



CCTV Footage Captures Final Moments Before Ajit Pawar's Aircraft Exploded Near Baramati



Shocking CCTV footage from near Baramati airport has surfaced, showing the final moments before the aircraft carrying Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar crashed and went up in flames. The visuals, recorded by a camera installed close to the airport, have become a crucial piece of evidence for investigators examining the deadly accident. According to officials, Ajit Pawar died after the chartered Learjet he was travelling in crash-landed near Baramati on Wednesday morning. The aircraft descended sharply and struck the ground nose-first before erupting into a massive fireball within seconds. Thick black smoke and towering flames can be seen engulfing the plane immediately after impact, highlighting the severity of the crash. Below is the CCTV footage: The CCTV clip, reportedly sourced

from a nearby hotel, shows the aircraft losing control during its approach. Preliminary information suggests the jet was attempting a second landing when it went down. Authorities confirmed that all five people on board were killed, as the plane caught fire almost instantly and triggered multiple explosions at the site. Eyewitnesses described a horrifying scene, recalling how the aircraft appeared unstable moments before the crash. One witness said the plane exploded upon hitting the ground, followed by several more blasts. Locals and bystanders attempted to help, but the intensity of the fire made any rescue impossible. The video has since circulated widely and is being closely studied to reconstruct the sequence of events that led to the tragic accident.

Budget Session 2026 President Droupadi Murmu to Address Joint Parliament

Details of the Budget Session 2026 were shared by Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijju in an X post. Session will be conducted in two parts, with part one beginning today (Wednesday) and running till February 13. The second part will run from March 9 to April 2 when members will debate on the Budget. During this period, the Economic Survey will be laid on January 29 and the Budget will be tabled on February 1.

"The Budget Session of Parliament will be held in two parts. The first part will commence from Wednesday and continue till February 13. In the second part, the budget will be debated upon. It will commence on March 9 and continue till April 2," Rijju wrote in a post.

When money is tight and there is no surpluses ever in economy, There are various issues the Opposition will raise during the first part of Budget Session which concludes on February 13. Opposition will seek to corner the Centre over issues such Donald Trump's comment against



Hindus, Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls and the controversial G RAM G Act that replaced the MGNREGA Act. President Droupadi Murmu will address both Houses of Parliament moment to protest start the budget session. The Economic Survey will be laid in Parliament on January 29 and the Budget will be presented by Sitharaman on February 1. It is rare occasion when Budget is presented by the Finance minister on a Sunday.

Chandrababu condoles death of Maharashtra Dy. CM Ajit Pawar

The sudden death of Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar (66) in a plane crash has sent shockwaves through Indian politics. The aircraft, carrying Pawar and four others, crashed on Wednesday morning, resulting in the loss of all five lives. Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister



Nara Chandrababu Naidu expressed his deep sorrow over the tragedy. In a social media message, he said, "I am deeply shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar in a plane crash this morning. I extend my heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and followers."

Over 3.45L devotees witnessed Vahana Sevas

Tirumala: As per the directions of the Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu, and in accordance with the guidance of the Trust Board, the TTD, along with the district administration, police, APSRTC, and Srivari Sevaks, successfully conducted the Ratha Saptami festival on January 25, with grandeur and devotion like never before akin to the annual Brahmotsavams, Tiruchanur Padmavathi, Ammavari Brahmotsavams, and Vaikuntha Dwara Darshanams, asserted TTD EO Anil Kumar Singhal. Following the successful completion of the Ratha Saptami celebrations, the EO, along with the Additional EO Ch. Venkaiah Chowdary, addressed a media conference on Tuesday afternoon at Annamayya Bhavan in Tirumala. Speaking on the occasion, the EO said that due to the improved facilities being provided by TTD, Tirumala has been witnessing an unprecedented influx of devotees of the mega religious festi-

vals. Based on the past experiences and feedback received from devotees, TTD is continuously taking steps to further enhance services. He thanked the Archakas, Vahanam bearers, and Srivari Sevaks who worked tirelessly throughout the day. Additional EO Ch Venkaiah Chowdary stated that feedback was collected from devotees through WhatsApp, IVRS, and Srivari Sevaks, and nearly 97% of devotees expressed complete satisfaction with the facilities provided by TTD. He remarked that not a single devotee in Mada Streets complained about inadequate facilities, which stands as a testimony to TTD's efforts. Some devotees suggested setting up additional toilets and screens in galleries, and appropriate action will be taken accordingly. A record 3.45 lakh devotees witnessed the Vahana Sevas on



Mada Streets—highest ever. Successful crowd management and enhanced services achieved through inter-departmental coordination. In all, 9.42 lakh devotees received Anna Prasadams, 6.30 lakh received beverages, 2.90 lakh received milk, 2.15 lakh received water bottles, Services of around 2200 Srivari Sevaks exclusively utilized for distribution across Mada Streets. To prevent any untoward incidents, services of 1,800 police personnel, 1,414 vigilance staff, 150 traffic personnel were

deployed. Thanks were conveyed to the District SP and staff. A record 3.56 lakh gadgets and bags deposited at luggage centres. This marks a 73% increase compared to last year. Continuous announcements made in multiple languages to keep devotees informed. APSRTC provided excellent services in transporting devotees- From Tirupati to Tirumala 1,932 trips, 60,425 devotees transported, From Tirumala to Tirupati 1,942 trips, 82,241 devotees transported. Devotees

highly appreciated the spectacular lighting and floral decorations arranged in Tirumala. Performances by 1,000 artistes enthralled devotees in front of Vahana Sevas. Enhanced sanitation services on Mada Streets. continuous waste removal ensured cleanliness.- 590 additional sanitation staff deployed. Doctors, paramedical staff, and ambulances provided emergency medical services. 23,000 devotees received medical assistance. 94 devotees were shifted to hospitals in Tirupati via ambulances. TTD expressed gratitude to all departments, TTD officials, district and police administration, APSRTC, Srivari Sevaks and also to print and electronic media representatives for their extensive coverage and support. The programme was attended by TTD CVSO Muralikrishna, Tirupati SP Subbarayudu, and other officials.

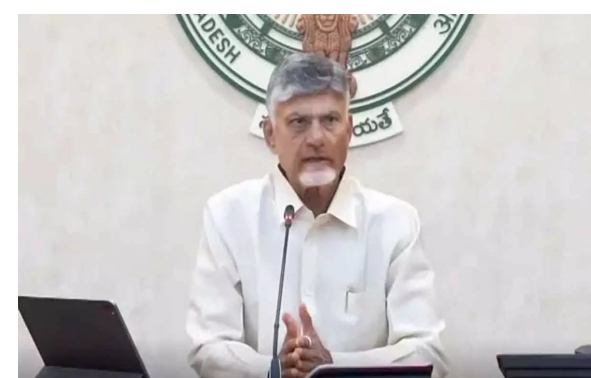
Andhra Pradesh Cabinet Approves Key Projects and Land Allocations

The Andhra Pradesh cabinet has concluded its meeting, approving a total of 35 agenda items. Key decisions included sanctioning the development of Piduguralla Medical College under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model and granting a government loan guarantee of Rs. 4,451 crore from HUDCO for

AP TIDCO. The cabinet also approved the upgrading of several posts under the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD). Additionally, land was allocated for a five-star resort by the Tourism Department in Nandakota, Alluri district. In a further move, 500 square yards of

land in Visakhapatnam was allotted to Arjuna Award-winning athlete Jyothi, who was also approved for a Group-1 government job upon graduation.

The cabinet discussed the SIT report on ghee adulteration at TTD

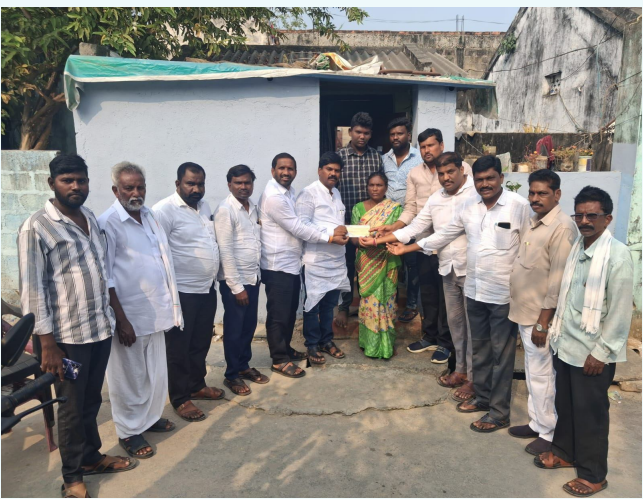


D. Sudarshan Reddy, MD of Life Sciences, receives the High9 Star Pillars Award.



Chikkadapally, 28 January (Metro Udayam) : D. Sudarshan Reddy, Managing Director of DSR Life Sciences, has received a rare honor for his exceptional services in the healthcare sector. The High9 Star Pillars awards ceremony, honoring individuals who have contributed to various fields, was held grandly in the city on Wednesday. Former Chief Justice of India, Justice N. V. Ramana, participated as the chief guest and presented the High9 Star Pillars Award to Sudarshan Reddy. The company's director, Shivakumar, praised Sudarshan Reddy's visionary leadership qualities, stating that DSR Life Sciences is gaining significant recognition through its innovations, quality, and dedication to healthcare services. Award recipient Sudarshan Reddy, in his address, dedicated the honor to his team, commending their collective efforts and dedication.

Financial assistance of one lakh rupees to the family of Karla Rajesh



Kodada January 28 Metro Morning
Srinivas Bahadur, Vice Chairman of the organization said that EWS Society is constantly working for the development of marginalized and down-trodden sections of the society. On Wednesday, founders of the society went to the residence of Karla Rajesh, a Dalit youth who died recently in Kodada town, on the orders of Nagar Kurnool MP Mallu Ravi and handed over a check of one lakh rupees to Rajesh's mother Lalithamma as an immediate relief. Rajesh's family has been assured that they will stand by their company in the future as well. On this occasion, they mentioned that their organization stands by the poor and unfortunate across the state. Treasurer of the organization Kadamanchi Sahadev, EC members Mohammad Khaja Moinuddin, Naresh, local leaders Epuri Raju, Gandham Yadagiri, Kudumula Lakshminarayana, Kampati Pullaiah, Srikanth and others participated in this program.....

Chikkadapally January 28 (Metro Udayam) : The comedy show, organized jointly by the Kshatriya Welfare Parishad and Rasadhuni Palakollu in the city, was a great success. The comedy skits performed by artists M.V. Subrahmanyam, Jabardasth Prakash, Rapeti Pushmi, and Nakshatra of the Friends Comedy Club (Visakhapatnam, Hyderabad) were highly entertaining. They presented skits such as 'Changing the Brush', 'Changing the Air', 'Flyover', 'Subscription', 'Matchmaking', 'RTC Bus', 'Lawyer', 'Doctor', 'The Channel is Open', 'Call this Number', 'Poem', 'Reporter', 'Did you eat three times?', etc., eliciting much laughter from the audience. The program, presided over by Kotti Bhaskar Rao and Yerramsetti Venkataratnam, was attended by chief guests Vegella Rang Raju,

Primary School Headmasters Association School Calendar Launched



Jangaon, January 28, Metro Udayam:

The school calendar prepared under the aegis of the Primary School Headmasters Association (PSHMA) was formally launched on Tuesday at the District Collectorate. The calendar was unveiled by the Hon'ble District Collector Rizwana Basha Shaik and the Additional Collector (DEO) Pinkesh Kumar. Speaking on the occasion, the Collectors jointly emphasized that the role

of primary school headmasters is crucial for the all-round development of primary education. They noted that the district has already secured a leading position at the national level in the National Achievement Survey, and urged teachers to work with the same commitment to secure the first position in the upcoming Foundational Learning Study (FLS) Survey as well. Addressing the gathering, PSHMA State Secretary



Burra Ramesh stated that, in line with the guidance and suggestions of the Collectors, all association members would work collectively under their leadership to ensure the district attains first place in the FLS Survey scheduled for February 26. He reiterated that PSHMA remains steadfastly committed to improving the quality and progress of primary education. The programme was attended by State Chief

advisor Reniguntla Murali, State Councillor Sammakka, District Honorary President Maryala Ramesh, District President Chandraiah, General Secretary Gani Shankarayya, Treasurer Bukka Srinivas, District Vice-President N. Lalitha, District Secretary Pasunuri Manjula, Srinivas Reddy, along with Padmarani, Sujatha, Madhavi, Padmavati, Ramadevi, and several others.

An honest employee is eternally grateful

State Vice President of Retired Employees Association Ravella Seetharamayya....

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Ravella Seetharamaiah, State Vice President of the Retired Employees' Association said that officials who work with commitment in the performance of their duties are always appreciated. On the occasion of Republic Day at the Kodada RDO office on Wednesday, Suryanarayana was felicitated by receiving the 'Best RDO' award from the hands of the District Collector and SP. Speaking on the occasion, Sitaramaiah praised honest officers like Suryanarayana as a source of pride for the system. He expressed happiness on receiving the award in



recognition of his services. They aspire to receive more high positions in the coming days. District President Bollu Rambabu, Kodada Unit Secretary Raghu Vara Prasad,

Financial Secretary Veera Babu, Senior Citizen Presidents Gaddam Narsaiah, Potta Jaganmohan Rao and others participated in this program.

21st Anniversary of Vijaya Ganapati Temple



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The committee members celebrated the 21st anniversary of Sri Vijaya Ganapati Swamy Temple in Kodada town on Wednesday. As part of the celebrations, early in the morning special abhishekams and Ganapati Homam were performed to the Lord. Swami was beautifully decorated

with tea leaves. Later, the priests conducted the wedding ceremony of Vijaya Ganapati Swami with Siddhi Buddhi as a feast for the eyes. Devotees gathered in large numbers to witness the marriage ceremony of Swami. After the program, a large-scale food donation program was organized for the devotees. President Chalapati Hanumantha

Rao, General Secretary Bolishetti Krishnaiah, Annadata Oruganti Brahman, Treasurer Vangaveeti Lakshmana Rao, Kokku Lakshminarayana, Chalapati Shivakumar, Bhaskar Rao, Sundari Venkateswarlu, Budigam Venkataramana, Seshagiri Rao and others participated in this program.....



Friends' Comedy Skits Impress



Kasumuri Venkata Krishnam Raju, Chekuri Suryanarayana Raju, Kshatriya Parishad President and Honorary President K.V.R. Narasimha Rao, Chamber of Commerce President Dr. K.U.P.S. Sharma, Secretary Kosuri Venkata Subba Raju, Gottumukkala Gandhi Bhagavan Raju, Vegiraju Venkata Somaraju, and the secretary and president of the Cosmo Club. Mamidishetty



Srinivas Rao spoke about the importance of humor in society and entertained the audience. Later, in the felicitation ceremony, the artists were honored with shawls and mementos by the chief guests, who also offered their congratulations. Kotti Bhaskar Rao conducted the program.

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WHY OLD GOLD!

Very much Close relations!
Amicable co-operation!
Sharing others problem!
Extending helping hand!

A friend in need a friend
indeed nature!
Affectionate bindings!
These are all strange to
this generation!
Still here and there, see
aged, I mean (above 80)!



They experienced that taste!
They were there in that period!
Stood now witness for that golden
era!
Really feel much the latest trend!
Human relations become monetary
linked!
Selfishness dominate like anything!

Even family members meet now
and then!
Where there is understanding?
Independent nature separates
combined!
Never strike off the old ones'
golden words!
Since old is always gold!

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

Gandhian values take centre stage at CBC programme



Hyderabad: The Central Bureau of Communication (CBC), under the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, collaborated with PM Shri Kendriya Vidyalaya, Bolaram, to organise a special cultural programme on Tuesday.

The event was held to commemorate Swachhata Pakhwada, Martyrs' Day, and the 150th anniversary of Vande Mataram. The highlight of the proceedings was a dramatised Telugu rendition of the iconic bhajan Vaishnava Jana To, presented under the title Gandhi Margam. This performance aimed to inspire students and participants to embrace the values of compassion, service, and truth, which remain central to the philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi.

Following the presentation, a Swachhata pledge was administered to reinforce the importance of cleanliness and civic responsibility. A large gathering of students, teachers, and officials participated, reflecting the emphasis of the programme on value-based living.

CBC officers and the school principal joined the teaching fraternity to ensure the success of the initiative, which underscored the role of educational institutions in nurturing Gandhian ideals. CBC announced that similar programmes would be staged across various PM Shri Kendriya Vidyalayas in Hyderabad until 5 February 2026, ensuring sustained engagement with the younger generation and the wider community regarding national heritage and hygiene.

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संस्कृत विष्णु सहस्रनाम का हिंदी में अनुवाद छ

विष्णु सहस्रनाम, एक प्रार्थना है
हजार नामों से भगवान विष्णु को
पुकारना है
यह एक अनुवाद है, हिंदी में छंद
के रूप में
भगवान विष्णु के गुणों को गाना
है

विष्णु विष्णुर्बटकारो
भूतभृत्यभवेद्भवः ।
भूतकृत भूतभृद्भातो भूतात्मा
भूतभावतः ६ १ ६

विष्णु के स्वामी, विष्णु, सबके
आधार
भूत, भविष्य, वर्तमान के उद्गम
भूतों के कर्ता, पालक, आत्मा
भूतों के भाव को देने वाले

पूतात्मा परमात्मा च मुकुन्दो
मधुसूदनः ।
इष्टयो वीकृतिः पुण्यो भूषणो
भूषणो भूशः ६ २ ६

पवित्र आत्मा, परमात्मा, मोक्षदाता
मधु नामक असुर के हन्ता, ईश्वर
विविध रूपों में प्रकट, पुण्यस्वरूप
भूषणों के भी भूषण, महान

शर्वः शर्वो ध्रुवः स्थाणुर्भूतादिः
निधिरत्ययः ।
संभवो भावनो भर्ता प्रभवः
प्रभुर्हीश्वरः ६ ३ ६

शिव, सुखदाता, स्थिर, अचल
भूतों के आदि, अविनाशी निधि
उत्पत्ति, पालन, पोषण के हेतु
प्रभु, ईश्वर, सबके स्वामी

स्वयंभूः शम्भुरादित्यः पुष्करक्षो
महास्वनः ।
अनादिनिधानो धाता विधाता
धातुरुत्तमः ६ ४ ६

स्वयं उत्पन्न, शिव, सूर्य
कमल के समान नेत्र वाले, महान
शब्द
आदि-अन्त से रहित, धारणकर्ता
विधाता, उत्तम धाता

अप्रमेयो ह्यः अक्षरः परमः ।
स्वरः स्वराध्यक्षः प्राणः प्राणदः
पाणिः पवित्रः ६ ५ ६

अपरिमित, हृदय में स्थित, अक्षर
परम, स्वर के स्वामी
प्राण के दाता, पवित्र करने वाले
पाणि, सबके आधार

विष्णुकर्मा मनुस्त्वष्टा स्थविष्ठः
स्थविर ध्रुवः ।
अग्रहः शास्वतकृष्णः
स्थाणुर्भूतिरत्ययः ६ ६ ६

विष्णु के कर्ता, मनु, त्वष्टा

स्थूल, स्थावर, ध्रुव
अग्रह, शास्वत, कृष्ण
स्थाणु, भूत, अत्यय

कसः काङ्क्षः कृषिः कृष्णः
श्वेतः श्वेतदः शुचिः ।
उग्रः उग्रः प्रभवः विक्रमः प्रभुः
प्रभाकरः ६ ७ ६

कस, काङ्क्ष, कृष्ण, कृष्णवर्ण
श्वेत, श्वेत देने वाले, शुचि
उग्र, उग्र, प्रभव, विक्रम
प्रभु, प्रभाकर, सबके स्वामी

हर्यश्वः सहस्रार्चिः सप्तजिह्वः
सप्तधातुः ।
अमूर्तिरनघो अचिन्त्यो भयकृत
भयनाशनः ६ ८ ६

हरि के अश्व, हजार किरणों वाले
सात जिह्वा, सात प्रकार के धनुष
अमूर्त, निष्पाप, अचिन्त्य
भय को करने वाले, भय को नाश
करने वाले

अणुः ब्रह्म अणुरात्यन्तिकः
सर्वाश्रयः ।
श्रीमतां वरिष्ठः श्रीमान् श्रीधरः
श्रीनिवासः ६ ९ ६

अणु, ब्रह्म, अत्यन्त सूक्ष्म
सर्वाश्रय, श्रीमतां वरिष्ठ
श्रीमान, श्रीधर, श्रीनिवास

श्रीसेव्यः श्रीदः श्रीसः श्रीपतिः
श्रीप्रदः प्रभुः ।
महेश्वरो महात्मा महोदधिः
महर्द्धिमान् ६ १० ६

श्री से सेवित, श्री देने वाले
श्री के स्वामी, श्री प्रदाता, प्रभु
महेश्वर, महात्मा, महोदधि
महान ऋद्धि वाले

महाहनुः महोरगः महाक्रतुः
महायज्वा ।
महायज्ञो महाहवः महापुरुषः
महाविभुः ६ ११ ६

महान हनु वाले, महान उरग
महाक्रतु, महायज्वा
महायज्ञ, महाहव, महापुरुष
महाविभु, सबमें व्याप्त

महेश्वरो महाभूतो महानिधिः
महामनः ।
अपूर्वो नृसिंहः श्रीमान् केशवः
पुरुषोत्तमः ६ १२ ६

महेश्वर, महाभूत, महानिधि
महामन, अपूर्व, नृसिंह
श्रीमान, केशव, पुरुषोत्तम

इस प्रकार, विष्णु सहस्रनाम का
अनुवाद
हिंदी में छंद के रूप में प्रस्तुत है
भगवान विष्णु के गुणों को गाने
के लिए
एक प्रयास मात्र है, प्रभु के चरणों
में छ

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किसीने मजदूर को मजदूरी पर रखकर
पूरा काम करवाया और उसकी मजदूरी
हड़प ली ऐसा व्यक्ति धर्म की नज़र में
जालिम (अत्याचारी) और गुनाहगार (पापी)
है।... (शकील उवाच -६,००)।

जब जब किसीने खुद को धार्मिक कहने
वाले कुछ पाखंडियों के शोषण को धर्म का
भाग मान लिया तब तब उसीके द्वारा धर्म
का विरोध करते हुये हमें नज़र आया।
लेकिन जागरूक व्यक्ति कभी भी धर्म के
विरोध में खड़ा नहीं रहेगा। क्योंकि वह
झूठे धार्मिकों ने अपने स्वार्थ के लिये विकृ
त किये हुए धर्म के आदेशों को ठुकराकर
सच्चे धर्म की सत्यता को जानने के लिये
थोड़ा संशोधन भी करेगा। और वह जान भी
लेगा के सच्चा धर्म तो हर तरह के शोषण
का विरोध करता है।



जब सच्चे धर्म का विचार
किया जाता है तो यही वास्तव सामने आता
है के सच्चा धर्म नसीब, भाग्य, तकदीर के नाम से होने वाले नाइंसाफी का
कभी समर्थन किया ही नहीं। किसी के मेहनत को लूटकर दौलत कमाना
धर्म की दृष्टि में गुनाह (पाप) है। गरीबी और अमीरी की खाई ईश्वर की
देन नहीं बल्के इंसान की गलती है। अमीरों की तिजोरी में जो सोना चांदी
है वह दर अरल गरीबों के खून पसीने की कमाई है जिसे लूटा गया है।
पैगम्बर साहब मोहम्मद (स्व) के पहिले उत्तराधिकारी अली इब्न अबू तालिब
अलैहिस्सलाम कहते हैं के, "अमीरों की तिजोरी में गरीबों की सेटी दौलत
की शक्ल (रूप) में बंद है।"

और एक बात यह भी है के कार्ल मार्क्स का मानना था
के, धर्म, ईश्वर और भाग्य को मानने वाला धार्मिक व्यक्ति शोषण के विरा
ध में नहीं लड़ता और अपनी दयनीय स्थितियों को बदलने के लिए प्रयत्न
नहीं करता। जबकि धर्म किसी पर अन्याय अत्याचार करने को ही नहीं
बल्के सहन करने को भी ग़लत बताता है। कार्ल मार्क्स की नज़र में धर्म
मेहनतकशों की मेहनत लूटने के लिये पूंजीवादी और रूढ़िवादी लोगों द्वारा
अस्तित्व में लाया गया झूठ है। और धर्म को एक नज़ा करार देकर कार्ल
मार्क्स कहते हैं के, "धर्म जनता की अफ़ीम है।"

कार्ल मार्क्स के सिद्धांतों के आधार बनाकर रूस में क्रांति
लागे वाले क्रांतिकारी व्लादिमीर लेनिन ने भी अस्तित्व का कड़ा विरोध
किया है। धार्मिकता आध्यात्मिक उर्पीड़न का एक रूप है ऐसा मानने वाले
लेनिन का कहना था कि एक सच्चा साम्यवादी हमेशा धर्म का विरोध करते
हुये नास्तिकता को बढ़ावा देगा। क्योंकि उनका कहना था के धर्म एक ऐसा
मनोवैज्ञानिक नज़ा है जो लोगों को उनकी मानवीय क्षमता को ख़त्म करता
है। लोगों को उनकी इच्छाशक्ति से वंचित कर देता है।

लेकिन जब पूरी दुनिया में श्रमिक वर्ग का शोषण किया जा रहा
था तब श्रमिकों को गौरव देकर धर्म ने श्रम के गौरव को बढ़ाया है। और
मजदूरों के जीवन में आने वाली कठिनाइयों की तरफ इस्लाम ने भी खास
ध्यान दिया है। लेकिन आज भी कुछ लोग खुद को मुसलमान भी कहते हैं
और मजदूरों की मेहनताना (मजदूरी) को हड़प लिया करते हैं। ऐसे लानती
(श्रापित) लोगों की इस्लाम निंदा करता है। जिसने किसी मजदूर को मजदूरी
पर रखकर उस से पूरा काम करवाया और उसकी मजदूरी हड़प ली ऐसा
व्यक्ति धर्म की नज़र में जालिम (अत्याचारी) और गुनाहगार (पापी) है।
जब बात श्रम की आई है तो यह भी देखें के, हम अगर अपने देश के
क़ानून की बात करें तो मेहनतकशों को मजदूरी ना देना एक अपराध है।
भारतीय दंड संहिता की धारा ४०६ के तहत यदि निगोशना ने वेतन शेकने
के लिए ग़लत इरादा रखा है और विश्वास का उल्लंघन किया है तो शिक्षा
का पात्र होता है। और जबरन श्रम को प्रतिबंधित करने के भारतीय दंड सं
हिता ३७४ भी मजदूर के शोषण और श्रम करवाकर उसके मजदूरी ना देने
को अपराध ठहराकर अपराधी को शिक्षित करता है।

कार्ल मार्क्स कहते हैं के, "धर्म शोषित प्राणी की आह है, हृदयहीन संसार
का हृदय है और आत्माहीन परिस्थितियों की आत्मा है। और यह धर्म जनता
के लिए अफ़ीम है।" और फ्रेडरिक एंगेल्स ने धर्म को व्यक्ति की अपनी स्वयं
की एक काल्पनिक आध्यात्मिक प्रतिबिंब की आवश्यकता के रूप में
परिभाषित किया है, जिसके द्वारा जीवन और वास्तविकता पर कुछ हद तक
नियंत्रण प्राप्त किया जा सके। लेकिन वास्तव में कार्ल मार्क्स और फ्रेडरिक
एंगेल्स ने जो धर्म की परिभाषा किये है वह परिभाषा सच्चे धर्म की नहीं हो
सकती।

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

Maharashtra declares three-day state mourning over Deputy CM Ajit Pawar's death

Mumbai: The state government on Wednesday declared a three-day state mourning following the tragic demise of Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister and senior Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) leader Ajit Pawar, in a devastating plane crash near Baramati, this morning. Ajit Pawar, one of Maharashtra's most high-profile leaders, succumbed in inferno along with five others as the chartered flight flying from Mumbai, crash-landed and burst into flames while attempting to land at Baramati airport on Wednesday morning. The three-day state mourning implies that the Tricolour will be flown half-mast on all official buildings across the state, and all entertainment programs will remain cancelled during the period, said a government notification. A state funeral will be organised for the late NCP veteran as well as a towering political figure, who maintained

strong grassroots connect and looked upon as people's leader, who worked closely with them. Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, while addressing the media at his official residence Varsha, expressed deep shock and grief over the loss. Recalling Pawar's long public life, Fadnavis said, "Ajit Dada was a leader forged through struggle-someone who never wavered, no matter the circumstances, and always moved forward with determination. He enjoyed immense trust and affection among ordinary people across Maharashtra. His contribution to the state's development was significant. This is an extremely difficult day." The Chief Minister confirmed that he and Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde would travel to Baramati to



meet Pawar's family and finalise arrangements for the last rites and official tributes. The state government has also declared a public holiday on Wednesday as a tribute to the late leader.

Ajit Pawar died when a chartered aircraft flying from Mumbai crash-landed and caught fire while attempting to land at Baramati airport. Apart from Deputy CM Pawar, the people onboard the plane, Learjet 45 aircraft (registration VT-SSK) operated by VSR, included a personal security officer (PSO), an attendant, and two crew members -- a Pilot-in-Command (PIC) and a Second-in-Command (SIC). Ajit Pawar's untimely demise marks a huge loss to Maharashtra's political landscape and has left the state in deep mourning.

2026 National Road Safety Awareness program on traffic rules and road safety for students



Hyderabad, January 28, MetroUdayam

On the occasion of National Road Safety Month – 2026, an awareness program on traffic rules and road safety was conducted for the students of the Government High School on D.K. Road, Ameerpet.

C. Venugopal Reddy, Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police (Traffic-1). As part of the National Road Safety Month, an awareness program on traffic rules and road safety was organized for the students of the Government High School on D.K. Road, Ameerpet, in coordination with TTI Begumpet and Nippon Express. C. Venugopal Reddy, Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, attended as the chief guest and spoke about the dangers of using mobile phones while driving, driving on the wrong side of the road, jumping red signals, over-speeding, and triple riding, and explained the benefits of using zebra crossings. He explained that accidents can be prevented by driving responsibly and that following road safety rules is everyone's responsibility. Laxman, ACP (Traffic Admin), said that students should develop an understanding of traffic rules from their school days. He added that students should be educated about road safety from a young age. They were educated about the necessity of following traffic rules for their own safety and the safety of others on the road. Begumpet TTI Inspector Nagula Ashok stated that driving vehicles without a driving license is prohibited. He specifically mentioned that children under 18 years of age (minors) should not drive vehicles, as it is a legal offense. He emphasized that everyone should strictly follow traffic rules from their student days. He explained the benefits of using zebra crossings when crossing the road and always using the footpath for walking. He advised them to always respect their parents and elders and maintain discipline, and to be vigilant while boarding buses, autos, and cars. The program included a safety awareness act/skit using traffic signboards, signal stands, placards, and toy vehicles for a practical demonstration with a mock road setup, a letter-writing activity by students on "Safety First," and a prize distribution for the drawing competition winners. Helmets were also distributed to the staff under the auspices of Nippon Express. A total of 300 students, SR Nagar Traffic Inspector Mr. Mahesh, Nippon Express staff Sudhir Nair, General Manager Vineesh Kumar, Priyanka, and TTI Begumpet staff Saikumar, Rajesh, and Krishna participated in the program.



WALTAIR DIVISION HOSTS IDCC (DANCE) – 2025 WITH ENTHUSIASTIC PARTICIPATION

The Inter Divisional Cultural Competition (IDCC) – 2025 (Dance) was successfully organized by Waltair Division of East Coast Railway on 27.01.2026 at Sri Srinivasa Kalyanamandapam, Visakhapatnam. The event witnessed vibrant participation and showcased the rich cultural talent of railway employees and their wards.

The competition was conducted in two categories. In the Classical Solo Dance category, a total of five teams participated, representing Waltair (WAT), Sambalpur (SBP), Khurda Road (KUR), Bhubaneswar Headquarters (BBS/HQ), and Carriage Repair Workshop / Manchewar (CRW/MCS). In the Folk Dance Group category, four teams took part from Waltair (WAT), Sambalpur (SBP), Khurda Road (KUR), and CRW/MCS.



Overall, 55 participants, comprising railway employees and their wards, took part in the competition. The event provided a vibrant platform for artistic expression, promoting cultural harmony, creativity, and fellowship among employees of East Coast Railway.

The results:

Group Dance:

1. Team SBP First place
2. Team WAT second place
3. Team Bhubaneswar Third Place



Solo Dance:

4. Shri. Abhijit Deb from BBS/HQ first place in Classical solo
5. Kum. Priyansa

Sahu- Sambalpur- 2nd place in classical solo
6. Kum. Lavanya Pattnaik – Waltair-3rd place in classical solo...

Shri Sanjay Kumar Srivastava, General Manager, SCR, Shri Parmeshwar Funkwal, General Manager, East Coast Railway; Shri Sandeep Mathur, General Manager, South Coast Railway meets Shri Nara Chandra Babu Naidu, Hon'ble CM of AP State

- General Managers participated in the meeting to review the progress of railway projects in the State of Andhra Pradesh

- General Manager Conducts Rear Window Inspection in Kazipet - Vijayawada Section

Shri Sanjay Kumar Srivastava, General Manager, South Central Railway participated in the meeting held by the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Shri Nara Chandra Babu Naidu today i.e., 28th January, 2026 along with other State Govt. officials at Secretariat in Velagapudi, Amaravati. The meeting was aimed to discuss key Rail Development activities in the State like New lines, ROBs/RUBs, etc and also to strengthen the Railway infrastructure, enhancing connectivity across Andhra Pradesh state.

Shri Parmeshwar Funkwal, General Manager, East Coast Railway; Shri Sandeep Mathur, General Manager, South Coast Railway; Smt. K. Padmaja, Principal Chief Operations Manager, SCR; Shri Ranadheer Reddy M, Chief Administrative Office/Construction, SCR; Shri Sandeep Jain, Chief Administrative Office/Construction/RSP, SCR, Divisional Railway Manager Waltair Shri Lalit Bohra and other senior Railway officials from South Central Railway, South Western Railway, East Coast Railway, Southern Railway and



South Coast Railway were also present during the meeting.

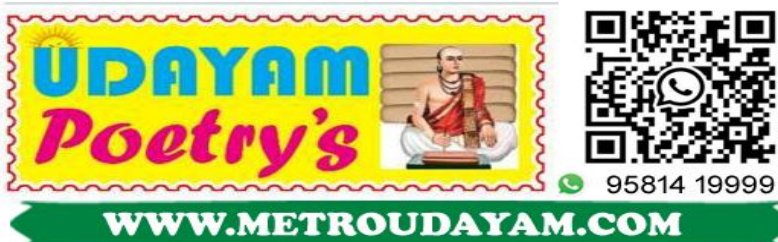
The meeting covered several strategic projects including laying of new railway lines between Kotipalli-Narsapur, Nadikudi-Srikalahasti, Errupalem-Nambur (Amaravati New Line), Bhadrachalam Road-Kovvur and Vijayawada Bypass line, Doubling of Tirupati – Katpadi, Third line works between Renigunta – Gudur. Discussions were also held on reducing congestion at major railway

junctions such as Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada, Guntakal, Guntur, Rajahmundry and Renigunta, along with proposals to improve rail connectivity to ports, tribal, remote areas and support for land acquisition to undertake rail projects, high-speed Rail corridors in the region.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister emphasized the need for close coordination between the State Government and Indian Railways to ensure timely completion of projects, thereby fostering econom-

ic growth and public welfare. The Railway officials reaffirmed the zone's commitment in modernizing infrastructure and improving passenger experience.

Earlier in the day, Shri Sanjay Kumar Srivastava conducted a detailed rear window inspection of the railway line from Kazipet – Vijayawada section. During the inspection, he reviewed safety aspects including track conditions, signalling systems, bridges and discussed on further improvements with the officials.



Republic Day

A day of celebration, a day of history,
Echoes of sacrifice, courage, and glory.
People filled with pride and joy unite,
As Mother India shines strong and bright.

Happy Republic Day, a feast of love,
Blessings of freedom gifted from above.
Thanks to Mother India, caring and grand,
For hope, for peace, for this sacred land.

Happiness dances to celebratory music,
Drums beat loud, the spirit is euphoric.
Talks and events light hearts today,
Stories of valor proudly on display.

All over the world, Indians stand tall,
Answering patriotism's heartfelt call.
Clad in saris, kurtas, ready for puja,
Traditions bloom with faith and culture.

Flags are hoisted high in the morning sky,
Saffron, white, and green flutter by.
The colors of India, brave and free,
Paint the dreams of what we're yet to be.
Vande Mataram, forever we say,
In love and honor, come what may.

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Congress, BRS, BJP gear up for high-voltage municipal poll battle

Hyderabad: The Congress, BRS and BJP are gearing up for an intense election blitz over the next two weeks ahead of the municipal elections scheduled for February 11. All three parties have begun fine-tuning their strategies to assert political dominance in the civic polls.

The ruling Congress is focusing on highlighting its development agenda to woo voters, while the opposition parties are preparing to target what they describe as the government's failures during the campaign.

The Congress has already constituted district-level committees and appointed Ministers as in-charges for the municipal elections. Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, who is currently on a foreign tour, is expected to intensify the party's campaign from next week. The party plans to organise at least a dozen public meetings featuring senior leaders. The municipal election manifesto is also expected to be finalised soon by the Chief Minister and TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud.

The BRS, aiming to give a tough fight, has appointed senior leaders as in-charges for election-bound municipalities and deployed them to assess local political conditions and finalise candidates. Party Working President KT Rama Rao and senior leader T. Harish Rao are scheduled to hold regular meetings with local leaders to firm up strategies.

The BJP is also expecting to gain significant public support in selected municipalities and municipal corporations. Senior party leaders have been directed to tour these areas and prepare strategies to challenge both the Congress and the BRS in the elections.



Gates Engg college honours meritorious students at annual honour awards



Anantapur: The annual Gates Honor Awards Ceremony, organised by Gates Engineering College, was held on Saturday in a grand manner, celebrating academic excellence and student achievement.

The event served as a platform to recognise meritorious students and reinforce the institution's commitment to quality education and values. A key highlight of the ceremony was the presentation of merit awards to B.Tech students who secured more than 80 per cent marks in their academic examinations.

The awards were distributed in the presence of parents, adding a sense of pride and emotional significance to the occasion. The awards were

presented by the chief guest, Nagaprasad Naidu, Director of Evaluation, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Anantapur (JNTUA). Addressing the gathering, he congratulated the awardees and encouraged students to maintain academic discipline, innovation and ethical values to succeed in their professional careers.

The ceremony witnessed a proud and celebratory atmosphere, with students expressing confidence and motivation following the recognition of their hard work. Parents, who witnessed their children being honoured on stage, expressed happiness and appreciation towards the college management for providing a supportive academic environment. Several

parents stated that such initiatives strengthen their confidence in the institution and secure their children's future.

Award-winning students said the recognition would inspire them to aim higher and work towards greater academic and professional milestones. "These awards motivate us to set bigger goals and strive for excellence," they remarked. The event gained additional emotional significance as it coincided with the 80th birth anniversary of the college's founder, the late VK Sudheer Reddy.

Speakers recalled his vision of building a society rooted in education, discipline and strong moral values, stating that the ceremony stood as a

tribute to his lifelong aspirations. The organisers noted that the Gates Honor Awards continue to reflect the institution's mission of recognising talent, encouraging merit, and strengthening the bond between students, parents and educators. The programme reaffirmed Gates Engineering College's role as a centre of academic excellence and value-based education. The event was attended by Correspondent VK Padmavathamma, Director Srivani, Managing Director Raghunatha Reddy, Principal Dr Namrata, Administrative Officer Imtiaz, heads of departments, faculty members, students and parents.

BRS leaders lodge complaint with Council Chairman

A delegation of BRS leaders, led by the Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Council S Madhusudhana Chary, met Council Chairman Gutha Sukhender Reddy on Tuesday to lodge a formal complaint against a regional news channel. The delegation alleged that a news anchor insulted MLC Takkallapalli Ravinder Rao during a recent live debate. S Madhusudhana Chary urged the Chairman to consider the verbal assault on a single member as an attack on the dignity of the entire Legislative Council and demanded strict action against the scribe to prevent future recurrences. The BRS leaders condemned the conduct of the private channel, ABN, claiming the anchor acted with a visible conspiracy against the party.

They alleged that when Takkallapalli Ravinder



Rao objected to certain portrayals during the discussion, the anchor responded with inappropriate and derogatory remarks. Speaking on the matter, Takkallapalli Ravinder Rao stated that despite being invited as a guest, he was subjected to treatment that sought to tarnish his image and the reputation of his party leaders.

He maintained that he did not use any unparliamentary language during the exchange and expressed deep hurt over the attempt to lower his dignity on a public platform. The delegation, which included Deshapathi Srinivas, Pochampally Srinivas Reddy, and Naveen Kumar Reddy, asserted that such incidents undermine democratic

institutions and the respect accorded to elected representatives. They called for a formal inquiry into the broadcast to ensure that the professional decorum of members is protected during media engagements. The Chairman assured the members that the matter would be examined in accordance with the rules of the House.

Bomb threat email to Ahmedabad airport triggers security alert, probe on



Ahmedabad: Security agencies were placed on high alert after Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport (SVPIA) in Ahmedabad received a bomb threat email on Wednesday, prompting immediate action by airport authorities and the police. The threat led to the registration of a formal complaint at the airport police station and the tightening of security across the entire airport precinct, officials said. According to information available, the threat email was sent from an unidentified email ID, aldurham420@gmail.com, bearing the name Amber Durham. The email was received at 11.05 a.m. on the airport's official email ID, dtm.amd@adani.com, along with other feedback addresses. The subject line read "BOMB Blast luggage Section". The message stated that "Ahmedabad Airport is target", and contained remarks claiming that Sikhs are not Hindus while alleging that Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah are enemies of Khalistan. The email also warned of serious consequences if demands were not met. Following the receipt of the threat, the airport's Chief Security Officer and senior officials immediately responded. Given the seriousness of the message, an emergency meeting of the Bomb Threat Assessment Committee was convened at 11.20 a.m. The meeting, which lasted for around 30 minutes, involved a detailed assessment and verification of the threat. After evaluation, the committee categorised the email as a "non-specific" bomb threat. However, as a precautionary measure, comprehensive checks were carried out across the airport premises, including the luggage and terminal areas. A complaint in this regard has been lodged at the airport police station by Ravikant Bhardwaj, the Landside Security Duty Manager at Ahmedabad Airport, against an unknown person. Police have registered a case under relevant sections of the Information Technology Act and criminal intimidation laws. A senior police official said efforts are underway to trace the sender of the email with the assistance of the cybercrime cell. Earlier on January 23, at least 20 schools reported similar emails, prompting security sweeps and parent notifications, though no explosives were found. Police described those emails as hoaxes and have referred them to the cybercrime branch for investigation.

Governor, Union Minister showcase transformative schemes for women

Hyderabad: Telangana Governor Jishnu Dev Varma and Union Minister G Kishan Reddy underscored the central government's commitment to women's empowerment and inclusive growth during a programme organised under the aegis of the ABV Foundation on Tuesday. Addressing the gathering, Governor Jishnu Dev Varma noted that Self-Help Groups, once limited to a symbolic existence, have been revitalised under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He highlighted the success of the PM Awas Yojana, which has provided four crore poor families with permanent housing, alongside the Jan Dhan Yojana that enabled millions to access formal banking. Stressing the vision of Viksit Bharat, he stated that development is being pursued without barriers of caste or religion. He remarked that when women are economically strong, families prosper, and the acquisition of new skills by women brings a fresh direction to the entire nation. Union Minister G Kishan Reddy elaborated on various government initiatives ranging from space research to grassroots welfare. He pointed out that street vendors and small entrepreneurs now receive loans without collateral thanks to schemes like the Jan Dhan Yojana, which has facilitated 55 crore accounts. Digital transac-



tions, once confined to the wealthy, have now reached every household. He specifically cited programmes such as Drone Didi, which trains women in drone technology, and Lakhpati Didi, which aims to make women financially independent. G Kishan Reddy also emphasised the expansion of skill centres in community halls to ensure training opportunities across diverse fields. He assured continued support for women entrepreneurs and highlighted the government's decision to raise Self-Help Group loan limits from Rs 50,000 to Rs 20 lakh, with future plans to extend this limit to Rs 50 lakh to further bolster female-led enterprises.

ABV Foundation founder Kavya

Kishan Reddy shared that more than 15 skill centres have been established in the Secunderabad parliamentary constituency, training over 25,000 women to become self-reliant. These centres are helping women expand their businesses and contribute meaningfully to the economy. She credited the vision of the Prime Minister for introducing transformative schemes like Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Sukanya Samridhi, and Mudra loans, which integrate women into the national development journey. The event concluded with a call for more women to utilise these central schemes to achieve financial autonomy and lead the charge toward a developed India by 2047.

Devotees rush increased moderately at Tirumala

The flow of devotees at Tirumala remained moderate on Tuesday, with pilgrims waiting in 18 compartments of the queue complex for darshan of Lord Venkateswara. By midnight, a total of 77,049 devotees had completed darshan. According to Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) officials, 21,469 devotees offered their hair as part of their vows, while donations amounting to ₹3.73 crore were received in the temple hundi during the day. Darshan is currently taking around

eight hours for devotees without prior darshan tickets. Those holding special entry darshan tickets are able to have darshan within approximately five hours. Meanwhile, the TTD has appealed to devotees holding Sarva Darshan tokens to adhere strictly to their allotted reporting time. Officials clarified that pilgrims arriving before their designated slot will not be permitted to enter the queue, as part of measures to ensure smooth crowd management.



Aus Open: Two sets down, Djokovic through to SF after Musetti retires

Novak Djokovic, a ten-time Australian Open champion, reached his 13th semifinal at Melbourne Park on Wednesday afternoon in a dramatic way when the fifth seed Lorenzo Musetti retired with a two-set lead.

The Italian led 6-4 6-3 before injuring his right leg en route to being broken in the third game of the third set. Meanwhile, Djokovic added another milestone to his illustrious career simply by stepping on court Wednesday for his quarterfinal as the former No. 1 became just the third man to play 1,400 tour-level matches.

Musetti stepped onto Rod Laver Arena, having lost all three previous major matches against Djokovic. He delivered an excellent all-around quarter-final performance, taking a two-set lead. However, he seemed to injure his upper right leg in the third game of the third set. Despite attempting to continue after physio treatment at 1-2, Musetti was eventually forced to retire



after two hours and eight minutes of play. Having become the second-oldest

man in the Open Era to reach the Australian Open semifinals, Djokovic, who advanced

to the quarterfinals after Jakub Mensik withdrew with injury before their fourth-round clash, moves on to a semi-final on Friday between the winner of the quarterfinal between second seed Jannik Sinner and eighth seed Ben Shelton.

"I don't know what to say except I feel really sorry for him, and he was a far better player. I was on my way home tonight. These kinds of things happen in sport. It happened to me a few times, but being in the quarters of a Grand Slam, two sets to love up, and being in full control, it's so unfortunate. I don't know what else I can say and I really wish him a speedy recovery. He should have been a winner today, no doubt," said Djokovic in his on-court interview.

Musetti moved to the brink of a major upset with a polished straight-sets performance, taking control of his quarterfinal by winning the opening two sets against Novak Djokovic. The fifth seed set the tone early, serving with authority to close out the

first set 6-4.

After a nervy opening point, the Italian quickly settled, repeatedly finding pace and precision on serve to keep Djokovic on the back foot. He sealed the set with confident baseline play, finishing a key rally with a sharply angled forehand winner to claim a deserved one-set advantage. Momentum continued to swing Musetti's way in the second set, where he broke serve to secure a 6-3 victory. Djokovic resisted through a tightly contested game featuring several deuces and flashes of his trademark creativity at the net, but key mistakes at critical moments proved costly. Musetti capitalised, producing clean returns and decisive groundstrokes to convert his chances and close the set with another emphatic forehand. With his serving holding firm and his shot-making under pressure, Musetti surged to a 2-0 lead, leaving the Italian just one set away from a memorable quarter-final triumph over the defending champion.

How to Look Stylish in Traditional Indian Wear

Traditional Indian clothing maintains its status as the strongest representation of cultural heritage, sophisticated beauty and personal expression. Women demonstrate their cultural heritage through traditional Indian clothing, while also expressing contemporary fashion trends in their daily life and special events. The main component for creating an elegant Indian traditional look is the selection of appropriate designs and textiles, which together create a balance between ease of movement and confidence.

Choose Silhouettes

The primary element which defines fashionable traditional Indian clothing exists in its basic shape. Your appearance gets an instant upgrade because of the structured yet comfortable design.

Kurta sets represent the most flexible choices which exist in Indian ethnic clothing. Straight kurtas balance contemporary and traditional styles, while A-line and flared silhouettes create gentle movement through their soft design. The combination of kurta sets with matching straight pants and palazzos and churidars creates a complete traditional Indian outfit which works well for professional settings, everyday activities and intimate social events.

Suit sets provide an effective approach to creating a polished and unified appearance. The combination of a matching kurta and bottoms and a dupatta in a



suit set makes it easy to create a complete traditional Indian outfit which looks both elegant and purposeful.

Select Fabrics That Match the Occasion

Fabric is an important element in deciding how fashionable your traditional Indian outfit is going to look. Light fabrics are always the best for daily wear, and heavier fabrics are suitable for special occasions.

Cotton blends, Viscose, and airy fabrics are the best for daily kurta sets. For special occasion sets, fabrics with a slight shine or texture, like georgette, Chanderi, or velvets for winter wear, add depth without losing their elegance.

Selecting the right fabric will help you ensure that your Indian tra-

ditional look is comfortable, polished, and wearable all day long.

Build a signature Colour Palette. The choice of colors can either make or break a traditional Indian outfit. Neutral colors, earthy shades, soft pastels, and traditional jewel tones are always in style and can be easily adapted for different occasions.

To create a sophisticated Indian traditional look, it is important to maintain a balance of colors. Printed or embroidered kurta sets look best with simple accessories, while plain-colored suit sets can accommodate a statement dupatta or jewelry. Do not overload your look with too many colors. Sometimes, simplicity is the key to creating a stylish statement.

Focus on Details and Craftsmanship

Contemporary traditional Indian attire is all about moderation as opposed to excessive ornamentation. Opt for clothing with intricate details – small embroidery, fine prints, or textured patterns.

A well-designed kurta set may incorporate small embroidery details around the sleeves, hem, or yoke. In the same way, a suit set with clean lines and harmonious design elements will give you a beautiful contemporary Indian traditional look that can easily transition from day to night.

Accessorise Thoughtfully

Accessories play a supporting role in styling traditional Indian outfits. The goal is to complement, not compete.

Statement earrings can elevate a simple kurta set, while suit sets with detailed dupattas pair best with understated jewellery. Footwear, just as juttis, kolhapuris, or block heels, enhances the overall Indian traditional look while ensuring comfort.

Intentional accessorising keeps your ensemble looking blanced and polished.

Prioritise Comfort

Comfort is the true secret behind looking stylish. Traditional Indian wear that allows ease of movement and breathability naturally appears more elegant when

worn. Well-designed kurta sets and suit sets focus on comfort-driven tailoring and wearable fabrics, making them suitable for long hours. When your outfit feels effortless, confidence follows – and that confidence defines a strong Indian traditional look.

Embrace Versatility

One of the greatest strengths of traditional Indian wear is its adaptability. A single kurta can be styled with different bottoms or dupattas, creating multiple looks. Similarly, suit sets can be dressed up or down with a few changes in accessories and footwear.

This versatility allows women to build functional ethnic wardrobes that are stylish, sustainable, and practical.

Looking stylish in traditional Indian wear doesn't require excess, just intention. By choosing the right silhouettes, fabrics, and details, you can create an elegant Indian traditional look that feels both modern and authentic.

Brands like Lakshita, known for their comfort-driven kurta set designs, and timeless suit sets, reflect this approach. They focus on everyday elegance and wearability. With balance and simplicity at the core, traditional Indian outfits continue to remain relevant, refined, and effortlessly stylish.

Dubbing works of 'Ustaad Bhagat Singh' gets started



The much-anticipated Telugu film Ustaad Bhagat Singh is steadily moving ahead in its post-production phase, with director Harish Shankar accelerating work at an impressive pace. Renowned for his sharp writing and mass-appeal dialogues, Harish Shankar is once again expected to deliver powerful, whistle-worthy lines that promise to elevate the film's overall impact. Industry buzz suggests that the director is leaving no stone unturned to ensure the film lives up to the high expectations surrounding it.

Adding to the excitement, Power Star Pawan Kalyan is expected to begin his dubbing sessions shortly. His involvement in this crucial stage has further heightened anticipation among fans and moviegoers, who are eagerly waiting for fresh updates from the makers. With the film carrying massive expectations, every development is being closely followed across social media and fan circles.

The production team has confirmed that post-production activities are progressing smoothly and at a brisk pace. In the coming days, audiences can expect a series of major announcements, including promotional updates that will offer a clearer glimpse into the film's scale and tone. The makers have assured that exciting reveals are on the way as Ustaad Bhagat Singh inches closer to the next phase of its journey.

Starring Pawan Kalyan in the lead role, the film also features Sreeleela and Rashi Khanna in prominent roles, along with a strong supporting cast. Ustaad Bhagat Singh is written and directed by Harish Shankar and is being produced by Naveen Yerneni and Y. Ravi Shankar. The technical team includes music composer Devi Sri Prasad, editor Karthika Srinivas, and action choreographers Ram Laxman, Nabakanth, and Prudhvi, further raising expectations for a high-octane cinematic experience.

Hyderabad 10K celebrates fitness, inclusion and a pioneering legacy around Hussain Sagar

Hyderabad: People's Plaza came alive with energy and purpose this morning as the 19th edition of the Hyderabad 10K, India's first-ever 10K run, was successfully held, bringing together over 5,000 runners from across the city and beyond. The iconic event, re-initiated this year by NEB Sports, followed a scenic loop around the historic Hussain Sagar Lake, offering participants a truly Hyderabad experience.

The event was ceremoniously flagged off by the Founders of the Hyderabad 10K Foundation - Dr Ramesh Byrapaneni, Uma Chigurupati, Jagdish Nalluri, Anil Kumar and Dinaz along with Padma Bhushan awardee and legendary badminton player Pullela Gopichand. Addressing the gathering, Gopichand recounted the journey of how the Hyderabad 10K was conceived many years ago, at a time when organised running events were virtually unheard of in India, and shared the vision of encouraging everyday citizens to embrace fitness. Adding a deeply personal touch to the morning, Pullela Gopichand and Uma Chigurupati also participated in the 10K run, completing the course and earning their finisher medals alongside thousands of runners,



embodying the spirit of participation that the event stands for.

A defining highlight of this edition was its strong emphasis on inclusivity, with visually impaired and differently-abled runners participating alongside elite athletes, amateurs, corporates and first-time runners—reinforcing the belief that running is truly for everyone.

Winners – Fastest Finishers

10 KM – Fastest Women
1st Place: KM Sujata – 47:15
2nd Place: Kanika Jain – 55:56
3rd Place: Johannah – 1:00:15
10 KM – Fastest Men

1st Place: Boddupalli Ramesh – 35:38

2nd Place: Banoth Chandrashekar – 38:00

3rd Place: Vikram Prajapat – 38:25

Set against the stunning backdrop of Hussain Sagar and People's Plaza, the Hyderabad 10K once again reaffirmed its mission to promote active lifestyles and preserve the pioneering legacy of distance running in India. The Hyderabad 10K Foundation and NEB Sports reiterated their commitment to building a healthier, more inclusive city through sport and community-led initiatives.

KCR condoles demise of Ajit Pawar in Plane Crash

Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister and NCP leader Ajit Pawar died early on Wednesday morning in a tragic plane crash near Baramati. The incident has shocked the nation, with Prime Minister Modi, Union Ministers, and prominent political figures expressing their condolences.

BRS Chief and former Telangana Chief Minister KCR paid tribute to Pawar, saying his death was an irreparable loss to Maharashtra poli-

tics. KCR highlighted Pawar's rise from a farmer's movement leader to a senior politician and conveyed his deepest sympathies to the bereaved family. Minister Seethakka also expressed her shock, calling Pawar's death a significant loss for Maharashtra's political and public life. She praised his contributions and offered heartfelt condolences to his family, followers, and supporters, praying for his soul to rest in peace and for strength for



those mourning his loss.

Mohan Babu honoured with Governor's Award of Excellence in Kolkata



Veteran actor and educationist Mohan Babu was conferred with the prestigious Governor's Award of Excellence by the Government of West Bengal on Tuesday, in a grand ceremony held at Lok Bhavan in Kolkata. The honour was presented by the Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal in the presence of eminent dignitaries, followed by a traditional At Home reception.

The event gained added significance with the presence of Mohan Babu's son, actor and MAA President Vishnu Manchu, and MAA Treasurer Siva Balaji, who joined in celebrating the legendary actor's remarkable contribution to Indian cinema.

This recognition marks a historic milestone, as it is the first time the Government of West Bengal has presented such an honour to a Telugu actor. The award underscores the growing national influence of Telugu cinema and its artistic impact beyond regional boundaries.

The accolade comes at a symbolic moment, coinciding with Mohan Babu's 50 illustrious years in the film industry. From humble beginnings to becoming one of Indian cinema's most respected performers, his journey spans a diverse range of powerful roles across multiple languages. Beyond films, Mohan Babu's contributions to education and philanthropy have left a lasting social impact, benefiting countless lives.

For Telugu audiences worldwide, the honour stands as a moment of immense pride, reflecting the cultural bridge between Bengal's rich artistic heritage and Tollywood's dynamic legacy. The recognition serves as a reminder that cinematic excellence transcends language, geography, and generations.

Delhi HC orders takedown of AI movie featuring PK's son



The Delhi High Court has restrained the circulation and broadcast of an AI-generated film featuring Akira Nandan, son of Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and actor Pawan Kalyan, citing violation of his privacy and personality rights. Justice Tushar Tao Gadela was hearing a suit filed by Akira, who claimed that Sambhawaami Studios LLP created and uploaded a one-hour movie on YouTube, portraying him in the lead role without his consent. The AI-generated content allegedly included fabricated intimate and romantic scenes, which, according to the court, could cause irreparable damage to Akira's name, image, and reputation. The court noted that the misuse of AI and deepfake technology infringed his personality, publicity, moral rights, and copyright, and warned of potential harm to the public due to misleading content. Ordering ex parte ad-interim relief, the court directed the immediate removal of the AI film, clips, shorts, and promotional material from all platforms. Defendants, including Meta Platforms, were instructed to remove infringing content within 72 hours, with liability for further exploitation of Akira's name, image, likeness, voice, or mannerisms through AI or deepfake tools. The matter is listed for further proceedings on February 5, underscoring the growing legal scrutiny of AI-generated content and deepfake misuse in India.

Dew is a factor that India can take comfort from at T20 WC: Kumble

India's spin trio of Varun Chakaravathy, Kuldeep Yadav, and vice-captain Axar Patel have been a class apart in the build-up to the ICC Men's T20 World Cup, and former India captain Anil Kumble believes the much-discussed dew factor is unlikely to significantly trouble them during the tournament.

With the World Cup set to be played in February and March and several matches scheduled for late evenings, dew is expected to play a role. However, Kumble feels India's spinners are experienced enough to handle the challenge. "Dew is certainly going to play its part, especially during the time of the World Cup in February and March, with matches being played late in the evening. It's not going to be easy. As spinners, you tend to get used to bowling with a



wet ball; it's nothing new," Kumble said on JioHotstar.

The former spinner, however, pointed out that Varun Chakaravathy, in particular, may not be overly affected by the conditions due to his unique skill set.

"One aspect that India can certainly take comfort from is that I don't think it affects someone like Varun Chakaravathy

because of the grip he has on the ball and the pace at which he bowls. I don't think dew will bother him that much. "Yes, it's not the same as bowling with a dry ball, of course, but with a wet ball, I don't see Varun struggling too much. Similarly, Axar Patel should also be fine. The one person who might find it a bit more difficult is Kuldeep Yadav with a wet ball because of

his bowling style. Having said that, Kuldeep is also used to bowling in these conditions," he added. Speaking on whether conditions should dictate India's team selection, Kumble stressed the importance of backing the strongest possible playing XI rather than overthinking external factors.

"The dew shouldn't really matter; you should still look to play your best eleven regardless of the venue and conditions. If the best eleven on that surface, against the team India are playing, requires you to go with all three spinners, then so be it. If it's just two spinners, then Varun will probably be slightly ahead of Kuldeep, especially if you know it's going to be really wet when India bowl second, if that happens," he said.

Chiranjeevi celebrates Telugu cinema's national moment

Tollywood witnessed a proud and emotional moment as veteran actors Murali Mohan and Rajendra Prasad were conferred with the Padma Shri, one of India's highest civilian honours. Joining five other distinguished personalities from the Telugu states, the two actors' recognition marked a significant milestone for Telugu cinema on the national stage.

Making the occasion even more memorable, Megastar Chiranjeevi personally visited the residences of Murali Mohan and Rajendra Prasad to congratulate them. Draping them in traditional shawls, he extended his warm wishes and described their Padma Shri honours as a collective victory for the Telugu film industry. The interactions were filled with warmth, nostalgia, and mutual admiration, reflecting decades of shared history and camaraderie among the stalwarts.

Chiranjeevi, who himself received the Padma Bhushan in 2006 and was honoured with the Padma



Vibhushan in 2024, said it was a truly joyous day for Tollywood. He also took to social media to congratulate all Padma Award recipients of 2026, applauding achievers across cinema, sports, medicine, and other fields. In his post, he praised the lifetime contributions of awardees such as Mammootty, R. Madhavan, Rohit Sharma, Harmanpreet Kaur, and Dr. Dattatreya Nori, calling their honours a testament to years of dedication, excellence, and grace.



He expressed particular happiness over seeing his close friends Murali Mohan and Rajendra Prasad receive the Padma Shri. Chiranjeevi's gesture of personally honouring fellow artists has been widely appreciated within the industry. Such acts reinforce a sense of unity and mutual respect in Tollywood, with the Megastar once again standing out as a guiding and supportive elder figure who consistently celebrates collective achievements.

PFRDA Introduces Pilot 'NPS Swasthya Pension Scheme' for Healthcare Expenses

The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) has issued a circular announcing a pilot under its Regulatory Sandbox for a new option titled "NPS Swasthya Pension Scheme." The initiative allows NPS subscribers to use a portion of their corpus specifically for medical expenses, including OPD and hospitalisation.

Dr. Tapan Singhel, MD and CEO of Bajaj General Insurance, who is also a member of the PFRDA Advisory Committee and Chairman of GIC, has shared his perspective on this development. The sandbox initiative was the brainchild of Dr. Singhel and reflects his long-standing focus on integrating healthcare needs with retirement planning.

His quote in case you decide to carry the news :) :
"Over the last few years, as a



Member of the Pension Advisory Committee at PFRDA and Chairman of the CII National Committee on Insurance and Pensions, I have been consistently advocating that retirement plan-

ning in India must reflect healthcare realities. The NPS Swasthya Pension Scheme, introduced as a Proof of Concept under PFRDA's Regulatory Sandbox, is a timely step that reflects a government that listens and a progressive regulator willing to innovate responsibly, with the right safeguards before scale. I am particularly impressed by the speed of execution led by Mr S Ramann and Mr Randip Singh Jagpal in taking this from intent to action."