



Fire breaks out at a factory in Prakasam District



A significant fire broke out today at the tobacco factory in Singarayakonda mandal, Prakasam district, engulfing the surrounding areas in thick smoke. Local residents, alarmed by the smoke emanating from the factory in the early hours, promptly alerted the police and fire brigade. Fire brigade personnel arrived swiftly on the scene and are currently working to control the rapidly spreading blaze. The recent tobacco harvest has left a substantial stockpile within the factory, complicating the firefighting efforts. Initial reports suggest that the fire may have been sparked by a short circuit, and estimates indicate that damages could amount to approximately hundreds of crores. The full extent of the destruction is still being assessed as firefighters continue their battle against the flames. Further details regarding this alarming incident are awaited.

AP Cabinet to meet to approve major decisions

The Cabinet meeting in Andhra Pradesh today, chaired by Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, is set to greenlight significant investments totalling ₹1,14,824 crore, marking the largest foreign direct investment to date in the state. Among the key approvals is the establishment of Raiden Infotech Data Center in Visakhapatnam, with an investment of ₹87,520 crore expected to create job opportunities for 67,218 individuals. Additionally, the Cabinet is poised to approve ₹14,824 crore in further investments, which includes allocating 25 per cent of the funds to the Capital

Region Development Authority (CRDA) for constructing underground drainage systems in Mangalagiri and Tadepalli Municipal Corporations. The construction of the Governor's residence, Raj Bhavan, in Amaravati, at a cost of ₹212 crore, is also on the agenda. This project is part of the broader Amaravati Government Complex development along the banks of the Krishna River. The Cabinet is set to approve the construction of four new convention centres in the capital area, alongside necessary amendments to zoning regulations to ensure the development of green-certified buildings.



Additionally, the Cabinet is likely to endorse the CRDA as the executive agency responsible for the Amaravati Quantum Computing Center. Other discussions will include waiving building permission fees for the Happy Nest and AP NRT projects

and constructing a new pumping station with a capacity of 8,400 cusecs near Kondaveedu Vagu. The Cabinet is also expected to address the dearness allowance (DA) for employees and approve land allocations for various organisations.

Real Estate – Driving Telangana's Growth: Minister Jupally Krishna Rao

Hyderabad: The real estate sector is the driving force behind Telangana's economic development, said Minister for Tourism, Culture, and Archaeology, Jupally Krishna Rao. Along with Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, inaugurated the 15th NAREDCO Telangana Property Show at HITEX, Hyderabad. The Minister stated that real estate continues to grow at a steady double-digit rate, providing employment to over 300 allied sectors—from construction workers and architects to material suppliers and financial institutions. 'This sector keeps Telangana's growth wheel moving forward,' he said.

Under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, progressive policies and world-



class infrastructure have positioned Hyderabad at the forefront of India's economic landscape. Jupally Krishna Rao emphasized that key sectors such as IT, Pharma, Aerospace, Electric Vehicles, and Artificial

Intelligence rely on the real estate sector for expansion and infrastructure.

The government's ambitious Regional Ring Road (RRR) project will connect over 30 cities and towns, creating new real

estate growth corridors. He also cited the greenfield road to Machilipatnam Port, along with transparent mechanisms like TS-iPASS and RERA, which have made Telangana one of India's most attractive investment destinations. Recent land auctions in Hyderabad and ₹15,000 crore worth of tourism investments reflect investor confidence in Telangana's robust economy. The synergy between real estate and tourism is fueling further growth, he said. Inviting NAREDCO to collaborate in shaping the Telangana Tourism Policy 2025–2030, the Minister encouraged the development of integrated townships, resorts, convention centers, and heritage hotels. 'Let us build not just homes and offices, but destina-

tions that showcase Telangana's magnificence to the world,' he said. NAREDCO Telangana President Vijaya Sai Meka, developers, investors, and industry leaders attended the event. The Minister concluded by reaffirming the government's commitment to building a progressive and aspirational Telangana. Attendees: MLC Bhanu Prasad, NAREDCO President Vijaya Sai Meka, General Secretary Sridhar Reddy, Kiran, NAREDCO National Vice President P.S. Reddy, M. Venkayya Choudhary, P. Ravi Reddy, Swaminathan, Kaliprasad, Venkatesh, Haribabu, Dasharath Reddy, Kiran, other builders, promoters, and dignitaries.

Donald Trump Fails To Secure 2025 Nobel Peace Prize Despite Claims Of 'Stopping Eight Wars'

US President Donald Trump did not win the 2025 Nobel Peace Prize, despite his repeated assertions that he prevented eight wars. The award instead went to Venezuelan opposition leader and democracy advocate Maria Corina Machado. Since his return to office in January, Trump has openly sought recognition from the Nobel Committee, boasting about ending multiple conflicts, including brokering a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas to end the Gaza war and easing tensions between India and Pakistan—though New Delhi denied such claims. However, experts familiar



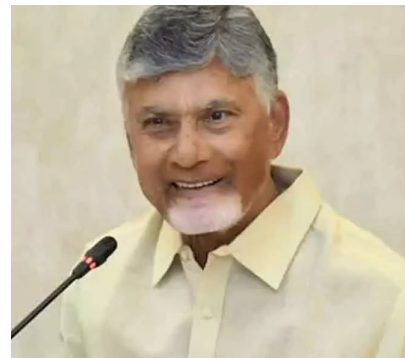
with the Nobel selection process stated that Trump's peace initiatives were seen as short-lived and lacked evidence of lasting impact. Historian Theo Zenou remarked that

the committee tends to reward consistent, collaborative peacebuilding rather than temporary truces. Zenou also pointed out Trump's stance on climate change, suggesting it con-

flicted with the committee's view of environmental stability as essential to global peace. He emphasized that previous laureates were known for fostering reconciliation and global cooperation—qualities not typically linked with Trump. Additionally, both Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Pakistan's government submitted nominations endorsing Trump after the February 1 deadline, rendering them invalid. While Trump continues to campaign for recognition, experts believe the Nobel Committee's focus on enduring global harmony may keep his ambitions unfulfilled for now.

Visakhapatnam Emerges as an IT Hub, says CM Chandrababu

In a recent cabinet meeting, Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu declared that Visakhapatnam is evolving into an IT hub reminiscent of Mumbai, following the arrival of major corporations such as Google and TCS. Emphasising the significance of investment, the CM urged ministers to take ownership of the approval process for new investments and to facilitate the swift establishment of these companies. He instructed the relevant ministers to coordinate the approval of companies discussed during the meeting. Chandrababu also expressed his desire for the public to recognise the benefits stemming from the government's efforts to attract investment to the state. Following the discussion of the agenda items, he engaged the ministers on a range of important issues.



Inauguration of CCTV cameras in Himayat Nagar Division



Hyderabad October:10 (Metro udayam)

Today, 16 CCTV cameras were installed at Melukote Park in Himayat Nagar Division and inaugurated by Sultan Bazaar Division ACP M Mattaiah and Narayanguda Inspector Sai Siddeshwara. Walker Association members G Raman Goud, DI D.Giri Bhushan Rao, Narasimha Reddy, Satyam Goud, Priya Raj Jaiswal, Vinod Goud, Ashok Power, Lakshman Rao Vanjari, Srinivas Goud, Vinod, Zaki, Jaiswal and others participated in this program. Speaking on the occasion, ACB said that everyone needs CCTV cameras. He asked everyone to set up centers not only here but also in the bastis and colonies.

Bathukamma celebrations across America showcase Indian culture and traditions



Hyderabad, October:10, Metroudayam

It is a matter of great pride to celebrate our festivals by showcasing Indian culture and traditions, said The Telangana American Telugu Association (TTA) founders Pylla Mallareddy, AC Chair Dr. Vijay Pal Reddy, and TTA President Naveen Reddy Mallipeddi. Mega Bathukamma celebrations in 15 states across America under the auspices of TTA concluded on Friday. These celebrations were held in New York, Indianapolis, Charlotte, New Jersey, Atlanta, Seattle, Dallas, Arizona, Tampa, Boston, Philip Delphi, Alabama, Miami, and Portland. The Telugu people living in these states played Bathukamma with great enthusiasm and established the uniqueness of Telugu festivals. This reflected the determination to preserve Telangana culture. Also, the newly formed Ala Bhama Chapter, which was recently started, and the Miami Chapter, which participated in the celebrations this time, was very special. TTA expressed special gratitude to the invaluable efforts of Executive Director National Bathukamma Advisor Kavita Reddy and General Secretary Shiva Reddy Kolla, a womens leadership group that is taking Telangana traditions forward.

Thunderstorms Expected in Telangana as Trough Influences Weather Patterns

The Hyderabad Meteorological Centre has forecasted thunderstorms, lightning, and gusty winds of 30 to 40 km/h across several districts in Telangana, including Bhadradi Kothagudem, Khammam, Suryapet, and Mahabubabad. This weather is anticipated due to a trough extending from South Odisha to the coastal Andhra coast, Rayalaseema, Tamil Nadu, and the Komarin region, positioned at a height of 0.9 km above mean sea level.

BRS party, which has been limited to stone slabs in the last ten years of rule...

- Another step towards infrastructure development in Boduppal!
- 60 feet road widening work inaugurated with Rs 10 crore funds
- People thanked Minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu and Constituency Incharge Thotakura Vajresh

Medipally October 10 (Metro udayam) :

Former Mayor Thotakura Ajay Yadav criticized that the BRS rule in Boduppal for the last ten years was limited to stone slabs, and that former Minister Mallareddy came and did not do a single penny of work except to chop coconuts every day. Former Mayor Thotakura Ajay Yadav inaugurated the 60 feet road widening project from the 3rd Division Sai Residency to



the 28th Division Bangaru Maisamma Temple under the Boduppal Municipal Corporation in Medchal constituency on Friday

with a fund of Rs 10 crore. This project will be implemented by HMDA with a fund of Rs 10 crore. Speaking to the media on

this occasion, Ajay Yadav said that the public government is making special efforts to maintain the trust of the people. He said that the district in-charge minister Duddilla Sridhar Babu and Medchal constituency in-charge Thotakura Vajresh Yadav have provided their full support for the development of Boduppal Corporation. People expressed joy as the road expansion work, which had been pending for many days, finally started. Medchal B Block General Secretary Kotha Kishore Goud, former corporators Kotha Chander Goud, Suman Nayak, Chirala Narasimha, Ramulu, Pulakandla Jangareddy, former co-option member Ranga Brahmanna Goud, Kurri Sivashankar and others participated in this program.

Congratulations to Sanvi Latta for qualifying for the main draw with an excellent game:

Venu Muppala Hyderabad, October: 10, Metroudayam

Karnataka State Badminton Association organized the Under-13 All India Sub-Junior Ranking Badminton Tournament 2025 from 7th to 12th October in Bangalore, Karnataka State. Manikonda Match Point Badminton Academy player Sanvi Latta paired with Uttarakhand state player Anya Pundir and qualified for the main draw in the All India U13 Girls Doubles category with an excellent game. In the last round, Andhra Pradesh state players won against Varshita Moogi and Samanvita Carroll in

straight sets with a score of 15/11, 15/12 and qualified for the main draw. In the first round of singles, Sanvi Lattala defeated Telangana player Ayushi with a score of 15/10,15/13, and in the second round, Karnataka player Samaira Mishra with a score of 15/06,15/07 in straight sets. In the final round, she narrowly missed out on qualifying for the main draw in singles by defeating Tamil Nadu state player Mithra Kirubakaran with a score of 12/15,13/15. At a young age, i.e. 10 years old, Sanvi Lattala created a record by qualifying for the main draw in the Under-13 All India



Ranking Tournament Girls Doubles. On this occasion, Match Point Chairman and Head Coach Venu Muppala blessed Sanvi Lattala and wished her many more successes in the future.

DRM HOLDS AMRIT SAMVAAD WITH CIVIL ENGINEERING CUSTOMERS



Divisional Railway Manager, Shri Lalit Bohra, conducted an Amrit Samvaad with Civil Engineering Customers, engineers, and contractors at the DRMs Conference Hall, Waltair Division. The interactive session aimed to strengthen engagement and collaboration between the Railways and key stakeholders involved in infrastructure and maintenance works across the division. The discussions focused around

infrastructure development projects, ongoing maintenance works, Amrit Bharat Station Scheme works, and safety-related measures. DRM Shri Lalit Bohra held an open dialogue with the participants to assess the progress of ongoing works, understand ground-level issues, and reinforce the importance of adopting best practices in project execution. Senior Divisional Engineer (Coordination) Shri A.K. Moharana also participated in the meeting and shared insights on various projects underway in the divi-

sion.

Shri Bohra emphasized the significance of maintaining high standards of quality control in all construction activities. He highlighted that adherence to safety norms and quality parameters is essential for sustainable and safe railway operations. The DRM urged all contractors and civil work partners to uphold the values of accountability, transparency, and timely completion of projects aligned with the Amrit Bharat vision.

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The Quiet Strength of Love

There comes a hush
a stillness between
breaths
where we remember
Why are we here?
Not to dazzle,
not to prove,
but to become
to let love take form
through these fragile
hands of clay.

We were not sent to out-
shine others,
but to outlove them
to rise, not higher,
but deeper
into the quiet pulse
where divinity meets
dust.

Our hearts are not cho-
sen for their perfection,
but for their willingness
to stay open
even when trembling.
And that willingness
that fragile yes
is how the sacred enters
the World.

True greatness does not
arrive
with noise or crowns.
It walks barefoot,
through grief,
through forgiveness,
through the long cor-
ridors of waiting.
It kneels beside pain,
and calls it brother.
It gathers the shattered
pieces of kindness
and builds altars out of
them.

We look at our hands —
empty.
But emptiness is holy
ground.
It is where the Infinite
finds room to breathe.
We fall and think
we've failed
yet every fall is a bow,
every bow, a prayer.

The Stars we chase
were born from dark-
ness.
And when we forgive,
when we listen,
when we choose com-
passion
over comfort
we begin to shine
like them
softly, faithfully,

without asking for a wit-
ness.

We serve not because
we are full,
but because we remem-
ber thirst.
We pour from our
cracks,
and find the cracks glow.
Love multiplies
in the giving.

The truest power bends.
It is the quiet strength
of one Soul lifting ano-
ther.

The unseen radiance
that holds the World
together
is made of such small
gestures
a glance that under-
stands,
a hand that stays,
a word that forgives.

So let us rise — gently.
Shine — humbly.
Walk — slowly,
as though carrying the
dawn in our palms.

Let our words fall like
prayer,
our silences become
sanctuaries.
Let our lives remind the
weary
that kindness still
breathes
in human form.

For we were never too
late,
never too broken,
never too small.
We were simply being
shaped
by the patient hands of
love

to become vessels of
light,
each of us learning,
again and again,
that to kneel
is to ascend.

Smt. Latha Murthy
Maddali



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इस दुनिया में दो
ऐसे ख्वाहिशमंद
(इच्छुक) हैं जो कभी
सेर (संतुष्ट) नहीं
होते, एक तालिबे
इल्म (विद्यार्थी) है
जिसकी कभी इल्म
(ज्ञान) की प्यास
नहीं बुझती। और
दूसरे तालाबगारे
दुनिया (दुनिया का
इच्छुक)। ... (शकील
उवाचा -४९८)

ख्वाहिशों का
तालुक (इच्छाओं का संबंध) दिल
(हृदय) से होता है। और दिल जिक्रे
खुदा (हृदय ईश्वर के नमस्करण) के
व्यातिरिक्त और किसी चीज से भर
ही नहीं सकता। खासकर भौतिक
दुनिया में वह बात है ही नहीं जो
दिल को संतुष्ट कर सके। दिल एक
ऐसा कशकाल (भिक्षापात्र) है जिसमें
तमाम दुनिया को लाकर डाल दिया
जाए तो भी वह खाली का खाली ही
रह जाता है। इस दिल को समझ
कर ही हम दिल से परे हो सकते
हैं।

जैसे दौलत की
ख्वाहिश (धन की इच्छा) है वैसे ही
इल्म की भी ख्वाहिश (ज्ञान की भी
कामना) होती है। दौलत की
ख्वाहिश आदमी को दुःख देती है।
लेकिन इल्म की ख्वाहिश आदमी को
सुकून पहुंचाती है। इस दुनिया में दो
तरह के लोग कभी सेर (संतुष्ट) नहीं
होते। उसमें से एक तालिबे इल्म
(विद्यार्थी, ज्ञान का इच्छुक) है,
जिसकी कभी इल्म (ज्ञान) की प्यास
नहीं बुझती। और दूसरा तालिबे
दुनिया (दुनिया का इच्छुक) है,
जिसकी लालच कितनी भी दुनिया
मिले लेकिन कभी भी कम नहीं होती
और खत्म नहीं होती।

पैगंबर साहब
मोहम्मद (स्व.) के पहिले उत्तराधिक.
री इमाम अली इब्न अबू तालिब
अलैहिस्सलाम फरमाते हैं के, "दो
ऐसे ख्वाहिशमंद (इच्छुक) हैं जो सेर
(असुदा, संतुष्ट) नहीं होते, एक
तालिबे इल्म (विद्यार्थी) और दूसरे
तालाबगारे दुनिया (दुनिया का
इच्छुक)।" (अब्बास बुक एजेन्सी,
लखनऊ द्वारा प्रकाशित हिंदी पुस्तक
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लालच बहुत बुरी
बीमारी है। यह बीमारी कभी भी
लालची को सुकून से जीने नहीं
देती। लालची की नजर उसको
मिली हुई नेमतों (उपहारों) पर
कभी नहीं रहती बल्के उस के पास
जो कुछ नहीं होता उस पर रहती
है। लालची कभी मुतमईन (संतुष्ट)



नहीं होता। शिकवा शिकायत
उसका मुकद्दर (भाग्य) बन जाता है।
भौतिक दुनिया की लालच में आदमी
को पता ही नहीं चलता के वह कब
दुनिया के पीछे भागते भागते मौत
का निवाला बन गया। यह रही
दुनिया को हासिल करने की इच्छा।
लेकिन ज्ञान प्राप्त
करने की इच्छा बहुत ही शुभ होती
है। यह इच्छा दुनिया की इच्छा की
तरह आदमी को दुःख में नहीं
डालती। बल्के इल्म की ख्वाहिश
(ज्ञान की इच्छा) रखने वाले को
सुकून और तसल्ली बक्शती (शांति
प्रदान करती) है। इसलिए आदमी
को तलाबगारे दुनिया (दुनिया का
इच्छुक) बनकर नहीं बल्के तालिबे
इल्म (विद्यार्थी) बनकर जीना चाहिए।
और हासिल किए हुए इल्म को
अमल में लाने की कोशिश (प्राप्त
ज्ञान को आचरण में लाने का प्रयत्न)
करते रहना चाहिए।

आज दुनिया के
तालाबगार (इच्छुक) लोग अपनी सत्ता
की लालसा में दूसरे देशों पर
आक्रमण करने के बहाने दूढ़ रहे हैं।
दूसरे देश के लोगों पर युद्ध लादकर
उन्हें निस्तोनाबूद (बर्बाद) करने की
कोशिश की जा रही है।
लोगों पर युद्ध लादकर जमीन को
कब्जे में लेने के लिए लाखों बेगुनाहों
को बेरहमी से कत्ल किया जा रहा
है। और दुनिया के सामने आकर
फुकर से कह भी रहे हैं कि हम उन
पीड़ितों तक खाना, पानी पहुंचने नहीं
देेंगे। और उन्हें भूखा, प्यासा तड़पा
तड़पा कर मारेेंगे।

एक तरफ दुनिया
के सामने अपने आपको शांतिदूत
घोषित किए जा रहा है और दूसरी
तरफ जुल्मो सितम (अन्याय,
अत्याचार) से दुनिया पर रौब दबदबा
भी डाला जा रहा है। आप खुद ही
सोचिए के, ऐसे हुक्मरान (शासक)
कितने बड़े और बुरे जालिम
(अत्याचारी) होंगे? और उन जालिम
(अत्याचारी) शासकों की तरफदारी में
जयजयकार करने वाले लोग कैसे
होंगे? इन जालिम हुक्मरानों
(अत्याचारी शासकों) को सही बताने
वाले लोग कैसे होंगे? धर्म, सत्य,
ज्ञान और मानवतावाद को दृष्टी में
रखकर आप खुद ही फैसला करें
क्या ठीक है?

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"The strength of a chain"

Its well said, really
the entire strength
lies in weakest link
of the chain!

Stronger the foundation,
more the building life!
Flow of water counts
depth of a river!

The same applies
in the style of life!
A bit of poison,
Spoils entire milk!

The weakness of
mind,
Replica of character!
Little arrogance
Spoils peace of mind!

Morality is base that
builds the human struc-
ture!
Vices are route cause
to evaluate ones nature!

Thats why a proverb



tells us,
"Tell about your friend,
I will tell what you are

No need to test all dish
A piece can exhibit qual-
ity!

The moral of the poem:
External behaviour
reveal
inner thoughts of a per-
son!

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Vijayawada.

'Rise and Fall': Aditya Narayan & Bali got into another heated argument

Mumbai: During the latest episode of the reality show "Rise and Fall", the Ultimate Ruler Arbaz Patel was asked to choose between two Rulers at a time, deciding who would rise and who would fall to the basement. The first face-off was between Arjun Bijlani and Bali; however, before the decision, workers were allowed to share their opinions. Aditya Narayan remarked, "Bali mere liye ek emotional manchild hai jo apne emotions ko handle nahi kar sakta hai. (Bali is an emotional manchild for me who cannot handle his emotions.)" Bali fired back, saying, "Itni ego kis baat ki hai? Har banda jhoote ki nok par hai, kisi se baat karne ki tameez nahi hai khudko aur dusron ko badtameez bolega. (What's all this ego for? No one here has the manners to talk properly, yet they will call others rude.) Aditya hit back, "Kaun badtameez hai sabne dekh liya hai, ladkiyon ke saath badtameezi, Nayandeep ke saath badtameezi, bahumat mein badtameezi (Everyone has seen who is rude, misbehaving with girls, misbehaving with Nayandeep, misbehaving in general.)" Bali retorted, "Apna mukhota hat gaya hai na, asliyat bahar aa rahi hai. (Your mask is off and your truth is finally out)" To which Aditya replied sharply, "Band kar aur bata kaha badtameezi kari hai! (Shut up and tell me where did I misbehave)" Following all the chaos, Arbaz chose to save Arjun, acknowledging his stronger gameplay, sending Bali to the basement. Next, Arbaz was asked to make another tough call between Dhanashree Verma and Manisha Rani, where he picked Dhanashree. This week, the 'Rise and Fall' house has Aarush Bhola, Bali, Manisha Rani, Aditya Narayan, Kiku Sharda, Akriti Negi, and Nayandeep Rakshiit hustling as Workers, while Arjun Bijlani, Dhanashree Verma, and Arbaz Patel enjoy the throne as Rulers. "Rise and Fall" airs on Amazon MX Player at 12 PM and on Sony Entertainment Television at 10:30 PM.

Second missing Indian Army soldier's body recovered in forests of J&K's Anantnag district

Srinagar: The body of the second Indian Army soldier, who went missing due to adverse weather conditions during an anti-terrorist operation, was recovered on Friday. Of the two missing Army para-commandos, one body was recovered on Thursday. Officials said that following relentless efforts by security forces, the body of the second para-commando has been recovered on Friday morning from the Gadole forest area of South Kashmir's Anantnag district.

Officials said two para-com-
mandos went missing five days
back due to bad weather in
Gadole forests and today during
searches the body of the second



soldier was recovered. The
Army's Srinagar headquartered
Chinar Corps said on X yester-
day, "On the intervening night of
6/7 Oct an operational team on
Kishtwar range confronted a

severe snow storm and white
out conditions in the mountains
of South Kashmir.

"Since then, two soldiers have
gone out of communication.
Intense Search and Rescue
operations have been launched
but hampered due to prevailing
adverse weather conditions."
The joint forces including the
Army, security forces and J&K
Police have been carrying out
aggressive operations against
terrorists, their Over Ground
Workers (OGWs) and sympa-
thisers in order to dismantle the
entire ecosystem of terror in the
Union Territory, rather than
focussing only on the elimination
of the gun-wielding terrorists.
Drug smugglers, peddlers and

those engaged in hawala money
rackets are also on the scanner
of the security forces as it is
believed that the fund generated
by these operations are used to
sustain terrorism in J&K.
Security forces and J&K Police
carry out anti-terrorist opera-
tions in the hinterland while the
Army and the Border Security
Force (BSF) guard the Line of
Control (LoC) and the
International Border (IB) respec-
tively. J&K has a 740-km long
LoC and 240-km long IB. The
LoC is in Baramulla, Kupwara
and Bandipora districts of the
Valley and partly in Jammu dis-
trict. The IB is in Jammu, Samba
and Kathua districts of Jammu
division.

India Ends Day 1 on 318/2

Team India scored 318 for 2 in 90 overs on Day 1 at Arun Jaitley Stadium, Delhi. India won the toss and chose to bat first. Yashasvi Jaiswal played a great innings, scoring 173 not out. Sai Sudharsan also scored 87 runs. Captain Shubman Gill and Yashasvi Jaiswal will continue batting on Day 2. Fans are excited to see if India can score a big total and put pressure on West Indies in the 2025 Test series.

Jaiswal, Sudharsan power India to 220/1 at Tea

New Delhi: Yashasvi Jaiswal scored his seventh Test century and remained unbeaten on 111, while B Sai Sudharsan looked steady at not out on 71 as the duo led a commanding India to reach 220/1 in 58 overs at tea on day one of the second and final Test against the West Indies at the Arun Jaitley Stadium on Friday. It was a session where the West Indies appeared listless, as the left-handed duo



of Jaiswal and Sudharsan stitched a commanding 162-run partnership after KL Rahul's early dismissal, guiding the hosts into a position of great strength in the match.

Although the West Indies did not concede any extras, they continued to struggle for breakthroughs. Their pacers struggled to establish a consistent rhythm, with

Warrican posing occasional questions, while Jaiswal and Sudharsan mostly dictated the pace in a session where 126 runs were scored in 30 overs. The session started in a lively manner for India. Jaiswal cut Jaydon Seales; he aimed to score boundaries on the first two balls after lunch, then drove a half-volley through cover for four to reach his fifty off 82

balls. While Jaiswal continued to drive and cut with ease, Sudharsan used his quick hands well to flick, punch, drive, and sweep gracefully for boundaries. On an overpitched delivery from Khary Pierre, Sudharsan scored his second Test fifty in 87 balls with a drive through mid-off for four. Jaiswal capitalised on loose balls from Anderson Philip to accumulate boundaries, and a flick from Pierre helped him reach his century, which he celebrated by removing his helmet, raising his bat, and sending a few flying kisses to mark a magnificent milestone. The careful and systematic Sudharsan was on 58 when Justin Greaves offered him a false shot, only for Jomel Warrican to drop a simple catch at short mid-wicket. With both Jaiswal and Sudharsan appearing very confident, India will aim to quicken the pace in the final session and hope the latter scores his first Test century.

Lakshmi Manchu Celebrates Her 48th Birthday



Tollywood actress Lakshmi Manchu celebrated her 48th birthday on Wednesday. She took to Instagram to share a cheerful video on Instagram. In the video, she can be seen cutting several cakes, along with Manchu Manoj. She also posted photos with her friends, showing how much fun she had on her special day. Lakshmi captioned her post, saying, "Grateful for another year around the sun! Your love keeps me going."

'Dude' trailer promises romance, humour and emotion



After scoring back-to-back hits with Love Today and Dragon, actor-filmmaker Pradeep Ranganathan is back with another youthful entertainer titled Dude. Directed by Keerthiswaran and produced by leading banner Mythri Movie Makers, the film is set for a Diwali release on October 17. The team unveiled the theatrical trailer earlier today, giving a glimpse into yet another fun yet emotional ride from Pradeep. The trailer opens with an intriguing voiceover by Pradeep: "If you deal life with a bad hand, life will deal you with the right hand." This one-liner seems to reflect the central conflict of the story. Pradeep plays a carefree youngster who falls in love with Mamitha Baiju, who plays the female lead. Their relationship seems smooth until she rejects his marriage proposal and walks away, leaving him heartbroken. The entry of another key character, played by Neha Shetty, adds a new twist to the romantic drama. The trailer showcases quirky dialogues that will connect well with Gen-Z audiences. Speaking earlier, director Keerthiswaran hinted that the concept of the thali holds deep significance in the story. Visually, the film looks stylish with grand production quality. The background score adds to the emotional tone, and interestingly, Pradeep also appears in a new action-packed avatar for the first time. Overall, the trailer promises romance, humour, music and mass elements while smartly keeping the emotional core under wraps. The full story will unravel in theatres this Diwali.

Kareena turns heads in leopard look

Bollywood star Kareena Kapoor Khan is once again in the spotlight, but this time it's not for her film work alone. A recent interview clip of her husband, actor Saif Ali Khan, went viral after he confessed that he prefers not to act alongside Kareena. Saif stated that he feels he "cannot deliver a real performance" when she is on set with him, as her presence distracts him. The comment sparked a flurry of reactions online, with many fans finding the honesty refreshing and amusing. Kareena, however, remained calm and unaffected by the buzz.



Amid the trending controversy, Kareena stunned fans with her latest photoshoot. Draped in a bold Sabyasachi saree, she showcased

her signature confidence and elegance. The mustard saree with striking black leopard prints reflected a fearless style statement. The dramatic setting—with a red chair against rich wooden panels—enhanced the royal mood of the frame. Her accessories elevated the look further, featuring a heavy pearl and emerald necklace, statement earrings and rings. Styled with loose, flowing hair, Kareena effortlessly combined power with grace. On the work front, Kareena was last seen in Singham Again and is currently filming Daayra, her upcoming Hindi project.

Rukmini Vasanth shares BTS glimpses from personal and professional life as "Kantara Chapter 1" crosses 500 cr

Mumbai: Actress Rukmini Vasanth has been receiving immense appreciation for her portrayal as Kanakavathi in the blockbuster hit "Kantara Chapter 1". The actress recently took to her social media account to share a quick and fun BTS from her personal and professional life. She took to her social media account and wrote, "Lately, in particular, no order," a post that quickly drew thousands of likes and comments from her fans. The carousel began with a fresh-faced selfie of the actress in a striped shirt holding up a green cup with a smile, radiating warmth and simplicity. The next frame is more intimate, capturing intertwined fingers adorned with golden rings set against a vibrant pink backdrop.

It looks like it has been clicked on the sets of "Kantara". Another click shows her browsing a book in a cozy bookshop, dressed in a red and white chequered one-piece. In another picture, she also shared a close-up of her palm holding delicate jasmine buds and a traditional ornament over a purple silk fabric. In another click, Rukmini is partially visible through a mirror selfie, dressed in her attire of Kanakavathi, all set to shoot for "Kantara".



Another frame highlights a dessert plate topped with cream and cocoa powder alongside a bowl of fruit. A striking image in the set of carousels is that of a metro train fully wrapped with "Kantara Chapter 1" posters featuring her as Kanakavathi, a warrior princess draped in royal attire. She then included a gym selfie in casual workout wear and a breathtaking view from an aeroplane window of clouds bathed in golden sunlight. Lastly, she shared a digital sketch of her in regal costume resembling her on-screen character Kanakavathi. For the uninitiated,

Rukmini's role as Kanakavathi, a warrior princess turned antagonist, stood out in "Kantara Chapter 1". Opposite actor Rishabh Shetty, she essayed a highly negative role that showcased a fierce presence and range as an actress. The film directed by Rishabh Shetty became a cultural phenomenon for its blend of folklore, fiction and spirituality, with Rukmini's character adding layers of intrigue and conflict. "Kantara Chapter 1" has surpassed the Rs. 500 crore club and is currently touted to be one of the superhit and blockbuster movies of the year.