

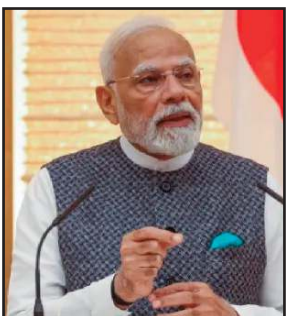


India-Japan Strategic Partnership Enters New Era, Says PM Modi In Yomiuri Shimbun Interview

(Gns). Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in a written interview to Japanese daily The Yomiuri Shimbun, said he is committed to charting the next phase of the India-Japan strategic partnership, with a strong focus on security, innovation, resilience, and shared prosperity.

"During my meeting with Prime Minister Ishiba, I look forward to advancing the next phase of our partnership. Our focus will be to strengthen security, enhance resilience, drive innovation and deliver prosperity for our people," Modi said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in an interview with The Yomiuri Shimbun, stated his commitment to advance the India-Japan strategic partnership focusing on security, innovation, resilience, and shared prosperity, alongside Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba, emphasizing defense ties, a joint declaration on security cooperation, and unveiling the 2035 Vision Statement.



He added. On defence ties, the Prime Minister emphasized that collaboration between India and Japan had become a strong success story. Highlighting their common interest in the stability of the Indo-Pacific, Modi said the partnership spans all three services, supported by regular bilateral and multilateral exercises. He further pointed to the development of a Defence Equipment and Technology Cooperation framework and ongoing co-development and co-production projects, including UNIL

CORN masts for the Indian Navy.

"In recent years, Indian defence products have rapidly expanded their global footprint. Japan has a proven record in defence technology. With political trust and complementarities, we can design and produce next-generation defence platforms not just for ourselves, but for the world," Modi told the publication.

He also underlined that the adoption of a Joint Declaration on Security Cooperation during his visit would bolster military modernization, deepen defence industry collaboration, and advance shared ambitions for a secure and stable Indo-Pacific.

Unjha's Global Leadership in Cumin Trade, Upcoming at Vibrant Gujarat Regional Conference

(Gns). Gandhinagar, 29th August 2025: Gujarat is leading in cumin and other spices seeds exports, with a contribution of nearly 80%, in the country. The city Unjha located in Mehsana has enhanced Gujarat's leadership in cumin trade, supplying both India and overseas locations.

During FY 2024-25, cumin and other spice seeds worth around INR 3,995 Crore were exported from Mehsana district to 101 countries worldwide. The key markets include China (25%), Bangladesh (16%), UAE (10%), USA (5%), and Morocco (4%).

The rising figure in

cumin trade, According to data from Agmarknet, Ministry of Agriculture, Unjha APMC recorded the

year's arrivals of 46,313 MT. Furthermore, the robust supply chain ensures that Unjha remains the focus



arrival of 54,410 metric tonnes (MT) of cumin seeds between 15 February and 10 April 2025, reflecting a robust 17.5% increase compared to last

center of the spice economy, supporting thousands of farmers and traders for employment and business opportunities. As per the official forecast for 2023-

24, the region produced 72,100.59 MT of cumin, with leading Banaskantha with 41,800.73 MT and Patan at 29,900.09 MT.

Unjha's success in cumin trade reflects the state's broader vision of "Viksit Gujarat @2047", where cultivation, processing, and exports go hand-in-hand to uplift farmers' global standing. Unjha is a gateway connecting local farmers to global consumers, and a symbol of India's rising influence in the world spice trade. This achievement would elevate the growth of above spice trade of agriculture product at the upcoming North Gujarat Vibrant Gujarat Regional Conference (VGRC).

President of India presents scope eminence awards

Cpses will play an important role in achieving the national goal of building a developed India by the year 2047: president murmu

(Gns). The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu presented the SCOPE Eminence Awards for the year 2022-23 in New Delhi today (August 29, 2025).

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that the SCOPE Eminence Awards are a celebration of the significant contribution of public sector enterprises to the development of India. Performing well on all parameters, social, economic, environmental, technological and ethical, is the hallmark of a good enterprise. She appreciated SCOPE for honouring good performance across

multiple dimensions such as sustainable development, corporate governance, corporate social responsibility and innovation. She said that it represents a holistic approach towards progress and development.

The President said that since independence, the Public Sector has been a powerful vehicle for economic development and social inclusion. Public Sector Enterprises have laid the foundation for industrialisation, infrastructure development, social upliftment and balanced regional development. With



time, these enterprises have evolved and changed. The expectations of the government and society from Public Sector Enterprises have also changed. She was happy to note that, amid all these changes, Public Sector Enterprises, through their performance, are playing an important role in achieving economic and national goals.

The President said that apart from the economic and financial contributions, Public Sector Enterprises have given priority to balanced and inclusive growth,

keeping the national goals paramount. Looking at their role and contribution, it is appropriate to say that Public Sector Enterprises are catalysts of growth and pillars of prosperity for the nation and its people. She stated that these enterprises have also presented many good models and examples of governance and transparency.

The President was happy to note that Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) are playing an effective role in national campaigns like Aatmanirbhar Bharat and 'Make in India'. She said that during Operation Sindoor, the indigenous Air Defence Control and Reporting System - Akashteer demonstrated its infallible capability.

With eye on Assembly polls, Bihar CM unveils 'Mahila Rozgar Yojana'

(Gns). In yet another populist move in the run-up to the Bihar Assembly elections slated to be held later this year, Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar announced on Friday the 'Mukhyamantri Mahila Rozgar Yojana' offering financial assistance to empower women and make them self-reliant.

As part of the scheme, one woman from every family will be given an amount of Rs10,000 as the first installment to start self-employment ventures of her choice. The transfer of funds to women's bank accounts will begin from September 2025.

After six months of starting a business or self-employment venture by women, an assessment will be conducted, and additional assistance up to Rs2 lakh can be provided as needed.

Haat markets (local markets) will be developed across the state, from villages to cities, for the sale of products made by women.

Making the announcement, Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar said: "I am confident that the implementation of this scheme will not only further strengthen the position of women but will also provide better self-employment

opportunities within the state, and people will not have to leave the state for employment out of compulsion."



Nitish Kumar has created a dedicated vote-bank by implementing several women-centric schemes including 50 per cent reservation in Panchayati Raj institutions and 35% domicile policy for female job-seekers of Bihar.

The 'Mukhyamantri

Mahila Rozgar Yojana' is expected to further consolidate his position among women voters.

The process of receiving applications from interested women will soon be started. The complete arrangement and process for this will be determined by the Rural Development Department, and the Urban Development and Housing Department will also be involved as needed for cooperation.

The announcement is seen as a counter to the opposition INDIA Alliance's 'Mai Behan Maan Yojana', which promises a monthly stipend of Rs2,500 to women.

Mayawati promotes nephew Akash Anand as BSP national coordinator

(Gns). In a major organizational reshuffle, BSP supremo Mayawati on Friday elevated her nephew Akash Anand to the key position of national coordinator, making him the second-most powerful leader in the party after her.

This move signals a renewed trust in Akash, who will now oversee the work of all sector heads, central and state coordinators, and state presidents. He will report directly to Mayawati.

Previously serving as the party's Chief National Coordinator, Akash Anand has now been formally promoted to the crucial post of

National Coordinator — a role just below the party president in the BSP hierarchy. His responsibilities will

national positions across the country. In addition to Akash's elevation, BSP has



include reviewing the performance of all key organi-

expanded its team of national coordinators from

four to six. The newly appointed national coordinators are: Ramji Gautam, Rajaram, Randhir Singh Beniwal, Lalji Medhankar, Atar Singh Rao and Dharmveer Singh Ashok.

All of them will report directly to Akash Anand.

Supporting coordinators have also been appointed to work alongside the senior leaders. For instance, Mohan Anand will assist Rajaram, Suresh Arya will support Atar Singh Rao, and Dayachand will assist Dharmveer Singh Ashok. Notably, Ramji Gautam has been given charge of Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, and Bihar.

Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel flags off the grand procession on the occasion of the Parna (completion of fasting) of Siddhitap ascetics in Bhavnagar.

(Gns). Gandhinagar, 29 August 2025: Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel today early morning attended the Parna (completion of fasting) ceremony of Siddhitap devotees in Bhavnagar and flagged off the grand Procession.

In the presence of revered Gurubhagavants at the Jain Shwetambar Murtipujak Tap Sangh premises in Bhavnagar during Chaturmas, the Parna Mahotsav was organised to mark the completion of austerities by over 531 Siddhitap ascetics. On this occasion, the Chief Minister unfurled the ceremonial flag to commence the procession and extended his best wishes to the devotees.

The program commenced with the chanting of the Navkar Mahamantra. CM received Vasakshep (wood powder) and blessings from the Jain Acharya and was felicitated by the leaders of the Bhavnagar Jain

Shwetambar Murtipujak Tap Sangh.

On this occasion, Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra

The event was attended by Union Minister of State Smt. Nimuben Bambhaniya, Mayor Shri Bharat Barad,

Gurumukhani, along with representatives of the Jain Shwetambar Murtipujak



Patel stated that it was a rare privilege to have the darshan of so many ascetics together, noting that their presence itself is spiritually uplifting in our culture. He greeted ascetics and extended Michhami Dukkadam to the Sangh.

MLAs Shri Jitu Vaghani, Smt. Sejal Pandya, Shri Shivabhai Gohil, Standing Committee Chairman Shri Raju Rabadiya, Deputy Mayor Smt. Mona Parekh, leaders Shri Kumarbhai Shah, Shri Digvijaysinh Gohil, Shri Kishor

Tap Sangh, including Shri Jayubhai Shah, Shri Manish Kanadiya, Shri Himanshu Shah, Shri Sanjay Thar, Shri Piyush Doshi, and Shri Ramesh Shah.



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Editorial

India must become the next global hub

For three consecutive years, Switzerland has been ranked the best country in the world by U.S. News & World Report. Among the many reasons behind this consistent achievement – its quality of life, political stability, and economic strength – stands one defining feature: neutrality. That centuries-old commitment has transformed the Alpine nation into the headquarters of more than 200 international organizations, ranging from the United Nations' European headquarters in Geneva to the International Olympic Committee in Lausanne and the Bank for International Settlements in Basel.

Switzerland's ability to host global institutions is not merely symbolic; it is an enduring strategy that has placed the country at the very centre of diplomacy, law, finance, and humanitarian work. India , t h e world's largest democracy, the fastest-growing major economy, and the voice of the Global South, has reached a moment in history when it must embrace a similar strategy. Beyond being a rising power and a moral voice on issues like climate justice, food security, and equitable trade, India must actively aspire to become a host for more international organizations.

If Switzerland's neutrality made it the "Capital of Peace," India's scale, diversity, and civilizational ethos make it a natural contender for becoming the "Capital of the Global South." Unlike Switzerland, whose neutrality kept it outside conflicts, India's strength lies in its ability to engage – balancing relations with the U.S., Russia, China , Europe, Africa, and West Asia. It has emerged as a reliable voice articulating the concern of developing nations in forums such as the G20, BRICS, and the United Nations. Already, India has one remarkable success story: the International Solar Alliance, headquartered in Gurugram, which today counts over 120 member nations.

That institution has not only boosted India's reputation in renewable energy but also established a model for how India can provide permanent platforms for global cooperation. But one International Solar Alliance is not enough. To cement its role in global governance, India must become a permanent home for multiple organizations across diverse fields – climate change, food security, digital governance, health, and humanitarian law. The reasons India is ready are compelling. It sits at the crossroads of South Asia and the Indo-Pacific, with deep ties to Africa and the Arab world. Its demographic weight, representing one-sixth of humanity, gives it legitimacy as the voice of billions. Its economy, growing faster than any other major power, provides stability and opportunity.

Its democratic institutions, despite all challenges, remain robust and credible. And its diversity mirrors the diversity of the world itself, with 22 scheduled languages, countless dialects, and English as a unifying medium. If Switzerland thrives on neutrality, India thrives on inclusivity. The civilizational vision of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam – the world is one family – is not a slogan but a lived reality that makes India uniquely suited to host global institutions. This spirit is not new.

Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel Emphasizes District-Level Coordination for Effective Resolution of Citizens' Grievances through SWAGAT Online Program

Gandhinagar, 29 August 2025 : Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel had emphasised the need to maintain coordination at the district level and ensure positive resolution of public grievances during the August State SWAGAT Online Public Grievance Redressal Program.

In this context, during the State SWAGAT Online Public Grievance Redressal Program held on August 25, the Chief Minister issued clear instructions to the Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam to provide permanent resolution and compensation for the losses suffered by a farmer due to frequent overflow of the Narmada canal into his field, among the 12 representations presented before him.

In the State SWAGAT, citizens present their grievances and issues directly before the Chief Minister in Gandhinagar. In this initiative, a total of 170 applicants attended the State SWAGAT on August 25 with their various representations.

The Public Relations Unit of the Chief Minister's Office heard these representations, and nearly 160 of them were forwarded with instructions to the concerned district administration and government departments for necessary action.

Among the 12 representations presented before Chief Minister, he carefully heard the issues and instructed the Commissioner of the Housing Board to expedite the documentation process for houses allotted to economically weaker sections under the Gujarat Housing Board and to provide necessary facilities.

On the representation regarding more than 450 people from Banaskantha district belonging to general and smaller communities, who had purchased non-agricultural land with proper documentation but had been facing difficulties in obtaining possession for a long time, the Chief Minister ordered immediate action and directed the District Collector to take strict steps against this case of land grabbing.

In addition, the Chief Minister also gave necessary directions to the concerned district administration to take strict action with a positive approach towards citizens' grievances on issues such as illegal construction obstructing the natural flow of water, compensation for land acquired in canal projects, and removal of unauthorized encroachments from public spaces.

In this State SWAGAT, Additional Chief Secretary to the Chief Minister Shri M.K. Das, Secretary Dr. Vikrant Pandey, OSDs to the Chief Minister Shri Dhiraj Parekh and Shri Rakesh Vyas, along with senior officers of the concerned departments were present.

According to the Public Relations Unit of the Chief Minister's Office, in the August 25 District Swagat program, 1,529 representations and in the Taluka SWAGAT program, 2,701 representations were taken up for necessary action.

Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel to chair 76th Van Mahotsav at Galteshwar in Kheda district: CM, Forest Minister and other dignitaries to inaugurate 24th cultural forest – Galteshwar Van.

Gandhinagar, 29 August 2025: To further promote Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign, the State Government will celebrate the state-level 76th Van Mahotsav tomorrow, 30th August 2025, at Galteshwar Mahadev Temple in Sarnal village, Kheda district, under the leadership of Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel and in the presence of Forest & Environment Minister Shri Mulubhai Bera and Minister of State for Forest and Environment Shri Mukesh Patel.

Kheda district is set to receive a gift with the inauguration of Galteshwar Van, from the Forest Department, the 24th cultural forest spread over an area of five hectares. The inauguration ceremony, to be held at 10 a.m., will be led by the Chief Minister in the presence of dignitaries, who will also distribute benefits and certificates to beneficiaries. Located on the banks of the Mahisagar River, the forest with over 300 species will significantly enrich the region's biodiversity, as stated by the Forest and Environment Department.

Key Attractions of Galteshwar Van

The 24th cultural forest of Gujarat, Galteshwar Van, developed in Central Gujarat, has been created with a new vision and will feature several unique attractions. These include: Entrance Area, Bilipatra Van, Shivling Van, a large Shiva idol, gazebos, a butterfly garden, children's play area, Matruvan, Charotar Complex honoring eminent personalities of the region, Galteshwar Diorama, watchtower, Nandi Van with rare species, bamboo mist tunnel, nature education site, maze garden, check dam, A Sarus bird sculpture, Aarogya Van, Charak Van with sculptures, Panchvati Van with five sacred trees (Peepal, Bel, Amla, Banyan, and Ashoka), Nakshatra Van representing 27 constellations, Rashi Van this forest, a significant



showcasing the 12 zodiac signs, Navgrah Van, photo points, A vertical section of a termite mound, a honeybee life cycle display, crossing bridge with railings, and a well-equipped canteen.

Furthermore, with the perennial Mahi River flowing beside the Galteshwar Mahadev temple, the entire region remains lush and green. The development of attraction for visitors, is expected to boost the local economy, generate employment opportunities, and enhance the standard of living of the local community.

Galteshwar, located in Thasra taluka of Kheda district, holds a distinct place among Gujarat's historical, mythological, and religious tourism sites. Situated near Sarnal village at the confluence of the Mahisagar and Galti rivers, the shrine derives its name from the Galti river. Just 10–12 km from the renowned pilgrimage site of Dakor, Galteshwar Mahadev attracts over 25 lakh devotees and tourists annually. The temple has also been declared a Monument of National Importance by the Archaeological Department.

On the banks of the Mahisagar River, Galteshwar Mahadev draws around 700–1,200 visitors daily for darshan and ritual bathing in the river. A grand fair is also held here every year on the occasion of Mahashivratri.

History of Van Mahotsav

Nearly 76 years ago, when environmental awareness was minimal, the then , Minister of Agriculture and Food and renowned writer of Gujarat, Late Shri Kanhaiyalal Munshi, initiated the first Van Mahotsav celebration at Anand. This festival, which has since become a legacy of conserving nature,

Tariffs and Turmoil

less. The arithmetic is brutally simple: when margins are thin and orders vanish, job losses are inevitable.



The human costs ~ forced leave, shrinking wages, and broken families ~ rarely make it into trade spiral. With total tariffs exceeding 60 per cent, India's leading seafood export has lost its anchor

now completes 76 years.

Cultural forests are unique plantations that reflect India's diverse traditions. With the vision of blending environment and culture, the initiative of developing cultural forests was launched in 2004 under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during his tenure as Chief Minister. As part of Van Mahotsav, the first such cultural forest, Punit Van, was established in Gandhinagar, themed around planets, constellations, zodiac signs, and culture. Since then, a chain of cultural forests has been developed across various districts, and to date, 23 such forests have been created in Gujarat. Today, these forests not only serve the cause of environmental conservation but have also evolved into important tourist destinations. On the occasion of the 76th Van Mahotsav, the 24th cultural forest, Galteshwar Van, will be inaugurated.

market just as the peak season begins. Farmers cannot plan cultivation cycles, exporters cannot commit to contracts, and ancillary workers face cascading insecurity. The rural distress this sectoral collapse could unleash is difficult to overstate. For policymakers, the lesson is stark. The dependence on the American market has been exposed as a structural vulnerability. Efforts to diversify exports to the UK, Australia, and other partners are welcome but insufficient in scale and speed. Domestic measures such as suspending duties on inputs may soften costs, but they do not create new demand. Without alternative markets, the relief will remain temporary. This moment calls for more than reactive fire-fighting.

India must treat the tariff shock as a strategic wake-up call. Just as energy security became a national priority after past oil crises, trade security must now be redefined as resilience ~ less dependence on one market, more investment in domestic consumption, and targeted support for export-linked workers. In the end, the tariffs are more than a trade dispute. They are a reminder that global supply chains are hostage to politics. For India, the way forward lies not in pleading for exemptions but in building the capacity to withstand such disruptions. Survival, and eventually strength, will depend on how swiftly we adapt to this new reality.

Charm Diplomacy

(Gns).

In Washington, South Korean President Lee Jae Myung faced his most delicate foreign policy test yet: navigating a first encounter with US President Donald Trump. The stakes were high. Mr Trump had already cast a shadow over the meeting with a cryptic remark about South Korea's political turmoil, a statement that raised alarm in Seoul about whether domestic controversies might overshadow critical discussions on trade, defence, and security. Mr Lee, however, understood the moment demanded not confrontation but calculated diplomacy. By turning the meeting into a performance of charm, he managed to avert a damaging clash and left the Oval Office with what he most wanted ~ Mr Trump's goodwill. The strategy was deliberate.



Mr Trump has long been sceptical of South Korea, frequently criticising its defence spending and trade surplus with the United States. Mr Lee himself is viewed warily in conservative circles, often caricatured as being too close to Beijing and too critical of Washington. Against this backdrop, his advisors had braced for a difficult session. Yet Mr Lee disarmed the US President with a mix of flattery and humour, praising Mr Trump's rapport with Kim Jong Un and even joking about golf and skyscrapers in North Korea. By framing Mr Trump as the indispensable "peacemaker," Mr Lee deftly appealed to his ego while advancing his own interest in opening dialogue with Pyongyang. This emphasis on North Korea was no accident.

For Mr Lee, restarting talks across the peninsula is central to his foreign policy, but he knows that Mr Trump – who has met Kim three times and still speaks fondly of their relationship – retains a unique influence. By encouraging Mr Trump to assume the role of mediator, Mr Lee positioned himself as a willing partner while sidestepping the uncomfortable reality that neither Washington nor Seoul has been able to coax Pyongyang back to serious negotiations. Yet, the carefully staged harmony came at a cost. Contentious issues ~ tariffs, defence burden-sharing, and the future of US troops in South Korea ~ were left largely unaddressed. Instead, the optics were filled with South Korea's headline investment pledges and promises of new aircraft purchases, symbols that fed Mr Trump's narrative of a "fair deal" without resolving structural disagreements. Mr Lee's calculation was pragmatic.

In an era when international diplomacy is as much about personalities as policies, he ensured that South Korea avoided a humiliating clash. The lesson here is that diplomacy sometimes requires restraint, even fawning, to safeguard national interests. But the deeper challenges remain unresolved. North Korea shows no sign of relinquishing its nuclear programme. Trade disputes could resurface. And Mr Trump's unpredictability means today's goodwill may vanish tomorrow. For now, Mr Lee has bought time and preserved space for quieter negotiations. But South Korea's real test lies ahead: converting the optics of Oval Office charm into durable policy gains on security and trade. Until then, the diplomacy of flattery may be all that stands between Seoul and renewed confrontation.

Buried Gold, Deadly Lies: COLORS' Noyontara Unmasks a Killer Within the Family

The treasure hunt is over, but the real game has only just begun. In COLORS' Noyontara, what should be a moment of triumph becomes the most devastating revelation a family could face. Noyontara (played by Shruti Bhist), gifted with the ability to hear voices from beyond, has always used her supernatural powers to protect and help those around her. But Lata (played by Narayani Shastri), the woman everyone trusts as the devoted mother of Noyontara's husband, Surjo (played by Arjun Chakrabarty), has been manipulating Noyontara's gift to further her deadly game. From the very beginning,

Lata had one obsession – the family's lost treasure. She saw Noyontara's supernatural abilities as the perfect tool to get what she



wanted. Holding Surjo's life over her head, Lata forced Noyontara into the hunt,

and after battling against all odds and venomous serpents, Noyontara achieves the impossible. Lata finally gets everything she ever wanted. But what she never anticipated was that this very treasure would

become the instrument of her own destruction, because Noyontara has an ace up her sleeve that Lata doesn't know about. Noyontara knew that no one would believe Lata's deception without cold, hard proof. And what better proof than the buried treasure that can only be seen by the family? In front of everyone, Noyontara asks Lata to describe what she sees. That's where her web of lies unravels, because while everyone else sees gold, all she sees are writhing snakes.

In a moment of justice, Noyontara unmasks the truth that Lata has hidden for years. The mask of Surjo's loving mother slips, revealing the face of a killer,

and the family is left reeling in betrayal. As Surjo struggles to process the revelation, he turns to the woman he once doubted and makes a vow that changes everything: he will give Noyontara the respect and honour she always deserved by marrying her again.

The treasure is found, the lies are exposed, and love seems to have triumphed. But in Noyontara's world, some secrets never rest, and one shadow from the past is about to strike again. Can Noyontara overcome the return of the biggest plot twist yet?

Watch 'Noyontara' every day at 8:30 PM only on COLORS.

Thai PM Removed After Leaked Call Fuels Cambodia Border Row

(Gns).

A Thai court has ousted suspended Prime Minister Paetongtarn Shinawatra, citing an ethics breach involving a phone call with Cambodia's former leader. This decision has intensified Thailand's political instability. Paetongtarn, from the influential Shinawatra family, became the youngest prime minister in August 2024. Her tenure lasted just a year before the Constitutional Court ruled she was unfit for office.

The controversial phone call, recorded on June 15 amid rising border tensions with Cambodia, featured Paetongtarn referring to former Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen as "uncle." She also criticised

her own military's actions during border clashes that resulted in a Cambodian soldier's death. Her remarks included offering assistance to Hun Sen, which became central to the case against her.

Thailand's Constitutional Court ousted suspended Prime Minister Paetongtarn Shinawatra in 2025 due to an ethics breach involving a phone call with Cambodia's former leader, intensifying political instability, as she became Prime Minister in August 2024. This follows her family's history of political challenges, potentially weakening the Pheu Thai party's

influence, with the cabinet now facing dismissal and needing to nominate a new prime minister.

Paetongtarn apologised to the Thai public for any discomfort caused by her comments, explaining they were part of a negotiation strategy to ease tensions. Following the court's ruling, she expressed gratitude to her country at a news conference. "This is another time that the court's decision has created a sudden political change," she stated.

The court's decision adds another chapter to Thailand's turbulent political landscape, where change advocates often

clash with the establishment. The establishment includes military, royalist, and business elites. In recent years, two prime ministers have been removed from office and an election-winning party dissolved.

Impact on Shinawatra Family and Pheu Thai Party

Paetongtarn is not the first in her family to face such challenges. Her aunt Yingluck Shinawatra was ousted before a military coup in 2014, while her father Thaksin Shinawatra went into self-imposed exile in 2006 after his government was toppled by the military. Her uncle Somchai Wongsawat briefly served as prime minister in 2008 but was removed by a court ruling.

“Politics divides, religion unites, Serving the downtrodden is the truest form of worship” - Union Agriculture Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan

(Gns). Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare and Rural Development Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan today participated in a ceremony organised to mark the 110th birth anniversary of Jagadguru Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Mahaswamiji at Shri Suttur Math in Mysuru, Karnataka. A large number of representatives from various political parties, saints and devotees were present at the event.

Addressing the gathering, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that serving the downtrodden is the truest form of worship. "Politics divides, but religion unites, and today religion has united all of us to serve humanity", he stated. The Union Minister said that the Math has been

playing an unparalleled role in social welfare and serving humanity for several years. From education to healthcare, the activities of the Math in various fields have set the direction of change. The dedication and spirit of service with which work is being done makes the environment here unique. He said that "politics divides, religion unites, and serving the downtrodden is the truest form of worship". Further, he said that along with taking our religion on the right path, the Math is engaged in social work and also trying to serve people as much as possible.

Shri Chouhan said that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi gave him the honour to become the Agriculture Minister, and as the minister, he believes that agriculture is the backbone of the Indian economy and farmers are its soul. "Farmers are our life, food providers, givers of life, and serving farmers is true devotion for me," he said. Stating that continuous efforts are on for the welfare of our farmer brothers and sisters, he said not one but many schemes have been started under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. "Our focus is to

ensure that production in farming increases and cost decreases...farm produces should get fair prices; if crops are lost then proper compensation should be given, and agricultural diversification is also very necessary. There are many benefits of integrated farming, which we have to adopt," he said.

The Minister said that compared to foreign countries, the size of agricultural land holdings in India are small. While farmers in countries like the United States of America, Australia and Brazil are having big land holdings, farmers in our country are having only one or two hectares, one or two acres, or two-and-a-half acres of agricultural land. Therefore, we have to take steps with renewed efforts to make agriculture profitable.



- Under the Agro Forestry scheme, farmers have planted tree saplings across 35,000 hectares of the state
- Plantation on 400 hectare area to develop 275 'Van Kavach' sites in urban and rural areas under Van Kavach Model
- Under Harit Van Path Yojana, plantation of 7.62 lakh tall saplings along both sides of 615 roads through a public-private partnership
- Under Van Mahotsav, as part of the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam 2.0' campaign, plantation/ distribution of 10.55 crore saplings across the state
- Plantation of 153.90 lakh saplings on 19,895 hectare forest area of the state
- Planning to plant Mangrove in 12,030 hectare coastal area of the state in 2025-26
- Developmental works of 4 National Parks, 24 Sanctuaries, 1 Conservation Reserve, 1 Biosphere Reserve and 48 Eco-Tourism sites across Gujarat
- Asiatic Lions, the Pride of Gujarat, have increased by 32.20 per cent, bringing their population to 891

Central University of Tamil Nadu in for major upgrade under HEFA-financed project

(Gns). The Ministry of Education has approved a total outlay of Rs 385.27 crore, through the Higher Education Financing Agency (HEFA), for a comprehensive infrastructure expansion at the Central University of Tamil Nadu (CUTN), Thiruvavur.

The Ministry of Education, in a statement, said the newly approved funding will enable CUTN to construct new academic and residential facilities, including a state-of-the-art Academic Block, additional hostels for students and research scholars, and fac-

ulty/staff residences. A dedicated Science Instrumentation Centre, equipped with cutting-edge



instruments for advanced research will also be established. The HEFA-financed project will be largely serviced through Ministry of

Education grants. The approved projects that will come up include Construction of New

Academic Building, 300-bedded Girls Hostel, 300-bedded Boys Hostel, Scientific Instrumentation Centre, Procurement of

Scientific Instruments, Expansion of Administrative Building, Quarters for Faculty and Staff (all categories), and 400-bedded Research Scholar Hostel.

This significant investment will enrich the university's learning ecosystem, vastly improve residential facilities for students and research scholars, and provide modern laboratories and equipment, ensuring CUTN is fully equipped to meet the evolving needs of its academic community and support its role in national higher education, the statement added.

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Mathura, August 29- The City of Lord Krishna is getting ready for the grand Radha Asthmi celebration on 30 and 31 August. More than 15 lakhs are expected to seek darshans at the Sri Radha Rani temple in Barsana, the temple receiver said.

The celebrations will start in the evening of 30 August when Goswami community people from Nandgaon and Barsana sing Badhai gaan in the temple, Susheel Goswami, receiver of the Sri Radha Rani temple Barsana, said. After the temple closes at night, Bhajan and Badhai Gaan are performed at different places in Barsana for the whole night by devotees and saints, he added.

Mahaabhishek will be performed on 31 August at 4 am (Brahm Muhurat) with two quintal cow milk, 11kg ghee, curd, powdered sugar, honey, medicinal herbs and kesar amid

chanting of Vedic hymns and Radhey Radhey, Susheel Goswami said. Mool shanti rituals are performed before Mahaabhishek, as it is



believed that Radha Rani was born in Mool nakshetra. Water from 27 wells, 27 leaves, 27 teerth raj(soil from holy places) is used for the ritual, he added.

"The deity will be adorned with a rare yellow colour dress along with jewellery," he said.

Goswami said that Goswami community

sewayats will celebrate Vrishbhanotsav after Mahaabhishek at the temple. "During the celebrations, toys, clothes and money were flung from the

sanctum sanctorum for the devotees to collect as 'prasad', a tradition commemorating Vrishbhan ji's delight at Radha Rani's birth," Chappal Bhog will be offered to Radharani in the evening, he added.

In the evening, Dola of Radha Rani is taken down by Goswami community sewayats amid the beat of

drum, flute, clarinet to chatri, a tradition observed only three times in a year, Brijesh Goswami seawayat Sri Radha Rani temple, Barsana said. "It is believed that the ritual was observed to enable even those who are otherwise not allowed inside the temple to have blessings of Radha Rani in the evening," Goswami said. But today it helps more devotees to have the blessings of the deity due to space constraints at temples, he added.

After 2 hours, she is taken back to the sanctum sanatorium and Arta, a special Arti, is performed by the Girl Child of Seawayat's family, Brijesh Goswami said.

The main deity's idol appeared to Swami Narayan Bhatt some 550 years ago at Bramhanchal hillock, Brijesh Goswami Seawayat Radha Rani temple, Barsana, said.

Accused and alcohol in police custody

Excise team seized 457 bottles of foreign liquor, two smugglers arrested by car, two smugglers arrested

FIR lodged against both the accused by taking all liquor and recovered car in possession

Mathura. The Excise Team has recovered 457 English liquor bottles from a car on the highway of Jat police station area in checking in the checking manager run by the Excise Department. The police have arrested two people in this case. The cost of the recovered liquor is three lakh rupees.

District Excise Officer Upendra Singh said that



Excise Inspector Nihant Yadav, Inspector Anjali, constables Pramod Singh, Jitendra Kumar, Amit Baghel, Sushil Kumar,

Sonveer were checking on the highway 19 in front of Krishna Valley in the police station area by the Excise Team. Meanwhile, the

white colored (done) car registration number HR 35U 2883 coming from Haryana was stopped by the excise team for checking. During the checking, the excise team by car has been written from Rohtak to Darbhanga Bihar, 457 English liquor bottles of illegal foreign liquor Royal General Brand, for Sale in Punjab. The excise team has filed a case under the Excise Act in the police station Jant, taking custody of Rajesh Putra Vedpal and Pradeep son Satish, resident of Haryana, a car in the car. The price of the liquor caught is estimated to be around 3 lakhs

Left parties unite behind justice Sudershan Reddy for Vice Presidency

(Gns). In a joint appeal, five prominent Left parties in India – the Communist Party of India (Marxist), Communist Party of India, Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) Liberation, Revolutionary Socialist Party, and All India Forward Bloc – have thrown their weight behind Justice Sudershan Reddy, the opposition's candidate for the Vice Presidential election.

"We, the Left parties, endorse the candidature of Justice Sudershan Reddy, who is contesting the election on behalf of all the opposition parties," the Left Parties said in a joint statement. Justice Reddy is a jurist known for upholding the core values of the Indian Constitution, including democracy, secularism, and equality.

The Left parties view the Vice-Presidential election as a critical contest between two fundamentally different visions for India's future. "It represents a contest between two fundamentally different perspectives on the future of India – whether our nation will con-

tinue as a constitutional of Justice Sudershan



democracy upholding secularism, or be reduced to a Hindutva authoritarian State," the statement emphasizes.

The parties express concern over the BJP-led NDA government's attempts to undermine democracy and enforce authoritarianism through the misuse of constitutional positions. They see Justice Reddy's election as crucial in safeguarding India's syncretic culture and protecting the Constitution.

The Left parties urge all electors to prioritize the nation's interests and cast their votes in favor

Reddy. "We appeal to all

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electors of the Vice-President to place the interests of the nation above all else, to recall the oath they have taken to protect the Constitution, and to cast their vote in favour of Justice Sudershan Reddy," the joint appeal states.

The Vice Presidential election, scheduled for September 9, will determine the next occupant of the office vacated by Jagdeep Dhankhar, who resigned citing health reasons.

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transformation has been remarkable, with the country progressing from being part of the "Fragile Five" economies in 2013 to becoming the world's

Can the govt presume a person is Bangladeshi just because he speaks Bengali, asks SC

(Gns). The Supreme Court on Friday questioned the practice of presuming that Bengali-speaking persons are undocumented Bangladeshi immigrants, stressing that language alone cannot be the basis for treating someone as a foreigner in India

A Bench of Justice Surya Kant, Justice Joymalya Bagchi and Justice Vipul M Pancholi was hearing a plea against the alleged detention and deportation of Bengali-speaking labourers, including a pregnant woman who was reportedly pushed into Bangladesh without due process.

During the hearing, Justice Bagchi asked, "We would like you to clarify the bias – the use of a language as a presumption of being a foreigner," addressing Solicitor General Tushar Mehta. He further underscored that national security concerns could not justify presumptions based on identity markers such as language.

Appearing for the petitioners, Advocate Prashant Bhushan alleged that border authorities were deporting people without following lawful procedure. Referring to the case of a pregnant woman, he said, "This lady has been pushed out forcibly from the country – she is pregnant – without any proof that she is a foreigner. They are saying,

BEL, the sanskriti 's Navratna company, gave a job to the students of sanskriti University

Mathura. Engineering and MBA students of Sanskriti University have been selected by the Navratna Company Bharat Electric Ltd (BEL) associated with the Ministry of Defense, Government of India, for their jobs. The university administration has expressed happiness over this selection of students during the campus placement and congratulated the selected students.

Officials of the HR department from the company in sanskriti University for campus placements said that Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) is a Navratna company under the Ministry of Defense, Government of India. This company cre-

Bengali language is a Bangladeshi language. Therefore, people speaking



Bengali are Bangladeshi. How can any authority push out any person without any determination whether so and so is a foreigner?"

He added that the woman was later arrested in Bangladesh under their Foreigners Act on the ground that she was Indian.

Justice Surya Kant observed that habeas corpus petitions could not be adjourned simply because related matters were pending before the apex court, and requested the Calcutta High Court to take up the petition expeditiously.

Bhushan insisted that no authority should deport a person without a tribunal order.

When Justice Kant noted that foreigners' tribunals existed only in Assam, Bhushan replied that in practice, Border Security Force (BSF) personnel were acting on their own. "Sometimes these BSF people say, you run away to that side or we will shoot you," he alleged.

Justice Bagchi remarked that anyone found within India's territory must be treated in accordance with law. "Once the person is within the Indian land mass, then there must be some procedure," he said.

Solicitor General Mehta, representing the Union government, countered by questioning the role of civil society groups. "Why these organizations come before the Court? Let some individual come. India is not the world's capital for illegal immigrants," he said, while adding that there was systematic infiltration which placed strain on national resources.

Justice Bagchi, however, reminded, "One is our national security. That goes without saying. At the same time, we have an inherited legacy of common culture. We request you to clarify this stance."

Bhushan pointed to Union Home Ministry guidelines requiring an inquiry by the State government before deportation. "This method of deportation is against their own circular. The circular says first an enquiry had to be made with the State government. In this case without any enquiry they pushed her out of the country," he submitted.

The Court then explored a hypothetical situation.

"Let us say there are suspicious circumstances regarding an individual and the police register an FIR under the Foreigners Act. Can they not be detained?" Justice Bagchi asked.

Bhushan conceded that detention was permissible if there was an FIR, but warned that "thousands of people are being detained because they are speaking Bengali."

At one point, Bhushan objected to the Solicitor General's remarks, prompting him to say, "Mr. Solicitor, your snide remarks will not get you anywhere."

The Bench eventually directed the Centre to file a reply within a week and clarified that the habeas corpus petition pending before the Calcutta High Court, concerning the citizenship status of one Sonali Bibi, should proceed independently.

Mehta suggested that the case be tagged with petitions on Rohingya refugees, describing it as part of a "larger problem of infiltration." The Bench, however, insisted on a separate response.

"You have already filed a reply in the pending matter. You file your reply in this, too... This is a very complicated issue. A lot of countries are trying to solve this problem," Justice Kant said, adjourning the case for further hearing in September.



The students of the sanskriti and officers of the placement cell by Navratna Company Bharat Electric Limited came for campus placement at sanskriti University.

ates advanced electronic products and systems for defense and civil use

LS Speaker urges lawmakers to rise above party lines on issues of national interest

(Gns). Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla Friday, urged the lawmakers of the country to rise above party lines on issues of national interest.

He expressed anguish over the decline in the number of sittings of legislatures and the disruptive behaviour of members in legislative bodies.

Inaugurating the National Conference of Chairpersons of Committees of Parliament and State Legislatures on the Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Bhubaneswar, he said that the decline in the level of discussion and dia-

logue in legislatures is a matter of concern.

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Recalling Dr B R Ambedkar's vision of an India where Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, and marginalised sections would live with dignity, respect, and equal opportunities, he noted that this vision has taken concrete shape over the decades, enabling members of these communities to occupy the highest offices of the land, thereby reflecting the maturity and inclusiveness of Indian democracy.

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The First Conference of Chairpersons of

Committees on the Welfare of SCs and STs was held way back in 1976 in New Delhi. Thereafter, successive Conferences have been held in 1979, 1983, 1987, and 2001, contributing to robust dialogue on the varied dimensions of welfare and constitutional safeguards for SCs and STs. However, it is for the first time that such a conference is being organised outside Delhi.

Mr Birla emphasised the critical need for effective utilisation of government funds and robust monitoring mechanisms to ensure that welfare schemes truly reach and empower the marginalised sections of society and highlighted the pivotal role that financial discipline and administrative accountability play in driving inclusive development.

He noted that substantial public resources are allocated each year toward social welfare initiatives aimed at uplifting Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, and other marginalised sections and underscored the importance of timely implementation and regular monitoring to ensure that the benefits of develop-