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## PM Modi Unveils Delhi BJP's New, Modern, Architecturally Stunning State Office on Deen Dayal Upadhyay Marg

(Gns).  
The Delhi BJP celebrated a new chapter on Monday with the inauguration of its permanent state office, blending modern facilities with traditional architectural elegance. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, BJP national president JP Nadda, Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta, and thousands of party workers attended the occasion, which coincided with the seventh day of Navratri, adding festive significance. Spread over 30,000 square feet on an 825-square-metre plot, the five-storey building incorporates South Indian design elements, with imposing tall

pillars, an elegant façade, and eco-friendly construction. Two basement levels ensure ample parking for visitors and staff.

The Delhi BJP inaugurated its permanent state office on Monday, attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and others, to mark a new chapter incorporating modern facilities with South Indian-influenced architecture; the five-storey building spans 30,000 square feet and cost Rs 2.23 crore. Inside, the ground floor

welcomes visitors with a conference room, reception area, and canteen, while the first-floor auditorium seats 300 for meetings and events. The upper floors



house offices for party cells, vice-presidents, secretaries, MPs, and senior leaders, with the top floor reserved for the Delhi BJP president and general secretary (organisation).

Delhi BJP president Virendra Sachdeva praised the project as a "remarkable achievement" in the party's journey from its first office at Ajmeri Gate to 35 years at Pandit Pant Marg. The Rs 2.23 crore building not only provides space and modern amenities but also reflects the party's blend of tradition, functionality, and forward-looking vision.

With its impressive architecture and modern facilities, the new office is set to become both a political hub and a symbol of Delhi BJP's growth, offering party workers a permanent home to plan, connect, and celebrate.

## On development push, Bihar CM launches projects worth Rs 11,921 crore

(Gns).  
Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, on Monday, launched 20,658 projects worth Rs 11,921 crore besides laying the foundation and commencing 16,065 projects related to public facilities and development at a cost of Rs 7,805 crore, and the inauguration of 4,593 projects worth Rs 4,116 crore.

Among the projects launched on Monday, the foundation stones were laid for 97 schemes related to the construction of key departmental buildings, with a total estimated cost of Rs 997 crore. Additionally, 137 projects worth Rs 2,467 crore were inaugurated.

Nitish Kumar expressed the confidence that these schemes would give a new momentum and direction to developmental activities in the state, with direct bene-

fits expected to improve the standard of living for the people of Bihar.

The chief minister is currently on a spree of launch-

On Sunday, Kumar inaugurated or laid the foundation stone for 331 developmental projects in the Vaishali district, with an

made for several other districts over the past few days.

RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav has questioned the feasibility of these projects, seeking a clarification on the source of funding from Chief Minister Nitish Kumar.

Yadav pointed out that between May and September, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced projects worth Rs 1.15 lakh crore, while Kumar himself had announced Rs 50,000 crore worth projects during the 'Pragati Yatra' launched in December 2024.

He further claimed that the combined value of announcements made by the prime minister and chief minister now stands at Rs 7,08,729 crore. "Nitish Kumar must explain the source of funding for these announcements and how they will be implemented," he said.



ing a series of developmental projects across districts ahead of the crucial state elections due in a few weeks. These schemes were originally announced during his state-wide 'Pragati Yatra' and were approved by the cabinet later.

estimated cost of Rs 745 crore. Earlier in the day, he launched 185 projects in the Gopalganj district, worth Rs1,585 crore. On Saturday, 25 projects worth approximately Rs 8,329 crore were launched in the Madhubani district. Similar announcements have been

## 'Instability in neighboring nations spills into seas': Defence Minister Rajnath Singh

(Gns).  
Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Monday said that instability in neighbouring countries often spills into the maritime domain and urged the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) to respond swiftly to external developments.

Addressing the inaugural session of the 42nd Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Commanders' Conference in ICG Headquarters here, the Defence Minister cited frequent developments in Myanmar, Bangladesh, Nepal, and other regional nations that impact coastal security, especially in the Bay of Bengal, through refugee influx, illegal migration, and irregular maritime activities.

Urging the ICG to maintain not just routine surveillance but also geopolitical awareness and readiness to act swiftly to external events, Singh underlined

the force's critical role in safeguarding India's 7,500-km-long coastline and island territories.

Stating that maritime threats are becoming

He also warned that terrorist organisations exploit modern tools such as digital mapping and real-time intelligence to plan their activities.

further cautioned that cyber and electronic warfare are no longer hypothetical threats but present-day realities. "A nation may attempt to paralyse our systems not with missiles, but through hacking, cyberattacks, and electronic jamming. ICG must continuously adapt, upgrading its training and equipment to guard against such threats. Automated surveillance networks and AI-enabled systems are essential to reduce response time to seconds and ensure readiness at all times," he said.

Linking maritime security directly with India's economic well-being, Singh underscored that ports, shipping lanes, and energy infrastructure are lifelines of the nation's economy. "A disruption in maritime trade whether physical or cyber can have cascading effects on security and economy alike.



increasingly technology-driven and multi-dimensional, he said, "What were once predictable patterns of smuggling or piracy have now evolved into sophisticated operations using GPS spoofing, remote-controlled boats, encrypted communications, drones, satellite phones, and even networks operating on the dark web."

The defence minister

## Asia Cup trophy rightfully belongs to the winning team & must be sent to India at the earliest: Saikia

(Gns).  
Re-elected for a second consecutive term, BCCI secretary Devajit Saikia on Monday said that the national cricket board has assigned its representatives, vice-president Rajeev Shukla and former treasurer Ashish Shelar, currently in Dubai, to fetch the Asia Cup trophy and medals that the victorious Indian cricket team was denied on Sunday.

Moments after India soaked in the pressure of a tense final to beat Pakistan by five wickets and seal their ninth Asia Cup crown, the spotlight shifted to the delayed presentation ceremony, and the drama that unfolded at the Dubai

International Stadium. The Indian team refused to accept the trophy from Mohsin Naqvi, the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) chief and head of the Asian Cricket Council (ACC), who is also Pakistan's interior minister.

The chaos deepened when, before the ceremony finally began, an ACC official suddenly lifted the Asia Cup trophy from its spot on the raised dais and walked away with it, offering no explanation.

When the ceremony eventually got underway,

individual awards were handed out by other dignitaries, with Kuldeep Yadav, Abhishek Sharma, and Tilak Varma among the recipients.

Pakistan captain Salman Agha then collected the runners-up cheque. But the ceremony was declared closed without the champions receiving their silverware.

Expressing the BCCI's displeasure, Secretary Devajit Saikia said what happened in Dubai was unacceptable.

"The trophy rightfully belongs to the winning

team and must be sent to India at the earliest. The ACC Chairman should understand the situation and ensure the trophy reaches India," Saikia told The Statesman.

Saikia confirmed that the BCCI will raise the matter formally at the upcoming ICC meeting in Dubai in November, where strong objections will be raised. He also informed that Shukla and Shelar are still in Dubai monitoring the situation.

"We had already made it clear that we would not take the trophy directly from his hands. He could have sent it to the team hotel, but that was not done. This is intolerable, and we will lodge a strong protest," he added.



## Haryana MSME's provided 15 lakh jobs to youth: CM

(Gns).  
Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini said on Monday that Haryana always finds mention in the speech of Prime Minister Narendra Modi whenever he speaks of "Aatmanirbhar Bharat" (Self-Reliant India).

Haryana has played a significant role from the very beginning in every campaign. MSMEs are the backbone of the economy, and the government is continuously promoting them.

"Nearly 15 lakh youth in the state have gained employment through MSMEs. As a result, Haryana has also received the National Award for MSMEs," he said.

The Chief Minister was speaking on Monday at a workshop organized under the 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat

'Swadeshi' launched by Prime Minister Modi, the country's economy has reached the fourth position



Sankalp Abhiyan' at Babain in the Ludhiana Assembly constituency.

Nayab Singh Saini said that with the campaigns of 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat' and

in the world.

Under the leadership of the Prime Minister, the central government has launched several initiatives, such as 'Make in India',

'Startup India', and 'Skill India', to make the nation self-reliant. By adopting these schemes, the country is becoming not only self-reliant but also self-sustaining.

He said the Prime Minister has set a vision for a 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047. To achieve this vision, it is first necessary to build a self-reliant India. He added that the purpose of such workshops is to connect as many people as possible.

He called upon the workers to spread the government's policies, rules, schemes, and campaigns to every citizen so that the general public may avail themselves of the benefits of these initiatives.

## Rahul Gandhi Blames BJP-RSS For Leh Violence, Demands 6th Schedule For Ladakh

(Gns).  
Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Sunday reacted strongly to the recent violence in Leh that left four young men dead, extending his support to Ladakh's demand for special rights under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution.

In a post on X, the Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha accused the BJP and its ideological parent, the RSS, of undermining the region's people and culture.

"Ladakhis asked for a voice. The BJP responded by killing 4 young men and jailing Sonam Wangchuk. Stop the killing. Stop the violence. Stop the intimidation. Give Ladakh a voice. Give them the 6th Schedule," Gandhi wrote.

Rahul Gandhi con-

demned the recent violence in Leh, Ladakh, where four young men died,

curfew remains in place amidst ongoing talks with the Centre.



and supported the demand for special rights under the Sixth Schedule, accusing the BJP and RSS. Protests, triggered by the Leh Apex Body, led to the arrest of activist Sonam Wangchuk and around 50 others; a

Kashmir into two Union Territories in 2019, residents have been demanding similar safeguards. While protests had remained largely peaceful, they turned violent on Wednesday, September 24,

during a shutdown called by the Leh Apex Body (LAB).

Activist Sonam Wangchuk, a leading voice behind these demands, was arrested on Friday and shifted to Rajasthan's Jodhpur jail. Authorities have detained nearly 50 people for alleged involvement in rioting. Wangchuk, however, condemned the violence and ended his hunger strike in protest.

The Centre accused Wangchuk of inciting unrest through speeches referencing youth-led protests in Nepal and Bangladesh. His wife, however, claimed that the violence was triggered by security forces, alleging that paramilitary personnel fired teargas shells into a peaceful crowd.



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Editorial

Unprecedented Decline

The Ganges, a lifeline for hundreds of millions across South Asia, is drying at a rate scientists say is unprecedented in recorded history. Climate change, shifting monsoons, relentless extraction and damming are pushing the mighty river towards collapse, with consequences for food, water and livelihoods across the region. For centuries, the Ganges and its tributaries have sustained one of the world's most densely populated regions.

Stretching from the Bay of Bengal to the Bay of Bengal, the whole river basin supports over 650 million people, a quarter of India's freshwater, and much of its food and economic value. Yet new research reveals the river's decline is accelerating beyond anything seen in recorded history. In recent decades, scientists have documented alarming transformations across many of the world's big rivers, but the Ganges stands apart for its speed and scale. In a new study, scientists reconstructed streamflow records going back 1,300 years to show that the basin has faced its worst droughts over the period in just the last few decades. And those droughts are well outside the range of natural climate variability.

Stretches of river that once supported year-round navigation are now impassable in summer. Large boats that once travelled the Ganges from Bengal and Bihar through Varanasi and Allahabad now run aground where water once flowed freely. Canals that used to irrigate fields for weeks longer a generation ago now dry up early. Even some wells that protected families for decades are yielding little more than a trickle.

Global climate models have failed to predict the severity of this drying, pointing to something deeply unsettling: human and environmental pressures are combining in ways we don't yet understand. Water has been diverted into irrigation canals, groundwater has been pumped for agriculture, and industries have proliferated along the river's banks. More than a thousand dams and barrages have radically altered the river itself. And as the world warms, the monsoon which feeds the Ganges has grown increasingly erratic. The result is a river system increasingly unable to replenish itself. At the river's source high in the Himalayas, the Gangotri glacier has retreated nearly a kilometre in just two decades.

The pattern is repeating across the world's largest mountain range, as rising temperatures are melting glaciers faster than ever. Initially, this brings sudden floods from glacial lakes. In the long-run, it means far less water flowing downstream during the dry season. These glaciers are often termed the "water towers of Asia". But as those towers shrink, the summer flow of water in the Ganges and its tributaries is dwindling too. The reckless extraction of groundwater is aggravating the situation. The Ganges-Brahmaputra basin is one of the most rapidly depleting aquifers in the world, with water levels falling by 15–20 millimeters each year. Much of this groundwater is already contaminated with arsenic and fluoride, threatening both human health and agriculture.

The role of human engineering cannot be ignored either. Projects like the Farakka Barrage in India have reduced dry-season flows into Bangladesh, making the land saltier and threatening the Sundarbans, the world's largest mangrove forest. Decisions to prioritise short-term economic gains have undermined the river's ecological health. Across northern Bangladesh and West Bengal, smaller rivers are already drying up in the summer, leaving communities without water for crops or livestock.

The disappearance of these smaller tributaries is a harbinger of what may happen on a larger scale if the Ganges itself continues its downward spiral. If nothing changes, experts warn that millions of people across the basin could face severe food shortages within the next few decades. The need for urgent, coordinated action cannot be overstated. Piecemeal solutions will not be enough. It's time for a comprehensive rethinking of how the river is managed. That will mean reducing unsustainable extraction of groundwater so supplies can recharge. It will mean environmental flow requirements to keep enough water in the river for people and ecosystems.

And it will require improved climate models that integrate human pressures (irrigation and damming, for example) with monsoon variability to guide water policy. Transboundary cooperation is also a must. India, Bangladesh and Nepal must do better at sharing data, managing dams, and planning for climate change. International funding and political agreements must treat rivers like the Ganges as global priorities. Above all, governance must be inclusive, so local voices shape river restoration efforts alongside scientists and policymakers. The Ganges is more than a river.

It is a lifeline, a sacred symbol, and a cornerstone of South Asian civilisation. But it is drying faster than ever before, and the consequences of inaction are unthinkable. The time for warnings has passed. We must act now to ensure the Ganges continues to flow – not just for us, but for generations to come.

(Gns). When Parliament enacted the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Act, 2025 (PROGA), it resolved years of debate by prohibiting all online games involving money, whether of skill or chance. The Act answered one question, but it left another hanging in the air. If money games are banned, what becomes of the vast universe of games without money – the esports tournaments, casual mobile titles, and social platforms that occupy the time of nearly 488 million Indians? How safe are these spaces when Artificial Intelligence, often invisible to the player, now shapes almost every aspect of the experience?

The anxiety is not abstract. AI systems are now embedded in match-making, progression design, and even in the form of "black-box agents" that play against users. These opaque, non-interpretable models are agents

whose internal logic cannot be explained easily to the end user. Players are left to wonder whether they are competing against other humans or against an algorithm fine – tune to manipulate engagement. Courts abroad have recognised this as a legal problem. In MDY Industries , LLC v. Blizzard Entertainment, Inc., 629 F.3d 928 (9th Cir. 2010), the U.S. Ninth Circuit upheld liability against a company selling bot software for World of Warcraft. In Blizzard Entertainment, Inc. v. Bossland GmbH [2017] EWHC 252 (Ch), the English High Court granted injunctions and damages against cheat-software developers, while the German court imposed multi-million euro penalties on the same company. Poker networks, operating in regulated jurisdictions, have gone further by banning bot accounts and reimbursing affected players.

The principal emerging

from these precedents is clear: undisclosed automation is not innovation, but manipulation, and it falls squarely within the reach of law. Indian statutes already



provide fragments of protection. The Consumer Protection Act, 2019, read with the Central Consumer Protection Authority's Guidelines on Prevention of Dark Patterns, 2023, prohibits deceptive design which includes algorithmic nudges and manipulative difficulty settings. The Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021, as

amended in 2023, brings online gaming intermediaries within a regime of due diligence and transparency, a framework that could be extended to mandate AI disclosure.

The Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 constrains the collection and processing of telemetry data, requiring necessity and proportionality in model training and anti-cheat systems. Most importantly, PROGA itself creates an institutional foundation. Section 4 of the Act provides for the establishment of a Central Online Gaming Authority, empow-

ered to regulate, license, and frame rules for the sector. While its immediate mandate is to oversee compliance with the prohibition on money games, the Authority has the power to set standards for safety, integrity, and fair play in non-monetary games as well. Comparative law provides persuasive models. The EU Artificial Intelligence Act (2024) requires transparency whenever users interact with AI and prohibits manipulative AI systems rules that would cover hidden bots in competitive play.

The EU Digital Services Act (2022) bans certain dark patterns and mandates disclosure of a logarithmic recommender system. The UK Online Safety Act (2023) imposes statutory safety duties on platforms with interactive features, including games, and requires child-specific safeguards. South Korea's Game Industry Promotion Act directly empowers regulators to address specula-

tive mechanics and automation . European debates on loot boxes, from Belgium's gambling classification to the Netherlands' narrower interpretation, demonstrate the regulatory seriousness with which game design choices are now assessed. India need not copy these models verbatim, but it can adapt their principal.

The new Authority could require that platforms disclose when a player faces an AI-driven opponent establishing transparency as the baseline. Certification mechanisms, akin to RNG audits in gaming jurisdictions such as GLI-19 or eCOGRA could evolve into an "anti-bot and fair-match" seal, audited annually. Dark-pattern prohibitions should be extended into gaming contexts, covering both interface design and algorithmic progression loops. Child-first defaults, such as disabled chat or periodic time-out prompts, can draw from the UK model. Due-process

(Gns). The violence that erupted in Leh last week is more than a sudden outburst of anger in a remote Himalayan desert. It is a chilling reminder of how long-simmering grievances, left unattended by the state, can ignite even in a region celebrated for its serenity. The deaths of protesters and the imposition of curfew are not isolated incidents; they are the culmination of years of frustration over the way Ladakh's destiny has been decided without the consent of its people.

When Ladakh was carved out of the former state of Jammu and Kashmir in 2019 and placed under direct central rule, the move was presented as a bold step

toward better governance and development. In practice, it removed long-standing constitutional protections and concentrated power in a lieutenant governor appointed by New Delhi. Both Leh's Buddhist majority and Kargil's Muslim majority ~ communities with distinct histories and often divergent political aspirations ~ found common cause in demanding statehood and safeguards for land, jobs, and culture.

That rare unity should have been a signal for meaningful dialogue. Instead, it has been met with periodic talks, shifting deadlines, and a sense that the Centre is more comfortable with administrative control than political compromise. Local traditions of self-governance, from vil-

lage councils to monastic institutions, have long bal-



laged Ladakh's fragile ecology and culture. Ignoring these grassroots mechanisms risks eroding a civic fabric that once ensured peaceful coexistence. The protests were largely peaceful until

recently. But prolonged neglect breeds its own

concessions, the risk of radicalisation rises. Firing bullets and tear gas at citizens who feel unheard only deepens the divide and hardens positions on both sides.

This unrest cannot be reduced to a law-and-order problem. Ladakh sits at the crossroads of India's most sensitive borders, flanked by China and Pakistan, and scarred by the deadly Galwan clash of 2020. Heavy militarisation and centralised administration might appear to guarantee stability, but they cannot substitute for legitimacy. A region that feels disenfranchised will remain volatile, no matter how many troops are stationed on its peaks. The Centre must now move beyond symbolic commitments and distant meeting

dates. Restoring trust will require a clear road map for statehood or at least meaningful autonomy, transparent guarantees for land and employment protections, and an open channel for continuous dialogue with local leaders. Anything less risks turning Ladakh's stunning landscape into the stage for recurring confrontation. India's northern frontier deserves more than curfews and accusations. It deserves a political settlement that respects the aspirations of its people while safeguarding national security. The time for delay has passed; only decisive, inclusive action can prevent the mountains from echoing with anger again

## A Legacy Entwined: The Uleema e Nagram and Darul Uloom Nadwatul Ulama

The history of Darul Uloom Nadwatul Ulama is not merely an institutional chronicle; it is a tapestry woven with the threads of dedication, scholarship, and unwavering support from numerous families. Among these, the bond between the family of Uleema e Nagram and the Nadwa movement is as profound and enduring as the history of Darul Uloom itself. Ours is not a recent affiliation but a foundational partnership, deeply rooted in the very ideals that gave birth to this great citadel of learning.

This illustrious connection traces its origins to the founder of the Nadwatul Ulama movement, the venerable Hazrat Maulana Muhammad Ali Mungeri (rahmatullahi 'alayh). He shared an esteemed relationship with our ancestor, Hazrat Maulana Muhammad Idrees

Nagrami (rahmatullahi 'alayh), a towering spiritual scholar of his time. At Hazrat Mungeri's personal request, Maulana Idrees Nagrami compiled the renowned biographical work, 'Ulama-e-Haal (1858-1912). This masterpiece stands as a testament to the inclusive vision of Nadwa, as it generously chronicles the lives of scholars from diverse schools of Islamic thought.

Even prior to Darul Uloom's formal establishment, our family served the cause of Islamic education through its own institution, the Madarsa Madan al-Uloom in Nagram. By the grace of Allah, this seminary—now affiliated with Nadwatul

Ulama—continues its noble mission today. In its time, it was a celebrated

es towards the pure teachings of the Quran and Sunnah.

By Dr. Ammar Anis Nagrami



center of learning, dedicated to nurturing individuals who would acquire divine knowledge and devote themselves to its propagation, guiding Muslim mass-

The foundational education of Hazrat Maulana Idrees Nagrami, his revered father Hafiz Abdul Ali Nagrami, and his son, Hazrat Maulana Anees

Nagrami (rahmatullahi 'alayhim ajma'een), was received within its walls.

Recognizing this shared vision, Hazrat Maulana Muhammad Ali Mungeri (rahmatullahi 'alayh) personally requested Maulana Idrees Nagrami to formally integrate his family into the nascent Darul Uloom. Heeding this call, Maulana Idrees enrolled his sons, Maulana Anees Nagrami and Maulana Nafees Nagrami, at Nadwa, thereby forging an unbreakable bond between the family

of Uleema e Nagram and the Nadwi community.

This union blossomed into a complete fusion of purpose, with the family of Uleema e Nagram dedicat-

ing itself entirely to the advancement of the movement and its institution. This commitment was exemplified by the great preacher and caller to Islam, Hazrat Maulana Mohammad Anees Nagrami.

Maulana Nagrami was a close colleague of Hazrat Maulana Syed Abdul Hayi Hasani Nadwi (RA), the then Rector of Nadwatul Ulema. In his famous book "Purane Chiragh," Ali Miyan noted that Maulana Nagrami was a scholar of great knowledge and virtue with profound insight into Fiqh (Islamic jurisprudence) and had been a student of Maulana Syed Abdul Hayi Hasani.

His stature is further confirmed in "Khutbat-e-Mahmood" by Hazrat Maulana Syed Mehmoood Hasan Hasani Nadwi (RA), the former editor of Tameer-e-Hayat "That Maulana Mohammad Anees Nagrami was counted among India's most esteemed scholars and was held in high regard by non-Muslims, a great many of whom embraced Islam at his hands."

A paramount example of the Uleema e Nagram's dedication to the mission of Nadwatul Ulama was Hazrat Maulana Abdur Rehman Nagrami Nadwi . A dynamic young scholar, a freedom fighter, and the revered Sheikh-ut-Tafseer of Darul Uloom, he worked shoulder-to-shoulder with luminaries such as Allama Syed Sulaiman Nadwi and Hazrat Maulana Syed Dr. Hakeem Abdul Ali Hasani Nadwi.

His stature was such that Allama Syed Sulaiman Nadwi wrote in an article after his death that, "If Darul Uloom Nadwatul U...

(Gns). Baron Jakob Johann von Uexkull, a Baltic German biologist, mentioned in his book entitled Stroll through the World of Animals that all creatures, including plants, on this planet live in an Umwelt (German, literally "environment") ~ that is its own sensory world evolved to satisfy its particular requirements. A dog, a bat, a bee, a tick, a human etc. all live in the same physical world, but each perceives and interacts with it in vastly different ways. The 18th-century Italian naturalist Lazzaro Spallanzani was puzzled, for instance, by the way bats could fly in the dark, but it was not until 1938 that Donald Graffin, the American zoologist, dis-

covered they were able to find their way by using high-frequency sounds. The invention of the ultrasonic microphone, together with the invention of sound spectrographs has enabled researchers to listen to high-frequency sounds in the world of bats, dolphins, tree crickets and a host of small mammals. With the technical revolution during the past few decades many mysteries have been solved when scientists found that animals used environmental cues quite beyond normal human perception. On the morning of 6 May 1879, Jean-Henri Fabre, a French entomologist, found a female peacock emperor moth on his laboratory table. The moth is most commonly referred to

as the Giant Peacock Moth (Saturnia pyri). It is the largest moth in Europe, with a wingspan of 15-20 centimeters. Fabre kept the moth under observation by putting it in a bell-jar.

He kept the jar in a room at night leaving one window open. What he saw that night was unforgettable. He wrote: "With a soft flick-flack the great male moths fly around the bell-jar, alight, set off again, come back, fly up to the ceiling and down ... The scene suggests a wizard's cave with its whirls of bats." For several nights the same scenario was repeated between 8 and 10 p.m., when it was overcast and dark outside. The visitors were exclusively male moths. This fact aroused

Fabre's curiosity – what could it be that attracted the males from afar to join the female. In the inky darkness it could certainly not be a visual cue; it may be sounds having frequency below or beyond the range of human hearing, or perhaps electrical or magnetic signals.

For the next three years Fabre tried to find out what it was that attracted only male moths. He noticed that all male moths had great plumed antennae. When he snapped them off, the male was unable to locate the caged female moth. Using other moths, Jean-Henri Fabre established for the first time that it was smell, not sight or sound, which guided male moths to females. Though he explained the direction-

finding ability of the male, he believed that unknown radiations which could spread over enormous distances were given off by the female. It was not until 1959, when techniques in chemistry, histology and physiology were sufficiently advanced that the active ingredient in the female moth's scent was isolated and synthesized.

In 1959, the German biochemist Adolf Butenandt of the Max Planck Institute identified a compound called bombykol in the scent glands of the domesticated silk moth Bombyx Mori. He also successfully synthesized this chemical in the laboratory. Peter Karlson and Martin Luscher, in their article in Nature, gave the world a new word,

Pheromones, which, they said, are chemical signals that an animal releases into the environment to influence the physiology or behavior of another individual of the same species. Translated from the Greek, the word means 'to transfer excitement'.

Interestingly, there have been two Nobel Prizes relating to pheromones. Adolf Butenandt received the Nobel in 1959 for identifying and synthesizing the first insect pheromone, bombykol. And in 2004, Linda Buck and Richard Axel were awarded the prize jointly for their discoveries of odorant receptors and the organization of the olfactory system. In introspect, the fact that powerful signals can be

sent by smell was known long before the means were discovered. The ancient Greeks knew that secretions from a female dog in heat were attractive to male dogs. In his bee-keeper's manual The Feminine Monarchie published in 1623, Charles Butler warned that an injured bee's "ranke smell" would attract other angry bees to sting. Pheromones are chemical signals that have evolved for communication between members of the same species.

Most pheromones are detected by the sense of smell. However, not all smells are pheromones. Pheromones are also not hormones. The former acts as a chemical signal, the latter acts as a chemical messenger.



## WESTERN RAILWAY EXTENDS THE TRIPS OF SPECIAL TRAIN BETWEEN MUMBAI CENTRAL - INDORE

Mumbai, For the convenience of passengers and with a view to meet the travel demand especially during the festive season, Western Railway has extended the trips of Special Train on Special Fare between Mumbai Central & Indore.

According to a press release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer of Western Railway, Shri Vineet Abhishek, the

details of the train is as under:

Train No. 09085/09086 Mumbai Central - Indore (Tri - Weekly) Special:

Train No. 09085 Mumbai Central - Indore Special departs from Mumbai Central every Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 23.20 hrs and reaches Indore at 13.00 hrs, the next day. The trips of this train have been extended further from 01st October to 28th November,

2025. Similarly, Train No. 09086 Indore - Mumbai Central Special departs from Indore every Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at 17.00 hrs and arrives Mumbai Central at 07.10 hrs, the next day. The trips of this train have been extended further from 02nd October to 29th November, 2025.

Enroute this train will halt at Borivali, Vapi, Surat, Vadodra, Dahod, Ratlam and Ujjain station in both

directions.

This train comprises of First AC, AC 2-Tier and AC 3-Tier Coaches.

The booking for the extended trips of Train No. 09085 & 09086 opens from 30.09.2025 at all PRS Counters and on IRCTC website. For detailed information regarding timings of halts and composition, passengers may please visit [www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in](http://www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in).

## WESTERN RAILWAY BAGS THE PRESTIGIOUS KAUL GOLD CUP

Mumbai, Western Railway has bagged the prestigious Kaul Gold Cup for the year 2024 - 25. This Cup is a symbol of overall supremacy in the sporting arena over Indian Railways. This remarkable achievement highlights Western Railway's dominance and commitment to excellence in the field of sports. Shri Vivek Kumar Gupta, General Manager, Western Railway commended all the sportspersons for their outstanding performance for achieving this remarkable feat.

According to a press release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer of Western Railway, Shri Vineet Abhishek, Western Railway's sportspersons have participated in various sporting events and have brought laurels to the



Shri Vivek Kumar Gupta, General Manager, Western Railway with the prestigious Kaul Gold Cup along with Shri. V. A. Malegaonkar, President Western Railway Sports Association (WRSA), senior officials and sportspersons.

organization. Ms. Antim, the talented wrestler from Western Railway, represented India at the recently held Senior World Wrestling Championship 2025 held in Zagreb, Croatia and bagged Bronze Medal in the 53 kg category.

In the same tournament, Shri Satyadev Malik, an employee of Western Railway as well as a seasoned referee, officiated as a referee, contributing his expertise and supervising during the Championship. Shri Vineet further stat-

## Heritage enthusiasts explore Odisha's iconic royal palace

(Gns). Beyond Similipal and the Belgadia Palace, the historic headquarters town in Odisha's Mayurbhanj district has many monuments to explore.

The 18th edition of Mayurbhanj Heritage Walks (MHW) saw around 50 participants visiting the Mayurbhanj Palace in Baripada, the last capital of the princely state, organised under the banner of Mayurbhanj Mirror and Mayurbhanj Lovers.

Under the guidance of Kumaresh Nayak and Rushiraj Pattanaik, the heritage lovers explored the

architectural style, construction history, governance



system, religious beliefs and lifestyle of the bygone era relating to the palace.

Initially built in Baripada by Maharani Sumitra Devi

Bhanjadeo, this palace was later renovated by other

progress was reached in this palace, which later became Maharaja Purna Chandra College (MPCC).

Apart from the bedrooms, there was also Durbar Hall, Maharaja's room, special halls for administrative work, etc. The current college library was Maharani's bathroom at that time. In front of the temple courtyard of the Goddess Kichkeswari, the royal deity of the dynasty, that was situated at the back of this palace, there was an office to keep records of people visiting the city of Baripada at that time.

rulers. This was built in the style of Buckingham Palace in England, with about 156 rooms. The peak of Mayurbhanj Chhau's

## Hapur man kills parents, wife for Rs 50-crore insurance claim, arrested with accomplice

(Gns). In a chilling case that has sent shockwaves across the region, a man from the Hapur district has been arrested for allegedly killing both his parents and wife in a meticulously planned conspiracy to claim insurance worth nearly Rs 50 crore, police officials confirmed on Monday.

The accused, identified as Vishal Kumar, was arrested, along with his associate Satish Kumar, by the police on Modinagar Road in Hapur.

According to police officials, Vishal had taken out multiple high-value insurance policies in the names of his father, mother, and wife. Blinded by the lure of money, he allegedly orchestrated their deaths in what appeared to be accidents to claim massive insurance payouts.

The investigation into the case began when insurance companies flagged suspicious claims and

inconsistencies in the accident reports and medical



records. Soon, it was discovered that the deaths of Vishal's family members were anything but natural.

Initially reported as a road accident, his father, Mukesh's death raised suspicions when the post-mortem report revealed discrepancies. Despite being a man of modest means, Mukesh had insurance policies worth over Rs 39 crore.

Insurance company officials noted contradictions between the accident timing and hospital admission

records. The injuries mentioned did not match those

typically seen in such road accidents, leading investigators to suspect foul play.

Vishal's mother, Prabha Devi, reportedly died in a road accident in 2017. He was riding the bike with her when they allegedly collided with an unknown vehicle. Following her death, Vishal claimed insurance worth approximately Rs 80 lakh. Questions have now resurfaced about the legitimacy of this accident as well.

The accused also received around Rs 30 lakh in insurance after his wife's

death, which is now under fresh scrutiny as part of the investigation.

Sanjay Kumar, a representative from insurance firm Niva Bupa, stated that Vishal was uncooperative during their internal inquiry. He allegedly refused to provide necessary documents and even attempted to bribe officials and witnesses to mislead the investigation. Authorities also found inconsistencies in age records on Aadhar and PAN cards, as well as irregularities in hospital records and vehicle registration related to the incidents.

Hapur's City Circle Officer (CO City) Varun Mishra confirmed that Vishal and his associate Satish had planned the entire operation in a highly-systematic manner. He added that the police suspect this could be part of a much larger insurance fraud network. "The investigation is ongoing, and we expect more revelations in the coming days," he said.

work rooted in India with a foothold in Canada, is infamous for murder, shootings, arson, extortion, and harassment of diaspora communities. Their reign of fear has now met a legal counterstrike.

The terrorist listing empowers Canadian law enforcement to seize assets, block funding, and prosecute those supporting the gang.

## 7 New Trains Dedicated to Bihar, Including 3 Amrit Bharat Express and 4 Passenger Trains

**Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary Flag Off New Trains; Total Amrit Bharat Express Services Rises to 30 Across Country, with 26 Services Originating from Bihar**

**Passenger Trains to Enhance Connectivity within Bihar; Amrit Bharat Express to Connect Bihar with Telangana, Rajasthan, and Delhi**

**Bihar's Annual Railway Budget Rises from ₹1,000 Crore Before 2014 to ₹10,000 Crore in 2025, With Around ₹1 Lakh Crore Projects Underway:**

**Ashwini Vaishnaw**  
**21 Major Railway Projects like New Lines, Gauge Conversion, Doubling or Adding 3rd & 4th lines etc. Fully Commissioned in Bihar Since 2014, Including Patna & Munger Rail-Cum-Road Bridges**

(Gns). Union Minister for Railways, Information & Broadcasting, and Electronics & Information Technology Ashwini Vaishnaw, along with Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Choudhary, today flagged off a total of seven new trains in Bihar, including three Amrit Bharat Express trains. These new trains will provide a new dimension to connectivity in Bihar and offer passengers enhanced travel services. With the inauguration of these new trains, Bihar now has a total of 26 Amrit Bharat Express services operational out of the 30 services, running across the country.

The Muzaffarpur-Charlapalli Amrit Bharat Express is the first Amrit Bharat train from Muzaffarpur to South India, while the Chhapra-Anand Vihar Amrit Bharat Express became the sixth Amrit Bharat train from Bihar to Delhi.

This state-of-the-art indigenous train will provide passengers with a fast, safe, and comfortable travel experience. These trains will strengthen Bihar's connectivity with different parts of the country, particularly North and South India. Their operations will boost economic activities in the state and create new opportunities in tourism, trade, and employment.

During the occasion, speaking via video conference, the Union Minister

said that the pace of development in Bihar is such that the state is set to emerge as

Chapra - Delhi (Anand Vihar Terminal) Amrit Bharat Express



a golden state in the near future. These trains will provide a new level of connectivity in Bihar, enhancing convenience for passengers and accelerating the state's overall development. The Union Minister added that since PM Modi assumed office in 2014, he has prioritized the Railways, with a special focus on the States. The Minister noted that earlier, the annual railway budget for Bihar was only around ₹1,000 crore before 2014, whereas today it stands at about ₹10,000 crore. He said PM Modi has presented a significant vision for Bihar's development, with projects worth around ₹1 lakh crore underway in Bihar. He also said the state's railway network has been fully electrified, and 1,899 km of new track has been laid.

Developed by Indian Railways, the Amrit Bharat Express has become a symbol of modernization in the country's railway system. The train is not just a fast and affordable travel option, but it also comes equipped with advanced features such as semi-automatic couplers, fire detection systems, sealed gangways, and talk-back units. For the first time, such an advanced technology has been introduced in non-AC coaches enhancing passenger safety. This marks an important step towards realizing the vision of "Viksit Bihar Se Viksit Bharat" (Developed India through a Developed Bihar).

Brief Details of Amrit Bharat Express Trains:

Darbhangha - Ajmer (Madar) Amrit Bharat Express  
Muzaffarpur - Hyderabad (Charlapalli) Amrit Bharat Express

Brief Details of Passenger Trains:

Patna - Buxar  
Patna - Danapur  
Patna - Patna  
Patna - Islampur

Highlighting some key railway projects completed in the state, the Minister said that the 28 km Patna Rail-cum-Road Bridge, 15 km Munger Rail-cum-Road Bridge, and the long-awaited Kosi Bridge have all been completed.

Important Projects Fully Commissioned since 2014  
Patna Rail-cum-Road Bridge  
Munger Rail-cum-Road Bridge  
Kosi Bridge  
Daniawan-Biharsharif New Line  
Chandan-Banka New Line  
Rampurhat-Mandarhill New Line  
Maharajganj-Masrakh New Line  
Rajgir-Tilaiya & Natesar-Islampur New Line  
Mansi-Saharsa-Purnia Gauge Conversion  
Jaynagar-Narkatiaganj Gauge Conversion  
Kaptanganj-Chapra Gauge Conversion  
Sakri-Nirmali & Saharasa-Forbesganj Gauge Conversion  
Mansi-Saharsa-Saharasa-Purnia & Banmankhi-Bihariganj Gauge Conversion  
Sahibganj-Pirpainti Doubling  
Maheshkunt-

Thanahpur Doubling  
Hajipur-Ramdayalu Nagar Doubling  
Pirpainti-Bhagalpur Doubling  
Bakhtiyarpur-Barh Doubling  
Kiul-Gaya Doubling  
Hajipur-Bachhwara Doubling  
Darbhanga Bypass  
Additionally, the Araria-Galgahia (Thakurganj) New Line has been completed and will be inaugurated shortly.

Main Projects Under Execution

New Lines: Sakri-Hasanpur, Khagaria-Kusheshwarsthan, Kursela-Bihariganj, Tilaiya-Koderma, Hajipur-Sugauli, Sitamarhi-Sheohar, Chhapra-Muzaffarpur, Araria-Supaul, Vikramshila-Katareah (incl. Ganga Bridge), Jhajha-Batia, Pirpainti-Jasidihi, Chhitauntini-Tumkui Road, Jalalgarhi-Kishanganj, Jogbani-Biratnagar, Aurangabad Terminal-Anugrah Narayan Road, Jaynagar-Bijalpura, Dhanbad-Songgar, etc.

Doubling 3rd/4th Line Works: Samastipur-Darbhangha, Sagauli-Valmikinagar, Muzaffarpur-Sagauli, Narkatiaganj-Darbhangha-Sitamarhi-Muzaffarpur, Chhapra-Ballia, Katihar-Kumedpur, Barauni-Bachhwara (3rd & 4th Line), Sonnagar-Andal (3rd & 4th Line), Punarakh-Bhaktiyarpur (3rd & 4th Line), etc.

Union Minister Vaishnaw added that work is ongoing on several other projects, and planning for additional projects is underway. Currently, 13 Amrit Bharat Express trains i.e. 26 services are operating in Bihar, covering 42 stops across 25 districts. In addition, 10 pairs of trains (20 services) of Vande Bharat services cover 28 districts. The state also has Namoo Bharat Rapid Rail services in operation.

These new trains originating from Bihar will make travel across different regions of the state more convenient, boosting economic and social activities. The purpose of these trains is not only to provide better connectivity but also to offer passengers safe, fast, and comfortable travel.

## Top Indian spy Lucky Bisht dismisses allegation of intelligence failure in Pahalgam attack

(Gns). A top Indian former spy, sniper, and National Security Guard (NSG) commando has dismissed suggestions that the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack, in which 26 innocent civilians were killed, was a result of an intelligence failure.

Lucky Bisht, who keeps a close eye on developments in neighbouring countries, was also of the firm view that the interim Muhammad Yunus government in Bangladesh would not be able to hold elections in February as promised by him.

In an exclusive interview with The Statesman, he talked at length on a wide range of issues.

Q: Was the Pahalgam attack a result of an intelligence failure?

A: I will not say that it was not an intelligence failure. But I will say one more thing - Intelligence agencies provide information 365 days a year. With 364 pieces of information, we save our country, and sometimes we fail on one piece of input. And the world only talks about that one failed information. Everyone talks about that one failed input, while we don't reveal the other 364 things we worked on, all of which were successful. If

you don't know about our operations, that does not mean we are not working.

Q: You have provided security to high-profile people. With whom did you face the biggest challenge?

A: Well, many politicians do not want to upset the public. For example, if someone from the public wants to meet a politician, he says, "Let them come". If the bodyguard denies, the person he is providing security to gets angry. For security personnel, it becomes a significant challenge to ensure that they do not upset the person they are providing security to while also keeping them safe.

However, I was transferred for doing my duty and sent to Assam. Sometimes, this becomes a challenge for the security personnel because many politicians take it as a matter of ego.

Q: Are there any special moments you can recollect when you were the bodyguard of Narendra Modi?

A: When Prime Minister Modi was the chief minister of Gujarat, he had a lot of

public dealings. For example, during Rakhi, a huge number of women used to come and meet him. So in situations like these, keeping him safe used to be a very challenging task.

Another incident I recall is that during one of the days in his security duty, we had to go to Ahmedabad and return within an hour. However, suddenly, there was a change of plan! I was with him continuously for 17 days, during which I traveled across India with just one set of clothes.

One thing I want to mention is that when I was in his security, I never saw him taking leave, even for a single day.

Q: You predicted the fall of Nepal's government, and exactly that happened! What is your next prediction?

A: These are not predictions but are based on the ground inputs. In Bangladesh, the Yunus government has promised that it will hold elections in February next year.

However, based on my experience, I can say that the election will not happen.

The government will not be able to hold that poll. It will be postponed.

Q: Have you ever thought of joining politics?

A: I have never thought of joining politics, not even in the future. I personally believe that it is not necessary that only by entering politics can you do good for society.

Q: You were reportedly jailed for some time. Can you talk about what happened?

A: At that time, I was the bodyguard of Mr LK Advani. I went home on emergency leave. During the same time, two gangsters were shot dead. They were both killed by a single bullet. So it was concluded that I was involved in the crime. I was arrested at my home and sent to jail. During the four-year jail term, I was transferred to 11 jails, and my bail plea was rejected 6-7 times. However, due to a lack of evidence against me, I was acquitted by the court. That was the hardest time of my life.

Q: Your book is described as "fiction inspired by true events." How much of it is really fiction?

A: Only that part is fiction where the names are changed. The rest of everything is non-fiction.



## Walk for a Healthy Heart: Regency Health Kanpur Organizes 5km & 2km Walkathon for Heart Health Awareness

Organized under the theme **"Karo Dil se Dosti"** the event encouraged preventive care, active lifestyles, and community participation for better heart health.

Kanpur, 29th September 2025: Regency Health Kanpur successfully commemorated World Heart Day 2025 by organizing a 5km and 2km Walkathon at UPTTI Ground under the theme "Karo Dil se Dosti." The early morning event attracted enthusiastic participants of all ages, aiming to raise awareness about cardiovascular health, promote preventive heart care, and inspire healthier lifestyles in the community.

Cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) remain the leading cause of death globally. According to the WHO, an estimated 19.8 million people die from CVDs, accounting for approximately 32% of all global deaths. Of these, 85% were due to heart attacks and strokes, highlighting the critical importance of prevention and awareness. This walkathon served as a timely initiative to emphasize the role of regular physical activity, balanced nutrition, and stress management in reducing heart disease risk. By bringing together healthcare professionals and the local community, the event underscored the urgent need for proactive heart health management

in Kanpur and the surrounding areas. Although Dr. Atul Kapoor, Founder and

well-being. Heart health is not just a personal responsibility. It is a shared commitment that strengthens

the difference."

Dr. Shashank Tripathi, Senior Consultant (CTVS) shared, "Heart care is often



Managing Director of Regency Health, was unable to attend this event, he shared a strong message of support, saying, "World Heart Day is a reminder that prevention is the best cure. Today's walkathon underlined how simple lifestyle habits such as daily physical activity, balanced nutrition, and effective stress management can significantly reduce the risk of heart disease. Regency Health is dedicated to empowering individuals with the knowledge and tools to take proactive steps toward better heart health."

Mr. Abhishek Kapoor, CEO of Regency Health, added, "At Regency Health, our mission extends beyond providing quality healthcare. Initiatives like this walkathon are about encouraging individuals to take ownership of their

communities. Through this event, we aimed to create awareness and inspire actionable steps towards a healthier lifestyle."

Adding to the expert insights, key specialists from Regency Health emphasized the importance of daily heart care.

Dr. Abhinitt Gupta, Associate Director (Interventional Cardiology), said, "In my years of practice as a cardiologist, I have noticed how small choices that are often overlooked can lead to serious consequences over time. Every heartbeat is a quiet promise to your future. Heart health is not just about avoiding illness, but rather about building the foundation for a fuller and more active life. Start small. Move more. Avoid smoking. Let your plate reflect balance and care. One good habit at a time can make all

misunderstood as something to worry about only after a problem arises. But true care is quiet, consistent, and preventive. I have seen hearts fail not because of age or illness alone, but because they were treated like machines. Your heart is more like a garden. It needs regular rest, thoughtful movement, and space to breathe. Water it with sleep, prune it with exercise, and do not let stress grow unchecked. Small daily efforts can protect it for a lifetime."

Dr. Saeed Akhtar, Director (Cardiac Surgery), reflected, "A healthy heart is not built in the cath lab. It is built at the dinner table, during the evening walk, and in the quiet moment when you choose laughter instead of anger. Strong hearts come from everyday choices. Nurture yours with care, and every be...

## GLA's law student Raunak's golden record at the national level

GLA's law student Raunak Upamanyu won 251 first prize and named Braj across the country

Mathura. Raunak Upamanyu, a talented student of the final year of the Faculty of Law Faculty of GLA University, Mathura, has left the impression of GLA's excellent education at the national level. Raunak has so far participated in 279 debate (debate) competitions held in prestigious IITs, IIMs and universities across the country, out of which 251 have won the first prize in the country, who have become the first students of the country who have set a new record by securing such a large number of first place. This achievement is a matter of pride not only for GLA University but also for the entire Braj region.

In the meeting of the Constituent Assembly held at Delhi IIT last day, Raunak of GLA also won the first prize of his golden achievements. This year Raunak participated in a total of 43 competitions and proved that the confluence of hard work and oratory skills always paves the way for success.

This year, Raunak secured first place in a prestigious competition held at Hindu College, Delhi University, in which



GLA Vice Chancellor Dr. Anup Gupta and Dean of Law Faculty Mr. Somesh Dhamija, honoring Raunak Upamanyu, a student of Law Faculty after winning the first prize in 251 National Debate

he was awarded a shield by Union Minister Anurag Thakur. Apart from this, first prize in Indore Institute of Law, first prize in IIT Delhi, and he also topped the Youth Parliament Competition organized by the Indian National Congress, where he was held in the Youth Parliament Competition, where he was given the former Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel, senior Congress leader Randeep Surjewala and MP Rajiv Honored by Shukla. Within the last 25 days, Raunak has won eight first prizes and got his talent got the iron of his talent. Among these competitions, Atma Ram

Sanatan Dharma College, Sri Venkateswara College, Dehradun Institute, Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Khalsa College and Hindu College were the heads of which he was rewarded by Union Minister Anurag Thakur himself in Hindu College.

The GLA University family is also proud of this extraordinary achievement of Raunak. University Vice Chancellor Prof. While congratulating Anoop Kumar Gupta, Anup Kumar Gupta said that Raunak Upamanyu has not only increased the pride of GLA University with his hard work, confidence and amazing oratory skills, but has also rec-

ognized Brajbhoomi on the national stage. The high quality education of GLA and the guidance of dedicated teachers have given students an opportunity to enhance their talent and the achievement of Raunak is the result of that. Winning such a large number of first prize is not only a record, but also a source of inspiration for the upcoming younger generation.

At the same time, Dean of Law Faculty Prof. Somesh Dhamija said that the success that GLA's Raunak Upamanyu has achieved in the field of debating is a golden chapter for law education and tradition of youth parliament. The educational environment, research-based education system and behavioral training of GLA University have helped them to make their mark at the national level. Their constant success proves that if students try to dedicate, hard work and right direction, then they can reach any point. This record of Raunak is an inspirational example for the entire student community. Raunak is the son of Dr. Kamalakant Upamanyu Advocate, National Vice President of Upamanu NUJI and President of Braj Press Club

## District Magistrate conducted quarterly internal inspection of EVM-VVPAT warehouse

Reviewed security arrangements

Mathura. District Magistrate Chandra Prakash Singh conducted a quarterly internal inspection of the EVM-VVPAT warehouse located after Mathura district. He gave instructions for regular cleanliness of the warehouse. The District Magistrate directed the officials of the Election Office that insects, termites, rat etc. protested regularly in the premises and rooms of the warehouse. During the inspection, the District Magistrate took stock of the

security arrangements of the warehouse. He took stock of CCTV cameras. The District Magistrate directed the officials of the Election Office that the EVM-VVPAT warehouse kept checking the expiry of fire fighting equipment installed in the complex. The District Magistrate gave necessary guidelines to provide basic facilities to the personnel posted under the protection of the ware-



District Magistrate CP Singh inspecting Insects, termite, rat, etc. were sprayed regularly in the premises and rooms of the warehouse.

house. He instructed the security personnel to discharge their works with responsibility. In inspection,

Deputy Collector Sushil Kumar Singh, Balveer Singh Dhangar District Vice President Indian National Congress, Mohit Thakur District Secretary Samajwadi Party, Munendra Singh Nigam District Secretary Bahujan Samaj Party, Sonu Thakur President District Lohia Vahini Samajwadi Party, Shivcharan Tomar District Vice President Samajwadi Party, Executive Engineer Public Works Vibhaga Gurlaveer Singh, AE VK Sharma, Assistant District Election Officer Manoj Khandelwal were present

## Government strict for effective prevention on crimes with women

Mathura. Conference and capacity building workshop of women and girls was organized by MP Smt. Hema Malini, Additional Director General of Police Agra Zone Agra, Deputy Inspector General of Police Agra Zone Agra Shailesh Kumar Pandey, District Magistrate Chandra Prakash Singh and Senior Superintendent of Police Shlok Kumar under the chairmanship of Shri Krishna Janmashtami Ashram. Important information was given for women safety in view of effective prevention and



MPs Mrs. Hema Malini, Additional Director General of Police Agra Zone Agra, Deputy Inspector General of Police Agra Shailesh Kumar Pandey, District Magistrate Chandra Prakash Singh, District Magistrate Chandra Prakash Singh, while chairing the conference of women and girls held at Sri Krishna Janmashtami Ashram, Additional Director General of Police Agra Zone Agra, Deputy Inspector General of Police Agra Zone Agra Kumar

mission women safety, women honor, women's self-reliance on crimes committed with women in the order of the campaign

for women empowerment under the Chief Minister's ambitious scheme Mission Shakti. In this, various helpline numbers, women's

help desk, anti-Romeo squad, child labor eradication, Shakti Didi, UP-112, Women Power Line-1090 and self-defense tips and welfare schemes like Chief Minister Kanya Sumangala Yojana, destitute women's pension, U.P. The campaign was directed to make the campaign successful by giving detailed information about the State Rural Livelihood Mission National Nutrition Mission, Rani Laxmibai Bal and Mahila Samman Kosh, Mukhyamantri Group Marriage Scheme, Pradhan Mantri Matu Bandana Yojana etc

## Mathura Circuit House, Cabinet Minister and MP performed Bhoomi Poojan in 15 months

Uttar Pradesh Government Construction Corporation got the responsibility of constructing a four-storey circuit house in an area of about 2 hectares.

Mathura. Now Mathura Circuit House will be ready in the next 15 months. On Monday, Honorable Minister Sugarcane Development and Sugar Industry Laxmi Narayan Chaudhary, Honorable MP Mrs. Hema Malini, Uttar Pradesh Braj Tirtha Vikas Parishad Vice President Shailjakant Mishra, MLA Baldev Pura Prakash, Honorable former MLA Karinda Singh, District Magistrate Chandra Prakash Singh, Uttar Pradesh Braj Tirtha Development Council CEO Shyam Bahadur Singh performed the Bhoomi Pujan of the Circuit House by law. This circuit house is to be constructed in about two hectares of Veterinary University's agricultural

farm. It will cost 6739.69 lakhs. Madan Chandra Dubey, ACEO of Braj Tirtha District Magistrate Chandra Prakash Singh



During the Bhoomi Pujan, Cabinet Minister, MP Hemamalini, Vice President of Brath Tirtha Vip Shailjakant Mishra, MLA Pura Prakash, Karinda Singh

Vikas Parishad, Deputy CEO Satish Chandra etc. attended the Bhoomi Pujan program. Architect Mayank Garg informed Honorable Minister Shri Lakshmi Narayan Chaudhary and Honorable MP Mrs. Hema Malini details of the Circuit

said that the need of circuit house was being felt for a long time. This circuit house will be ready in the next 15 months. Construction work will be done by Uttar Pradesh Government Construction Corporation. It will be of

four floors including the ground floor. It will have dormitory and two large housing type two for 42 people. The District Magistrate said that 70 seater conference halls, 72 seater dining halls and parking will be built on its first ground. 8 rooms on the first floor, 4 general suits, 10 on the second floor, 2 general suits, 2 VIP suits in the third floor, 4 general suits and dining hall on the fourth floor, meeting hall and 2 VVIP suits will be prepared. Shyam Bahadur Singh, CEO of Uttar Pradesh Braj Tirtha Vikas Parishad, said that Honorable Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath ji had laid the foundation stone of this project on Janashtami. Honorable MP Representative Mr. Janardan Sharma, Sanjay Govil, Gyanendra Rana, Kunj Bihari Chaturvedi etc. were present on the occasion of Bhoomi Pujan

## Himachal Pradesh Govt unveils comprehensive strategy to tackle drug menace

(Gns). The Himachal Pradesh government has adopted a comprehensive two-pronged strategy to combat drug abuse and reintegrate affected youth into mainstream society, an official said here on Monday.

The approach focuses on both prevention of substance abuse and rehabilitation of those already in need, the government spokesperson said, adding Rs. 5.34 crore has been sanctioned for setting up a 100-bedded state-of-the-art de-addiction centre at Kotla Barog in Sirmour district, with dedicated space for recreational activities.

In addition, five new de-addiction centres are being established in Mandi, Lahaul-Spiti, Chamba, Solan and Sirmour districts. "The state government

reaffirms its commitment to making Himachal Pradesh a drug-free state, with a strong focus on prevention,

tion and rehabilitation centres for men are functional in Kullu, Una, Hamirpur and Kangra, while a separate



rehabilitation, awareness and stringent enforcement against offenders."

To ensure early intervention and counseling, 108 new 'Disha' centres have been set up in health institutions across the state, where ASHA workers, doctors and psychiatrists are being given specialized training. Currently, four de-addic-

centre for women is being operated by the Red Cross Society in Kullu.

For long-term preparedness, the state government is working in collaboration with NITI Aayog, PGI and the Health Department to frame a State Action Plan for drug prevention and rehabilitation.

Under the National Drug Prevention Campaign, over

5.76 lakh people have already been sensitized across 5,660 villages and 4,332 educational institutions, with special emphasis on adolescents, youth and women.

Strengthening the legal framework, the Himachal Pradesh Organized Crime (Prevention and Control) Bill, 2025 has been passed, providing for stringent punishments, including the death penalty, life imprisonment, fines up to Rs 10 lakh and confiscation of illegally acquired property for those involved in drug smuggling.

The Himachal Pradesh Drugs and Controlled Substances (Prevention, De-addiction and Rehabilitation) Bill, 2025 has also been enacted, establishing a state fund to support de-addiction.

## Bilateral Defence Cooperation Strengthened as Kenya Navy Commander Visits South Block

(Gns). Kenyan Navy Commander, Major General Paul Owuor Otieno met the Chief of the Army Staff General Upendra Dwivedi at South Block, here on Monday.

The duo spoke about advancing the bilateral defence cooperation between the two maritime neighbours.

In a post on X, the ADGPI wrote, "Defence Cooperation- Major General Paul Owuor Otieno, Commander of the Kenya Navy, called on General Upendra Dwivedi, COAS, today. The interaction highlighted the enduring friendship between #India and Kenya, with discussions focused on advancing bilateral Defence Cooperation and enhancing regional security.



and reaffirmed their shared commitment to peace & stability."

In a statement issued here, the Naval spokesperson said that Major General Otieno was received by Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi, Chief of the Naval Staff, at South Block Lawns, where he was accorded a ceremonial Guard of Honour. Discussions during the

meeting covered a wide range of issues relating to maritime cooperation, including operational, training, and hydro-graphic engagements, the conduct of multilateral Exercise AIKEYME, and consolidation of the partnership under the India-Kenya

'BAHARI' Maritime Vision. Major General Otieno also paid homage to the fallen soldiers by laying a wreath at the National War Memorial.

Major General Otieno is scheduled to visit the Information Fusion Centre for the Indian Ocean Region (IFC-IOR) at Gurugram, as well as training establishments of the

Indian Navy's Southern Naval Command in Kochi, with a view to enhancing training cooperation.

The Kenya Navy remains a valued maritime partner in the Indian Ocean Region, with active participation in multilateral Exercise AIKEYME, the Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS), the Goa Maritime Conclave, and the Djibouti Code of Conduct - Jeddah Amendment (DCoC-JA), the statement read.

Highlighting the ongoing partnership, ships of the Indian Navy's First Training Squadron - INS Tir, INS Sujata, INS Shardul, and ICGS Sarathi - recently made a port call at Mombasa, Kenya, as part of their long-range training deployment to the South West Indian Ocean.