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PM to address 60th DGs-IGs police conference in Raipur ership and security admin- welfare, crime control and out interactions and the-Hyderabad, Ministers of State for Home

Discussions during the conference will focus on critical areas, including Left Wing Extremism, counter-terrorism, disaster management, women's safety, and the application of forensic science and artificial intelligence in

policing.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will participate in the 60th edition of the All India Conference of Directors General and Inspectors General of Police, scheduled to be held at the Indian (IIM), Raipur, on November 29 and 30.

The three-day conference, commencing from November 28 to 30, will review progress made so far in addressing key polic-

challenges, while outlining a forward-looking roadmap building towards а "Surakshit Bharat" in line with the national vision of "Viksit Bharat". The overarching theme for this year's deliberations is "Viksit Security Bharat: Dimensions".

Discussions during the conference will focus on critical areas, including Left Wing Extremism, counterterrorism, disaster management, women's safety, and the application of forensic Institute of Management science and artificial intelligence in policing. The Prime Minister will also confer the President's Police Medals for Distinguished Service during the event.

The annual conference serves as an essential plat-

istrators from across the internal security preparedcountry to engage in struc- ness.



tured and purposeful dialogue on national security concerns. It allows for the exchange of professional practices and perspectives on operational challenges,

Prime Minister Modi has consistently emphasised the importance of this forum, encouraging open discussions and the sharing of innovative ideas in policing. ing and internal security form for senior police lead- infrastructural needs, police Business sessions, break-

matic discussions will enable senior officers to present their views directly to the Prime Minister on key policy and security matters.

Since 2014, the conference format has witnessed continuous evolution, with the event hosted at diverse including locations

Kachchh, Tekanpur (Gwalior), the Affairs, Directors General of Statue of Unity at Kevadiya, Pune, Lucknow, Territories, and heads of New Delhi, Jaipur and Bhubaneswar. Continuing this tradition, the 60th edi-senior Home Department tion will be hosted in officials and selected offi-Raipur this year.

attended by the Union will also participate in per-Minister, Home Guwahati, the Rann of National Security Adviser, ational perspectives into

Police of States and Union Central

cers in the ranks of DIG and The conference will be SP from across the country the son, bringing diverse oper-

the discussions. With evolving security

challenges and technological transformation reshaping policing frameworks, Organisations. In addition, the Raipur conference is expected to play a significant role in strengthening strategic coordination and reinforcing India's internal security framework in a rapidly evolving security envi-

Assam's Himanta Biswa Sarma Govt Passes Anti-Polygamy Bill

The Assam Assembly has approved a bill that imposes strict penalties for polygamous marriages. The Assam Prohibition of Polygamy Bill, 2025, prescribes up to seven years ment for polygamous mar- Dima of imprisonment

for engaging in polygamous unions. A harsher penalty of up to ten years is applicable for those who conceal an existing spouse when entering a new marriage. This legislative move aims to deter individuals from

such practices. Before the bill's passage, Chief Minister

engaging

Himanta Biswa Sarma clarified that the legislation is not anti-Islam. "Islam can't promote polygamy. If this bill passes, then you will get a chance to be a true Muslim. This bill is not against Islam. The true ties for those aiding such criminal offence in Assam. give you my commitment Islamic people will wel- unions, financial compen- This empowers police to that I will bring the UCC to come this Act. Countries sation for affected women arrest suspects without a Assam," he stated. This Turkey have also banned Polygamy; there is an arbitration council in Pakistan...," Sarma said. beyond direct offenders by government aims to ensure He expressed confidence punishing those who aid in that the law acts as a deterthat genuine followers of

The Assam Assembly passed the Assam

new law.

Prohibition of Polygamy Bill, 2025, which imposes up to seven years of imprison- Region or the hill districts of

riages and up to ten years

for concealing an existing

spouse during a new mar-

riage; the law doesn't apply

to the Bodoland Territorial

Region and hill districts,

and it also includes penal-

polygamous

Islam would appreciate the Parents, village officials, though specific penalties and religious leaders involved in such unions can face up to two years in prison. It does not apply to the Bodoland Territorial Karbi Hasao,

Anglong, and West Karbi

Anglong. Scheduled Tribes

are also exempt due to

governance under the Sixth

classified as a cognisable

Polygamy has been

Schedule.

marriages. rent to repeated violations,

and bars for convicted indi- warrant and begin investi-

viduals to contest elections. gations promptly upon

The new law goes receiving complaints. The

for repeat offences are yet to be clarified. Financial Implications

and Future Plans The bill stipulates finan-

cial compensation for women affected by illegal polygamous mar-

> riages. An authority will be appointed by the state to assess and award compensation on an individual basis. Additionally, those convicted under the bill are barred from public employment funded by the Assam government, state government schemes,

> contesting elections in Assam. Chief Minister

Sarma has also committed to introducing the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) if he is re-elected. "If I return to the assembly as the Chief Minister, I will bring the UCC in the first session of the assembly. I aligns with the government's broader agenda to implement uniform civil codes and provide legal

protection for women in the

state.ku

India Acted Firmly Yet Responsibly In Operation Sindoor: President Droupadi Murmu

Chanakya seminar, Defence Dialogue 2025, held in New Delhi on Thursday. She praised the Indian Armed Forces for their enduring professionalism, courage and commitment to safeguarding the nation.

President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the Defence Chanakya Dialogue 2025 in New Delhi, praising the Indian Armed Forces' professionalism and adaptability, while highlighting their role in national development achieve self-reliance and President said. prepare for future chal-

forces have consistently have earned admiration for their conduct.

"During every security challenge, whether conven- geopolitical changes, the tional, counter insurgency President said the global or humanitarian, our forces system is evolving due to have displayed remarkable competing power centres, adaptability and resolve. disruptive technologies and

The recent success of new alliances. She high-shifts Droupadi Operation Sindoor stands lighted that conflicts today upgrades will prepare the Murmu addressed the inau- as a defining moment in our extend into cyber, space, force for future challenges. gural session of the third counter terror and deter- information and cognitive. She added that these edition of the Indian Army's rence strategy. The world spaces, which blur the line



military capability but of India's moral clarity to act firmly, yet responsibly, in and ongoing reforms to the pursuit of peace," the

She also noted that the armed forces are a driving The President said the force behind national development, contributing stood firm during all kinds to border area upliftment of security challenges and through better connectivity, infrastructure, tourism and educational initiatives.

Referring to rapid

carry out the responsibili-

ties entrusted to us with

utmost sincerity and main-

tain a positive mindset that

prioritises finding real solu-

tions rather than merely

processing people's mat-

ters. Only then can we truly

between peace and confrontation.

Guided by the ethos of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, India continues to balance strategic autonomy with tributes to a more diver global responsibility. "Our and empowered military. diplomacy, economy and armed forces together project an India that seeks peace, but is prepared to protect its borders and its citizens with strength and conviction," President Murmu said.

The President appreciated the Army's ongoing reforms under the Decade of Transformation, stating that restructuring, doctrinal

2003 — "Coming together

is a beginning, thinking

together is progress, and

working together is success"

- the Chief Minister said

that these Shibirs have ful-

filled the goal of achieving

collective development

and capability reforms will strengthen India's quest for self reliance in the defence sec-

She also highlighted the Army's investment in the youth through education, NCC expansion and sports, reinforcing the values of discipline and nationalism. Emphasising inclusion,

the President said that the growing presence women officers and soldiers in the Army will encourage more young women to join the forces and explore other leadership roles. She underlined that this expansion contributes to a more diverse

expressed confidence that discussions the Chanakya Defence Dialogue 2025 will guide policymakers in shaping India's future security and strategic vision. She added that the armed forces will continue to move forward with determination to help

achieve the goal of Viksit

Bharat by 2047.

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Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel inaugurates the State Government's 12th Chintan Shibir at Shrimad Rajchandra Mission, Dharampur this inspiration. Modi's words at the launch

He said that we must of the Chintan Shibir in

honour the opportunity for through collective reflection.

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વિકસિત ગુજરાત

Gandhinagar, November 2025: While inaugurating the State Government's 12th Chintan Shibir, Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel stated that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, through his vision and continuous introspection, has fostered a culture of staying globally ahead, further reinforced by the Chintan

Shibirs. In this context, he said that irrespective of the circumstances, a Chintan Shibir serves as a platform for collective reflection, enabling progress with firm resolve and unwavering confidence toward accelerating development and advancing initiatives that benefit the common people.

CM, while explaining the profound message of the inspirational song "Manushya Tu Bada Mahan Hai," which is presented at the start of every Chintan Shibir, said that we must recognise the immense strength within us and remain committed to

serving the people. He

added that the reflective

deliberations of the Chintan

Shibir serve as a source of

public service that God has bestowed upon us. He further emphasised the importance of periodically reflecting on our work and thoughtfully evaluating its

outcomes. Referring

He added that during this three-day Shibir, the focus should now be on deliberating how to move forward together with greater speed and excellence.

He also urged everyone to Prime to embrace the essence Minister Shri Narendra and message of Pujya

Bapu's beloved bhajan "Vaishnav throughout their service and to remain steadfast in their commitment to the welfare of all.

Shri Bhupendra Patel

was confident that the Shibir's deliberations would help position Gujarat to lead the nation in achieving the Prime Minister's vision of a Viksit Bharat@ 2047. He added that Gujarat's 75th year of foundation in 2035 will serve as a key milestone in the roadmap toward a Bharat-Viksit Viksit Gujarat.

CM was hopeful that the discussions during three-day Shibir would offer ideas to make this roadmap even more effective and innovative for the welfare of the people.

Principal Secretary of the General Administration

Department, Shri Hareet Shukla, delivered the welcome address and presented an overview of the 12th Chintan Shibir. Reflecting on earlier Shibirs, he noted that several administrative processes have accelerated as decisions were implemented based on past recommendations.









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Editorial

Territorial Integrity

For many Punjabis, the issue of Chandigarh is far more than an administrative detail. It is a wound of history, a symbol of loss and deferred justice ~ and unless recognised as such, the unresolved status will continue to fester. Losing Lahore in 1947 left Punjab bereft of its capital. Chandigarh was meant to be a new beginning for a state rebuilding itself after Partition. But the 1966 decision to carve out Haryana and convert Chandigarh into a Union Territory, shared between two states, denied Punjab the exclusive control it expected. That grievance has shaped the region's emotional politics ever since.

This is why territorial arrangements promising Chandigarh solely to Punjab, such as those agreed in 1985, carried weight. They offered the possibility of closure. But the commitment was never honoured. For many who lived through the unrest of the 1980s, the failure to follow through remains a reminder of how broken promises fuelled alienation and contributed to a crisis that scarred a generation. Therefore, the demand for Chandigarh is not mere sentiment ~ it rests on identity, accountability, and the legitimacy of signed agreements. A fair resolution must also consider Haryana's needs.

The 1985 accord envisaged transferring select Hindispeaking areas from Punjab to Haryana in lieu of Chandigarh. With central support, Haryana could create a modern secretariat and assembly in its expanding economic hub, Gurugram ~ a future-oriented solution that honours past commitments. Recent moves by the central government have reignited these anxieties. By igniting speculation that Chandigarh would be brought under Article 240 empowering the Centre to legislate directly for the Union Territory, New Delhi signalled administrative consolidation rather than resolution.

To Punjabis, this appears as centralisation without consultation, as though the Centre is tightening its hold on a city whose very transfer was once promised. It risks deepening the feeling that Punjab's historical claims are being sidelined by arguments of "convenience." The implications go beyond maps and symbols. When the capital envisioned for Punjab ~ it served as capital of undivided post-Independence Punjab till Haryana was carved out of it and Chandigarh made the shared capital during reorganisation of states in 1966 ~ remains governed without Punjab's say, trust in the Union government inevitably erodes. A credible resolution would require political courage, constitutional clarity, and respect for the emotional stake involved, and not just legal tinkering.

The stakes are high. Punjab's history shows that when grievances over resources, identity and dignity accumulate, the consequences can be severe. Chandigarh is not just concrete and urban planning – it represents a community's claim to recognition. If India's federal structure is to nurture trust, it cannot allow promises to languish indefinitely. Granting Punjab ownership is not a concession. It is a responsibility that the Union accepted decades ago. Until promise becomes practice, Chandigarh will remain both jewel and wound ~ a capital that belongs in theory but not in full substance. And that gap will continue to complicate the relationship between Punjab and the nation it helped build.

personal journey of nurturing talent

fostered.

Whether solving

mathematical puzzle, test-

(Gns).

learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think, said Albert Einstein. For the past six years, my work with students has been devoted to introducing and strengthening critical thinking in their learning journey. I often observe that many students struggle to achieve success in life – not because they lack talent or determination, but because they are shaped by an education system that prioritizes marks over real learning, memory over creativity, and conformity over individ-

Education is not the

As a result, students grow up uncertain about their passions, unprepared for real-world challenges, and lacking the confidence to explore new opportunities - creating a gap between academic performance and true success. Too often, the emphasis on rote learning and examination outcomes prevents children from exploring ideas or understanding concepts at a deeper level. During classroom interactions, it becomes evident that students rely heavily on teachers' prompts, struggle to justify their reasoning, and hesitate to express their own thoughts. Many quietly wait for the "correct answer" rather than sharing

their perspectives. When I ask, "Can you explain your reasoning behind a particular science or mathematics experiment?" several students become unsure, as the question does not come directly from the textbook.

Such interactions reveal

that they have not been

encouraged to question, analyse, or explore ideas independently - they expect information to be given, not discovered. These classroom conversations highlight the extent to which critical thinking is missing and underline the urgent need to guide students from passive learning toward active reasoning. In today's world, critical thinking is one of the most essential skills for success, yet many students continue to learn in ways that limit their ability to question, analyse, and think independently. Recognizing this challenge. I have estabspecialized Mathematics and Science Laboratories to create an experiential learning environment where students can observe, experiment, reflect, and develop the skills needed to become curious, creative, and critical thinkers. The lab has become a place where students step away from rote memorization and step into the world of hands-on dis-

Here, they build models, test ideas, measure outcomes, and learn through active investigation. For



door to a kind of learning they never thought possible. Concepts that once felt difficult in the classroom suddenly make sense when experienced through experiments and practical activities. What is most remarkable is the confidence our students have gained. Children who once hesitated to speak now eagerly explain their observations. Students who struggled with abstract concepts now demonstrate them with clarity using tools, models, and experiments they designed themselves. Their ability to think critically-to question, analyze, and reason-has grown stronger with every activity. One of the most heartwarming transforma-

building or а model, students support one another, share ideas, and celebrate each o ther 's achievements. The lab has become a space where teamwork and creativity shine as brightly as academic success. Parents often share stories of how their children talk excitedly at home about the experiments they performed – how they made a balloon-powered car, used geometric tools to create designs, or conducted simple chemistry reactions safely under guidance. These conversations show us that the lab's impact travels far beyond the school walls. This initiative refle cts my observations, the current gaps in learning,

tions has been the spirit of and the pressing need to collaboration the lab has transform our teaching approach to nurture strong intellectual habits. Despite my sincere efforts to develop hands-on learning experiences, another significant barrier I face is excessive mobile usage,

which increasingly jeopardizes students' critical thinking abilities.

Constant exposure to

quick-scroll content, instant answers, and entertainmentdriven apps conditions young minds to seek gratification immediate rather than engage in patient analysis or problem-solving. Instead of exploring ideas deeply or forming their own conclusions, many students simply "Google the answer," bypassing the cognitive struggle that builds reasoning ability. Mobile addiction reduces attention span, discourages reflective thinking, and limits opportunities for meaningful conversations elements essential for nurturing curiosity and logical judgment. As students become more dependent on digital shortcuts, their ability to question, evaluate information, and think independently weakens, posing a serious threat to their intellectual growth and long-term

learning potential. Excessive dependence on private tuition further intensifies these challenges. Tuition often reduces students' capacity to learn independently, as many rely on tutors for ready-made answers instead of developing their own problem-solving skills. It also increases academic pressure and stress, leaving little time for rest. hobbies, or healthy social interactions. Moreover, the financial burden of tuition creates inequality, leaving students who cannot afford it feeling disadvantaged. Over time, students may lose confidence in classroom learning and become less motivated to think creatively, hindering both academic and

personal development. By integrating inquirybased methods, hands-on learning environments such as the Mathematics and Science Laboratories, and reflective classroom discussions, we can empower students to become confident thinkers and lifelong learners. Let us commit to creating a classroom culture where curiosity is encouraged, mistakes are viewed as opportunities, and every child feels inspired to explore their own ideas. The journey toward stronger critical thinking begins with us, and together we can ensure that every student discovers the power of their own mind.

Homelessness city's silent emergency

(Gns).

Urbanisation, often celebrated as the hallmark of progress, carries within it a paradox that modern societies are struggling to resolve. As cities grow into centres of economic power, cultural vibrancy, and technological innovation, they simultaneously become landscapes where inequality is etched into everyday life. Amid the towering apartments, gleaming malls, and illuminated flyovers

lives a population that has no roof to call its own. Urban homelessness once viewed as a marginal issue - has now transformed into a silent emergency that shadows the march of development.

It is not simply a logistical failure; it is a moral challenge that questions the very soul of our cities. The roots of this crisis lie in the deep and persistent imbalance between the dream of urban prosperity and the reality of urban planning. Every year, millions leave their villages and small towns, drawn by the promise of jobs, education, and opportunity. But the cities they arrive in suffer from a different crisis:

beyond imagination, the poor often find no legal or safe space to live. The mismatch is stark – the engines of the urban economy depend heavily on migrant labourers, domestic workers, street vendors,

only worsens the problem. Housing stock is increasingly locked up as invest-

the most basic shelter. Real-estate speculation

ment rather than lived-in spaces. Property prices rise far beyond the real income levels of ordinary citizens. Middle-class famllies stretch their finances This is not a failure of to breaking point to secure small apartments, while the urban poor slide furinto precarity. ther Gentrification, now a common urban phenomenon, and transforms old, affordable neighbourhoods into glossy enclaves for the wealthy. As buildings are demolished and land is acquired for commercial use, generations-old communities are uprooted. social cohesion suffer scale rental housing

Cultural memory and rreparable damage, and the displaced join the swelling ranks of the homeless. Homelessness, however, is not merely the absence of four walls. It is the erosion of dignity, identity, and agency.

Without an address, a person becomes invisible in the administrative map of a city. Identity documents cannot be obtained or

Many avoid govern-

already vulnerable person below the line of stability. Without social security measures - rental support emergency shelters, counselling, and food assistance - people who were once self-sufficient can quickly slip into chronic homelessness.

individuals; it is a structural failure of the system meant protect Addressing the crisis demands a compassionate multi-layered Governments must recognise affordable housing not as a charitable act but as a fundamental human right. Urban planners need to shift from a market-driven approach to a people-centred one. Cities must invest in largespecifically designed for low-income and migrant populations. Inclusionary zoning laws can ensure that private developers allocate a portion of every housing project to economically weaker sections. Slum redevelopment should focus on in-situ upgrading – improving water, sanitation, and electricity - rather than displacing residents to far-off resettlement colonies where livelihoods are lost.

Additionally, cities must establish a network of dignified night shelters, community kitchens, mobile healthcare units, and employment-matching centres. Technological tools can be used to identify homeless populations, track their needs, and connect them to government schemes. Civil society organisations and volunteers can help bridge the trust deficit that often

Nuclear Opening



India appears poised for a defining shift in its energy policy. For over six decades, the civilian nuclear sector has been the exclusive preserve of the state. Now, with the government preparing amendments to the Atomic Energy Act, 1962, private companies may finally be allowed a formal role in nuclear power generation. and public confidence. It is a reform whose time Nuclear power is unlike any has come. The motivations other infrastructure busiare clear.

India's electricity demand is accelerating with industrial expansion, ent oversight and a culture high-growth digital infra- of operational discipline are structure, rising incomes non-negotiable. Any perand rapid urbanisation. ception of diluted standards Renewable energy has surged, yet the intermitten- be disastrous both for comcy of solar and wind means munities and for the credithey cannot provide stable bility of the entire probaseload power on their gramme. One major conown. Nuclear power ~ compact, reliable and virtually emissions-free ~ is crucial if India wants to decarbonise without slowing economic aspirations. The government's ambition to reach 100 GW of nuclear capacity by 2047 cannot be met by public investment alone. Allowing private par- tional technology and ticipation could unlock capital, speed up project execution and bring in opera-risk-sharing and insurance tional efficiencies that gov- mechanisms will be vital.

struggle to guarantee. Delays and cost overruns have plagued multiple sector itself. Public acceptreactor projects; competi- ance is another challenge.

and accountability could help overcome those structural bottlenecks. A strategic opening may also make way for advanced technologies such as small modular reactors, potentially accelerating deployment and reducing upfront costs. Yet this transformation cannot simply be announced. It must be built on a sturdy foundation of regulation ness: the consequences of failure are catastrophic. Safety protocols, independto favour investment would cern that remains unresolved is liability. The Civil

legal exposure. If India wants internadomestic manufacturing to scale in tandem, clarity on ernment entities often Amendments to this law may therefore become as important as opening the

Damage Act, 2010 ~

though designed to protect

the public ~ has long been

seen as a barrier by suppli-

ers wary of open-ended

Nuclear

Liability for

Land acquisition and environmental concerns have stalled nuclear sites before. Local communities must not feel they are absorbing risks while benefits flow elsewhere. Robust communication, livelihoods integration and transparent planning must accompany every megawatt planned on paper.

(Gns).

The promise of this policy shift lies in balance. Bringing in private investment should not mean withdrawing state stewardship; rather, the government must remain the guarantor of safety and accountability while enabling industry to deliver technology and

an acute shortage of affordable housing. While highscale. India has an oppor- rise apartments multiply tunity to become not just a and real-estate prices soar utors cannot afford even

mental resources as the

cause of the impending

food crisis. The current

global population is approx-

imately 8.2 billion as of

mid-2025. It is estimated to

reach about 9.7 billion by

2050, before peaking at

construction workers, delivery personnel, and security staff, yet these very contrib-

dioxide (CO2), the Earth



Poverty and hunger share a tragic intertwined relationship, where each condition can both cause and perpetuate the other. Widespread poverty results in chronic and persistent hunger. The physical expression of continuing the enacted tragedy is the condition of undernutrition which manifests itself among large sections of the poor, particularly women and children. This condition of undernutrition reduces working capacity and productivity among adults and enhances mortality and morbidity amongst children. Such reduced productivity translates into reduced earning capacity, leading to further poverty; the vicious

cycle goes on. Poverty and hunger have dogged mankind throughout its existence on earth. The 20th century witnessed the largest numbers of deaths owing to hunger, more than the numbers killed by the wars waged in the century. If we take into account the hidden hunger (malnutrition), victims of the hunger will be much more than the actual deaths it caused. The cruel irony is that despite the impressive increase in food production in the last 50 years, the world grapples with the chronic problem of

Theoretically there is food-producing environenough food to feed everybody, but the world's "margin of safety" has declined substantially. The J-shaped curve of the early rapid growth of agriculture worldwide slows down, reaches its limit, and levels off becoming an S-shaped

around 10.3 billion in the

According to the UN World Food Programme (WFP) the impending global food crisis is being driven by intensifying conflicts, economic volatility, climate change, and reduced humanitarian funding. Thomas Robert Malthus famously observed in his "An Essay on the Principle of Population (1798) that "the power of population is infinitely greater than the power of the Earth to produce subsistence for man." -fashioned Old Malthusianism is very much out of fashion. But ecologineo-Malthusianism sees population growth in conjunction with the proundernutrition and hunger. gressive degradation of

mid-2080s. Hunger has

already surged worldwide. Moreover, those who get to eat are not eating healthy food. As a result, there is now high prevalence of malnutrition, particularly undernourishment. Nearly every 10th person in the world does not have proper nourishment, as per the UN's "State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World" report. As to the availability of land, the increase of population indicates that the area of land that provided enough food to feed 27 people in 2010 will need to support 43 people in 2050. On the other hand, owing to the incessant increased emission of

Gases

has been registering global warming. Global temperatures are rising, with 2024 being the warmest year on record, exceeding the preindustrial average by about 1.50 C. The rate of warming has accelerated, especially since 1982, and the 10 warmest years have all occurred within the last decade. One of the worrying consequences of warming

climate change. Highlighting this, Celeste Saulo, the then Secretary-World General of Meteorological Organization, "Climate change is the biggest challenge humanity faces." A rise in mean temperature of the order of 2 to 3 degrees Celsius will lead to a reduction of wheat crop production. A researcher of the International Rice Research Institute has shown that rice production decreases by 10 per cent for every one degree Celsius rise in night temperature during the dry part of the growing season. Warmer environment acts as a perfect catalyst for an outbreak of pest and plant diseases. When temperatures rise, the warmer air holds more moisture and can make precipitation more intense.

renewed. Children are unable to access schooling. Healthcare systems remain out of reach. Welfare schemes, no matter how well designed, exclude those who cannot prove their residence. A homeless person lives at the crossroads of multiple vulnerabilities - economic, social, psychological, and healthrelated. Each day becomes a struggle for survival, not just existence. The physical suffering is equally severe. Life on the street exposes individuals to extreme weather - scorching summers, unending monsoons, and biting winters. Lack of sanitation leads to chronic illnesses. Women and children face constant threats of abuse and exploitation. Elderly homeless persons fight not only hunger but also loneliness and neglect.

ment shelters because these spaces, often overcrowded and poorly maintained, fail to provide privacy, safety, or cleanliness. Some shelters operate more like temporary lockups than dignified spaces of refuge, pushing people back into the streets. The tragedy is that homelessness is often a preventable condition. A sudden job loss, medical emergency, family breakdown, or natu-

keeps the homeless away from institutional support. Ultimately, the measure of a city's greatness lies not in its architecture or GDP but in its compassion toward its most vulnerable residents. A truly developed city is one where the poorest citizen can sleep without fear, where no one is forced to call a pavement home, and where the promise of urban life includes dignity, safety, and shelter for all. Urban homelessness is a reminder that progress without inclusion is merely an illusion. As we build smarter, cleaner, and technologically advanced cities, we must also build kinder ones - cities where every individual, irrespective of class or income, has the basic right to a place to ral disaster can push an call home.

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Directions issued to officers

and contractors to ensure

high-quality roads

* Citizen safety must be given

the highest priority in road

construction and resurfacing

As highways in the state bear

more than 35 percent of the

vehicle load, NHAI should

continue appropriate repairs

and, if necessary, expansion

work on the highways: Chief

Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel

Chief Minister Urges Union

Minister to Fast-Track Works

on Ahmedabad-Mumbai.

Rajkot-Gondal-Jetpur, and

Ahmedabad-Udaipur

Highways

Chief Minister's Request

November, 2025

For the convenience of passengers and with a view Western Railway has extended the trips of 03 pairs of Special trains.

release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer of Western Railway, Shri 09575/09576 Vineet Abhishek, details of the trains are as under:

Train No. 09007 Valsad December, 2025. Similarly, Special has been extended Train No. 09008 Khatipura up 30th December, 2025. Valsad Special has been According to a press extended up to 26th December, 2025.

Train No. Rajkot -Mahbubnagar (Weekly)

 Mahbubnagar Special Khatipura (Weekly) Special has been extended up to 29th December, 2025. Khatipura Special has Similarly, Train No. 09576 to meet the travel demand, been extended up to 25th Mahbubnagar - Rajkot

> Train No. 09520/09519 Okha -Madurai (Weekly) Special

Train No. 09520 Okha -Madurai Special has been extended up to 29th December, 2025. Similarly, visit www.enquiry.indian-Train No. 09575 Rajkot Train No. 09519 Madurai – rail.gov.in.

Okha Special has been extended up to 02nd January, 2026.

The booking for extended trips of Train Nos. 09007. 09575 & 09520 will open from 29th November, 2025 at PRS counters and IRCTC website. detailed information regarding timings of halts and revised composition, passengers may please

> Union Minister Assures Approval of 20,000 Crore from Central Government for NHAI Highways and Key **Projects in Gujarat Following**

> > Gandhinagar, November 2025: A highlevel meeting was held in Gandhinagar to conduct an extensive review of the completed and ongoing works under the National Highway projects in Gujarat chaired by Union Minister for Road Transport Shri Nitin Gadkari and in presence of Chief Minister Shri

> > > Bhupendra Patel. In this meeting, the

> > > > District Magistrate held

meeting with Principal and

Mathura.

Magistrate

Gandhinagar regarding Gujarat's National Highway projects

Union Minister issued firm total traffic load, they Authority of India regarding instructions to officers and should be properly repaired, the works completed so far

Under the chairmanship of Union Minister for Road Transport Shri Nitin Gadkari and in the presence of Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel, a review meeting was held in

contractors that the quality and if required, the NHAI of roads must be of the highest standard, and that citizen convenience and urged that the ongoing safety must remain top priorities. He stated that no negligence will be tolerated in the construction and resurfacing of national highways. Furthermore, if road construction works are not completed within the stipulated deadlines or negligence is found, strict action will be taken, including blacklisting the contrac-

During the meeting, the CM stated that since the National Highways in the made in the meeting by the state carry over 35% of the National District Magistrate during the meeting and meeting

should also take up expansion works. He particularly works on the Ahmedabad-Mumbai, Rajkot-Gondal-Jetpur, and Ahmedabad-Udaipur highways be fasttracked.

Responding promptly to the representation made by Chief Minister, Union Minister assured during the meeting that the Central Government will approve Rs. 20,000 crore for highways and other NHAI projects in Gujarat.

A presentation was also

the Highway projects in Gujarat, as well as various upcoming projects to be undertaken by NHAI and the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways. Detailed discussions were held on the current status of various national highways in Gujarat, the scheduled timelines for road works, and by when the remaining works will be completed.

Chief Secretary Shri M.K. Das provided details on the ongoing highway and road works by the Government of Gujarat and the coordination with the Central Government.

This review meeting was attended by the Principal Advisor to CM Dr Hasmukh Adhia, Advisor Rathore. S.S. Shri Additional Chief Principal Secretaries. Additional Secretaries, Principal Secretary to CM Smt Avantika Singh, Secretary Dr Vikrant Pandey, and senior officers from the Union Ministry of Road Transport, NHAI, the Roads Department, and other concerned divisions.

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Eastman Showcases Indian Engineering Excellence at the 138th Canton Fair

November, 2025: Eastman Guangdong Province inau-Exports, a leading manufacturer and exporter of high-quality hand tools and of yet another edition of industrial solutions, proudly participated in the 138th edition of the China Import and Export Fair (Canton Fair), one of the world's largest and most influential exhibitions. Organised by the China Foreign Trade Centre and co-hosted by the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China and the People's Government of Guangdong Province, the fair served as a global platform connecting business-

continents. The Indian Pavilion at the fair witnessed the presence of dignitaries and trade representatives from privilege of meeting busivarious countries. The del-

es, manufacturers, and

innovators from across

26th People's Government of gurated the event, marking the official commencement global trade collaboration.

> During the fair, the Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) delegation, led by Mr. Vinay Sharma, Deputy Director, and Ms. Muskan Jindal, General Consul Commercial & Political Affairs, China, visited the Indian booths, appreciating India's manufacturing capabilities and export potential.

Reflecting on Eastman's participation, Mr. Gaurav Singal, CEO, Eastman Exports, shared:

This year's Canton Fair was an inspiring experience filled with tremendous opportunities. We had the ness associates from egation from the Ministry of across the globe and Commerce of PRC and the exploring exciting possibili-

ties for future growth. The fair reaffirmed that global trade is about collaboration, learning, and constant evolution, and we are proud to be part of this journey."

Adding to the sentiment, Gurcharan Singh, Senior Manager Marketing, Eastman Exports, further noted:

"Our booth drew significant attention for the quality, design, and durability of Indian hand tools. Face-toface meetings, live demos, sample displays helped visitors experience our tools firsthand and discuss customised solutions for their markets."

Mr. Rajesh K. Mishra, Manager Marketing, concluded:

"Canton Fair is an excellent platform to showcase products to a global audience and gain knowledge about emerging technologies and innovative products from around the world.

Assistant Manager Marketing, Eastman Exports, stated: "Participating in the

138th Canton Fair was an enriching and globally engaging experience. The fair provided a powerful international platform to Eastman's showcase Indian-made hand tools to a diverse audience. We should exhibit here every year to represent the valuefor-money and durable tools made by us."

Eastman Exports's parunderscored ticipation India's growing footprint in global manufacturing and its commitment to delivering reliable, world-class engineering solutions. The company's presence at the Canton Fair once again positioned Indian-made tools as a symbol of quality, innovation, and global competitiveness.

K.A. Sengottaiyan Joins Vijay's TVK **Ahead of 2026 Tamil Nadu Elections**

development ahead of the expelled 2026 Tamil Nadu Assembly elections, veteran AIADMK leader K.A. Sengottaiyan on Wednesday resigned as Gobichettipalayam constituency and later met actor-politician Vijay at the Tamil Nadu Makkal Katchi (TVK) office in Chennai.

The 77-year-old leader joined Vijay's party on November 27.

Sengottaiyan AIADMK MLA K.A. is likely joining actor Vijay's Tamil Nadu Makkal Katchi (TVK), following his expulsion from AIADMK for acting against the party's advocating party unity; this is expected to impact the 2026 Assembly elections. been removed from all Sengottaiyan, a veteran party posts in September leader from the Kongu for calling for the return of region, began his political OPS and Sasikala. Despite career with MGR and has the earlier disciplinary significant influence; his action, Sengottaiyan had move is compared to the continued as an MLA until support Panruti now. Ramachandran provided

the DMDK. Switch To Shorts

term legislator and one of the oldest surviving leaders MG the Ramachandran (MGR) era, Kongu belt-one of the submitted his resignation to AIADMK's Assembly Speaker M. strongholds. A TVK mem-Appavu at the Secretariat earlier in the day. His exit marks one of the most significant defections from the Gobichettipalayam who AIADMK in recent years.

rather than confirming any political move,"I've worked in the party for 50 years entry into Vijay's political through its ups and downs. And I'm nobody in the party now. You must know my pain.'

Expulsion After Meeting OPS, Sasikala Dhinakaran

Sengottaiyan expelled from the AIADMK months to resign from the on October 31 by party Assembly to join another general secretary Edappadi party before the 2026 polls.

action came a day after MLA Manoj Pandian, a from 234 to 233. In a major political Sengottaiyan met with close Panneerselvam

lovalist.



T.T.V. Dhinakaran, and V.K. Sasikala, pushing for the Sengottaivan resigned and reunification of all AIADMK factions-a proposal EPS firmly rejected.

> EPS accused him of principles, especially after Sengottaiyan had already

Strong Support Base in the Western Belt

Hailing from the influen-Sengottaiyan, a nine- tial Gounder community in Fall to 230 western Tamil Nadu, Sengottaiyan has long held sway in Erode and the traditional ber told this publication that several of Sengottaiyan's supporters

resigned from district-level A day earlier, he had AIADMK posts after his hinted at internal pain expulsion are also likely to join TVK with him.

This makes his potential camp particularly significant, giving TVK immediate grassroots strength in key western districts.

Second MLA to Resign Ahead of Elections

Sengottaiyan becomes was the second MLA in recent K. Palaniswami (EPS). The Earlier, expelled AIADMK

leaders O. resigned and joined the rul- K. (OPS), ing DMK.



resignations These highlight the growing churn within the AIADMK, once considered a tightly controlled cadre-based party.

In September, days before his expulsion from party posts, Sengottaiyan met Union Home Minister Amit Shah and reportedly pushed for the reunification of the AIADMK factions. EPS viewed this as an act of defiance and subsequently stripped him of all responsibilities. The final blow came on October 31, when he was expelled completely.

Assembly Strength to

With Sengottaiyan's resignation, the Tamil Nadu Assembly may see its strength fall to 230 seats, Nadu. marking the fourth vacancy

in the current term. In June, AIADMK's T.K. development Amulkandasamy (Valparai) reshape political dynamics died, dropping the strength in western Tamil Nadu. His

On October 23, DMK's Ponnusamy (Senthamangalam) reducing it to 232.

On November 4. P. the Principal and teachers Manoj Pandian resigned to motivate their neighbringing the count to 231. bours, relatives and people

With Sengottaiyan's exit, from the surrounding area it may fall further to 230, to fill the census form and with AIADMK's strength provide it to the BLO immenow reduced to 63 MLAs.

These shifts will be your cooperation the work reflected when the upcoming Assembly session the work will be completed begins with the Governor's address.

TVK Entry Almost Certain

With Sengottaiyan meeting Vijay hours after submitting his resignation, political observers say his entry into TVK is all but confirmed. His decadeslong political experience and influence in the Kongu belt are expected to significantly bolster Vijay's party as it prepares for its first Assembly election battle in 2026.

With the political landscape shifting rapidly, all eyes are now on November 27 the likely day Sengottaiyan officially joins TVK - a move that could reshape alliances and voter dynamics across Tamil

With Sengottaiyan officially joining TVK, the

teachers, political parties, village secretaries District Chandra Prakash Singh held a meeting of the Principal and teachers of Kishori Raman Girls Post Graduate College regarding the special intensive revision cam-The District Magistrate asked the Principal and teachers to encourage the parents of the girl students to fill the census form and make it available to the BLO as died, soon as possible. The Revision District Magistrate urged

of village secretaries through video conferencing.

Campaign (SIR), a meeting was held with representa- many people as possible in tives of all political parties filling the enumeration the Auditorium under the chair- available to the BLOs. manship of District Election Chief Development Officer Officer / District Magistrate Manish Meena, DFO Chandra Prakash Singh. Venkata Shrikar Patel, Urged political parties to Additional appoint their own BLAs. He said that BLA and BLO Revenue Dr. Pankaj Kumar should coordinate and Verma, SP Traffic Manoj speed up the work of Kumar, District Assistant Special Intensive Review Election Officer Manoj Campaign (SIR). He said Khandelwal and represen-

that all of you and the BLOs of your party should help as Collectorate forms and make them District Magistrate Finance and

lage secretaries and District Panchayat Raj Officer through video conferencing regarding the Special Intensive Review Campaign (SIR). The

District Magistrate activated all the village secretaries and directed them to work promptly in the special intensive review campaign. He instructed the Panchayat assistants to complete 100 percent work. The District Magistrate directed that today on 27th November at 6 pm, tomorrow on 28th November at 10 am and 6 pm, Chaupal should be set up in all the Gram Panchayats. He said that help in filling the census form of all the villagers through Chaupal and ensure submission of the

In view of the Special same to BLO SC Rebukes Samay Raina, Urges Him to **Use Platform to Honour SMA Warriors**

Comic Samay Raina faced the Supreme Court's ire for jokes about Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) sufferers. The court suggested he use his platform to raise awareness about

diately. He said that with

will be strengthened and

meeting with political

easily and on time.

SMA. This genetic disorder leads to muscle weakness. Instead of financial reparations, the court stressed the importance of dignity for those affected. The bench proposed

that Raina host shows featuring individuals with SMA. These events would high- respect. Use your platform and aid fundraising for ments," the bench advised timely treatment. "They Raina.

don't want your money. The Supreme Court funding efforts. "All these They want dignity and addressed



light their achievements to show their achieve-

Samay Raina's jokes about Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) sufferers, suggesting he use his platform to

promote awareness and dignity for those affected by the genetic disorder that causes muscle weakness; the court proposed shows featuring individuals with SMA and encouraged a stringent law protecting persons with disabilities from derogatory comments,

like the SC/ST Act. Legal Calls for Measures and Dignity

Advocate Aparajita Singh, represent- ed inviting disabled individing an organisation supporting SMA-affected individuals, criticised Raina's remarks. She noted these comments hinder crowd-

children are accomplished and highly talented. When such comments are made on a platform such as this, it becomes difficult for crowdfunding," she stated. Chief Justice Surya

Kant acknowledged the achievements of SMA sufferers, highlighting examples like those in top universities and professions. He stated, "One is in Microsoft, one is in Michigan State University, one is a classical singer, another is an Assamese writer and publisher... one

is a PhD in Bioinformatics." The court urged the Centre to consider a stringent law protecting persons with disabilities from derogatory comments. This proposal was likened to the SC/ST Act, which penalises such demeanours. Solicitor General Tushar Mehta supnoting. ported this, "Humour cannot be at the cost of someone's dignity." Promoting Positive

The court also suggestuals to comedy shows These events could showcase their talents and support fundraising for their treatment.

Representation

Patna Engineer Crushed to Death as Patliputra Sports Complex Gate Falls On Him lapsed; the police are

In a tragic incident at the Patliputra Sports Complex in Patna, a 40-year-old engineer, Sajja Murthy, died when part of the main gate collapsed on him. The mishap occurred early on Wednesday, and the police are currently scrutinising CCTV footage and construction logs to understand the sequence of events leading to the acci-

the gate fell while being closed after a truck exited the complex. Murthy, who was overseeing construction work at the site since May,

one around at that time, he

struggled for hours before

passing away from his

Authorities believe trapped under the gate around 3.30 am. With no

examining logs and CCTV footage to determine the cause of the accident.

At the Patliputra Sports Complex in Patna, engineer Sajja Murthy, 40, died early Wednesday when part of the main gate col-

discovery of Murthy's body was made by morning walkers who immediately informed the police. The incident has left the community in shock, as

dedicated to his work.

Senior Murthy was known to be

construction

The Unorganised Workers and Employees Congress (UWEC) on Thursday issued an urgent appeal to the Prime Minister's Office, demanding the immediate revocation of the four Labour Codes: the Code on Wages (2019), Industrial Relations (2020),Social Security Code (2020), and Occupational Safety, Working Health and Conditions Code (2020).

Addressing a press conference at the AICC headquarters, UWEC Chairman Udit Raj fiercely criticized the new laws, alleging they are "inherently anti-worker, corporate-centric, and have snatched away hard-won labour rights."

Raj asserted that the Codes collectively undermine essential protections across the country," includ-

social protection. He emphasized that the and fire" policy. legislation has eroded safe-

tively legalizing the "hire



guards secured over decades, compromising the livelihoods of the unorganised and low-income workforce, which constitutes tions concerning misconover 90 percent of India's labour force.

Institutionalised 'Hire and Fire': The threshold for for "crores of workers mandatory layoff/retrenchment approval has been ing job security, wage sta- raised significantly from bility, workplace safety, and 100 to 300 workers, effecterm, stable employment.

Conditions: The removal of statutory protections linked to Standing Orders has weakened service condiduct and grievance redres-

of Long-Term Prospects: The normalization of Fixed-Term Employment is seen as ending prospects for long-

Tokenistic Gig Worker Benefits: Provisions for gig and platform workers were dismissed as "tokenistic," offering only registration and ID cards without enforceable benefits like ESIC, EPFO, gratuity, maternity, or insurance schemes.

Raj warned that the November 2025: Hon'ble reduced role of existing Prime Welfare Boards jeopardizes the continuity of current welfare schemes. He called for the establishment of a ucts. With the aim of single. strong Welfare empowering local commu-Board for all unorganised nities by promoting indigeworkers to ensure uniform, nous products, the Prime effective, and accountable Minister launched the social protection.

said that the Codes fail to ensure uniform protections and actively weaken the constitutional rights of India's working class, reiterating the demand for their complete and immediate scrapping.

Hon'ble Delhi Chief Minister Smt. Rekha Gupta, Union Minister of State for Finance Shri Pankaj Choudhary & DFS Secretary Shri M. Nagaraju Address Mega Camp in New Delhi

Delhi Smt. Rekha Gupta, Union Minister of State for Finance Shri Pankaj Choudhary, and DFS Secretary Shri M. Nagaraju, along with Shri Shurbir Singh, IAS, Finance Secretary Government of the National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD) and PNB MD & CEO Shri Ashok Chandra, addressed the Mega Camp in New Delhi today. The initiative, held under the theme "आपकी पूंजी आपका अधिकार – Your Money Your Right," aims to deepen financial awareness, access, and empowerment for citizens. The camp also featured an exhibition zone showcasing financial services, inclusion initiatives, and online verification of unclaimed financial assets for general pub- Narendra Modi's vision and behind, a mission that has

Reserve Bank of India Insurance Regulatory

and Exchange Board of support and efforts from all ciaries seamlessly, rein-27 November 2025: India (SEBI), Investors financial institutions, we are forcing the success of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Education and Protection taking unclaimed assets to financial inclusion initia-



and the Pension Fund Regulatory Development Authority (PFRDA). It was held at the Dr. Ambedkar International Center, Janpath, New Delhi.

Speaking at the event,

Hon'ble Delhi Chief Minister Smt. Rekha Gupta said that this initiative is an integral part of Hon'ble Minister Shri Prime reflects his commitment to The event was organ- ensuring financial empow- Prime ised by the State Level erment for every citizen. Narendra Modi's visionary Committee She further said that the (SLBC)-Delhi under the country's growing trust in tric governance. He noted aegis of the Department of savings, digital payments, that over 57 crore Jan Financial Services (DFS), and government schemes Dhan accounts—of which Finance, has been transformative. 32 Government of India, with Highlighting the govern- women-reflect a strong participation from the ment's commitment to ensuring that unclaimed assets reach their rightful and owners, she said, "Every Transfers amounting to ₹45 Development Authority of rupee must return to its cit- lakh crore over the past 11 India (IRDAI), Securities izen. With the Ministry's years have reached benefi-

the masses with full transparency." She added that the campaign will run until December 2025 and urged collective participation to further strengthen financial awareness and economic circulation.

Union Minister of State for Finance Shri Pankaj Choudhary emphasised the government's focus on ensuring no citizens are left been propelled by Hon'ble Minister leadership and people-cencrore belong to toward women's push empowerment. He added that Direct Benefit

tives such as zero-balance DFS Secretary Shri M.

Nagaraju highlighted that the campaign is being conducted across 200 districts in multiple local languages, with another 102 districts to be covered in the next phase. He shared that over ₹1,800 crore worth of unclaimed assets have been settled in the past two months alone, demonstrating the strong response from citizens. He also noted the availability of platforms such as UDGAM (RBI) for unclaimed deposits, Bima Bharosa (IRDAI) for insurance claims, and MITRA (SEBI) for mutual funds. He said DFS is working with regulators to develop a single unified portal for all unclaimed financial assets to enhance ease of access and public trust. He urged banks and SLBCs to focus on guiding citizens with documentation and ensuring timely resolution of claims.

Appreciating SLBC Delhi for their efforts, PNB MD & CEO Shri Ashok Chandra said, "It is encouraging to see all financial institutions come together for the 'Aapki Poonji...

Jakati, however, was granted bail by the SDM Court within an hour and a half of his arrest

creator Shadab Jakati was arrested by police on Thursday following a complaint filed by BJP leader Rahul Thakur, who objected to one of Jakati's recently uploaded videos.

Jakati, however, was granted bail by the SDM Court within an hour and a half of his arrest.

Rahul Thakur, a resident of Jagriti Vihar, accused Jakati of making inappropriate remarks involving a minor girl and a woman in a 1.08-minute video. Thakur filed a complaint at the Inchauli Police Station and also approached the Child Rights Commission and Women's Commission.

According to police, the case was registered under breach of peace, and Jakati was arrested from his home around 4 pm on Thursday. He was produced before SDM Sadar Diksha Joshi around 5:30 pm, who granted him bail.

call between Thakur and Jakati also surfaced, in which Thakur warned

Jakati to remove the video, payment. Social media content calling it objectionable. Jakati insisted, however, viral, leading to sharp reacthat the girl featured in the tions online. Many social

The video quickly went



In the video, Jakati is seen sitting at a grocery shop. A young girl arrives to buy items and tells him that her mother will pay later. Jakati then comments on the girl's beauty and implies her mother must also be beautiful. Later in the video, he goes to the girl's house, jokingly asking the woman who opens the door to "give a kiss" instead of money. The girl then An audio clip of a phone comes out with another woman and identifies her

actual mother, after which

Jakati starts talking about

video was a family member. media users demanded strict action, including charges under POCSO, while others urged caution and advised waiting for a proper investigation.

Dehat Abhijeet Kumar confirmed that a case under breach of peace was registered, and Jakati was arrested accord-

ingly. Jakati's lawyer, Syed Mohammad Zameer, argued in court that the video involved Jakati's own daughter and wife and did not contain anything that

The SDM accepted the explanation and granted bail.

Speaking after his release, Jakati said, "I only complimented the child, saying she was cute and that her mother must also be nice. I've never said anything wrong. If the video hurt anyone, I apologise."

He added that he did not know the complainant personally and was unaware of the legal sections invoked. Jakati also mentioned that he had deleted the video shortly after posting it.

Shadab Jakati lives in the Inchauli area of Meerut. A cricket enthusiast, he previously worked as a driver in Saudi Arabia, where he began making videos. Over time, he gained significant popularity on social media.

One of his videos—"10 wala biscuit ka packet kitne ka hai ji?"-became a massive hit, garnering millions of views. Celebrities like Badshah, Rinku Singh, and Kuldeep Yadav have recreated the trend, contributing could disturb public peace. to its global reach.

From Kesar Mango to Sustainable Weaves: Unveiling **Kutch and Saurashtra's GI Tagged Heritage**

Empowering Artisans: VGRC Kutch & Saurashtra **Champions GI Tags, Driving** Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's 'Vocal for Local' Initiative

VGRC to Unlock Export Potential: Highlighting more than 10 GI-Tags from Kutch & Saurashtra, Boosting 'Vocal for Local' Vision

Gandhinagar,

Minister Narendra Modi has always focused on the country's local and traditional prod-'Vocal for Local' campaign. Urging immediate Prime As part of this campaign Ministerial intervention, Raj and Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, PM has actively promoted GI (Geographical Indication) tagged products, linking them to cultural heritage, economic empowerment, and global recognition. He has frequently mentioned these products in his radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat' and has personally awarded GI certificates to artisans.

Notably, Hon'ble Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Shri Piyush Goyal, with the vision of 'Vikas Bhi, Virasat Bhi'. has set a target of reaching 10,000 GI (Geographical Indication) tagged products in India by 2030. Through initiatives like GI tagging, Gujarat is promoting its heritage, from Kutch's renowned textiles to Saurashtra's premium





stage and Gujarat becomes self reliant at an international level. The preservation and promotion of GI products emphasise the principle of 'Viksit Gujarat se Viksit Bharat', transforming local strengths into global competitiveness. Kutch The

Saurashtra regions have earned prestigious and prominent GI tags, including Ajrakh, Bandhani, Rogan Craft painting, Kutch shawls, Kachchhi Kharek (date), and Kesar Mango, fostering growth for local artisans and global recognition. The upcoming Vibrant Gujarat Regional Conference in Rajkot is set to highlight the regional excellence of handicraft and handloom artisans and unlock the export potential.

Rich in tradition and artistry, Gujarat's Kutch and Saurashtra regions have earned more than 10 GI fabrics; the signature casrecognitions for products tor oil-based Kutch Rogan and sustainable growth.

Embroidery, Ajrakh blockprinting, Bandhani tie-dye, Rogan Craft painting, and Kutch shawls. The region also has a unique agricultural GI product, the Kachchhi Kharek (date). In Saurashtra region, the distinct products are: Gir Kesar Mango from the Gir region, Bandhani (a unique style of tie-dye), and the Rajkot Patola silk weave.

Additionally, Tangaliya Shawl represents another specialized textile art form from this culturally vibrant region. The Kutch region demonstrates finesse of skills in textiles with the renowned Kutch Embroidery, celebrated for its vivid mirror work; the unique block-printed Kutch Ajrakh and the intricately resist-dyed Kutch Bandhani

products, so that the state's that embody their cultural Craft; and the traditional handicrafts, Kutch is also renowned for its agriculture particularly distinction, Kachchhi Kharek (dry dates), popular for its unique taste and nutrientrich quality.

These textile and agricultural excellences are strongly complemented by Saurashtra, which contributes premium products such as the Gir Kesar Mango, widely known as the 'Queen of Mangoes' from the Gir region. Also, Saurashtra boasts a rich and enduring textile heritage, featuring the vibrant tie-dyed Jamnagari Bandhani, the popular weave single-ikat Rajkot Patola sarees has reached many Bollywood celebrity wardrobes, along with the dot-motif specialized woollen. Additionally, Tangaliya Shawl from Surendranagar has attracted Global demand and art enthusiasts.

The upcoming VGRC Saurashtra and Kutch Region bolsters the potential of the handicraft and handloom artisans. This two-day conference serves as a dynamic platform for heritage entrepreneurs, artisans, interior designers, and product designers to collaborate with governe-marketplaces, ment investors, private enterprises, and leading e-commerce platforms, fostering innovation, market access,

Divisional Commissioner honored BLO, two computer operators for their excellent work

Commissioner Shailendra Kumar Singh inspected the auditorium of Tehsil Sadar in connection with the special intensive revision campaign. In the auditorium of Tehsil Sadar, the work of feeding/digitization of calculation forms was being done by computer operators and BLOs under a special intensive revision cam-Divisional paign. Commissioner Shailendra Kumar Singh took information regarding feeding from computer operators and asked them how they were feeding. On which the Divisional Commissioner was informed about the entire process by the computer operators. Divisional Commissioner Shailendra Kumar Singh took information from everyone about how many forms have been made online by you, on which 04 computer operators told that today 121, 116, 93 and 86 forms have been filled by them. District Magistrate Chandra



Divisional Commissioner Shailendra Kumar Singh addressing the BLOs and operators for their excellent work.

Commissioner that 100-100 computer operators have been deployed in all the 5 tehsils of the district for shift-wise feeding/digiti-Divisional Commissioner Shailendra Kumar Singh encouraged all the BLOs, supervisors special attention to the corand computer operators for rectness/accuracy in the various works of the special said work. Divisional intensive revision cam- Commissioner paign. He said that all of Shailendra Kumar Singh ji you are an important link, honored 08 present BLOs

Divisional collected by you are very important, due to which the voter will get the right to vote and a pure voter list will be created. Divisional Commissioner Shailendra Kumar Singh asked the operators doing calculation form feed/digitization to pay

work and 02 computer operators who did excellent work in the auditorium of Tehsil Sadar. Divisional Commissioner honored everyone by giving them citation, bag and sash. Ranveer Singh, Yogendra Singh, Rajendra Prasad Sharma, Chandra Shekhar, Manish Kumar, Reema Sharma, Nisha Aggarwal and Kailash Gautam were honored in 08 BLO. Prem Chaudhary and Kashyap were honored among 02 computer opera-Divisional Commissioner Shailendra Kumar Singh. District Magistrate/District Election Officer Chandra Prakash Municipal Singh, Commissioner Jag Pravesh, Chief Development Officer Manish Meena, Deputy District Election Officer/Additional District Magistrate Finance and Revenue Dr. Pankaj Kumar Verma, Additional District

NGOs, ex-bureaucrats in Rajasthan want SIR deadline extended, exclusionary conditions dropped

the counting forms being who completed 100 percent

Activists of a number of Government Organisations (NGOs), including the PUCL, along with several retired bureaucrats, have demanded extension of Special Intensive Revision(SIR) by at least six months and removal of the exclusionary conditions imposed for the nationwide exercise.

Prakash Singh informed

These social workers, including a number of ex officers, have arranged a public hearing of grievances of people who have been facing difficulties in filling up and submission of the SIR forms in Rajasthan.

Around 200 people facing problems with the SIR exercise, from districts like Dungarpur, Udaipur, Banswara, Beawar, Sirohi, Bhilwara, Ajmer, Alwar, Jaipur, Tonk, and Rajsamand attended the public hearing conducted by a panel here. They have placed their testimonies that 'large-scale voter

before the panel.

The panel was chaired by retired senior IAS officer

exclusion' is taking place exclude them from the during the SIR campaign. Several resolutions were and former Chief Electoral passed unanimously in the



Sudhir Verma. hearing, and the principal Officer IAS officers demand was that the time Former Meenakshi Hooja, Alka period for the SIR process be extended by at least 06 Kala, Rajendra Bhanawat; former State Administrative months and the require-Service officer Shaukat Ali; ment to prove the 2002 Bharat Jodo Abhiyan's voter list be completely National Secretary removed, the hearing Kamayani Swami; and organisers spokesperson PUCL Rajasthan President said. Bhanwar Meghwanshi were the other panelists.

The testimonies showed

At the start of the hearing, it was said that "The must be removed immedicurrent design of SIR is not

electoral roll, contrary to 326 of the Article Constitution. In the 1992 Lal Babu Hussain vs ECI judgment, the Supreme Court clearly stated that the Election Commission cannot determine the citizenship of an Indian citizen. Yet this process has effectively become a means of citizenship verification", spokesperson said. Given the extremely

Magistrate Administration

Amresh Kumar and other

officers were present in the

short timeline of SIR, it should be immediately extended by at least six months, as migrant workers, people from tribal areas of South Rajasthan who have gone out for work, and daily wage earners are unable to meet BLOs, a resolution adopted at the hearing stated.

The harmful condition requiring proof of the 2002 voter list or EPIC number ately. Women who change to enroll voters but to their names after marriage,