



# Five people killed in massive fire at Prasad Hospital in Muzaffarpur, Bihar

**Muzaffarpur(GNS):** Five people have died so far in the massive fire that broke out at Prasad Hospital in the Brahmapura police station area of Muzaffarpur city in Bihar. Municipal Commissioner Rituraj Pratap Singh confirmed this. The fire broke out in the hospital's ICU ward around 3 a.m. Smoke spread throughout the hospital, causing panic within the hospital premises. The fire brigade arrived at the scene and quickly launched a rescue operation. Speaking to the media, Municipal Commissioner Rituraj

Pratap Singh stated that five people have died so far in the incident. He stated that investigations so far have revealed the fire was caused by a short circuit, which caused an AC in the ICU ward to explode, and the fire spread rapidly. He stated that a rescue operation is underway. Following the incident, approximately 12 large and small fire brigade vehicles arrived at the scene. The hospital has been evacuated. Patients have been admitted to other hospitals. The forensic team is collecting evidence from the scene.



The deceased have been identified as Shashank Kumar, a resident of Aurai in Muzaffarpur, Geeta Devi, a resi-

dent of Motipur, Uday Kumar, Krishna Nandan, and Chanchala Kumari, residents of Tariyani in Shivhar district. Several people who sustained burn injuries are still undergoing treatment in hospitals, and further information about them is not yet available. State Chief Minister Samrat Chaudhary expressed grief over the incident, stating, "The loss of lives due to the fire at a private hospital in Muzaffarpur is extremely tragic. My deepest condolences go out to the bereaved families."

## Delhi Hotel Fire: Owner Says He Fled in Fear Instead of Helping Victims

**New Delhi(GNS):** Lovkesh Bajaj, the owner of Flourish Hotel in Delhi's Malviya Nagar who was arrested in connection with the deadly fire incident, has made a startling admission during police questioning. According to police, Bajaj drove past the burning hotel in his car while the fire was raging but left the area instead of helping those trapped inside. He reportedly told investigators that he fled the scene out of fear. He admitted that he neither assisted anyone nor returned home, and instead wandered around the city. The massive fire that broke out on Wednesday engulfed the five-storey building, claiming the lives of 21 people.

## Tamil Nadu to Deploy Drones for Monitoring Mines After Irregularities Found in 155 Sites



**Chennai, Agency:**The Tamil Nadu Department of Geology and Mining has decided to deploy advanced drones for monitoring mining operations across the state following the discovery of widespread violations during a recent inspection drive. The decision comes after surprise inspections conducted last week by the Department of Natural Resources.

Authorities reported irregularities in 155 mines across various districts. Inspection Drive Reveals Violations According to officials, drone-based monitoring will help curb illegal mining activities and ensure strict compliance with regulations. Natural Resources Minister T.K. Prabhu personally inspected

mining sites in Tenkasi, Kanyakumari, Virudhunagar and Madurai districts as part of the enforcement campaign. Officials examined ongoing operations, lease conditions and regulatory compliance during the inspections. According to a government statement, a total of 431 mines were inspected, of which 155 were found violating operational and regulatory guidelines. Following the findings, the minister ordered the immediate suspension of mining activities at all mines found in violation. The violations included non-compliance with lease conditions, mining beyond approved limits and other regulatory breaches.

## Land Allotted to Family of Sambhal Riot Victim; Minister Says "Sambhal Is Truly Free Today"

**Sambhal, Agency:**Families affected by the 1978 Sambhal riots are being rehabilitated on land reclaimed from a cemetery area. On Thursday, the family of riot victim Ramsharan Rastogi was allotted a 100-square-metre plot from a larger three-bigha tract of land that has been cleared for rehabilitation purposes.

**Lalit Modi Says, "I Am Not a Fugitive, I Am Travelling the World"**



**New Delhi(GNS):** Former Indian Premier League (IPL) chairman Lalit Modi has said that the term "fugitive" has been used by the media and that no case has ever been proven against him.

In an interview with a news agency on Thursday, Modi said, "I am absolutely not running away. I am travelling around the world. If I were really absconding, someone would have caught me somewhere by now. The reach of the Government of India is very long. You cannot take on the Indian government, and I have no intention of doing so."

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# Time to move from environmental crisis to solution

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(Special on World Environment Day 5 June 2026)

World Environment Day, celebrated on June 5th, is not merely a formal event but a global pledge to save the Earth and the future of humanity. World Environment Day 2026 comes at a time when climate change, plastic pollution, biodiversity loss, water scarcity, air pollution, and the reckless exploitation of natural resources pose a serious challenge to the Earth's very existence. This year's theme, "End Plastic Pollution," is not only a call to reduce plastic use but also a message to

rethink consumerist lifestyles and anti-nature development models. Today, the entire world is facing the adverse effects of climate change. In some places, extreme heat is making life unbearable, in others, uncontrolled rainfall and floods are causing devastation, while in others, drought and water scarcity are raising questions about human existence. India is no exception. Forest fires in Uttarakhand, rapid melting of glaciers in the Himalayan regions, pollution in metropolitan cities, water crisis in technological cities like Bengaluru and continuously increasing heat are indications that environmental crisis is no longer a reality of the

future but of the present.

United Nations reports warn that climate-related disasters have killed millions of people and caused trillions of dollars in economic losses over the past decade. Biodiversity loss, climate change, and pollution—these three crises are interconnected. If global warming is not controlled, human civilization could face an unprecedented crisis. The 2015 Paris Climate Agreement set a goal of limiting global temperature rise to 1.5 degrees Celsius, yet even today the world is not moving towards that goal at the expected pace. Most worryingly, this biggest crisis facing the world has not received the importance it deserves in

Indian politics. While the environment is mentioned in election manifestos, it remains a mere formality. Political parties assume that the environment, pollution, and climate change are not vote-getting issues. As a result, environmental issues are neither part of electoral debates nor political competition. The truth is that the lives, health, and safety of future generations depend on this issue. The root cause of the environmental crisis is a concept of development that views nature as a mere resource and an object of consumption. We have used forests for industries, rivers for waste, and land for concrete jungles. Nature provides

us with the foundation of life free of charge, but instead of gratitude, we have adopted an exploitative approach. As a result, vegetation destruction, wildlife endangerment, groundwater depletion, and pollution are constantly increasing. Indian culture has always revered nature. Trees, rivers, mountains, and vegetation are viewed not merely as material resources but as life-givers. Ayurveda and herbal medicine are prime examples of this. Herbs and plants have protected human health for thousands of years, but in the blind pursuit of modernity, both this knowledge and natural resources have been neglected. Today, when new diseases are chal-

lenging human life, the need to return to nature and the plant kingdom is being felt.

The current crisis is not just an environmental one, but also an economic, social, and moral one. Air pollution is causing premature deaths for millions. Water sources are being polluted. Agricultural systems are being affected. Weather cycles have become unbalanced. The poor and vulnerable are being affected the most. Indira Gandhi once said, "Poverty is the biggest polluter." This statement has become even more relevant today, as poverty and environmental destruction have become mutually reinforcing factors.

## Editorial

### Now the real and fake Trinamool

A rebellion has erupted within Mamata Banerjee's party, the Trinamool Congress, raising the specter of a split within the party. Only seven of the 80 newly elected Trinamool MLAs attended the symbolic protest on Tuesday. Where were the remaining 73 MLAs? A day before the protest, Mamata Banerjee had called a meeting of MLAs, but only 20 MLAs attended. The remaining 60 MLAs were still missing, forcing the meeting to be cancelled. The number of supporters at the protest clearly demonstrates the disillusionment and unacceptability of Mamata and the Trinamool Congress. The Trinamool Congress has 42 MPs in both houses of Parliament, 80 MLAs won in the recent elections, and despite a crushing defeat, the Trinamool Congress secured over 40 percent of the vote. Given this, the party's existence and overall acceptance cannot be questioned. The question is: could the Trinamool Congress suffer the same fate as the Shiv Sena and NCP? Today, the "real Shiv Sena" is with Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde. The NCP, which Sharad Pawar founded and nurtured for years, is now controlled by his daughter-in-law, Sunetra Pawar (wife of the late Ajit Pawar). Ajit was Sharad Pawar's nephew and was Ajit's political "Chanakya." Ajit formed an alliance with the BJP and became Deputy Chief Minister in the "Mahayuti" government. He died in a plane crash. Now, his wife is Deputy Chief Minister in the government and also heads the NCP. However, both cases are pending in the Supreme Court. Mamata Banerjee expelled two rebel MLAs—Ritabrata Banerjee and Sandipan Saha—from the party. Following this, rebellion and discontent within the party have deepened. Riju Dutta, who was Trinamool's national spokesperson until the elections, even claims that more than 50 of the 80 MLAs are not splitting, but are intent on asserting their dominance and authority over the party. Such leaders complain that there is no leadership left in the party. The I-PAC company is pushing the party. These disgruntled MLAs can meet with the Speaker (Assembly Speaker) and prove that 65-70 percent of the MLAs are united and separate from Mamata, and therefore, they are the "real Trinamool." They should be given such recognition.

## Learning from fire incidents:

# It is not just the failure of one person or organisation but the failure of the entire system

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- Accountability, Institutional Failures, Corruption and Security Future, Global Perspective, Overall Comprehensive Analysis

The fire is not just an accident, it is a systemic failure of the entire administrative, regulatory and social system designed to protect citizens.

Unless transparency, regular inspections, zero-tolerance anti-corruption policy, institutional coordination and strict accountability are ensured, such tragedies will continue to recur at a heavy cost in human lives. Globally, the news of the massive fire that ravaged Delhi's Malviya Nagar area on June 3, 2026, resulting in the deaths and injuries of scores of people, has once again raised the question: when a fire breaks out in a hotel, hospital, mall, school, industrial unit, or commercial building, is such a tragedy caused solely by the fire itself, or is it also due to a long series of administrative, technical, and institutional failures that have accumulated over the years? A fire in any country can be considered an accident, but the loss of life due to a large number of people is often considered a systemic failure. International disaster management experts believe that most deaths in major fires are caused not solely by the fire itself, but also by negligence of safety standards, lack of evacuation systems, delays in emergency response, weak inspection systems, and corruption. Therefore, any fire investigation should not be limited to determining how the fire started, but also to examining why the situation was allowed to develop. I, Advocate Kishan Sanmukhdas Bhavani, Gondia, Maharashtra, believe that the devastating fire that broke out on the morning of June 3, 2026, at the Flourish Stay Hotel and its attached restaurant in Malviya Nagar, Delhi, India's capital, not only claimed the lives

of over 21 people but also raised serious questions about the country's urban security system, regulatory mechanisms, administrative accountability, and public safety culture. According to initial media reports, the building was permitted to operate for only six rooms, while approximately 25 were operating. Even more concerning was the fact that the building lacked a valid fire NOC and lacked an effective emergency exit system. Reports of people trapped in the basement further exacerbated the situation. Twenty-one people died in the tragedy, more than 40 were rescued, and many seriously injured are battling for their lives in hospitals. The deceased are reported to include several foreign nationals from Central Asia and African countries who had come to India for medical treatment or other reasons. According to eyewitnesses, people were forced to jump from the third and fourth floors to escape the smoke and flames, while local citizens tried to save them by laying mattresses below. This incident was not the result of an earthquake, flood, or natural disaster, but appears prima facie to be the result of human negligence, disregard for rules, corruption, weak monitoring, and a lack of accountability. This is why this accident has become not just a hotel fire but a symbol of the failures of modern Indian urban governance. Friends, if we consider the history of such incidents, India's history is replete with tragic events. In 1997, 59 people died in the Uphaar Cinema fire in Delhi. Investigations revealed blocked emergency exits, non-compliance with safety standards, and serious negligence at both management and administration levels. In 2004, 94 schoolchildren died in the Kumbakonam school fire. Fire safety measures at the school were extremely poor and flammable materials were used. In 2019, 43 people died in the Anaj Mandi fire, where the factory

was operating illegally and the evacuation system was inadequate. Cases like the Mundka fire tragedy in Delhi that same year also claimed a large number of lives. Over 90 people died in the Amri Hospital fire in West Bengal, where smoke and failure of emergency management were the primary causes. All these incidents demonstrate a similar pattern: violations of regulations, poor inspections, corruption, inadequate fire audits, and a lack of proper coordination between agencies. Friends, in any major city, the fire service or fire brigade is the last line of defense. When a fire breaks out, the fire brigade is called in, but the real question is whether the fire department conducted periodic inspections of the building, whether the building had a valid fire safety certificate, whether firefighting equipment was in working order, whether the sprinkler system and smoke detectors were working, and whether the building owners followed regulations. In many cases, fire departments conduct inspections but subsequently ignore violations. In many countries, investigation reports have shown that effective inspections are not conducted for years after a fire safety certificate is issued. As a result, dangerous conditions develop in buildings, such as additional rooms, illegal construction, blocked emergency exits, and overcrowding. If a building is permitted for six rooms and subsequently has several more added, this is not only the fault of the building owner but also a failure of the monitoring system's accuracy. The role of the police is also crucial. Police are typically tasked with maintaining law and order during disasters, facilitating rescue operations, and investigating crimes. However, police often lack adequate records of local buildings, hotels, guest houses, and commercial establishments. In some cases, despite knowledge of illegal activities or violations,

timely action is not taken. Police often initiate investigations after a disaster, when the real need is to identify risks early and take preventive action. In developed countries, data sharing systems exist between the police, fire departments, and local administrations, enabling the early identification of vulnerable buildings. This coordination remains limited in many developing countries, including India. Friends, the responsibility of disaster management authorities extends not only to providing relief after a disaster but also to mitigate risk. If a metropolitan area is home to thousands of hotels, hostels, hospitals, and commercial buildings, it is also the responsibility of disaster management agencies to ensure that emergency evacuation plans, mock drills, training, and public awareness programs are conducted regularly.

Mock drills often occur only on paper or are conducted on a limited scale. When a real disaster strikes, employees, security guards, and building managers are unaware of how to safely evacuate people. This leads to stampedes, panic, and increased deaths. Deficiencies in ambulance services and medical emergency response systems are also frequently exposed. According to international standards, emergency medical response times in a large city should be minimal. However, traffic congestion, insufficient ambulances, lack of coordination, and unprepared hospitals prevent injured people from receiving timely treatment. Smoke inhalation is a major cause of death in fires, and the first few minutes are crucial. Delays in medical assistance can lead to the loss of potentially saveable lives. The accountability of local bodies and municipal corporations is perhaps most crucial, as they have primary responsibility for building permits, change of use, business licenses, and building safety.

## TMC hunted down in West Bengal by shouting slogans

Sanat Jain

When hunting someone, hunters call out to the prey and lure it to a location where a large pit has already been dug. Panicked, the prey runs and falls into the pit. The prey is then caged and held. The BJP has carried out a similar hunt in West Bengal against Mamata Banerjee's TMC. Her 28-year-old party has been hunted in a traditional manner. Mamata Banerjee has been trapped in the trap that was laid to alienate 58 of the party's MLAs. Breaking free from this trap is now seemingly impossible for Mamata Banerjee and the TMC. In the assembly elections, TMC MLAs won 80 seats. A letter was sent by the TMC to Assembly Speaker Ravindra Bose, informing Shobhandeb Chattopadhyay of the

TMC's legislative party leader and whip. The relevant letter, containing the names, was sent to the Speaker, requesting his appointment. The Speaker took no action on the letter. Meanwhile, TMC MLA Rituvat Banerjee and a fellow MLA objected to the Speaker of the Assembly, claiming their signatures were forged. The matter reached the police and CID. Based on the TMC's letter, the appointment was blocked. Following this, Rituvat Banerjee received protection from the BJP and the Speaker. Banerjee submitted a list of 58 MLAs to the Speaker. The Speaker swiftly declared Rituvat Banerjee the Leader of the Opposition and accepted the nomination she had submitted as a whip. Consequently, the Speaker certainly failed to take the action required by

parliamentary convention. Videos of MP Abhishek Banerjee and MP Kalyan Banerjee being beaten on the street went viral, and MLAs were barred from attending meetings. The message was conveyed to the MLAs: abandon Mamata Banerjee and join Rituvat Banerjee. Only then would they be safe, or else action would be taken against them. The ED has arrived at Abhishek Banerjee's doorstep. The West Bengal government is taking action against TMC MLAs and leaders, with over 200,000 central paramilitary personnel deployed. Mamata Banerjee and Abhishek Banerjee appear to be receiving no support from the High Court or the Assembly Speaker. In this situation, a panic is brewing among TMC MLAs. They have only two options: leave Mamata Banerjee

and join Rituvat Banerjee if they want to remain safe. Otherwise, they will face strict action, criminal charges, and possible street attacks. The lack of action against powerful leaders like Abhishek Banerjee and Kalyan Banerjee has created an atmosphere of fear within the TMC. Similar to what is happening in West Bengal, a similar situation occurred in Maharashtra.

The matter reached the Supreme Court. After some time, the Supreme Court ruled that the Governor's decision was wrong and that the Maharashtra government was formed unconstitutionally. The Election Commission's decision favored the rebel MLAs. Overall, time ran out, and no constitutional body delivered a timely decision. Consequently, the illegitimately

formed government completed its term. A similar situation is now unfolding in West Bengal. Mamata Banerjee, Abhishek Banerjee, and TMC leaders are being harassed. Given the current situation in the country, it seems unlikely that Mamata Banerjee and TMC leaders will receive any relief from the West Bengal government, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, or the West Bengal High Court. In such a situation, given what is unfolding in West Bengal, it can be said that talking about the Constitution and democracy has become meaningless. Just as in monarchies, the powerful would attack each other and usurp the other's kingdom, a similar situation is now unfolding in West Bengal. Democracy and constitutional provisions exist only on paper.

# Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in Gujarat on 5th June; Will Inaugurate Power Distribution & Transmission Infrastructure Projects Worth Over 4,000 Crore

**Gandhinagar, (GNS):** Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will visit Surat, Gujarat, on World Environment Day, 5 June 2026. During the visit, he will inaugurate four development projects of the Energy and Petrochemicals Department, Government of Gujarat, and PowerGrid Corporation of India Ltd with a total project cost of ₹4950.39 crore.

World's Largest Digital Substation at Navsari to Boost Power Flow from Gujarat to Maharashtra

The Prime Minister will inaugurate the Transmission Network Expansion Project in Gujarat, which will enable high-capacity power flow from Gujarat to Maharashtra. Implemented by the Powergrid Corporation of India Ltd at a cost of ₹4,546 crore across Surat and Navsari districts, the



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project will strengthen the state's transmission network and improve power transfer capacity by increasing Available Transmission Capacity (ATC) from Inter-State Transmission System (ISTS) Part B.

The Transmission Network Expansion includes a Digital Substation at Navsari, along with a 765 kV D/c transmission line from

Navsari to Padghe in Maharashtra, and 400 kV D/c transmission lines from Navsari to Magarwada and Kala. It will allow efficient evacuation of renewable energy from the Khavda region and its seamless transmission via Navsari to Padghe, ensuring reliable high-capacity power flow between Gujarat and Maharashtra. The project further strengthens the

transmission network by enhancing Available Transmission Capacity for power transfer from the Inter-State Transmission System (ISTS) and the Khavda Renewable Energy evacuation schemes. The commissioning of the world's largest Digital Substation at Navsari (New) will mark a major milestone in India's power transmission sector and

further reinforce Gujarat's position as a key hub in the national transmission network.

324.19 Crore Valsad Distribution Project to Strengthen Network and Improve Power Reliability

Among the key projects to be inaugurated is a Full Turnkey Contract for the design, supply, installation, testing, and commissioning of distribution infrastructure works aimed at reducing losses in the Valsad district, at a cost of ₹324.19 crore. Implemented by Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Limited (DGVCL) under the Revamped Reforms-Based and Result-Linked Distribution Sector Scheme, the project is designed to strengthen the electricity distribution network, improve operational efficiency, and ensure continuous, reliable, and quality power supply to consumers. The works include

AB cabling, installation of new transformers, augmentation of transformer capacity, reconductoring of old and deteriorated conductors, and feeder bifurcation, all aimed at strengthening the distribution system and improving supply reliability. The project will reduce power breakdowns, low-voltage complaints, conductor snapping, transformer overloading, and weather-related outages. It will also enhance public safety, improve transformer protection against external hazards, and reduce feeder AT&C losses, benefiting 5,98,028 people in Valsad.

Additionally, the Prime Minister will inaugurate the 66 kV Vanakala-Okha Substation at Choryasi Taluka in Surat, developed at a cost of 48.20 crore, benefiting approximately 23,357 consumers in the surrounding area.

## Delhi ministers unveil Rs 47.26-crore infra projects in Bawana:

**New Delhi, (GNS):** The Delhi Government on Wednesday launched infrastructure projects worth Rs 47.26 crore in the Bawana Assembly constituency. Cabinet Minister and local MLA Ravinder Indraj Singh laid the foundation stone for key works aimed at improving drainage and civic infrastructure in the area. PWD Minister Parvesh Verma attended the event as the chief guest.



The major projects include the Kanjhawala Road Drain Project, from Punjab Sweets to the Rohini Sector 21/22 dividing road, and a rural redevelopment project in Rohini Sectors 20 and 21. The works aim to strengthen drainage systems, improve civic amenities and support planned development in both rural and urban parts of the constituency.

Addressing residents and local representatives, Ravinder Indraj Singh said the Government was giving priority to the development of Delhi's rural belt, with Bawana as a key focus area. He said the BJP-led Government had accelerated infrastructure development in the constituency.

"The pace of development in Bawana and Delhi's rural areas is now unstoppable. Our Government is committed to providing lasting solutions to long-pending issues in the region," Singh said.

He also announced that additional projects worth nearly Rs 60 crore would soon be taken up in the constituency to further improve public infrastructure and civic facilities.

Highlighting the Government's wider development agenda, Singh said efforts were being made to ensure that the benefits of development reached all sections of society. He credited Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Rekha Gupta for driving infrastructure and welfare initiatives across the Capital.

## City cops nab 77 for mule account operations

**New Delhi, (GNS):** City police intensified their crackdown on cybercrime with "Operation Mule Hunt 2.0," targeting networks involved in renting out of bank accounts that are used to route proceeds of online fraud. During a three-day drive from Sunday to Tuesday, police registered 58 offences and arrested 77 persons in cases linked to mule accounts and cyberfraud.

Investigators said cases detected during the operation involved fraud of nearly Rs 24 crore. Only about Rs 1 crore could be frozen in bank accounts, highlighting the speed with which cybercriminals move money through layered transactions. Police said fraud proceeds are quickly transferred into mul-

iple accounts, often across banks and states, before authorities can trace, freeze and recover the funds.

Police found that mule accounts frequently belong to poor people. Such account holders allegedly hand over access to their bank accounts to the fraudsters in exchange for commissions, enabling criminals to receive and disperse illicit funds while masking the main perpetrators.

"Police carried out similar drive against mule accounts around six months ago. In the second such operation, we started work a month ago and detected cases by resolving various technical and cyber challenges," said Anupam Singh Gahlaut, city police commissioner.



The operation was initiated about a month ago with a focus on gathering intelligence on suspicious accounts and identifying operators behind them. Multiple police teams were formed and complaints filed on the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal (NCCRP) were scruti-

nized to map patterns and link accounts to specific fraud incidents.

Police held a conference for better coordination with bank officials, fintech companies, telecom company officials and other stakeholders to verify account activity, trace digital footprints and

identify suspects. As part of preparation, around 500 police personnel were trained on May 16 with support from cybercrime experts and chartered accountants to strengthen technical and financial investigation capabilities.

To arrest suspects across India, 50 teams were constituted and assigned specific tasks. Using cybercrime and other investigation portals, teams tracked and detained accused from Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and other states.

"Around 60% of these cases are investment fraud. This continued for over four to five months and the major chunk of stolen money has been transferred," said Gahlaut.

## Child brain injury case: HC orders fresh probe after contempt plea against NMC

**New Delhi, (GNS):** Nearly a decade after a child allegedly suffered severe and irreversible brain damage during treatment at Fortis Hospital, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi High Court has ordered a fresh inquiry into the qualifications of two doctors after the child's family moved a contempt petition alleging non-compliance with earlier court directions by officials of the National Medical Commission (NMC). Appearing for the family, senior advocate Dayan Krishnan argued that despite previous court orders, authorities failed to give a clear determination on whether the qualifications claimed by the two doctors entitled them to practise as specialists in neonatal care in India. Taking note of the

plea, the HC directed the secretary of the NMC and the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) to conduct a joint inquiry into the qualifications of the doctors and submit a report within eight weeks. The case relates to allegations that medical negligence during treatment in the neonatal intensive care unit at Fortis Hospital, Shalimar Bagh, in 2017 left Master Devvarsh Jain with catastrophic brain injury. While the dispute initially centred on the treatment provided, it later expanded into a larger controversy over the credentials of the doctors involved and whether they were entitled to practise as specialists under Indian regulations. The family has alleged that despite earlier

## HC pulls up police for FIR delay in dowry death case

**New Delhi, (GNS):** Delhi High Court has stressed that unnatural death of young married women demands prompt and diligent police investigation, expressing displeasure over a delay of eight months by Delhi Police in registering an FIR in a dowry death case. Justice Swarana Kanta Sharma made the observations while denying anticipatory bail to the husband and in-laws of the 25-year-old woman within six months of the marriage. The court pointed out that the registration of FIR "took more time than the entire duration of her marriage" and it was an "unfortunate reality" that the deceased's father was made to "run from pillar



to post" before the FIR was registered following a judicial order.

"The consequences of such delay in lodging the FIR cannot be lightly brushed aside. Cases involving the unnatural death of a young married woman clearly demand prompt and diligent investigation by the police authorities," the court emphasised. "Every pass-

ing day carries the possibility of loss or disappearance of evidence, fading of witnesses' memory and erosion of other evidentiary material that may assist in discovering the truth," it pointed out. According to police, the husband informed the deceased's father on July 2, 2025, that his daughter was in hospital after a fall from stairs. Upon reaching the hospital, the father, however, suspected foul play. It was subsequently found that the woman killed herself in her matrimonial home. While she died on July 3, 2025, the FIR was registered on Feb 13, 2026, only after the directions of a magisterial court.

"Once the deceased's parents had raised suspi-

cion against her husband and in-laws, in a case involving the death of a young married woman within a few months of marriage, the matter required a prompt and effective response from the investigating agency," the court observed. The husband and the in-laws sought pre-arrest bail on the grounds of delay in lodging the FIR and that the deceased's father did not level any "specific elaborate allegations" in his first statement given to the executive magistrate HC, however, said the record prima facie reflected that despite the deceased's father taking steps to bring the matter to the notice of the authorities at the earliest, no action was taken.

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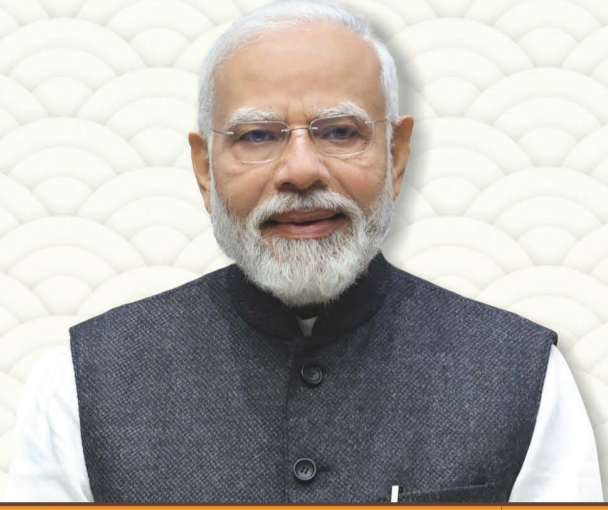
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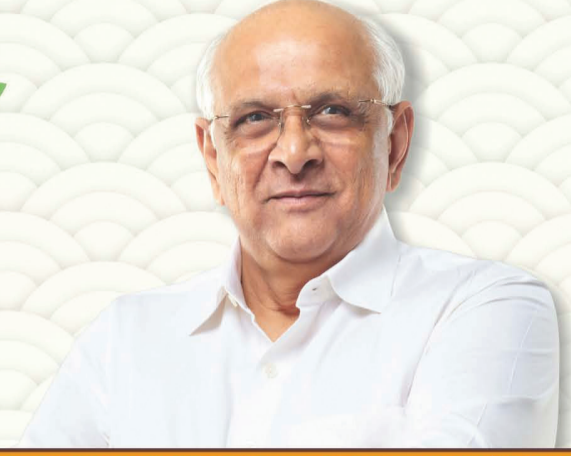
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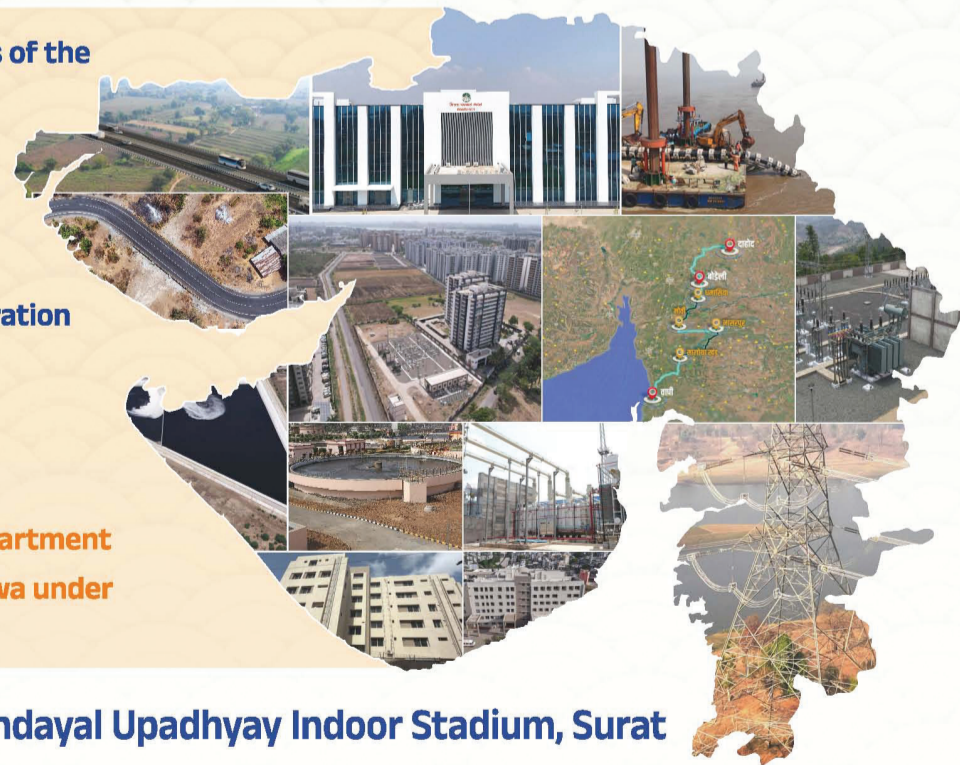
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- Eco-friendly rangoli reflecting the richness of Indian culture

- Inauguration and Foundation Stone Laying of 6 development-oriented projects of the National Highways Authority of India
- Inauguration of 4 development projects of the Energy and Petrochemicals Department
- Inauguration of 8 development projects of the Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation
- Inauguration of the development project of Employees' State Insurance Corporation under the Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India
- Inauguration of 2 development projects of the Urban Development and Urban Housing Department
- Inauguration of development projects of the Roads and Buildings Department
- Inauguration of the development project of the Health and Family Welfare Department
- Inauguration of the newly constructed building of District Panchayat Dang-Ahwa under the Panchayat, Rural Housing and Rural Development Department



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“The gift of development projects worth ₹18,000 crore by the Hon'ble Prime Minister is a strong guarantee towards building a 'Viksit Bharat', achieved through the perfect harmony of 'Progress and Nature' in Gujarat.”

- Shri Harsh Sanghavi, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister, Gujarat



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