaram and Amer Ali Khan were sworn in as MLCs about a year ago. The decision to nominate Azharuddin came as a surprise as the ruling Congress party was likely to field him as its candidate upcoming by-election to the Jubilee Hills Assembly constituency. The state cabinet, which met here on Saturday, decided to nominate him in place of Amer Ali Khan. The by-election to the Jubilee Hills seat is necessitated by the death of sitting MLA Maganti Gopinath of the Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS). Gopinath, who had defeated his nearest rival, Azharuddin, by over 16,000 votes in 2023, died of cardiac arrest on June 8. Azharuddin, who is the Working President of the state Congress, had stated that he would contest the by-election. However, State Congress president Mahesh Kumar Goud had said that the party had not finalised the candidate. Azharuddin was elected to the Lok Sabha from Moradabad constituency in Uttar Pradesh in 2009, a few months after he joined the Congress party.

Rahul Dravid steps down as Rajasthan Royals' head coach ahead of IPL 2026

New Delhi: Rajasthan Royals (RR) on Saturday announced that head coach Rahul Dravid has stepped down from his role with the franchise ahead of IPL 2026 season. In September last year, Dravid was formally announced as RR's new head coach on a multi-year contract, after ending his three-year stint with the Indian team with the 2024 Men's T20 World Cup triumph. In its statement, RR said that as part of a recent structural review, the franchise had offered Dravid a broader role, but the former India captain and head coach has opted not to take up the position. "Rahul has been central to the Royals' journey over many years. His leadership has influenced a generation of players, built strong values within the squad, and left an indelible mark on the culture of the franchise. The Rajasthan Royals, its players, and millions of fans worldwide extend heartfelt thanks to Rahul for his remarkable service to the franchise," the franchise said in its statement. Dravid had captained RR in IPL 2012 and 2013, before being their team mentor in 2014 and 2015 seasons. His return to the RR set-up ahead of IPL 2025 had raised expectations for the franchise to win their second IPL title after winning the inaugural edition of the tournament in 2008. But RR finished at a disappointing ninth spot with just four wins in 14 league stage matches. Regular skipper Sanju Samson played only nine matches due to a side strain, with Riyan Parag being the stand-in captain when the wicketkeeper-batter was unavailable. Now, as things stand, Dravid's return to the RR set-up lasted less than a year, as the franchise aims to build for the 2026 IPL. IANS understands that Dravid's exit from RR comes on the back of murmurs of differences and unrest in the set-up during the IPL 2025. It would be interesting to see what Dravid's next move will be in the cricketing ecosystem. From an RR perspective, it remains to be seen if Samson will continue to be in the set-up, especially after multiple reports emerged in July of him expressing a desire to be released into auction or going to another franchise in a trade deal.



Gurmeet Choudhary has a 'cute little' workout partner

Mumbai: Actor Gurmeet Choudhary found a new and adorable workout partner in his toddler daughter Lianna, who joined him during his exercise session on Saturday morning. Gurmeet took to Instagram, where he shared a video of him doing arm workout with Lianna at home and said that the "gym can wait." In the video, the father-daughter duo can be seen lifting some dumbbells and after the workout, Gurmeet claps for Lianna for completing the workout. For the caption, he wrote: "Found my cutest little dumbbell." "Some mornings the gym can wait, because home workouts with Lianna are the best kind of mornings," the actor added and also used the track "All The Way Up" for the background score. The actor is currently seen on the show "Pati Patni Aur Panga" with his wife Debina Bonnerjee. The



show is hosted by Munawar Faruqui and Sonali Bendre. The show airs on Colors TV and features a diverse mix of celebrity couples as contestants. The lineup includes Hina Khan and Rocky Jaiswal, Rubina Dilaik and Abhinav Shukla, Avika Gor and Milind Chandwani, and Sudesh Lehri and Mamta Lehri, Geeta Phogat and Pawan Kumar, along with Swara Bhasker and Fahad

and his wife joined the reality show Pati Patni Aur Woh. After this show, he played the role of a business magnate Maan Singh Khurana in Geet - Hui Sabse Parayi alongside Drashti Dhami. He also played a lead role in the show Punar Vivah. Gurmeet participated in and won the fifth season of the popular dance contest Jhalak Dikhhla Jaa with choreographer Shampa Sonthalia. He was then seen in the dance contest Nach Baliye 6 alongside his Debina, in which he finished as the first runner up. He also participated in an action reality show Fear Factor: Khatron Ke Khiladi (season 5) where he was named the first runner-up. Gurmeet's first foray into Bollywood was in 2015 when he was cast as the character of Jaidev in the psychological thriller Khamoshiyan.

War 2 Box Office Collection Day 15: 231.25 Cr India Net, 352.75 Cr Worldwide Total

War 2 had a slow start in the first 14 days, earning about ₹229.75 crore in India. It made most of its money in the first weekend but then dropped a lot after day 5. Day 15 Collection and Occupancy On day 15, War 2 earned ₹1.5 crore in India. Hindi shows had about 7% seats filled, while Telugu shows had a higher 13% occupancy, with Hyderabad having the most viewers. Regional Performance Highlights The movie did best in cities like Mumbai, Bengaluru, Chennai, and Hyderabad. Telugu-speaking areas had more viewers than Hindi-speaking ones.



Vishnu Vishal's crime thriller Aaryan to hit screens on October 31

Chennai: The makers of director Praveen K's crime thriller Aaryan, featuring actor and producer Vishnu Vishal in the lead, on Friday announced that the film would hit screens on October 31 this year. Taking to his Instagram timeline, Vishnu Vishal wrote, "They say time tests you. 34 months tested me. This October, I return with my strength, my core, my cinema. I'm back as a solo lead. See you in theatres on October 31st." It may be recalled that the actor had announced in February this year that they had wrapped up shooting. Vishnu Vishal had then said, "I just have one promise to make today. #Aaryan will be a unique viewing experience to all the audiences... Shoot wrapped!" Vishnu Vishal has always been betting big on the

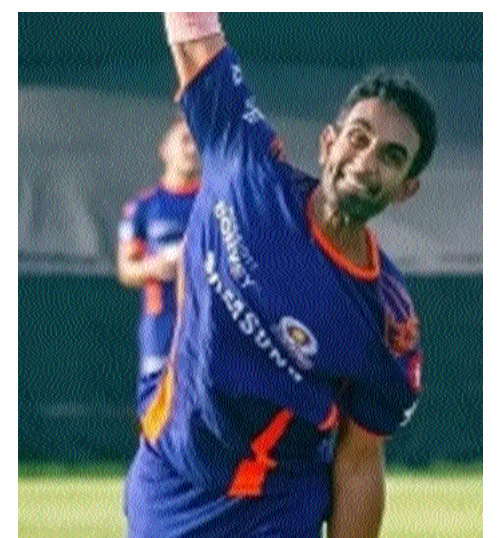


crime thriller Aaryan, in which he plays a cop again. Vishnu Vishal was last seen as a cop in Ratsasan, which went on to emerge a superhit. The film, which is being produced by the actor's own production house, Vishnu Vishal Studioz, went on floors with a pooja in September, 2022. Ace director Selvaraghavan plays a pivotal role in this film, which will feature actresses Shraddha Srinath and Vani Bhojan as

the female leads. At the time of the film going on floors, Vishnu Vishal had given out the reason as to why he considered this film special. He had then said, "My son now has my film in his name. This is going to be an unforgettable title for me." Written and directed by Praveen K, the film will also feature Tarak Ponnappa, Abhishek Joseph George and Mala Parvathi among others. Cinematography for the film is by Harish Kannan and music for the crime thriller has been scored by Sam CS. San Lokesh has been appointed editor of the film, which will have stunts by Stunt Silva. Interestingly, Aaryan has been co-written by director Manu Anand, who directed Vishnu Vishal's previous film, FIR.

Touted as sensitive cinema, 'Bilichukki Hallihakki' to release on October 24

Amidst the wave of commercial entertainers, a section of the Kannada audience continues to seek films that offer something different. One such project is Bilichukki Hallihakki, directed, produced, and headlined by Mahira fame Mahesh Gowda. The film, which had already caught attention through its posters and early promotions, has now officially announced its release date: October 24, across Karnataka. According to the makers, the film explores a subject rarely touched upon in Indian cinema — vitiligo (locally known as tonnu), a skin condition that affects many people in society. While medically it is seen as a skin disorder, socially it carries layers of stigma and strange beliefs. Bilichukki Hallihakki delves into the psychological struggles of those living with the condition, presenting a story that promises depth and sensitivity. Mahesh Gowda, who earlier directed the acclaimed film Mahira, has taken on multiple responsibilities for this project under the Honnudi Productions banner. Interestingly, Gowda himself, who has vitiligo in real life, plays the lead role, adding authenticity and personal resonance to the narrative. The film features theatre talent Kajal Kundar in the role of Kavitha, while award-winning actors such as Veena Sundar, Jahangir, and Ravi Bhatt appear in significant supporting roles. The makers assure that despite its unique subject, the film has been crafted in a commercial format with engaging elements of entertainment. With its intriguing theme and strong ensemble, Bilichukki Hallihakki is shaping up as a film that blends social relevance with cinematic appeal. More updates on the film are expected to follow as the release date approaches.



Jayant Yadav moves to Puducherry from Haryana for 2025/26 domestic season

New Delhi: India off-spinner Jayant Yadav has moved to Puducherry for the upcoming 2025/26 domestic season after being granted a No-Objection Certificate (NOC) by his home state Haryana. The Haryana team think-tank has preferred spin allrounders Nishant Sindhu and Rahul Tewatia over him. Jayant had been with the Haryana team since making his first-class debut in 2011-12. His last outing for Haryana came in the 2024/25 Ranji Trophy, where he took 28 wickets in eight matches. In the quarter-final against Mumbai in February, which Haryana lost by 152 runs,

Jayant claimed three wickets and made 40 runs across two innings. Over a career spanning more than a decade, Jayant has bagged 265 wickets in 90 first-class matches and scored 2924 runs, including hitting three centuries and 14 fifties. His highest first-class score of 211 came against Karnataka in the 2012/13 season, when he stitched a record 392-run eighth-wicket stand with leg-spinner

Amit Mishra. At Puducherry, Jayant will join as one of three professionals alongside Madhya Pradesh all-rounder Puneet Dadey and Mumbai wicketkeeper Siddhant Adhatrao. It is also understood that Jayant has been signed as a late replacement by Puducherry for Mumbai batter Armaan Jaffer, nephew of former India opener Wasim Jaffer. Jayant last featured in Tests for India against Sri Lanka

in Mohali in February 2022, and has played six Tests (with his returns being 16 wickets and 248 runs) and two ODIs for the country since 2016. In the IPL, where he has picked eight wickets in 20 appearances, Jayant has been a member of the Gujarat Titans after having previous playing stints with Delhi Daredevils (now Delhi Capitals) and Mumbai Indians respectively. He's also had county champi-

onship stints with Warwickshire and Middlesex respectively.