



Microsoft to invest \$17.5 bn in India to scale up AI, PM Modi says will leverage it for better planet

New Delhi: Global tech giant Microsoft announced on Tuesday that it is investing \$17.5 billion in India over the next four years (2026-2029) to drive AI diffusion in the country, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi asserting that the country's youth "will harness this opportunity to innovate and leverage the power of AI for a better planet". "Today we are announcing our largest investment in Asia — \$17.5 billion over four years (CY 2026 to 2029) — to advance India's cloud and artificial intelligence (AI) infrastructure, skilling and ongoing operations. This investment builds on the \$3 billion investment announced earlier this year, which we are on track to spend by the end of CY2026," Microsoft said in a statement.

The announcement came after Microsoft Chairman and CEO Satya Nadella's meeting here with Prime Minister Modi. "Thank you, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, for an inspiring conversation on India's AI opportunity. To support the country's ambitions, Microsoft is committing US\$17.5B—our largest investment ever in Asia—to help build the infrastructure, skills, and sovereign capabilities needed for India's AI first future," Nadella said in a post on X. Responding to Nadella's post, PM Modi wrote: "When it comes to AI, the world is optimistic about India!" "Had a very pro-



ductive discussion with Mr. Satya Nadella. Happy to see India being the place where Microsoft will make its largest-ever investment in Asia. The youth of India will harness this opportunity to innovate and leverage the power of AI for a better planet," he posted.

Microsoft said that India stands at a pivotal moment in its AI journey, one defined by impact at scale, determined to lead. As technology becomes a catalyst for inclusive growth and economic transformation, the country is emerging as a frontier AI nation. Nadella has arrived in India for an AI tour of the country. In the meeting with PM Modi, both leaders discussed the country's AI roadmap and

growth priorities. Microsoft's investment in India focuses on three pillars—scale, skills and sovereignty—aligned with the Prime Minister's vision of building a comprehensive ecosystem that drives AI innovation and access at a national scale, according to the company statement.

The new investment will be used to continue to scale up Microsoft's cloud and AI infrastructure, skilling initiatives and ongoing operations across India. This includes the company's workforce of more than 22,000 employees across Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Pune, Gurugram, Noida and other cities — representing the diversity of Microsoft's businesses. They

drive every part of its product cycle, from model development to engineering and product innovation. Their work contributes to innovation across Microsoft's AI stack — from infrastructure to app platforms to products — while operating hyperscale data-centers and delivering sales and support to customers nationwide. These teams are not only powering India's digital transformation but also delivering AI impact at scale globally — Copilot Studio, Azure AI Search, AI agents, AI speech and translation, Azure Machine Learning and more. Every day, they collaborate closely with India's leading enterprises, developers and institutions to unlock the promise of AI for the country, according to the Microsoft statement.

One of the key priorities of the Microsoft investment is building secure, sovereign-ready hyperscale infrastructure to enable AI adoption in India. At the heart of this effort is the significant progress being made at the India South Central cloud region, based in Hyderabad, that is set to go live in mid-2026. This will be our largest hyperscale region in India, comprising three availability zones — roughly equivalent in size to two Eden Gardens stadiums combined, the statement said. The company said it will also continue to expand the three existing opera-

tional data centre regions in Chennai, Hyderabad and Pune. This expansion provides organisations across India greater choice and resilience, enabling low-latency, mission-critical performance for enterprises, startups, and public sector institutions. Union Minister of Electronics & Information Technology Ashwini Vaishnaw said: "As AI reshapes the digital economy, India remains committed to innovation anchored in trust and sovereignty. Microsoft's landmark investment signals India's rise as a reliable technology partner for the world. This partnership will set new benchmarks and drive the country's leap from digital public infrastructure to AI public infrastructure." Microsoft India and South Asia President Puneet Chandok said: "Building on the \$3 billion investment announced in January 2025, Microsoft's new \$17.5 billion commitment and deep partnership across India's technology ecosystem are focused on turning India's AI ambition into impact for every citizen. This transformation is anchored on three pillars: hyperscale infrastructure to run AI at scale, sovereign-ready solutions that ensure trust, and skilling programs that empower every Indian to not just join the future but shape it."

Union Minister lays stone for dialysis centre



Bhimavaram: Union Minister of State for Steel and Heavy Industries Bhupathiraju Srinivasa Varma laid the foundation stone for the construction of modern government dialysis centres in Bhimavaram and Achanta. The centres are being set up with CSR funds. Speaking at a meeting held in Bhimavaram, he said it was unfortunate that the town, despite being a major centre for education and healthcare, did not have a government-run dialysis facility. He said many patients were suffering financially as they were unable to afford treatment at private hospitals.

He decided to prioritise essential medical services and establish the dialysis centres after understanding the hardships faced by patients. He said the Bhimavaram centre would be ready in six months. Ten dialysis beds with advanced machines will be available for patients free of cost, he said. He also assured that more

beds would be added based on the requirement. Srinivasa Varma said Rs 2 crore had been arranged from CSR funds for additional beds at the Tadepalligudem dialysis centre, Rs 1 crore for the Achanta centre, and Rs 75 lakh for dialysis machines at Attili. He added that a mobile cancer testing van costing Rs 4 crore will also be introduced soon.

Bhimavaram MLA and PAC Chairman Pulaparthi Ramanjaneyulu, district collector Nagarani, DCHS Dr P Surya Narayana, Government Hospital Superintendent Lakshman, Jana Sena Party district president Kotikalapudi Govindarao, and BJP district president Ananampudi Sridevi were present. Union Minister Bhupathiraju Srinivasa Varma laying the foundation stone for the construction of a modern government dialysis centre in Achanta on Monday

CM Revanth Reddy inaugurates Telangana Thalli statues virtually

Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has announced that the Congress government has successfully fulfilled the aspirations of the people of Telangana over the past six decades. The CM virtually inaugurated statues of Telangana Thalli across all 33 collectorates in the state from the Global Summit premises in Future City, an initiative that cost ₹5.8 crore. The statues, each 18 feet tall, were unveiled in a ceremony attended by Deputy CM Bhatti Vikramarka and other state ministers. During the event, CM Reddy expressed his happiness at the unveiling of the statues on December 9, a date that marks the beginning of the process to form Telangana in 2009. He stated, "Every year on December 9, we celebrate the inauguration of Telangana Thalli. We have inaugurated these statues to commemorate the spirit of Telangana. The dream of a united state has been realised." Reddy highlighted that Telangana is emerging as a leader in welfare and development



and credited Sonia Gandhi for overcoming numerous challenges to create a state that truly represents the people's aspirations. Notably, December 9 also marks the birth anniversary of Sonia Gandhi. Reddy remarked that it is a day of rejoicing, as the people of Telangana celebrate both the inauguration of Telangana Thalli and the birthday of the leader who played a significant role in the state's formation.

Home Minister Anita Assures Agrigold Victims of Government Support

Andhra Pradesh Home Minister Anita has reiterated the government's commitment to addressing the concerns of Agrigold victims. During a meeting at the Secretariat, Home Minister Anita reassured victims that there is no need for alarm, emphasising the government's readiness to provide justice in every possible manner. Speaking directly to those affected, she urged them not to lose hope or resort to any destructive actions amidst their difficulties. "Justice will be delivered to all who have suffered," she promised, offering a message of support and encouragement to the victims.



Mahindra University Faculty Strengthens India's Voice at International Constitutional Law Conference at Tashkent State University of Law, Uzbekistan

Hyderabad, December: 9, Metroudayam : India continues to extend its intellectual presence across the global legal landscape as Dr. Prabhpreet Singh, Assistant Professor at the School of Law, Mahindra University, represented India at the International Scientific & Practical Conference on "The Constitution: The Legal Foundation for the Development of New Uzbekistan" hosted by the Tashkent State University of Law (TSUL), Uzbekistan on 3rd December 2025. His participation marked a significant moment for Indo-Uzbek academic relations and reaffirmed India's growing leadership in comparative constitutional thought. The conference commenced with reflections from leading Uzbek constitutional authorities, setting the tone for an intellectually rigorous dialogue on constitutional evolution and democratic governance. Inaugural Speakers included: Islambek Rustambekov – Acting Rector, Tashkent State University of Law; Professor, DSc in Law Rakhim Khakimov – Deputy Speaker, Legislative Chamber of the Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan; Sherzod Rabiyeu – Deputy Minister of Justice of the



Republic of Uzbekistan. Their addresses emphasized Uzbekistan's constitutional transformation, democratic structural strengthening, and the expanding value of global academic exchange. The participation of foreign scholars, including representation from India, was acknowledged as a critical component of this intellectual discourse. India's Academic Contribution Amid these esteemed voices, Dr. Prabhpreet Singh contributed scholarly depth through his lecture titled: "The Basic Structure as a Tool for Constitutionalism: Safeguarding Democratic Restraint on Legislative Power." His presentation contextualized India's Basic Structure

Doctrine. He traced its evolution through jurisprudential milestones, illustrating how constitutional supremacy functions as a stabilizing force within democratic governance. He also laid emphasis on the role of judiciary in safeguarding democratic values and ensuring constitutionalism. His analysis resonated with ongoing reforms in Uzbekistan, particularly relating to: Article 7 — Popular Sovereignty: People as the central source of authority; Article 15 — Constitutional Supremacy: Law as the ultimate governing instrument. By aligning India's constitutional experience with Uzbekistan's evolving legal architecture, Dr. Singh helped deepen comparative knowledge

sharing and opened pathways for cross-jurisdictional learning. Diplomatic & Academic Significance Dr. Singh's engagement strengthened academic diplomacy between India and Uzbekistan, reinforcing Mahindra University's expanding global presence. Discussions with institutional leaders, including the Rector and scholars such as Professor Ikhtiyor Bekov from Tashkent State University of Law, Professor Marcin Michal Wiszowaty from Gdansk University (Poland), Professor Zsolt SZABÓ Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church (Hungary) and Mr Mikael Jugner the former party secretary of the



Social Democratic Party of Finland, a member of the Finnish parliament signalled promising future collaboration, research exchange, and potential faculty-student mobility. Dr. Prabhpreet Singh expressed his sincere gratitude for the unwavering support provided by Mahindra University's leadership. Prof. (Dr.) Yajulu Medury, Vice Chancellor, and Prof. (Dr.) Jayaram Raghunath, Dean of the School of Law, played a crucial role in enabling this journey. Their vision for global exposure and academic excellence strengthened the students' preparation and gave them the confidence to represent India at such a prestigious platform.

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INDIAN ENGAGEMENT WITH ITS DIASPORA:

THE ROLE OF DIASPORIC COMMUNITY IN INDIA'S 21st CENTURY ASCENDANCE

Organized by the Department of History, Banaras Hindu University (BHU), in collaboration with the Centre for Diaspora Studies, Central University of Gujarat, the conference from 8–10 December 2025 at BHU, Varanasi, brought together scholars, diplomats, and diaspora representatives from across the globe. Funded by BHU's SRICC, it was hosted at Mahamana Sabhagar and Sambodhi Sabhagar, FSS, BHU.

The inaugural session featured Prof. Ghan Shyam (India), Dr. Sarita Boodhoo (Mauritius), Prof. Rama Shankar Dubey (India), Dr. Surujdeo Mangaroo (Trinidad & Tobago), and Prof. Binda Paranjape (India). Prof. Chandra Shekhar Bhatt (University of Hyderabad) delivered the Professor M.K. Gautam Memorial Lecture, with Prof. Brij Maharaj (University of Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa) as chair. Plenary speakers included Mr. Kayshav P Tewari (Guyana), Dr. B.P. Padhi (UAE), Mr. Dennis Ramdahin (USA), Prof. Archana Tewari (India), Prof. Nalini Moodley-Diar (South Africa), Dr. Shamshu Deen (Trinidad & Tobago), Dr. Sarita Nandmehar (Indonesia), and Dr. Sajaudeen Nijamodeen Chapparban (India), covering diaspora engagement, cultural diplomacy, and global influence. Day two focused on historical trajectories, soft power, and contemporary challenges. Speakers included Upendra Kumar, Ashutosh Kumar Singh, Dr. Kshipra Vasudeo, Karan Kumar Khoiya, A.S. Ashika Garima, Dr. Ripudaman Singh, Ajay Nagdiya, Dr. Rachna Yadav, Sayantan Chakravarty, Soumen Debnath, Pallavi Kumari, Debabrata Hazra, Hamna Fathima, Bhumi Sangwan, Isha & Dr. Rachna Yadav, Dr. Sweta Singh, Ranjit Gautam, Dr. Nitesh Narnolia & Prof. Naresh Kumar, Ria Anuj, Dr. Amartya Saha, Dr. Gyan Prakash Maurya, Himanshu Shekhar Singh, Sushma, Mayank Kumar, Priyanka Chand, Ritriban Chakraborty, Vijay Prasad Jayshwal, Saurav Raj, Aparna Tripathi, Sikha Chaubey & Prof. Naresh Kumar, Anamika, Ms. U G G Fernando, Satyam Singh, Ujjwal Kumar, Dr. Archana Srivastav Pandey, Tanuja Rani, Anil Kumar, Ayan Dutta, Vijay Prakash Singh, Vikash Singh Maurya, Rahul Kumar Bharti, Dr. Sweekriti, Deepak Kumar, Vipul



Modanwal, and Sandeep Yadav. Plenary sessions on diaspora representation and historical migration included Prof. Amba Pande (India), Prof. (Dr.) Anisur Rahman (India), Dr. Muneer Illath (India), Prof. Mukesh Kumar (India), and Shobha Ramsumair (USA). Later sessions included Prof. Chan E.S. Choenni (Netherlands), Dr. August Choenni (Suriname), Dr. Binarai Makhani (Suriname), Dr. Shirley Gobardhan (Suriname), Prof. Naresh Kumar (India), Prof. Manish Sinha (India), Dr. Sandip Kumar Singh (India), Dr. Indrani Rampersad (Trinidad & Tobago), Dr. Pankaj Jain (India), Dev Muni Verma (Myanmar), Dr. Ravinjay Kuckreja (Indonesia), H.E. Prof. Anil Sooklal (South Africa), Diyara Prakash (South Africa), Ajay Chhabra (UK), Dr. Ritesh Kumar Jaiswal (Germany), and Dr. Shradhanand Harinandan Singh (Netherlands). The conference was well-attended and marked by excellent presentations, reflecting the diverse contributions of the Indian diaspora in education, culture, diplomacy, and soft power. Discussions highlighted the historical, cultural, and political significance of Indian communities worldwide, emphasizing their ongoing role in India's 21st-century ascendancy.

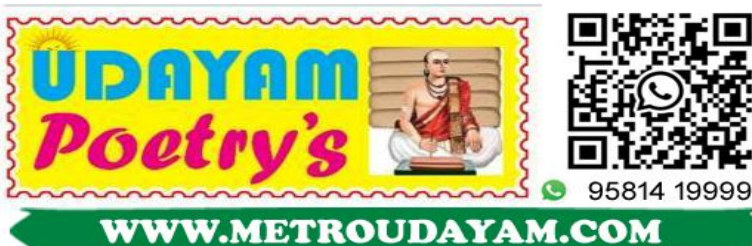
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FREE CANCER SCREENING & HEALTH AWARENESS PROGRAM CONDUCTED FOR ECR WOMEN AT DIVISIONAL RAILWAY HOSPITAL, VISAKHAPATNAM



The Medical Department of Waltair Division organized a free Cancer Screening and Health Awareness Programme today, 09.12.2025, at the Divisional Railway Hospital, Visakhapatnam. The event, held in association with Medicover Cancer Institute, was dedicated to the members of the East Coast Railway Women Welfare Organization (ECRWWO) — Waltair Division and spouses. The camp was organized from 09.00hrs to 17.00hrs. The awareness program addressed cancer, neurological, cardiological, and endocrine health concerns. It was inaugurated by Divisional Railway Manager Shri Lalit Bohra and President of ECRWWO, Smt Jyotsna Bohra. The event was conducted by a team of railway doctors under the guidance of Chief Medical Superintendent Dr. D Sharath Babu, in collaboration with Medicover Cancer Institute. ADRM Operations Shri K Rama Rao was also present at the occasion. The camp aimed to educate ECRWWO members about critical health issues and provide access to quality medical advice and treatment options. An executive health check-up was also conducted to evaluate the overall health of the women participants, followed by personalized wellness guidance. Additionally, Dr. Nimmagadda Padmaja, Regional Director of Medicover Hospitals, gave an informative session on the Cancer inducing agents and health management. In his address, Shri Lalit Bohra highlighted the significance of personal healthcare and proper nutrition for railway women employees, spouses and ECRWWO members. He urged everyone to maintain regular health check-ups and prioritize the wellbeing of themselves and their families.





कोई भी गुनाहगार (पापी व्यक्ति) ईश्वर के कृपा और दया से निराश नहीं होना चाहिए। और भले ही वह कितना भी बड़ा पाप हो लेकिन ईश्वर की कृपा और दया उस से कहीं बहुत ज्यादा है।... (शकील उवाचा - ५५५)

खुदा (ईश्वर) की कृपा से मायूस (निराश) कभी किसीको नहीं होना चाहिए। पवित्र कुरआन में कहा गया है, "ऐ पैगम्बर स्व!" तुम कह दो कि ऐ मेरे बंदों! (ऐ विश्वासू लोग, जिन्होंने (पाप करके) अपनी जानों पर ज्यादातियां की है (अपने खिलाफ पापों के माध्यम से अपराध किया है, खुद पर अत्याचार किया है), तुम लोग खुदा की रहमत से मायूस (ईश्वर की दया से निराश) न होना। बेशक खुदा (तुम्हारे) सारे गुनाहों को बख्शा (ईश्वर निस्संदेह सभी पापों को माफ कर) देने वाला मेहरबान (दयावान) है।" (पवित्र कुरआन, अध्याय क्रमांक 39, सुराह अज जुमर, आयत क्रमांक 53)।



उपरोक्त आयत में "ऐ मेरे बंदों!" कहकर किया गया संबोधन उन सभी लोगों के लिये है। जिन्होंने पाप किया है। यहां किसी भी धर्म, पंथ, जाती या स्त्री और पुरुष के भेदभाव के सभी के लिए ईश्वर की तरफ से अभयदान दिया गया है। ईश्वर की कृपा और दया उस से कहीं बहुत ज्यादा है। उपरोक्त आयत के बाद की आयत में "ईश्वर का प्रकोप आने के पहिले अपने पालनहार परमात्मा के शरण में आने" को कहा गया है। और कहा गया है किसीका भी ईश्वर के व्यतिरिक्त और कोई मददगार (सहायक) नहीं है।

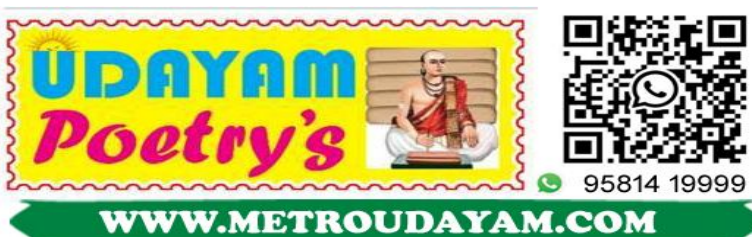
ईश्वर की अवज्ञा करने वाले लोग पापी होकर भी तुरंत शिक्षा नहीं पाते। यह लोग खुदा (ईश्वर) की तरफ से शिक्षा में दी जाने वाली ढील से धोखा खाकर यह समझ लेते हैं कि उनके कुकर्मों की सजा (शिक्षा) मिलती ही नहीं है। लेकिन बुरे कर्मों के बाद भी दी गई ढील, राहत उनके सुधरने के लिये दिया गया एक सुवर्ण अवसर होता है। ईश्वर ने उनके लिए एक निश्चित समय तय किया है। अगर यह लोग इन्हें दिये गये समय में प्रायश्चित्त नहीं करते तो बुरे कर्मों की शिक्षा से कभी बच नहीं सकते।

पवित्र कुरआन में आया है कि, "और वही (ईश्वर) तो है जो अपने बंदों की तौबा कबूल करता है और गुनाहों (पापों) को माफ करता है। और तुम लोग जो कुछ भी करते हो सब जानता है। और जो लोग ईमान (विश्वास) लाये और अच्छे कर्म करते रहे उनकी (प्रार्थनाएं) मान्य करता है और फजलो करम से (दया) से उनको (अच्छा प्रतिफल) बढ़कर देता है और अवज्ञा (बुरे कर्म) करने वालों के लिये सख्त अज्ञाब (कठिन शिक्षा) है।" (पवित्र कुरआन, अध्याय क्रमांक 42 सुराह अश शूरा, आयत क्रमांक 25-26)।

पवित्र कुरआन में आया है कि, "ऐ ईमान वालों! खुदा (ईश्वर) के आगे विशुद्ध मन से तौबा (प्रायश्चित्त) करो। (जिसके कारण) उम्मीद (आशा) है कि तुम्हारा रब (पालनहार) तुम्हारी गुनाहों (पापों, बुराइयों) तुमसे दूर कर दे और तुम्हें ऐसे (स्वर्ग के) बागों में दाखिल करे जिनके नीचे नहरें बह रही होंगी। उस दिन जब खुदा, नबी (पैगंबर) को और उन लोगों को जो उनके साथ ईमान (ईश्वर पर विश्वास) लाए हैं उन्हें रुसवा (अपमानित) नहीं करेगा।" (पवित्र कुरआन, अध्याय क्रमांक 66, सुराह अत तरीम, आयत क्रमांक 08)।

तौबा करने वालों के बुराइयों को परमात्मा द्वारा दूर करने की बात उपरोक्त आयत में आई है। यहां तौबा का अर्थ ईश्वर की ओर पलट आने के भी होता है। इसी आयत में ही और कहा गया है कि "बल्के ईश्वर पैगम्बर, और उनके साथियों को) उनका प्रकाश उनके आगे-आगे और उनके दाहिने तरफ चल रहा होगा। और वे लोग यह दुआ (प्रार्थना) करते होंगे कि, "ऐ हमारे पालनहार! हमारे लिए हमारे प्रकाश को पूर्ण कर दे और हमें क्षमा कर। निश्चय ही तू हर चीज का सामर्थ्य रखता है।" (पवित्र कुरआन, अध्याय क्रमांक 66, सुराह अत तरीम, आयत क्रमांक 08)।

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Responsibility

Responsibility - a gentle word,
Yet heavy with lifes demand.
When two become parents.
New duties quietly expand.

As the little one grows
Fresh tasks bloom every day;
Then comes their marriage.
More roles along the way.

And when they become grandparents.
A tender joy takes its place-
Caring for tiny footsteps



With love, warmth, and grace.

Responsibility, when embraced,
Guides life smoothly through:
Fulfilling each chapter with care,
And bringing meaning too

-Poomima Sivaraman

REFLECTION OF INNER BEAUTY

When I look in my mirror in a glance, everything feels better. My skin glows, my eyes glitter, the tint of my lips complements my look and my body soothes with the fragrance of perfume. I feel wow! I am looking so perfect. I will have all eyes on me in the party. Everybody would love to become my friend And thats what happened! Woohoo! back on my way, I was reminiscing all that, that happened... I had new people talking to me for hours, eventually we became friends, the constant happiness that I was feeling made my day. I was constantly recalling todays happy memories. I was feeling confident and so proud that somewhere I believed no one is as beautiful and clear as me!



Back home, an excited me, quickly grabs the mirror....

Umm....err! why am I not looking that pretty as earlier? My makeup had faded which was bound to happen after an evening spent well dancing But that is okay! I quickly asserted to myself. But what was not Dark circles, blemishes and hidden spots were clearly visible. I had no more luring eyes, and skin that is glowing. I was looking ugly. Yes!! Ugly bothers me so much! In a world where our face is the picture of elegance, I seem to have blemishes. How will I survive if I dont put on makeup? Everyone will run away from me. I will not dare to go out without wearing makeup. The thought of covering all my imperfections with makeup for a lifetime made me go into deep thinking. I wanted an answer.... My mind was in negative momentum, tangled in tumultuous thoughts.

But at the same time for the very first time in my life, I came to know there is something called as inner beauty. So, here's the story about which creams and concealers can enhance our inner beauty. My name is Sia, I am a teenager. We teenagers really enjoy a carefree attitude but we fear rejection, dont we? From focusing on everyone and everything that seems perfect in parties, I started to engage in a conversation, about aspects like education, career, family, general talks, hobbies with my friends. This conversation, a real one. With each passing day I came to know the difficulties they face like family pressure, financial issues... yet deal with a smiling, cheerful face and calm attitude, how? And here was I calling myself ugly just because I had blemishes...I was in a dilemma... But I didn't have the answer to my inner beauty yet.

One of my enthusiastic friends exclaimed YOGA SE HOGA! Some how the phrase kept hovering in my mind for a few more days and compelled me to take one of the most inspiring steps in my life... I JOINED A YOGA CLASS!

The first day was very awkward. Still, I cannot help myself laughing whenever I recollect I was busy thinking about what makeup I should wear to my yoga class. How was I supposed to know that soon I have a funny scene on my way! On reaching, I saw people doing various yoga asanas and I was amused to see their skin glowing so much. The peace in the environment, brightness in their faces, freshness in their breath.

The environment was saying something entirely different. My yoga teacher came to me. Her black hair was shining brightly just like the golden gleams of sunlight, her face reinforced a calm and contented look, she was attractively fit and there was tranquility in her speech. She said Sia, you will learn as well as enjoy Because of my overdone face makeup I had done on my face, I felt like running away. I nodded shyly in response.

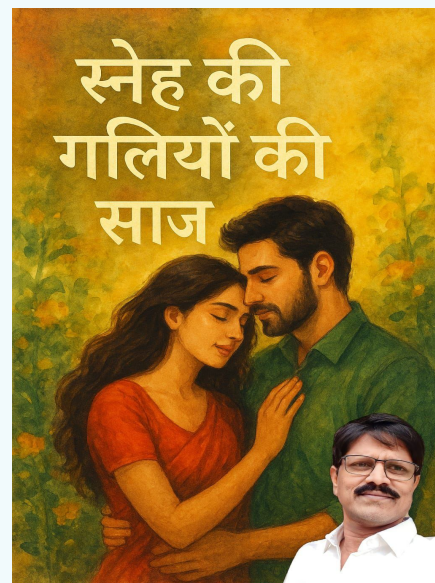
The next day, I focused on meditation more. Shalini miss always says yoga makes us naturally beautiful. Practising yoga asanas regularly and religiously gives a good figure to our body by burning fat. Yoga increases our blood circulation and enhances toxic elimination from body and mind. Yoga has a glowing effect on our skin. Something that was very helpful for me to organically get rid of blemishes and dark circles. I started to do asanas religiously and made positive lifestyle changes. It was difficult to get rid of bad habits initially, but I did.

Not only this, I practised mindful meditation where I focused on my breath, let go of my thoughts, sincerely attentive while chanting and listening to mantras. With each day, my inclination towards meditation went on increasing. My tendency to resolve to makeup as a solution to hide my facial imperfections changed. I had become better aware about my potential, my originality. I felt a lot better! Because of yoga and meditation, I did every task better with full focus, devoid of rebel thoughts of overthinking and self-criticism. I started to read more, write more, dance more, sing more. Life became more meaningful each day. I realised my goals. Today I am a yoga teacher and a better version of myself. A reflection where I admire my inner beauty!

— By Kritika Swaroop Naha

स्नेह की गलियों की साज।

इश्क पर होगा यकीन
प्यार खिलने के बाद।
प्यार पर होगा यकीन
तुझे इश्क होने के बाद।
यह क्या नौबत है यार
दिल के दरवाजे के
पार।
होती है यूँ दुनिया में
अनसुनी अजीब बात।



सच पर यकीन होगा
तभी दिल टूटने के
बाद।
आज तुम जीना सीखो
कल किसने देखा यार।
आज फिर कल में
बदलेगा, तुम जी लो
आज।

इश्क, प्यार, मोहब्बत
स्नेह की गलियों की
साज।

अनगिनत बातें बनाकर प्यार की तोहीन न करो।
राज कोई मत रखो तुम सच्चाई पर यकीन करो।
झूठ है दलदल जीवन में इसका तुम विरोध करो।
किसी की कमजोरियों पर हंसा तुम बंद करो।

अमीर ज्यादा वो है जिनके दिल में दरिया हो।
गरीब तो कोई नहीं दुनिया में इस पर गौर करो।
ऊँच नीच की दीवारों को इसी वक्त अब गिरा दो
इंसानियत ही इंसान की पहचान अब जान लो।

प्यार में फूल खिलते रहे जीवन की मदहोशी में।
इश्क का फल पकते रहे हरदम तेरे नर्म सीने में।
यही है गुलशन जिंदगी का प्रकृति की चमन में।
महकते रहो हर तरफ यारों इस भरी महफिल में।

लेखक बिटवरम श्रीमन्नायण एलुकुर्ति हवेली वरंगल।

The Indian Dancer

The Indian Dancer
The presence of an
Indian dancer
So captivating
Colors, sounds, bells,
Movements
Expressions that speak
without words



A story unfolds
As every gesture, every
Step?orchestrates
Emotion
You cannot help but fall
in love

Bharatanatyam,
Odissi?ancient rhythms
brought to life
Garbas joyful
circles,?Spinning devo-
tion beneath Festive
lights
And the lively dances of

Andhra? Kuchipudis
graceful Flow,? the spirit-
ed beat of Folk tradi-
tions?each one a world
of its own

The sarees and their
flowing Grace,?the
ornate outfits, The
sacred makeup,? the f
Festivals and their radi-
ance?All are trans-
formed?by the Indian
dancer

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Experience is the highest stage of life

Experience, the wisdom
of life,
A journey through trials
and strife.
Its the lessons weve
learned, the memories
weve kept,
The moments that have
shaped us, and helped
us to be adept.

Experience, is the voice
within,
That guides us through
lives thick and thin.
Its the voice of reason, of
heart and soul,
That helps us make deci-
sions, and take control.

Experience, is the
teacher, the guide,
That shows us the way,
through lifes tide.
Its the wisdom of the
ages, passed down,
That helps us navigate,
lifes winding road, so
grand.

Experience, is the key,
that unlocks the door,
To a world of knowledge,



and endless possibilities
galore.
Its the spark that ignites,
the fire that burns,
That fuels our passions,
and lights our way, and
turns.

Experience, is the treas-
ure, that we gain,
Through lifes experi-
ences, and lessons
learned in pain.
Its the wisdom that weve
earned, the strength
weve found,
That helps us face chal-
lenges, and turn them
around.

Doctor. Ch. Latha
(Teacher)
KB. Asifabad
District.

CM Revanth Reddy assures support for Tollywood at Telangana Rising Global Summit 2025



At the Telangana Rising Global Summit 2025 held in Future City on Tuesday, Chief Minister Revanth Reddy assured representatives from the film industry, including renowned Tollywood celebrities, that the state government is committed to facilitating the growth of the film sector. CM Reddy invited filmmakers to present their scripts, promising to provide the necessary support for their projects. During the summit, the Chief Minister outlined plans for a skills university aimed at training locals in the 24 specialised crafts needed within the film industry. He emphasised the government's readiness to assist in establishing studios in Future City, creating a favourable environment for film production. Prominent attendees included film legends Chiranjeevi, Ajay Devgan, Allu Aravind, Suresh Babu, and Genelia, among others from both Tollywood and Bollywood. Also present were Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka, Minister Komati Reddy Venkat Reddy, and other senior officials. The summit, which commenced on Monday, is scheduled to conclude today.

Captain SKY, coach Gambhir and others visit Shri Jagannath Temple ahead of first T20I

Puri: India T20I captain Suryakumar Yadav, along with head coach Gautam Gambhir and other members of the team and support staff, on Tuesday visited the Shri Jagannath Temple in Puri to seek blessings ahead of the opening T20I of the five-match series against South Africa. Apart from captain Suryakumar Yadav, who was accompanied by his wife Devisha Shetty, and head coach Gambhir, batter Tilak Varma, fielding coach T. Dilip, batting coach Sitanshu Kotak and other members of the support staff were among those who joined the temple visit.

"It's really wonderful that the team received god's blessings. Team India will surely succeed. The team manager, the coach, the captain, and the other players seek blessings

here," said Rabi Sankar Pratihari, secretary of the Puri District Athletic Association. The members of the team and support staff entered the temple premises amid tight security arrangements as a large crowd of fans gathered to catch a glimpse of the players.

"Today, the captain, coach, and other members of Team India visited. We made all the necessary arrangements for them from our side. Based on their movement plan, we had alerted all the police stations along the route. Additional security was also deployed at the temple. A ring-round protection team was formed for them, as there are many fans who try to get close to the players," said Puri SP Prateek Geeta Singh.

The first T20I will be played on Tuesday at the Barabati Stadium, Cuttack,



marking the first T20I meeting between India and South Africa since the thrilling 2024 T20 World Cup final, where men in Blue secured a dramatic seven-run win. The series against South Africa begins India's final leg of preparations for their title defence in next year's T20

World Cup. The likes of Suryakumar, Sanju Samson, Abhishek Sharma and Shivam Dube are coming into the series after having a productive time with their respective state teams in the ongoing Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy.

Brisbane: England pacer Mark Wood has been ruled out of Ashes with a recurrence of the left-knee injury he sustained in the series opener in Perth. He will now return home to begin rehabilitation and recovery, ECB said on Tuesday. Wood returned after a nine-month absence following knee surgery for the first Test in Perth, managing eight overs before suffering tightness in his left hamstring, though scans later ruled out damage, and he was passed fit to play and had match figures of 0-44 in 11 overs.

The 35-year-old pacer was later sent to a specialist after reporting pain in his knee and was ruled out of the second Test in Brisbane. "England and Durham seamer Mark Wood has been ruled out of the remainder of the Ashes tour of Australia, following a recurrence of the left-knee injury he sustained during the first Test in Perth earlier this month. "Wood will return home later this week and work closely with the ECB medical team on his rehabilitation and recovery," ECB said in a statement. England have called up Matthew Fisher to the squad. The seamer, who has been in Australia with the Lions, will link up with the group this week. Fisher has played one Test for England so far, in the West Indies in March 2022, when he registered match figures of 1-21 from 27 overs. He has taken two wickets in three games for the Lions this



winter, including that of Zak Crawley lbw when England's second string played the senior team in a pre-Ashes warm-up at Lilac Hill. For Wood, the setback is yet another chapter in a career repeatedly disrupted by fitness problems. Before the Perth Test, he had not played red-ball cricket for England in 15 months due to an elbow injury followed by knee surgery.

LOST PASSPORT

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Rajahmundry, E. G. District.

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‘No bigger anti-national act than vote chori’: Rahul Gandhi attacks BJP

New Delhi: The Lok Sabha witnessed a stormy debate as Congress MP Rahul Gandhi launched a fierce attack on the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), accusing it of "systematically seeking to dominate India's institutions", and said that there is "no bigger anti-national act than vote chori."

Speaking during a discussion on electoral reforms, Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi asserted that "everything in India that exists today has emerged from the vote, and the RSS is trying to capture that."

His remarks provoked loud protests from ruling party members, prompting Speaker Om Birla to intervene multiple times to restore order. Gandhi alleged that the RSS, in collaboration with the Bharatiya Janata Party

(BJP), has undermined democratic institutions, beginning with the Election Commission of India (ECI).

Gandhi outlined three areas of institutional capture: education, investigative agencies, and the Election Commission.

To support his claims, he posed three questions: why the Chief Justice of India was removed from the selection panel for Election Commissioners; why, in December 2023, the government granted unprecedented immunity to Election Commissioners; and why CCTV footage of polling stations is destroyed after 45 days. He argued that these measures weaken transparency and enable manipulation.

"Today, the Election Commission of India is colluding with those in

power to shape the election," he declared, questioning why the Prime Minister and the Home Minister were so intent on deciding who should serve as Election Commissioner.

He further claimed that investigative agencies such as the Enforcement Directorate (ED), National Investigation Agency (NIA), and Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) have been compromised, with bureaucrats appointed to target opposition voices.

In a dramatic moment, Gandhi invoked history, recalling Mahatma Gandhi's assassination on January 30, 1948. He argued that the RSS project began after the Father of the Nation was killed, with the aim of dismantling his vision of an equal India where institutions

belonged to the people. "These are uncomfortable truths, but they have to be spoken," Gandhi said when treasury benches raised objections to his statements against RSS.

His remarks drew sharp objections from Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju, who insisted Gandhi was straying from the subject of electoral reforms. "He is not speaking anything related to electoral reforms," Rijiju said, urging the Speaker to direct Gandhi to remain relevant to the debate.

Speaker Om Birla also intervened, reminding Gandhi to confine his speech to electoral reforms rather than making sweeping allegations against institutions.

Rahul Gandhi further said that the wholesale capture of India's

institutional framework was part of a long-term plan. He cited universities as an example, alleging that "Vice Chancellors are appointed not on merit or scientific temperament but on ideological affiliation."

According to Gandhi, the result of this capture is a distorted electoral process, with campaigns tailored to suit the Prime Minister's schedule and irregularities such as a Brazilian woman appearing 22 times on the voter list in Haryana.

Despite interruptions, Gandhi insisted these were truths that needed to be spoken. His intervention underscored opposition concerns about democratic safeguards, while the government maintained the debate must remain focused on electoral reforms.