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PM Modi Assures Protection for Small Entrepreneurs, Farmers Amid US Tariffs

(Gns).

Ahmedabad: In a strong message against rising trade pressures, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday assured that his government will not allow small entrepreneurs, farmers, and animal keepers to suffer due to external challenges such as tariffs imposed by the United States.

Without directly naming US President Donald Trump, Modi referred to Washington's decision to double duties on Indian goods. "Be it small entrepreneurs, shopkeepers, farmers, or animal husbandry workers, your interests are paramount. My government will never let any harm come to you. No matter how much pressure comes, we will keep

increasing our strength to withstand it," he said while addressing a gathering in Ahmedabad.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, speaking in

goods, and a high-level meeting on August 26 will assess the impact.

The Prime Minister highlighted that India's Atmanirbhar

Sindoor, launched after the Pahalgam terror attack, Modi described it as a symbol of India's military valour. He also accused previous governments of neglecting Mahatma Gandhi's principles of Swadeshi, asserting that the spirit of self-reliance and cleanliness (Swachhata) has been revived under his leadership.

High-Level Meeting on Tariff Impact

Meanwhile, the Prime Minister's Office will hold a high-level meeting on August 26 to assess the implications of steep US tariffs on Indian exporters. From Wednesday, Indian goods entering the American market will face 50% duties, doubling cost pressures on businesses.



Ahmedabad, stated his government will protect Indian small entrepreneurs, farmers, and animal keepers from external trade pressures, including the US doubling tariffs on Indian

Abhiyan draws its strength from Gujarat, backed by two decades of reforms and development.

On National Security and Swadeshi Spirit Speaking on Operation

Mann to replicate TN's Breakfast Scheme in Punjab

(Gns).

Punjab Chief Minister and AAP leader Bhagwant Mann on Tuesday said his government would replicate the breakfast scheme for primary school students being implemented in Tamil Nadu.

Speaking to the media after participating with his Tamil Nadu counterpart, MK Stalin, in the expansion of the programme in Chennai, Mann described the Breakfast Scheme as a pioneering one and a model for not only other



states but also the Union Government.

"We are actively considering launching such a

scheme in Punjab. A resolution would soon be adopted at the Punjab Cabinet to execute the programme

there," he said, adding that he had given an assurance to Stalin in this regard.

Earlier, at the inaugural event, when Mann asked the students whether they were happy, the response was a resounding 'yes'.

The Punjab Chief Minister, who lauded the great strides that Tamil Nadu had made in the fields of education, health care, and infrastructure, said his visit was also strengthening the historical and cultural ties between Punjab and Tamil Nadu.

Decisive joint responses across domains, enabled by self-reliance & integrated logistics, will be key to victory in future wars: cds at ran samwad

(Gns).

Emphasising that battlefields of tomorrow will not recognise service boundaries, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Anil Chauhan has called for swift and decisive joint responses across domains to ensure victory in future wars. He was delivering the keynote address at RAN SAMWAD, a first-of-its-kind Tri-service seminar on war, warfare & warfighting, on the theme 'Impact of Technology on Warfare' at the Army War College in Dr Ambedkar Nagar, Madhya Pradesh on August 26, 2025.

Terming Atmanirbharta in defence and integrated logistics as key to emerge victorious in the wars to come, the CDS reaffirmed that 'jointness' is foundational to India's transformation. He underscored the need to institutionalise joint training and absorb constantly-evolving technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Cyber and Quantum to enhance operational capability. For a robust civil-military integra-



tion, he voiced the importance & commitment to develop Sudarshan Chakra (India's Own Iron Dome) which will act as both 'A Shield and A Sword', and said that developing capabilities in multiple domains

is central for attaining victory in future wars.

Citing Kautilya, General

"Serious research needs to be done on various dimensions of war, leadership,

motivation, morale and technology. India needs to be Sashakt, Surakshit, Aatmanirbhar and Viksit. This can only be achieved when all stakeholders participate collectively in the process of building future ready forces," he said.

The CDS pointed out that the idea of RAN SAMWAD is to create space for actual practitioners, especially young and middle level officers, who are aware of technological advancements. He stated that there is a need to hear their point of view thus creating an ecosystem wherein symphony and harmony among new ideas co-exist with the experience provided by the personnel.

The two-day seminar brings serving military professionals to the forefront of strategic dialogue. Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh will deliver the plenary address on the second and final day. A few Joint Doctrines and the Technology Perspective & Capability Roadmap will also be released during the event.

Govt college every 20 km to ensure higher education for daughters: Haryana CM

(Gns).

Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini said that the state government's policy is to establish a government college within every 20-kilometre radius. In line with this policy, seven government colleges are already operational in the vicinity of village Janauli in the Palwal district.

The chief minister was replying to a question asked by MLA Sh Raghubir Tewatia during the ongoing monsoon session of Haryana Vidhan Sabha here on Tuesday.

Expressing gratitude to former chief minister



Manohar Lal, he said with a visionary approach focused on girls' education, a roadmap was prepared to establish government col-

leges within every 20-kilometre radius. Today, students across the state are reaping the significant benefits of this farsighted initia-

tive.

He informed that currently, 560 boys and 733 girls are enrolled with Government College, Palwal, located just 6 km from Janauli. The college has a total capacity of 1,293 students. In addition, 339 girl students are pursuing their studies at Government Girls College, Mandkola, situated 15 km from Janauli.

He said that the District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) has been operating in village Janauli, district Palwal, under the Prithla Assembly Constituency since 2015.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Receives heartfelt Farewell at Ahmedabad Airport

Governor Shri Acharya Devvratji and Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel Bid Farewell

Gandhinagar, 26

August 2025: Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, after concluding his two-day visit to Gujarat, departed for Delhi today. At Ahmedabad Airport, Governor Shri Acharya Devvrat and Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel bid him a heartfelt farewell.

Also present to extend a farewell to the Prime Minister were Union Minister and BJP State President Shri C.R. Patil, Protocol Minister Shri Jagdish Vishwakarma,



Mayor of Ahmedabad Smt. Pratibha Jain, State Chief

Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel Extends 'Michhami Dukkadam' Greetings on Samvatsari*

Gandhinagar, 26 August 2025: Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel has extended heartfelt greetings of "Michhami Dukkadam" to Jain and non-Jain citizens on the auspicious occasion of Samvatsari.

The Chief Minister described Paryushan Mahaparva as a festival of forgiveness and gratitude, emphasising that it symbolises seeking pardon for any mistakes committed knowingly or unknowingly through thought, word, or deed.

He further expressed his belief that the principles of

Lord Mahavir — forgiveness, contentment, simplicity, humility, compassion,



and kindness — embraced during Paryushan, will strengthen the spirit of social harmony and deepen the values of humanity.

Secretary Shri Pankaj Joshi, Director General of Police Shri Vikas Sahay, Additional Chief Secretary of GAD Smt. Sunaina Tomar, Air Marshal S. Srinivas,

Ahmedabad City Police Commissioner Shri G.S. Malik, Major General Gaurav Bagga, Chief Protocol Officer Shri Jvalant Trivedi, along with other senior officials.

Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel Extends Ganesh Chaturthi Greetings to the People of Gujarat

*Gandhinagar, 26 August 2025: Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel has conveyed heartfelt greetings to all citizens of Gujarat on the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi.

On this sacred festival dedicated to Lord Ganesha, the remover of obstacles, the Chief Minister expressed his wishes that the worship of Lord Ganesha would dispel all hurdles and challenges, fostering progress, prosperity, and development for both the nation and the state.

He also urged everyone to install eco-friendly Ganesha idols and engage in the worship and devotion of Lord Ganesha while contributing to environmental conservation.

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Editorial

Silicon Illusions

Few commodities carry the weight of the semiconductor chip. They are the hidden scaffolding of the global economy, running everything from cars and consumer electronics to missile systems and artificial intelligence. Whoever controls advanced chip-making commands a formidable advantage. That explains why Washington has placed chips at the heart of its industrial and national security strategy. Yet the dream of building a fully self-sufficient semiconductor industry on American soil is more fantasy than a feasible plan. For decades, the strength of chip-making has been its extraordinary specialisation and global integration.

No single country owns the whole process: the machines that etch circuits come largely from the Netherlands and Japan, the raw wafers from a few suppliers worldwide, the most advanced fabrication from Taiwan, and much of the assembly and testing from Southeast Asia. To imagine that all these steps can be collapsed into one national framework, even by a superpower, is to ignore the very structure of the industry. Intel's trajectory is a cautionary tale. Once the unrivalled emblem of American technological dominance, it has stumbled badly. Despite heavy subsidies and political backing, it no longer produces the cutting-edge chips needed for artificial intelligence. Money alone has not bought back its lost lead. Contrast this with Taiwan's TSMC, which continues to define the frontier of fabrication, expanding abroad while keeping its most advanced production at home. The lesson is that industrial leadership rests on agility, expertise, and ecosystems, not simply government largesse.

American strength in semiconductors cannot be decreed by fiat; it must be built on innovation, skilled labour, and trust in international partners who share both risks and rewards. That does not mean America is helpless. Building more capacity domestically can strengthen resilience, particularly against geopolitical shocks. New plants in Arizona and Ohio will help reduce vulnerability to supply disruptions. But such projects are expensive, slow, and dependent on foreign partners for critical inputs. Even if they succeed, the world's most advanced chips will still come from Taiwan for years to come. The larger danger lies in mistaking resilience for autarky. If policy veers into protectionism or attempts at economic isolation, the outcome could be wasteful duplication, higher costs, and slower innovation.

Chips are not like steel or textiles; they cannot be walled off behind tariffs and still thrive. The path forward must blend domestic capacity-building with international cooperation, not pretend that allies and global supply chains can be wished away. Ultimately, the United States can enhance its security without abandoning openness. It should nurture talent, support research, and create conditions for competitive firms to grow. But it must also cultivate partnerships with like-minded economies that share an interest in secure, reliable chip supplies. The fantasy of going it alone risks weakening the very technological edge it seeks to protect. ECI's initiatives must earn public trust

Mixed signals from Trump administration

India, which they claim is essential to keep China at bay. Nikki Haley mentioned, "It would serve America's interests to help India stand up to China." She subsequently changed her stance and mentioned that India should consider the US demand on Russian oil seriously and work to resolve the trade dispute. Was this on a suggestion by the administration? Trump's advisors including Trade advisor Peter Navarro, Secretary of Treasury Scott Bessent and Senator Lindsay Graham have been defending additional tariffs imposed on India.

Navarro has written on it in the Financial Times and has also given multiple interviews, all aimed at justifying the US action. Navarro mentioned in a media interaction, "They get cheap Russian oil and make refined products which they sell at premium prices in Europe, Africa and Asia. It is purely profiteering by the Indian refining industry." He added, "India does not want to recognise its role in the bloodshed." Why are members of the US administration working overtime to defend Trump's decision? Only the guilty repeat the same lie, hoping it gets taken for the truth. Was this the intent? Navarro, Bessent and Graham have even demanded that Europe stop procuring refined oil from India and join the US on additional tariffs. Europe has refused to act.

The EU has imposed a ban on import of refined oil which is slated to come into effect from January 2026. Meanwhile French President Emmanuel Macron spoke with PM Modi. He tweeted, "On trade issues, we agreed to



The Indian readout mentioned, "President Macron also conveyed support for early conclusion of the Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between India and the EU." India and the EU continuing trade talks is contrary to American demands. At the same time Trump appointed his close associate and White House personnel chief, 38-year-old Sergio Gor as the new ambassador to India. He would also be Trump's Special Envoy on South and Central Asian Affairs.

This is a first such trilateral appointment. India has not commented. Gor has no diplomatic experience

on countermeasures being adopted to cater for the tariffs nor has he rushed to Washington to speak to Trump. India's response has flowed from Foreign Minister Dr S Jaishankar. He has questioned US actions and justified India's stand on different platforms. On illogical tariffs and justifying Indo-Russia trade he said: "The overall Russia-EU trade is bigger than the Russia-India trade. If the argument is energy, they (EU) are bigger buyers. If the argument is who is the bigger trader, they are bigger than us."

On the Indo-US differences and trade agreement talks he laid down India's red lines which were prioritizing interests of farmers, defending India's strategic autonomy and mediation with Pakistan. Jaishankar also added, "If you have a problem buying oil or refined products from India, don't buy it. Nobody forces you to buy it. Europe buys, America buys, so you don't like it, don't buy it." The message to Washington could not have been clearer. India will not bend while seeking a balanced trade agreement.

Meanwhile, Indo-US

ties remain robust. As per inputs, HAL and GE of the US are to shortly begin negotiations on producing fighter jet engines to power the Tejas Mark II aircraft. These are to include 80 per cent technology transfer, and less critical components be manufactured in India. Other defence procurements remain on track. This implies that both nations are determined to keep defence distinct from the on-going diplomatic and economic battle.

This is a good sign as it indicates that some strategic goals remain aligned. Currently both are exploiting the media to defend their actions. For India to insist its trade with Moscow is legitimate, while Washington believes that the road to resolution of the conflict flows through New Delhi. Both are displaying their options. India is moving closer to Russia and China while Washington refuses to back down, insisting that Europe join hands with it. The longer the differences linger the greater the damage. The world's largest and oldest democracies need to talk and resolve their differences rather than blow

SBI Card and Flipkart Form Strategic Alliance; Launch Flipkart SBI Co-Branded Credit Card

-The co-branded credit card aims to enhance affordability and value for Flipkart, Mynta, Shopsy and Cleartrip customers

-Customers can avail 7.5% cashback on Mynta spends and 5% cashback on Flipkart, Shopsy, and Cleartrip spends

26 August 2025: SBI Card, India's largest pure-play credit card issuer and Flipkart, India's homegrown e-commerce marketplace, jointly announced the launch of 'Flipkart SBI Credit Card'. This one-of-its-kind co-branded credit card got launched in the presence of Mr. Challa Sreenivasulu Setty, Chairman, State Bank of India (SBI) and Mr. Ashwini Kumar Tewari, Managing Director, SBI. The Flipkart SBI Card has been meticulously designed with curated cashback benefits to offer a rewarding shopping experience for discerning customers on majority of their purchases. The launch reflects SBI Card and Flipkart's ongoing efforts to empower shoppers with greater value, flexibility, and access to formal credit while enhancing their overall shopping journey. Customers can seamlessly apply for the credit card digitally via the Flipkart App, and SBI Card SPRINT, by visiting the SBI Card website SBI Card.com.

With the Flipkart SBI Card, customers can earn 7.5% cashback on spends made on Mynta, and 5% cashback on spends made on Flipkart, Shopsy, and

Cleartrip. Customers can utilise the rewarding value proposition to make purchases across a broad range of products and services across the Flipkart ecosystem, including

SBI Card has been thoughtfully designed to provide a rewarding and seamless payment experience."

Kalyan Krishnamurthy, Chief Executive Officer,



mobiles, electronics, grocery, fashion, furniture, appliances, home furnishings, travel bookings, and more. Moreover, customers can earn 4% cashback on select brands like Zomato, Uber, Netmeds, and PVR, and 1% unlimited cashback on all other eligible spends. The Flipkart SBI Card comes with an auto-credit of cashback facility which allows automatic credit of entitled cashback to the SBI Card account within two days of statement generation, ensuring a hassle-free experience.

Sailia Pande, Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, SBI Card, said, "At SBI Card, we continuously strive towards delivering best-in-class products that align with the evolving needs and aspirations of our customers. Launch of the Flipkart SBI Card in partnership with Flipkart is one more step in this direction. With the rapid growth of e-commerce in India, customers are increasingly seeking seamless and rewarding experiences in every purchase. Flipkart

Flipkart Group, said, "At Flipkart, we have always placed the customer at the centre of everything we do. Our focus has been on creating shared value for the wider ecosystem. Over the years, we have introduced several innovative financial offerings. This co-branded credit card, in partnership with SBI Card, is another important step in that journey. It reflects our commitment to democratizing and expanding access to formal credit in India. With solutions designed to deliver maximum value, we aim to empower millions of households across Bharat to fulfil their aspirations with confidence."

The joining and annual renewal fee of the Flipkart SBI Card is ₹500 plus applicable taxes. Upon successful application, cardholders can avail welcome benefits worth ₹1,250. Additionally, they will be able to enjoy a renewal fee reversal of ₹500 on reaching the milestone of ₹3,50,000 annual spends during the card membership year. The credit card also offers a 1%

fuel surcharge waiver in a statement cycle. The contactless card is available on Mastercard as well as VISA payment platforms.

To mark the launch, Flipkart and SBI Card are introducing a limited-period launch offer", giving applicants the chance to win 10 Samsung Galaxy Smartwatches and 100 Ambrane wireless power banks every day upon successful completion of the card application process on the Flipkart app.

Flipkart SBI Card Key Highlights:

Welcome Benefits: Flipkart e-gift card worth ₹250 on payment of the joining fee, with an expiry of one year from the date of issuance

Flipkart e-gift card worth ₹500 on your first transaction on Flipkart within 30 days of card approval for applications submitted through the Flipkart app

Cleartrip voucher worth ₹500 on your first transaction on Flipkart within 30 days of card approval for applications submitted through the Flipkart app

Spend Based Reversal: Reversal of ₹500 annual fee on achieving spends of ₹3,50,000 in the previous year

Cashback Benefits: 7.5% cashback on all spends made on Mynta with a limit of ₹4,000 in a calendar quarter

5% cashback on all spends made on Flipkart (including Shopsy) with a limit of ₹4,000 in a calendar quarter

Yakult Taps Taapsee Pannu as Brand Ambassador to Power Its Bold 2030 Rebranding Vision

Lucknow, 26 August 2025: Yakult Danone India Pvt. Ltd., a joint venture between Yakult Honsha in Japan and Groupe Danone in France, today announced the appointment of Bollywood star Taapsee Pannu as its new brand ambassador. Strengthening its commitment to promoting good gut health across India, the company also revealed its ambitious goal of achieving double-digit growth every year until 2030.

Since its entry into India in 2008, Yakult has expanded to nearly 700 cities across the country, successfully pioneering the probiotic dairy drink category and creating greater awareness around gut health. With India witnessing a paradigm shift toward healthier food and beverage choices, the demand for probiotics and functional foods is on the rise, making the country a crucial market for Yakult's growth strategy.

Speaking on her association with the brand, Taapsee Pannu, Bollywood Actor & Yakult Brand Ambassador, said, "I'm really happy to be part of Yakult's journey in promoting good gut health. My family has been enjoying Yakult for years, especially my mom, and I've seen first-hand how small, consistent habits can make a big difference. I truly believe that good health starts in the gut, and Yakult is such an easy, tasty way to include that in our daily routine. I'm excited to help spread this message and encourage more people across India to embrace a healthier lifestyle."

Reiterating Yakult's business vision, Mr. Eiji Amano, Managing Director, Yakult Danone India Pvt. Ltd., stated, "India has

shown remarkable growth potential for Yakult over the last 17 years. From a nascent category in 2008 to a rapidly expanding market



today, Yakult has continuously won consumer trust and Our next milestone of achieving double-digit growth every year until 2030 reflects the growing demand for probiotics and the confidence we have in the Indian market. Yakult stands committed to reaching more families with our scientifically backed probiotic drink."

Highlighting the science behind Yakult, Dr. Neerja Hajela, CSO – Science and Regulatory Affairs, Yakult Danone India Pvt. Ltd., said, "Yakult is a daily catalyst that improves the effectiveness of our diet by enhancing the absorption of nutrients in the gut. This is because only Yakult contains the unique Shirota strain, clinically proven to increase the good bacteria in the gut, thereby boosting absorption and digestion. Yakult ensures effective delivery and consistent health benefits."

Sharing the company's vision for consumer outreach, Mr. Taku Otsuka, Director – Sales, PR & Marketing, Yakult Danone India Pvt. Ltd., said, "Our

mission goes beyond just selling products. We want to spark a conversation about gut health and make it part of everyday life for



people across the country. Through innovative marketing, on-ground activities, and meaningful engagement with our consumers, Yakult aims to make probiotics a simple, daily habit for every Indian household. After all, good health starts from within, and we want everyone to feel that difference every day."

India's probiotics drink market is growing rapidly. Valued at around INR 1,348.8 Million in 2024, it is expected to touch nearly INR 5,778.9 Million by 2033, expanding at a strong CAGR of 16.67% between 2025 and 2033 as per IMARC Group.

A unique strength in Yakult's India journey has been the "Yakult Ladies" home delivery model. Specially trained women deliver Yakult directly to households, ensuring freshness and credibility, while also educating families about gut health. This initiative has not only enabled last-mile delivery and health awareness but has also become a symbol of women empowerment, providing financial inde-

pendence and confidence to hundreds of women across Indian cities.

Yakult is a probiotic drink containing over 6.5 billion beneficial bacteria, specifically Lactobacillus casei strain Shirota (Shirota strain), which helps improve digestion and boost immunity. Originating in Japan, it is now sold in 40 countries and regions across the world.

As India continues to witness a surge in health-conscious living, functional foods and probiotics are emerging as a natural choice for preventive wellness, improved immunity, and long-term health. With a legacy of 90 years backed by strong scientific research, Yakult is well-positioned to lead this transformation and make probiotics an everyday health ritual for Indian households.

Kahani Har Ghar Ki' with Juhi Parmar

Lucknow. There are many stories hidden behind the walls of every home - stories where women endure everything silently. Sometimes they are ignored, sometimes they have to compromise their dreams for the family, and many times their courage remains completely unnoticed by the world. To break this silence, Zee TV is now taking a new initiative. Zee TV is bringing a completely different style reality show - Kahani Har Ghar Ki. Famous popular artist Juhi Parmar will be the anchor of this show. This show will give the women of India a safe and respectable platform to tell their stories openly. Produced by Zee Studios, this show will be



Friday at 6:30 pm. Over the years, Juhi

audience through her charming acting and

strong characters. In this show, she returns not just as an actor, but as 'Aapki Juhi' – a listener, a partner and a guide who creates an environment for women where they feel safe, understood and their voices are truly heard. Juhi Parmar said, "I have played many characters that reflect the true emotions of Indian women, but Kahani Har Ghar Ki is very special for me as I am connecting directly with real stories and real emotions. I am a part of a format that not only inspires but also promotes understanding and dialogue in every household. And the best part is that now women can share their stories with us through a toll-free number, which

may be incorporated in the show."

Raghavendra Hunsur, Chief Creative Officer, Zee Entertainment Enterprises Ltd. said, "Kahaani Har Ghar Ki is not just a show. It is a support. In this show, we are bringing forth the stories of women who are struggling with relationships, career and the boundaries of society. Mangesh Kulkarni, Chief Channel Officer, Zee TV said, "Through 'Kahani Har Ghar Ki', we are creating a platform where we can discuss those issues which are often suppressed in Indian homes. In this, we will shed light on the real issues and give people the courage to speak their truth."

Wr extends trips of 15 pairs of weekly special trains

For the convenience of passengers and with a view to meet the travel demand, Western Railway has extended the trips of 15 pairs of Weekly Special trains on existing composition, path and timings.

According to a press release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer of Western Railway, Shri Vineet Abhishek, details of the trains are as under:

1. Train No. 09075 Mumbai Central – Kathgodam special has been extended upto 31st December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09076 Kathgodam – Mumbai Central Special has been extended upto 1st January, 2026.

2. Train No. 09185 Mumbai Central – Kanpur Anwarganj special has been extended upto 28th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09186 Kanpur Anwarganj – Mumbai Central Special has been extended upto 29th December, 2025.

3. Train No. 09043 Bandra Terminus – Barhni special has been extended upto 28th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09044 Barhni – Bandra Terminus

Special has been extended upto 29th December, 2025.

4. Train No. 02200 Bandra Terminus – Virangana Lakshmbai Jhansi superfast special has been extended upto 27th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 02199 Virangana Lakshmbai Jhansi – Bandra Terminus superfast Special has been extended upto 25th December, 2025.

5. Train No. 04126 Bandra Terminus – Subedarganj superfast special has been extended upto 30th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 04125 Subedarganj – Bandra Terminus superfast Special has been extended upto 29th December, 2025.

6. Train No. 04156 Udhna – Subedarganj special has been extended upto 30th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 04155 Subedarganj – Udhna Special has been extended upto 29th December, 2025.

7. Train No. 09025 Valsad – Danapur special has been extended upto 29th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09026 Danapur – Valsad Special has been extended upto 30th December, 2025.

8. Train No. 09007 Valsad – Khatipura special has been extended upto 30th October, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09008 Khatipura – Valsad Special has been extended upto 31st October, 2025.

9. Train No. 09059 Udhna – Khurda Road special has been extended upto 31st December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09060 Khurda Road – Udhna Special has been extended upto 2nd January, 2026.

10. Train No. 09117 Udhna – Subedarganj special has been extended upto 26th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09118 Subedarganj –Udhna Special has been extended upto 27th December, 2025

11. Train No. 09039 Udhna – Dhanbad special has been extended upto 26th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09040 Dhanbad –Udhna Special has been extended upto 28th December, 2025

12. Train No. 09031 Udhna – Jaynagar special has been extended upto 28th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09032 Jaynagar – Udhna Special has been extended upto 29th December, 2025.

13. Train No. 09045 Udhna - Patna special has been extended upto 26th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09046 Patna - Udhna Special has been extended upto 27th December, 2025.

14. Train No. 09195 Vadodara – Mau special has been extended upto 29th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09196 Mau - Vadodara Special has been extended upto 30th December, 2025.

15. Train No. 09343 Dr Ambedkar Nagar - Patna special has been extended upto 25th December, 2025. Similarly, Train No. 09344 Patna – Dr Ambedkar Nagar Special has been extended upto 26th December, 2025.

The booking for extended trips of Train Nos. 09075, 09185, 09043, 02200, 04126, 04156, 09025, 09007, 09059, 09117, 09039, 09031, 09045, 09195 & 09343 opens from 28th August, 2025 at PRS counters & on IRCTC website. For detailed information regarding timings of halts and composition, passengers may please visit www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in

Mandalayukta made 107th board meeting of Vipra, proposal kept

Mathura. The 107th board meeting of the Mathura Vrindavan Development Authority was concluded under the chairmanship of Mandalayukta Shailendra Kumar Singh in the auditorium of Uttar Pradesh Brij Tirtha Vikas Parishad. The meeting confirmed the last 106th board meeting of the authority. Thereafter proposals were made in the meeting. It was proposed to convert the community facility plot located in Rukmani Vihar Residential Scheme Sector 1 into residential. It was informed by the Authority Secretary that residential plots would be required for the families to be displaced at the inauguration of the Sribanke Bihari Corridor Vrindavan Project. While discussing the proposal, the Commissioner directed that land use changes should

be made as per rules, as well as the families to be displaced should be available at no profit no loss, it



should be ensured. The proposal was approved. In connection with the proposal to implement the UP Development Authority Building and Development by -Operations and Adarsh Joning Regulations 2025, instructions were given that a committee should be constituted and the reports should be presented after studying the problems faced in the implementation

of the said rules and what will be the benefit to the common people. In Sector 3 of Rukmani Vihar

district Mathura, Mathura Vrindavan Master Plan 2031, was proposed to convert from agriculture to residential and knowledge park to residential. It was informed that more than 50 percent of the land has been acquired under the said scheme. Soon, instructions were given to acquire the residue land and the proposal was approved in the interest of preparing a development plan to develop the said scheme. The meeting was attended by District Magistrate CP Singh, Authority Vice President Shyam Bahadur Singh, Municipal Commissioner Authority Arvind Dwivedi, OSD Prasun Dwivedi, Joint Planner Mrs. Smita Nigam, Senior Treasurer Munna Lal Shukla and other related officials were present as NGOare.

City Kotwali and SWAT team caught Brijmohan arrested for drug addiction under the guise of medical store

Drug injection and syringe recovered in large quantity

Mathura. The city police station Kotwali police and SWAT team took joint action and arrested a vicious seller of drug addiction under the guise of the medical store. A large amount of intoxicating injections and syringes were recovered from its possession. The police have registered a case under the NDPS Act and taken action against the accused. According to the

information received, this action was taken under the leadership of Deputy Superintendent of Police UT Ankur Gautam, police station in -charge Depval Singh Pundir and SWAT team in -charge Chhotalal. On the information of the informer, the police team arrested Brijmohan son Gokul Prasad resident Saketpuri, Maholi Road near Nepal Hotel. The



search was recovered from the following 100 intoxicating injections (dijipam), 200 injections (buprenorphine hydrochloride), 200 injec-

tions (fanarmin malet), 200 syringe (two small compartments), 400 high-tech needle syringes (four small compartments) from his possession. The arrest team included Sub - Inspector Mangeram, Kaushal Kishore, Arvind Siwal, Head Constable Awadhesh Kumar, Harendra Kumar, Constable Ajit Kumar and Gulame Ahmed. Police say that the accused used to work to make the youth addicted to drugs in the name of medical store

Before Nikki Bhati's Death, 2024 Assault FIR Against Accused Vipin Bhati Resurfaces

(Gns). A 2024 assault FIR against Vipin Bhati, the prime accused in the Greater Noida dowry death case, has resurfaced amid the ongoing probe into the death of his wife, Nikki Bhati, who was allegedly set on fire on August 21.

According to Kasna SHO Dharmendra Shukla, the earlier FIR was lodged at Jarcha police station in 2024 after Vipin was allegedly "caught with a girl." The disclosure has added another layer to the already controversial case.

An earlier 2024 assault FIR against Vipin Bhati, the prime suspect in the Greater Noida dowry death case of his wife, Nikki Bhati, has resurfaced, adding a

new dimension to the investigation which involves dowry demands, a beauty parlour dispute, and



disturbing videos of abuse captured online by Nikki's sister.

Police said that 28-year-old Nikki Bhati was allegedly set ablaze by her husband and in-laws over

dowry demands and her wish to reopen a beauty parlour she once managed. Her sister Kanchan, who



is married to Vipin's brother, released disturbing videos online showing Nikki being assaulted, doused with liquid, and later engulfed in flames. Kanchan claimed the clips were evidence of

years of domestic abuse.

Arrests Made in Nikki Bhati Murder Case

The Greater Noida Police have taken multiple family members into custody. On Monday, Nikki's father-in-law and brother-in-law were arrested. Earlier, police had arrested Vipin Bhati and his mother Daya Bhati (55) on charges of dowry harassment, assault, and murder.

Investigators revealed that Nikki's wish to reopen her beauty parlour and her active presence on Instagram were constant sources of conflict. Police said Vipin strongly opposed her making reels or running a business, insisting that women in the family were not allowed to do so.

Students of Asia English School Win First Prize at Kalanjali Inter-School Dance Competition

Ahmedabad, August 26, 2025:

The talented students of Asia English School have brought laurels to their institution by winning the First Prize at the Kalanjali Inter-School Dance Competition. The competition featured various categories, and the students secured the top position in the Tribal Theme category with their mesmerizing performance.

The team showcased the richness of India's tribal heritage through graceful moves, vibrant expressions, and synchronized choreography, earning high praise from the judges and audience alike. Their performance not only highlighted

cultural diversity but also reflected the school's emphasis on nurturing creativity and artistic excellence among students.

Speaking on the occasion, the school management congratulated the winners for their hard work and dedication. "We are proud of our students for achieving this milestone. Their performance was a perfect blend of energy, rhythm, and culture. Such achievements encourage us to continue providing holistic education where academ-

ics and co-curricular activities go hand in hand," the management stated.

About Asia English School:

Established in 1965 under the aegis of Asia Charitable Trust, Asia English School is one of Ahmedabad's leading educational institutions, offering quality education from pre-primary to higher secondary levels. The school is known for its strong academic foundation, modern infrastructure, and focus on overall personality develop-



Himachal Pradesh On Red Alert: Landslides, Cloudbursts And Flash Floods Leave State Reeling

(Gns). Heavy rains triggered landslides and flash floods across Himachal Pradesh on Monday night, causing massive damage to infrastructure and property. Officials said on Tuesday that while shops were swept away, buildings collapsed, highways were cut off, and residential areas inundated, no casualties have been reported so far.

According to the State Emergency Operation Centre (SEOC), a total of 690 roads remain blocked across the state as of Tuesday morning. Mandi district accounts for 320 closures, while 132 roads are shut in Kullu.

The Meteorological Department has sounded a red alert for heavy to very heavy rainfall in Kangra, Chamba, and Mandi districts on Tuesday. An orange alert has also been issued, forecasting heavy rain in parts of Mandi, Shimla, Solan, and Sirmaur on Friday, and in Kangra, Kullu, Mandi, and Shimla districts on Saturday.

In Kullu district's Manali,

strong currents of the Beas River washed away a multi-storey hotel and four shops

Old Manali was also destroyed. "Connectivity to Manali from the right bank



in the early hours of Tuesday. The rising waters also entered the Alu Ground area, while the Chandigarh-Manali national highway suffered damage at multiple points. Nearly 200 meters of the Manali-Leh highway was washed away, leaving tourists stranded as authorities closed the route.

The situation worsened on Manali's Right Bank Road, which connects Kullu city, with two major sections of the national highway washed away. The Manali-Burua road near

has been cut off. Since Monday, four shops, two restaurants, and one house have been damaged," said Raman Sharma, Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Manali.

The water level of the Beas rose further after 20,000 cusec of water was released from the Largi Dam. Authorities have urged residents and tourists to stay away from riverbanks and landslide-prone slopes.

In Kullu, overflowing waters from the Ghanvi Khud stream entered hous-

ment. With equal importance given to academics, sports, arts, and cultural activities, Asia English School continues to shape students into confident, creative, and responsible individuals.

The Kalanjali Inter-School Dance Competition witnessed enthusiastic participation from several reputed schools across the city, making Asia English School's victory even more commendable.

This achievement adds another feather to the school's cap and stands as a testament to the students' talent, teachers' guidance, and the institution's commitment to excellence in all spheres of education.

es. In Mandi district's Balichowki area, two buildings housing around 40 shops collapsed late Monday night, though no casualties were reported as the structures had been evacuated beforehand.

Rainfall data recorded since Monday evening shows Naina Devi received the heaviest showers at 160.8 mm, followed by Bhattiyat with 125.2 mm, Manali and Dharamshala with 102 mm each, Ghamroor with 91.4 mm, Kangra with 89 mm, Palampur with 88 mm, Kothi with 85.8 mm, Bhunter with 77.2 mm, Guler with 71.8 mm, and Karsog with 65.2 mm.

Since June 20, Himachal Pradesh has witnessed 156 deaths in rain-related incidents, while 38 people remain missing. SEOC data shows the state has reported 78 flash floods, 41 cloudbursts, and 82 major landslides this monsoon season. The cumulative loss from rain-related disasters has been estimated at Rs 2,394 crore.

Jagran Film Festival (JFF) 2025: The world's largest traveling film festival

Returns for its 13th edition, kicks off in Delhi on September 4

Kanpur: Jagran Film Festival (JFF), the world's largest travelling film festival, is back for its 13th edition. Taking forward its vision of "Good Cinema for Everyone", the festival will be presented by Rajnigandha this time too. The festival will kick off on September 4 in Delhi, travel to 14 cities and become India's largest and most comprehensive cinematic festival with a grand finale in Mumbai on November 16.

Since its inception, Jagran Film Festival has been an important platform for storytelling, cultural exchange and great cinema. This year, the festival will pay tribute to many legends in a special way, including special celebrations to mark the birth centenary of Guru Dutt, Shabana Azmi's 50 years in cinema and 50 years of the iconic film 'Sholay'. Along with this, industry stalwarts like Shyam Benegal, Manoj Kumar, Shaji N. Karun and



Prithvi Nandy will be honored for their invaluable contribution to Indian cinema.

This year's Jagran Film Festival will also include interesting conversations with the best names in the cinema industry. Subhash Ghai, Khushboo Sundar, Adil Hussain and A. Sreekar Prasad will guide the festival as mentors, while the responsibility of curation will be with Srinivas Santhanam,

Anupama Bose and Premendra Majumdar. The discussions will include Shabana Azmi, Shilpa Shetty, R. Balki, Jaideep Ahlawat, Shruti Mahajan, Amit Sadh, Vineet Kumar Singh and many other famous names.

Jagran Film Festival will be held in 14 cities like Delhi, Kanpur, Lucknow, Varanasi, Prayagraj, Meerut, Agra, Ranchi, Patna, Hisar, Ludhiana, Gorakhpur, Dehradun and

Mumbai this year. Each city will feature special premieres, retrospectives, masterclasses and in-conversation sessions featuring renowned filmmakers, artists and storytellers.

Basant Rathore, Senior Vice President – Strategy and Brand Development, Jagran Prakashan Ltd. said, "Jagran Film Festival has grown to become one of India's most inclusive and comprehensive cultural events. It celebrates the legacy of Indian cinema while also embracing bold and global narratives. With each edition, we reiterate our belief that cinema has the power to spark thought, inspire change and build cultural bridges. JFF 2025 will take this legacy forward—bringing bold voices, timeless stories and new perspectives to a global platform. At Dainik Jagran, our aim has always been to promote awareness and engagement, and through JFF, we encourage stories that connect with audiences across generations, regions and genres."

BBMP Changes Timings: Door-to-Door Waste Collection in Bengaluru Advanced by 1 Hour

(Gns).

In a move aimed at tackling black spots and improving waste management, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has revised the door-to-door garbage collection timings in the city. Starting immediately, collection will begin an hour earlier than usual.

BBMP Changes Timings Door-to-Door Waste Collection in Bengaluru Advanced by 1 Hour

The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has revised the door-to-door garbage collection timings in Bengaluru, starting earlier to improve waste management and reduce black spots. The

muster timing for auto-tipper vehicles is now from 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 a.m., aiming for more efficient collection before residents leave for work, according to Karee Gowda, CEO of Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Ltd (BSWML).

Until now, the mustering (attendance) time for auto-tipper vehicles collecting

solid waste was between 6:00 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.. Only after this process were the vehicles dispatched to their routes for garbage collection.

With the new changes, the muster timing has been advanced to 5:30 a.m. - 6:30 a.m.. This ensures that garbage pick-up starts earlier.

India-South Africa Joint Working Group on Agriculture meets virtually

(Gns). The 5th meeting of the Joint Working Group (JWG) on Agriculture was held between India and South Africa today in virtual mode. The meeting was co-chaired by Shri Ajeet Kumar Sahu, Joint Secretary (IC), Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, and Mr. Thapsana Molepo, Acting Director, International Trade Promotion, South Africa. Both sides underscored the significance of the meeting as a key milestone in deepening bilateral cooperation in the fields of agriculture and allied sectors.

Shri Ajeet Kumar Sahu provided an overview of the agriculture and allied sectors, emphasizing India's remarkable agricultural achievements. He highlighted a series of innovative initiatives launched by the government to strengthen the agricultural sector, which included the use of digital solutions, promoting climate-resilient agricultural practices, risk mitigation, and credit initiatives of the government.

Mr. Thapsana Molepo provided an overview of South Africa's key priorities in the agricultural sector, reaffirming the country's strong commitment to enhancing its valued partnership with India. He underscored South Africa's keen interest in expanding cooperation in critical areas such as extension services, capacity building, and seed sector, among others.

During the discussions, both sides explored opportunities to deepen collaboration between the Agricultural Research Council (ARC) of South Africa and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). The key areas of focus included knowledge exchange, joint research initiatives, capacity building, and market access issues.

The meeting was also attended by senior officials from the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, the Department of Fisheries, the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, and the Ministry of External Affairs.



Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) officials seizes nearly 9 kg cocaine, hashish and MDMA worth around Rs. 40 crore in Delhi under Operation "Rainbow"

(Gns). In a major strike against drug trafficking and distribution syndicates, the officers of the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) have seized a significant quantity of narcotic substances under Operation codenamed "Rainbow".

A specific intelligence on the modus of smuggling of narcotics viz cocaine, in small quantities, concealed in soft toys and smuggled using domestic courier networks, was further developed by the officers of DRI, New Delhi. The intelligence resulted in co-ordinated search operations at multiple premises located in Mehrauli, New Delhi. The operation led to the recovery of 3095.5 grams of Cocaine, 4421 grams of Hashish, 1305.5 grams of MDMA in tablets form and 46 grams of Amphetamine.

The seized drugs amounting to nearly 9 kg of narcotic drugs are valued at approximately Rs. 40 Crore in the international illicit market. A significant quantity of the seized drugs were found in the form of tablets/small pouches ready for distribution.

The operation included identifying and executing specific searches in a densely populated and highly congested locality of Delhi. So far, during the operation, one individual has been apprehended under the provisions of the NDPS Act, 1985. Initial investigation indicates the role of an international syndicate operating through foreign nationals residing in Delhi, using courier networks for concealment, trafficking and distribution of narcotics.

Further investigations are in progress. The operation once again highlights the commitment of DRI in combating the menace of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in the country.



Hartalika Teej connects with traditions of Sanatan sanskriti: Acharya Balkrishna

(Gns). Patanjali's Acharya Balkrishna on Tuesday emphasized the importance of Hartalika Teej. The festival, he said, connects with the traditions of the 'Sanatan Sanskriti' and strengthens cultural heritage.

He further said that the festival brings together people from different communities, especially the mothers and daughters in the society (women), and brings a feeling of joy and brings pride.

Extending Hartalika Teej greetings to the women who had come from Nepal, and from different Indian states, Acharya said the grandeur of the event reflects the tremendous enthusiasm among the people.

A grand celebration of Hartalika Teej Mahotsav 2025 was held at East Delhi's Yamuna Sports complex on Tuesday, organized by Yog Rishi gathering of the Nepali-Gorkhali communities and citizens of Delhi, took part in the celebrations.

Addressing the gathering, Mishra said from the coming year, the Delhi government will participate in such events with complete support and commitment.

He said festivals like Hartalika Teej strengthen spiritual traditions, and the celebration is a symbol of the unbreakable cultural bond between India and Nepal.

Mishra also stated that this celebration not only highlights the religious significance of the festival but also brings alive the shared values and traditions between the two nations.

He lauded the Nepali community, saying that it is a society that carries forward traditions of bravery, valor, and Sanatan Dharma.

Meanwhile, people coming from the Nepali and Gorkhali communities displayed their traditions, while with shared values of Indian and Nepali cultures.

On this occasion, the indoor stadium at the sports complex was immersed in the joy and enthusiasm of Teej, while women reverently observed the Shiv-Parvati Vrat Katha, and the atmosphere was filled with devotion and celebration through traditional songs, music, and dance performances.



If you trust us, keep the alliance; if not, say it clearly: Dr Sanjay Kumar Nishad to BJP

(Gns). Uttar Pradesh Fisheries Minister and National President of the NISHAD Party Dr Sanjay Kumar Nishad has reiterated that his party stands as an ally of the BJP.

"If the BJP trusts that we are guiding our society in the right direction and that it is also benefiting politically from this partnership, then the alliance should continue. But if there is no trust, then say it clearly and end the alliance," he asserted.

Addressing a press conference at the Annexe Bhawan Auditorium in his home district Gorakhpur on Tuesday, Dr Nishad said that no one should claim that the BJP alone was responsible for victory in Uttar Pradesh.

"This victory is the result of contributions from all alliance partners — Apna Dal representing the Patel community, SBSP, representing the Rajbhar community, RLD representing the Jat community, and the NISHAD Party, representing the fishermen community."

He further said that although the foundation of the NISHAD Party was laid in Gorakhpur, some leaders from Gorakhpur and across the state have been attempting to malign both the party and his image.

On the issue of reservation, Dr Nishad clarified: "The responsibility of taking a decision lies with the Bharatiya Janata Party, as their government is in power both at the Centre and in the state, with the NISHAD Party as an ally. Positive steps are being taken at both levels, but a few so-called Nishad leaders are misleading society and creating bitterness."

Reaffirming the party's ideological foundation, he said, "Our relationship with Maryada Purushottam Lord Shri Ram has existed since the Treta Yuga, and we remain committed to upholding that ideal."

When asked about certain leaders lobbying for tickets, he remarked, "Are these not the same people who once came through the BSP ('Haathi') and later joined the BJP? Newspapers report that they are claiming BJP will give tickets to the Nishad community. We welcome this. We want the entire Assembly to be Nishad-oriented and for all 403 MLAs to win. But those lobbying for tickets — do they have any guarantee from BJP for 2027? They were empty-handed even in 2024."

On alleged attempts to undermine him, Dr Nishad said: "In Gorakhpur, efforts are always made to weaken us. The issue regarding Ashish Patel is already out in the open. The real question is why BJP's central leadership does not speak directly and instead gets such statements issued through smaller leaders."

Responding to a question on the loss in Sant Kabir Nagar, he said, "The question repeatedly arises as to how Praveen lost. BJP has the full report of what its leadership in this constituency did and what it did not do. That report should be made public."

Dr Nishad remarked, "If there is genuine commitment to the cause of the Nishad community, then those imported leaders and BJP's Nishad leaders should march to the Vidhan Sabha on the issue of reservation."



UP unveils Electronics Component Manufacturing Policy 2025 to attract \$50 billion investment, create 10 lakh jobs

(Gns). Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has instructed officials for the implementation of the Uttar Pradesh Electronics Component Manufacturing Policy-2025, a major step aimed at transforming the state into a global hub for electronics manufacturing.

The policy is designed to attract large-scale investments, boost production, and generate massive employment opportunities, further consolidating Uttar Pradesh's position as a leading player in India's rapidly growing electronics sector.

During an important meeting held on Tuesday, the Chief Minister discussed the proposed policy prepared by the IT and Electronics department and offered guidelines.

The Chief Minister said that the electronics sector is the fastest-growing area of India's economy. Today, India is the world's second-largest mobile manufacturer, with Uttar Pradesh contributing nearly 60% of the country's output.

"Uttar Pradesh must capitalize on the immense potential in this sector. Over the past eight years, the state has made historic progress in industrial development. Now it is time for Uttar Pradesh to establish a distinct identity on the global map in electronics manufacturing. This policy will strengthen Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Make in India' while taking the state's economy to new heights", the Chief Minister said during the meeting.

The meeting highlighted that the proposed policy targets \$50 billion in electronics production within the next five years, generating nearly 10 lakh direct and indirect employment opportunities. This will make a significant contribution to the state's goal of becoming a \$1 trillion economy.

While discussing the policy provisions, the Chief Minister said that to attract investors, Uttar Pradesh should provide top-up incentives along with the central government's Electronic Component. He stated that transparency and timely implementation must be ensured in executing the policy. "Investors will be provided all facilities through a single-window system, ensuring that ease of doing business remains the top priority," he added.



Prime Minister of Fiji Visits UIDAI Headquarters; India Demonstrates Aadhaar, Foundational Layer of its Digital Public Infrastructure & Digilocker, One of Many Innovative Digital Solutions

(Gns). The Honourable Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji, Mr Sitiveni Ligamamada Rabuka, accompanied by a high-level delegation, visited the head office of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) in New Delhi on Tuesday. He was warmly welcomed by the Chief Executive Officer of UIDAI Sh. Bhuvnesh Kumar, and senior officials of the Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Electronics and IT, Government of India.

During the visit, the Prime Minister of Fiji was briefed on India's pioneering digital identity system which forms the foundational layer of India digital public infrastructure.

Deputy Director General of UIDAI Sh. Vivek Chandra Verma, and President and CEO of NeGD Sh. Nand Kumar, made detailed presentations on Aadhaar and DigiLocker respectively, highlighting their role in empowering residents and enabling inclusive digital governance. They outlined their design, implementation and impact in enabling digital transformation and service delivery at scale.

The delegation also witnessed a live demonstration of the Aadhaar enrolment process, providing them first-hand insights into the ease, scale, efficiency, and security of India's digital ID ecosystem.

The visit reflects the growing collaboration between India and Fiji in the field of digital transformation including cooperation in development of innovative digital transformational solutions. It also underlines India's commitment to sharing its expertise in digital public infrastructure with global partners.



SAIL Continues Partnering with Nation's Defense Sector by Supplying Critical-Grade Steel for INS Udaygiri & INS Himgiri

(Gns). Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), India's largest public sector steel producer and Maharatna company operating under the Ministry of Steel, Government of India, continues its crucial partnership with the nation's defense sector by supplying approximately 8,000 tonnes of critical-grade steel for the Indian Navy's advanced frontline frigates, INS Udaygiri and INS Himgiri. During a ceremony presided over by the Hon'ble Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh, these two advanced frigates for the Indian Navy. Partnering with Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) and Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited (GRSE), SAIL supplied essential critical grade hot-rolled sheets and plates from its Bokaro, Bhilai, and Rourkela Steel Plants. By developing and providing critical-grade steel for the Indian Navy, SAIL has made a significant contribution to import substitution and defense self-reliance, directly supporting the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Make in India' initiatives and lessening India's dependence on imported special quality steel for defense requirements.



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