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Modi said that Congress blamed Hindus for their failure: We accomplished years of work in months

New Delhi(GNS): Prime Minister Narendra Modi has become India's longest-serving elected Prime Minister, completing 4,399 days in office. He was honored at the NDA meeting held at Bharat Mandapam. Addressing the meeting, Modi said, "In 12 years, the country was liberated from the Congress's vicious cycle. This evil practice

was called the Congress Growth Rate. It had no governance, no policy, no intention, no decision. The failure was Congress's, but the stigma was placed on the Hindu population." The PM said, "For us, the country has always been more important than the party. We work with the spirit of nation first. India

needs to not only compete with the world, but also stay one step ahead. The day is not far when we will also manufacture Made in India planes."

»The NDA has further strengthened the public's trust: Modi said that in 2014, the public, disappointed with the Congress, had placed their trust in the NDA. Over the past 12 years, the NDA has

further strengthened that trust.

»250 million people have come out of poverty: The Prime Minister said that due to the government's policies, 250 million people have come out of poverty. Those who were previously poor are now becoming part of the middle class. The middle class is now the new middle class.

»Major expansion in infrastructure

in 12 years: Modi said that the number of airports has increased from 74 in 2014 to more than 160.

Expressways have increased from 1,000 km to 6,700 km, and the metro network has expanded from five cities to 20.

»Congress growth rate vs NDA growth rate: Targeting the Congress, the Prime Minister said that the pace of

development remained slow for decades, whereas the NDA made rapid development possible through new thinking and decisions.

»Aim to stay one step ahead of the world: Modi said that India needs not only to catch up with the world, but to surpass it. Special emphasis is being placed on areas such as green energy, nuclear energy, data centers, and Made in India ships and aircraft.

Shatrughan Sinha and Yusuf Pathan are among the 19 rebel TMC Lok Sabha MPs, including Mamata Banerjee's close aide

58 MLAs and 2 Rajya Sabha MPs have defected so far.

New Delhi(GNS): The split within Mamata Banerjee's party, the Trinamool Congress (TMC), continues. News agency IANS, citing sources, has released a list of 19 Lok Sabha MPs from the TMC rebel faction led by Kakoli Ghosh.

This includes Jadavpur MP Sayoni Ghosh, Yusuf Pathan, and Shatrughan Sinha, all considered close to Mamata Banerjee. On June 8, Ghosh claimed to have sent a letter of support from 20 Lok Sabha MPs to Speaker Om Birla. However, TMC



spokesperson Manav Jaiswal said that Sayani Ghosh and Shatrughan Sinha are still with Mamata Banerjee. On Wednesday, Rajya Sabha MP Sushmita Dev also resigned from the party and her post. In the past three days, two TMC Rajya Sabha MPs have left the party. Earlier, on June 8, Sukhendu Shekhar

resigned from the Rajya Sabha and also left the party. So far, 20 out of 28 TMC MPs in the Lok Sabha and 2 out of 13 in the Rajya Sabha have split, totaling 22. On June 3, 58 out of 80 TMC MLAs in Bengal formed a separate faction.

These MLAs submitted a letter to the Speaker requesting that Ritabrata Banerjee be appointed Leader of the Opposition in the Assembly. On Wednesday, Ritabrata said, "We have 64 MLAs. The remaining six MLAs will also submit a letter to the Speaker."

Airfare Set to Rise After Petrol and LPG; Jet Fuel Prices Increased

New Delhi(GNS): Air travel may become more expensive after the recent increase in petrol and LPG prices, as the government has introduced a new price stabilisation scheme for Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF), while state-run fuel retailers have also raised jet fuel prices by nearly 10 per cent. Under the new framework, domestic airlines will have the option to lock in ATF prices for a period of up to three years. Airlines opting for the voluntary scheme will pay a fixed price of 115 per litre, compared to the earlier rate of 104.927 per litre. Airlines that choose not to join the new pricing framework will continue to purchase ATF at market-linked rates. At present, these rates are around 142 per litre, which is comparable to the prices paid by international carriers.



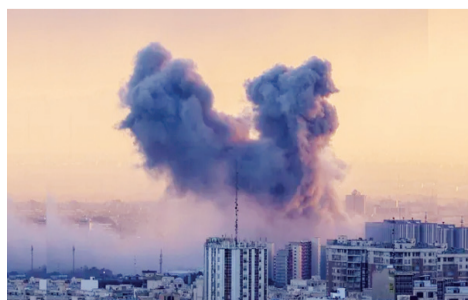
12 Years of 'Amrit Kaal'



Tel Aviv/Tehran/Washington DC, Jordan, although the United States Retaliatory Action After Helicopter Crash; Iran Responds by Attacking US Base in Bahrain

(GNS): The military confrontation between the United States and Iran continued on Wednesday, with both sides carrying out fresh attacks. The US military said that Air Force and Navy fighter jets targeted Iran's air defence systems, command stations and surveillance radar installations near the Strait of Hormuz.

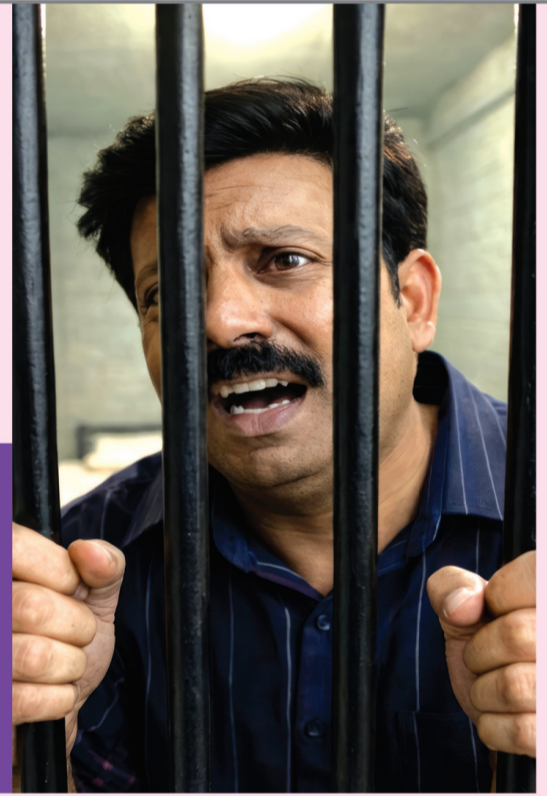
In retaliation, Iran launched drone attacks on the US Navy's Fifth Fleet stationed in Bahrain. The Bahraini government confirmed that warning sirens had been activated following the incident. Iran also claimed to have carried out 21 attacks on US military positions across the region, including in



rejected the claim. The latest escalation follows the crash of a US Army Apache helicopter near the Strait of Hormuz on Monday. A day later, US President Donald Trump blamed Iran for the incident.

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A blow to 10 crore poor women

Sanat Jain

The Modi government's largest scheme, the Ujjwala Yojana, which was promoted both domestically and internationally, is now being continuously cut. A new perception of the Modi government is emerging, with claims that the scheme, which the government has been touting as a benchmark for its success for the past decade, provides subsidized gas cylinders to 100 million women. Initially, the scheme provided 12 cylinders per year, but this was reduced to 9, then 6, and now the government has decided to provide four cylinders. Ten crore poor women are regis-

tered under the Ujjwala Yojana. They used to receive 14-kg cylinders for ₹642 per cylinder, which has now been reduced from 12 to four. The government is reducing the subsidy by ₹25,000 crore. Prime Minister Narendra Modi periodically promotes the Ujjwala Yojana across the country and during every election to ensure that poor women don't shed tears. In this era of inflation and unemployment, when the government has kept the MNREGA scheme closed, it has dealt a blow to the poorest women by reducing the cylinders under the Ujjwala scheme.

The main opposition

party, Congress, has sharply criticized the government on this issue. Congress claims that the Modi government is continuously depriving the poor of their livelihoods, while simultaneously providing relief to capitalists. The central government's excise duty reductions on crude oil, petrol, and LPG have benefited companies. Consumers are being charged higher prices for diesel, petrol, and LPG. This has become a matter of utter disarray. First, the central government discontinued MNREGA, and now, under the Ujjwala Yojana, subsidized LPG cylinders for 100 million poor women, these women have been plunged

into financial crisis. Congress has made this a major issue. Various discussions are taking place regarding the government's economic situation. It is being said that if the government can anger poor women under the Ujjwala Yojana, it is also being said that the government's financial situation is very poor. There were even reports of gold being sold. Although this has not been confirmed, but looking at the way new news is being heard every day regarding the economic condition of the government, the challenges for the government are increasing.

Despite the government's embarrassment on various

issues, and the persistent rise in inflation and unemployment, and the ongoing protests against the government, the government's decision to take such decisions at a time when inflation and unemployment are constantly rising, is being interpreted as indicating that the Indian government is mired in a deep economic crisis. Imports are steadily increasing. The Indian rupee is steadily declining against the dollar and other foreign currencies. Foreign exchange reserves are also under tremendous pressure. Farmers are unable to access adequate fertilizers. The government has also indirectly reduced fertilizer

subsidies. Given the current situation, it can be said that the government's decisions could pose significant challenges in the future. The stock market is also experiencing a continuous decline. Banks have significant investments in the stock market. Mutual funds have also made significant investments in companies. Banks and financial institutions are also facing losses here. The Ujjwala Yojana was a top priority scheme for the government. It wasn't easy for the government to anger 100 million women, but if such a decision has been made, it is certainly under tremendous economic pressure.

Editorial

BJP is breaking Trinamool

It is now openly clear that the BJP is the one splitting the Trinamool Congress. Evidence of this is the fact that 12-14 rebel Trinamool MPs gathered at the residence of Union Minister and BJP's Bengal in-charge, Bhupendra Yadav. Bengal Chief Minister Suwendu Adhikari was also present at that meeting and discussion. On Monday evening, Chief Minister Suwendu also visited the residence of Shatabdi Roy, the alleged deputy leader of the rebel MPs. There, too, meetings and bargaining took place with the rebel Trinamool faction. We say "bargaining" because those meetings must have decided how to become part of the NDA and ultimately how to join the BJP. If there were no allurements or attractions, why would any MLA or MP rebel? Discontent and rebellion are possible in any political party, and history is replete with such incidents. This sabotage exercise was underway while Trinamool President Mamata Banerjee was attending a meeting of the opposition "India" alliance. The two locations are approximately 1.5 kilometers apart. Mamata Banerjee couldn't stop her MPs from switching sides, as the rebels saw a "bright" political future within the BJP. The MPs who enjoyed Mamata Banerjee's 15-year rule, treated her like a goddess, and won elections to the Lok Sabha using her party's symbol and her political appeals, are now calling the Trinamool a party of brokers, thieves, dacoits, and rapists.

Wow! What parliamentary politics and anti-defection law is this? Sure, this law allows two-thirds of the rebel faction to form and recognize a separate faction, but even this law has proven to be aimless and purposeless. If Trinamool MPs were going to break away, why did they go to the BJP leader's residence? Why did the BJP leader extend an unannounced invitation? The Chief Minister also didn't attend, coincidentally. Apparently, the BJP leadership has decided that after the crushing defeat in the elections, breaking up Trinamool would be easier, and incorporating it as a component of the NDA. In fact, the BJP-NDA needs to increase its numbers in both houses of Parliament to easily pass constitutional amendment bills, which require a two-thirds majority.

Lalit Garg

Some periods in India's democratic history are remembered not just for regime change but for a renaissance of national consciousness. The past twelve years under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership is one such period. This is not merely the story of a Prime Minister's long tenure, but the story of an India that has reasserted itself with renewed confidence, renewed energy, and a renewed global identity. By taking oath as Prime Minister for the third consecutive term, Narendra Modi surpassed the record of independent India's first Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, for the longest consecutive term as Prime Minister. This achievement is not merely a politi-

cal success, but a testament to the public's faith, repeatedly expressed through the democratic process. For a country as vast, multilingual, multi-religious, and culturally diverse to grant a national mandate to a leader for three consecutive terms is an extraordinary and historic event.

The most significant characteristic of the Modi era is not just development, but the integration of development and trust. While the Nehruvian era was called the era of building modern India, the Modi era can be called the era of renaissance of that India's self-confidence. Modi not only built roads, bridges, airports, and digital networks, but also instilled in millions of Indians the belief that India is second to none and can play a lead-

reposed their trust in him time and again.

After taking oath as Prime Minister in 2014, he called himself "Pradhan Sevak." At that time, this was considered a political expression, but over the past twelve years, it has emerged as a working style of governance. The concept of extending the benefits of development to the poor, the deprived, farmers, women, youth, and the last person in line became the mainstay of governance. In the past twelve years, India has witnessed an unprecedented expansion of welfare schemes. Millions of families were provided with pucca houses. Electricity reached every village. Through the Ujjwala Yojana, millions of women were freed from smoke. Through the Jal Jeevan Mission, an effort was made to provide tap water to homes. The toilet construction campaign initiated a new social and health transformation in rural India.

The Jan Dhan Yojana connected millions of poor families to the banking system. Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) delivered government assistance directly to the accounts of beneficiaries, reducing corruption and the role of middlemen. The free ration scheme provided food security to millions of families in times of crisis. The Ayushman Bharat Yojana provided health security to the poor.

The house in which light reached for the first time. In the courtyard where the lamp of respect was lit, from there the dream of a developed India started taking shape in the faith of the people.

The government has also taken numerous steps to alleviate poverty. Social

security schemes and the expansion of economic opportunities have played a role in improving the living standards of millions of people. This is not just a matter of government statistics, but the real story of families experiencing development for the first time in their lives.

Recognizing India's youth as its greatest asset, the government has strived to promote skills development, innovation, and entrepreneurship. Initiatives like Startup India and Digital India have created new opportunities for young people. Today, India boasts one of the world's largest startup ecosystems. India has established a global presence in digital payments, fintech, and innovation.

India has also achieved remarkable achievements in the field of science and technology. The success of the Chandrayaan mission showcased India's scientific capabilities on the world stage. India became the first country to reach the Moon's South Pole. This achievement is not only a scientific triumph but also a testament to a self-confident and self-reliant India.

When innovation is in young hands. When there is confidence in science. Then the distance of the moon also seems less.

And India becomes the trust of the world.

Women's empowerment has been an important aspect of Prime Minister Modi's tenure. Programs such as the Ujjwala Yojana, Maternity Benefit, Mudra Yojana, expansion of self-help groups, and the Lakhpati Didi Abhiyan have attempted to empower women economically and socially. The provision of 33 percent reservation for

women in Parliament and Legislative Assemblies is considered a step that will give new dimensions to women's participation in Indian democracy. The vision of making women not just beneficiaries but partners in development has shown a new direction for social change. From villages to cities, women are today making their strong presence felt in entrepreneurship, education, administration, and politics.

The soul of India resides in its villages, and farmers are the foundation of its economy. With this vision, numerous schemes were implemented for farmers. Steps like the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), expansion of irrigation projects, increased minimum support prices (MSPs), promotion of agricultural technology, and increased agricultural exports have strengthened the rural economy. Livestock farmers and fishermen have also been linked to benefits like the Kisan Credit Card. Efforts have been made to increase farmers' income by encouraging diversification and the use of modern technologies in the agricultural sector. This has been an important initiative towards making rural India self-reliant.

A key feature of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership has been his ability to take big and difficult decisions. Many issues that had been a part of political debate for decades but were awaiting resolution were implemented. Whether it was the decision to revoke Article 370 from Jammu and Kashmir, the implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST), the One Rank One Pension scheme, or the law

against triple talaq—all of these underscored the decisive style of governance. Supporters say these decisions made the administrative and constitutional framework more effective, while critics questioned various aspects of these decisions. However, it is undeniable that these decisions established a distinct identity of decisive leadership in Indian politics. India's policy in the field of national security also witnessed a clear shift. Tough action against terrorism, surgical strikes, and air strikes sent the message that India would not compromise on its security and sovereignty. India's proactive policy against cross-border terrorism also attracted global attention. Peace agreements in the Northeast, the decline of Naxalism's influence, and the development of infrastructure in border areas have provided a new strength to national integration.

The border is safe, the resolve is firm. The mantra of national interest being paramount is strong. A confluence of strength and peace. India is moving forward with new strength. On the economic front, the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan (Self-reliant India) campaign gave rise to a new thinking. Amidst the COVID pandemic and global challenges, India strived to make self-reliance the foundation of development. Make in India, production-linked incentive (PLI) schemes, and investments in sectors such as semiconductor manufacturing, green energy, and defense production played a crucial role in preparing the country for the economy of the future.

The golden journey of public trust, good governance and developed India in the Modi era

Vinod Kumar Singh

June 10, 2026, marked a significant and historic day in the history of Indian democracy, when Prime Minister Narendra Modi became the longest-serving elected Prime Minister. With 4,399 days of continuous service, he surpassed the record of 4,398 days held by independent India's first Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. This achievement is not merely a political statistic, but a powerful expression of public faith in the democratic system, acceptance of leadership, and dedication to nation-building.

India is the world's largest democracy, where the people are supreme. Here, the true basis of power isn't merely electoral victory, but the trust established in the hearts of the people. A leader can only command long-term public support if their policies are beneficial, their intentions are clear, and their decisions prioritize national interest. This historic achievement of Prime Minister Narendra Modi speaks to this public trust.

When the intentions of the leadership are clear. When the resolution is for national interest.

Then history is not only written, but it is shaped for new generations.

Narendra Modi's journey from a humble beginning to the highest peak of national politics is a living example of the power and potential of Indian democracy. His journey from a dedicated organisational worker to the Chief Minister of Gujarat and then to the Prime Minister of the country is an inspiring saga of struggle, discipline and relentless hard work. This is why the people of the country have

Twelve Years of the Modi Era: Growth, Trust, and the Rise of Virat

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ership role on the world stage. Modi's most unique characteristic is that he did not consider politics merely a means of power, but instead connected it with public sentiment and national aspirations. He is one of those rare leaders who did not allow government schemes to remain mere administrative documents, but transformed them into a mass movement. The Swachh Bharat Abhiyan is a prime example of this. The issue of cleanliness, once confined to government departments, was linked to national character and social responsibility.

The Modi era will also be remembered for restoring India's lost cultural identity. National symbols, pilgrimage sites, and cultural heritage, neglected for centuries, gained new dignity. The construc-

tion of the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Temple in Ayodhya became not just a religious event but a symbol of respect for the cultural consciousness of millions of Indians. The development of pilgrimage sites like Kashi Vishwanath Dham, Mahakal Lok, the reconstruction of Kedarnath, and Somnath indicate that modernity and tradition are not in opposition to each other, but can be complementary. Another characteristic of Modi is that he gave a new dimension of self-confidence to India's foreign policy. India, once a balancer between world powers, has now emerged as a nation influencing global discourse. Be it the Russia-Ukraine war, the crisis in West Asia, leadership of the G-20, or the question of raising the voice of the Global

South, India has played a decisive role. This is the same India that was once considered to be in the league of developing countries, but today the world looks to it as a solution-provider nation.

A significant achievement of these twelve years is that for the first time, a serious effort was made to place the last person at the center of governance. Schemes like the Jan Dhan Yojana, Ujjwala Yojana, Ayushman Bharat, PM Awas Yojana, free ration scheme, and direct benefit transfers transformed the lives of millions of poor people. Governance transparency increased and the role of middlemen was limited. The Digital India campaign did not limit technology to metropolitan areas, but extended it to every village.

76-year-old who lost 8 of his family in the B&B blaze dies

New Delhi, (GNS): Radheshyam Aggarwal, the 76-year-old man who lost eight of his relatives in the devastating fire in Hauz Rani B&B, has passed away.

His family had chosen to stay in that B&B to remain close to Aggarwal, who was in a private hospital in Saket with an acute lung infection. He was in the ICU.

As he battled for life, other relatives kept the information of the tragedy from him, fearing the shock would worsen his condition. "The most heart-breaking part is that uncle passed away without knowing that every member of his immediate family had died in the fire," a relative told Media.

Among those killed were his wife Premalata (70), son Vivek



(47), daughter-in-law Tarjani (42), and granddaughters, Jivisha (20), and Varya (16). Three relatives of Premalata who had come from Kishangarh in Rajasthan's Ajmer district - Kamla (52), Ashok (56), and Jhaveri - also lost their lives in the blaze.

Jivisha had flown in from Bengaluru just hours before

the fire to be near her ailing grandfather. The rest of the family had temporarily shifted from their Gurgaon home to the B&B so they could be closer to the hospital after being informed of Aggarwal's deteriorating condition.

"He kept asking for his son in his final days. We told him Vivek had gone to Jaipur and

would come to see him soon. Every day, we gave him a new excuse," the relative said, struggling to hold back tears.

Relatives said that Aggarwal repeatedly asked about his loved ones. As the days passed without a single visit from his wife, son, daughter-in-law or granddaughters, they sensed he had begun to feel that something was wrong.

"We could never bring ourselves to tell him the truth. Had he known, it would have shattered him and he might have lost the will to fight for his life," a relative said. "Maybe if he had seen his son, he could have held on a little longer."

Aggarwal lost consciousness on Monday and died on Tuesday morning.

Fake gang threat: Two arrested for extorting businessman using int'l number

New Delhi, (GNS): Two businessmen from Haryana have been arrested for posing as members of the Kala Jathedi gang and allegedly extorting a Delhi businessman through threatening calls made using an international number. The accused, Rajan Kalra, 26, from Yamunanagar and Sahil Garg, 38, a medical equipment trader from Jagadhari, had no links with the gang and used its name to intimidate the complainant, police said.

DCP (north west) Akanksha Yadav said, "The case came to light after a resident of Adarsh Nagar who runs a plastic glue tape manufacturing business in Bawana, approached police alleging that he had been receiving threatening WhatsApp calls from international numbers."

According to investigators, Jain had an ongoing financial dispute with Sahil Garg, who had earlier lodged a complaint against him at Adarsh Nagar police station alleging cheating and non-payment of Rs 2.9 crore.

Police said the callers claimed to be members of the Kala Jathedi gang



and demanded the disputed amount. They told the complainant they had already taken Rs 50 lakh as advance to recover the money and threatened to kill him if he did not pay. Audio recordings of the calls were submitted as evidence.

An FIR was registered on June 7 under sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita related to extortion and criminal intimidation. Multiple teams were formed to trace the accused.

Yadav said technical surveillance helped track the suspects across Karnal, Jagadhari, Yamunanagar and Chandigarh. Police first nabbed Kalra, and based on his disclosure, arrested Garg.

27-year-old held for murder of co-worker amid a drunken quarrel in Gandhi Nagar

New Delhi, (GNS): A 27-year-old man was arrested for allegedly stabbing an associate to death with a pair of scissors during a drunken quarrel inside a garment factory in Shahdara's Gandhi Nagar area last week. The deceased was identified as Krishan Kumar.

According to the police, information regarding a man being admitted with stab injuries was received from a hospital last Friday. Kumar, unable to disclose the circumstances of the incident or identify the assailant, left the hospital without informing the medical staff and declined to pursue legal action. The next day, cops received information from another hospital that he had succumbed to his injuries.

Police traced Kumar's workplace to a garment factory in Raghuwarpura II in Gandhi Nagar. Questioning of the factory owner and workers revealed that a quarrel had broken out amongst workers on Thursday night after they had consumed liquor in the factory.

During this altercation, one of the workers, identified as Arwaz, had allegedly attacked a worker, identified as Tiger, before stabbing Kumar with a pair of scissors and fleeing from the spot.

A case was registered under section 103 (murder) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita at the Gandhi Nagar police station.

"CCTV cameras were examined and suspected persons were identified," said DCP (Shahdara) Rajendra Prasad Meena.

Arwaz, a resident of Sangam Vihar, was nabbed from southwest Delhi's Uttam Nagar. He confessed to his involvement in the crime, and police seized the pair of scissors used in the crime from his possession.

Police also found that he was previously involved in a case of attempted murder registered at the Sangam Vihar police station as a minor boy.

Buried in debt, Delhi man kills entire family but unable to end his life; cops file chargesheet

New Delhi, (GNS): An orange shirt worn by Munchun Kewat at the time of allegedly killing his wife and three young daughters in outer Delhi's Samaypur Badli became the crucial clue that led police to arrest him from Rajasthan, a chargesheet filed before a Rohini court has stated.

Police sources said the 250-page chargesheet attributed the murders to financial distress allegedly caused by online gambling and betting. Kewat claimed to have accumulated debts of nearly Rs 4 lakh and was unable to repay

them. He told investigators that he had contemplated ending his own life, too, but could not do so after killing them. He said he had taken the step believing that they would otherwise suffer because of the financial situation and the social consequences arising out of it. The chargesheet lists around 40 witnesses.

On February 25, the bodies of Anita (30) and her three daughters, aged three, four and five, were found inside their one-room house. All

four victims had their throats slit with a sharp-edged vegetable vendor at Azadpur Mandi, was missing and became the prime suspect.

A special investigation team was constituted by DCP Hareshwar Swami and led by SHO Shailendra Singh Jaakhar.

Investigators examined footage from nearly 800 CCTV cameras and prepared a digital route map to track the suspect's movements. Sources said CCTV footage

showed Kewat buying a knife while wearing an orange shirt. After the killings, he was again captured on camera walking away from the house in the same outfit.

Investigators tracked his movements through north Delhi, where he was seen boarding an e-rickshaw.

Police eventually traced him to Rajasthan. "He had previously worked in Chennai and Rajasthan, so teams were sent to both places. He was still wearing the same orange shirt when he was arrested," a source said.

Kewat claimed that on

February 23, he received a call from Mithlesh asking for the money. An argument followed, during which Mithlesh allegedly threatened that he would keep Kewat's wife with him and make her and the children work. Enraged by the remarks, Kewat allegedly blocked him and began planning to kill his wife.

Later that day, around 1pm, he bought the knife for Rs 90 from Azadpur Mandi and hid it at home, police were told. Despite planning to carry out the murders that night, he did not act.

65-year-old woman seeks water facility for monkeys in Delhi's MB Road

New Delhi, (GNS): For the past 12 years, 65-year-old Vijay Laxmi has been quietly dedicating her life to caring for monkeys in Tughlakabad. Without any external support, she has been providing drinking water to the animals every day, she travels two kilometers from her home every day to provide water to these monkeys.

Using a handcart, she brings water cans from home, a task that has become increasingly difficult with age. Despite the physical strain, Vijay Laxmi continues her service, driven by compassion and a sense of responsibility towards the animals.

"I have been doing this for around 12 years, but it is becoming very hard now. There should be a proper water facility for the monkeys," she said.



She has requested the Delhi Jal Board to install a water tank in the area, which would ensure a steady supply of drinking water for the monkeys and reduce her daily struggle.

Vijay Laxmi is single-handedly raising her three grandchildren, Jagat (9), Adarsh (14), and Pari (12), sustaining the family by selling bananas from a roadside cart and man-

aging the daily needs of both herself and the children.

Despite financial and personal challenges, she continues her selfless service without any outside help. Local residents say her efforts have helped prevent monkeys from straying into homes in search of water, especially during hot weather. However, they agree that a permanent solution is needed.

Man with 17 criminal cases injured in police encounter in Delhi's Moolchand



New Delhi, (GNS): A man with 17 criminal cases against him was injured in an exchange of fire with police near Moolchand Metro station in southeast Delhi after he allegedly opened fire at a police team that had laid a trap to arrest him, an officer said on Wednesday.

The accused, identified as Sonu, sustained a bullet injury in his leg during the encounter and was admitted to a hospital

for treatment, according to news agency PTI. Police said they had received specific information about his movement and laid a trap in a lane near the metro station. When Sonu arrived on a motorcycle, the police team signalled him to stop.

"Instead of surrendering, Sonu allegedly opened fire at police personnel, prompting the team to retaliate.

120kmph winds rock Delhi

Evening dust storm followed by violent overnight rain in NCR; 400+ flights delayed, red and orange alert issued



New Delhi, (GNS): After an evening dust storm turned the skies over Delhi a shade of brown with wind speeds touching a staggering 120kmph at Palam, the capital witnessed an even more dramatic weather spectacle late into the night.

Violent winds, intense lightning and spells of rain swept across Delhi-NCR. The sudden storm brought relief from the scorching heat but left behind scenes of disruption across the region. The pre-monsoon squall hit after a sweltering day that saw temperatures soaring well above normal, with Delhi reeling under heatwave-like conditions and a "feels-like" temperature crossing 45°C. What began as dust-

laden winds in the evening quickly intensified into a powerful thunderstorm, engulfing large parts of Delhi-NCR in near-zero visibility conditions. According to the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD), Palam recorded peak gusts of 120kmph between 6.50pm and 6.52pm, matching the station's highest wind speed recorded since 2001. The last comparable reading at Palam was also 120kmph in June 2001. Other stations reported equally strong winds, including Pusa (80kmph), Safdarjung (64kmph), Jafarpur (59kmph), Chhattarpur (56kmph), Pitampura (35kmph), Lodi Road (31kmph), Janakpuri (30kmph), and Mayur Vihar (13kmph). Temperatures remained unusually high even during the storm. The Ridge recorded the city's highest maximum at 44.7°C, followed by Lodi Road at 44°C, Palam at

43.8°C, Ayanagar at 43.6°C, and Safdarjung at 43.5°C, all significantly above normal levels. Despite the extreme heat, the storm brought sudden and intense weather activity across the region. Dust clouds, strong gusts and lightning were followed by spells of heavy rain in several parts of Delhi-NCR, offering brief relief from the oppressive conditions. The impact on air traffic was significant. According to FlightRadar24, over 400 flights were delayed, while at least two flights were diverted as strong winds and low visibility disrupted operations at Delhi airport. The storm also caused temporary chaos at road level, with visibility dropping sharply and traffic movement slowing across major corridors.

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Trinidad Infant Gets New Lease of Life Through Rare Liver Transplant

New Delhi, (GNS): A seven-month-old baby from Trinidad and Tobago, weighing less than 4 kg and suffering from a rare genetic liver disorder, has undergone a life-saving liver transplant in Delhi.

The infant, Erik Ramsook, was brought to Apollo Hospital after developing severe liver disease within months of birth. Doctors found him suffering from end-stage liver failure, severe malnutrition, abdominal fluid accumulation and complications linked to advanced liver disease.

The case drew additional attention because Erik's family traces its roots to present-day Balrampur district of Uttar Pradesh. More than 175 years after an ancestor migrated from India to the Caribbean, the family returned to Delhi

seeking treatment for the critically ill child.

According to Dr Anupam Sibal, group medical director and senior paediatric gastroenterologist and hepatologist at Apollo Hospital, a liver transplant was the child's only chance of survival. The procedure was carried out within a week of the family's arrival in Delhi.

The transplant was performed by a multidisciplinary liver transplant team led by Dr Neerav Goyal after Erik's mother donated a portion of her liver. Doctors said the child's father was initially evaluated as a donor but was found unsuitable.

Genetic testing later confirmed that Erik suffered from Progressive Familial Intrahepatic Cholestasis Type 4 (PFIC4), a rare inherited liver disorder

caused by a mutation in the TJP2 gene. Fewer than 10 infant liver transplants for TJP2-related disease have been reported worldwide, making the case exceptionally uncommon.

"Of more than 600 paediatric liver transplants performed at our centre, only two have involved children with a TJP2 mutation," said Dr Goyal. He added that Erik was also only the second child from Trinidad and Tobago to undergo a liver transplant at the hospital.

Doctors said the successful surgery highlights Delhi's growing role as a destination for highly specialised paediatric care, with complex transplant procedures increasingly attracting patients from overseas.

Fifteen days after surgery, Erik was discharged from the hospital. He is recovering well.

IAS Sajjan Yadav returns as Delhi Jal Board CEO

New Delhi ,(GNS): Senior IAS officer Sajjan Singh Yadav has been appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of the Delhi Jal Board (DJB), marking his return to the water utility for a second stint at its helm.

The appointment is being seen as significant from both administrative and political perspectives. While the DJB has often remained at the centre of political debates over water supply, tanker operations, sewage treatment and infrastructure projects, the government has now chosen a seasoned bureaucrat who has previously run the organisation and is familiar with its challenges.

A 1995-batch AGMUT cadre (sort of joint cadre in civil services) officer, Yadav is among the most seasoned bureaucrats in the Delhi administration. His return to the DJB comes after a distin-



guished tenure in the Union Government's Department of Expenditure under the Ministry of Finance, where he held senior positions dealing with public finance and expenditure management.

Officials say his previous experience as the CEO gives him an advantage at a time when the utility faces mounting challenges ranging from water losses and ageing infrastructure to growing demand and financial pressures.

Meanwhile, BJP's Malviya Nagar MLA Satish Upadhyay, who has been appointed as the vice-chairman of the Delhi Jal

Board and is scheduled to assume charge on June 16, welcomed Yadav's appointment.

Speaking to The Tribune, Upadhyay said though he had not met the officer personally, he had learnt that Yadav is an efficient and seasoned administrator. "It will be great to work together for the betterment of Delhi and strengthen the city's water and sewerage infrastructure," he said.

Unlike many officers taking charge of a new department, Yadav will not require a learning curve. Having earlier served as the CEO of the Delhi Jal Board, he possesses institutional memory of the organisation's functioning, ongoing projects and long-standing bottlenecks.

The appointment also reflects a broader shift in governance under the BJP Government. During the previous AAP regime, the Delhi

Jal Board frequently remained a politically high-profile institution, where party leader Raghav Chhadha held the charge once, with water issues becoming a key electoral and governance plank.

Yadav's credentials extend beyond administration. Academically, he holds an MBA in Finance and a Master of Public Administration (MPA) from Harvard University with a focus on Economics. He is also known in policy circles for his writings on governance and public administration.

Over the course of his career, he has held several important assignments in Delhi and the Centre, including Secretary (Urban Development), Commissioner of Trade and Taxes, Secretary-cum-Commissioner of Food and Civil Supplies, and senior positions in the Union Finance Ministry.

DCP rules out misconduct by Gurugram traffic police in Major's traffic complaint

New Delhi ,(GNS): Reacting to a complaint filed by a retired Army Major alleging that traffic policemen misbehaved with him and his family during a weekend drink-driving check in Gurugram, the traffic police issued a clarification on Tuesday.

DCP Traffic Prateek Gehlot said the inquiry so far had found no evidence of misconduct or misbehaviour by Gurugram traffic police personnel towards the driver or his family members.

He said an inquiry was being conducted under the supervision of ACP (Traffic Headquarters and Highway) Satpal Yadav into the allegations that traffic police personnel misbehaved with a driver and issued an incorrect challan around midnight on June 6.

"According to the preliminary findings, the body-worn camera footage recorded by the traffic zonal officer during the alcohol-checking operation was reviewed. On the basis of the footage, it was found that the driver was issued a challan under the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act as the



alcohol sensor reading was 91. No evidence was found indicating any form of misconduct or misbehaviour by Gurugram traffic police," DCP Gehlot said.

He added that the matter was being further investigated by ACP (Traffic East) Manjeet Singh.

According to the complaint sent to the Police Commissioner, retired Major Hemendra Singh said he, his wife and two young daughters were returning to their society after dinner on Cyber City Golf Course Road on Sunday night when a police team stopped them.

Speaker Vijender Gupta calls for future-ready legislatures for Viksit Bharat

New Delhi ,(GNS): Delhi Legislative Assembly Speaker Vijender Gupta on Tuesday said India's journey towards Viksit Bharat 2047 would depend on a strong partnership between an aware and vigilant society and future-ready legislatures capable of addressing emerging challenges.

Addressing Plenary Session-II of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association India Region Zone-II (North Zone) Conference in Haryana, Gupta said a developed India could not be defined by economic growth alone, but by strong institutions, citizen awareness and a shared sense of national responsibility.

Highlighting India's progress, Gupta cited achievements in digital public infrastructure, renewable energy, space technology and public service delivery, calling India one of the fastest-growing major economies. He said democratic institutions in India had remained strong despite rapid social and technological changes.

The Speaker also flagged key future challenges, including artificial intelligence, climate change, cybersecurity threats and rapid urbanisation, stressing that legislatures must adopt new tools and approaches to remain effective.



According to police, Sonu is a bad character of Govindpuri police station and is involved in 17 criminal cases

Everything students need to know before applying

New Delhi ,(GNS): Everything students need to know before applying

Dreaming of a foreign degree without leaving India? Delhi-NCR is rapidly emerging as the country's new international education hub, with global universities setting up campuses and opening admissions for Indian students.

Leading the way is

the University of Southampton from the UK, which became the first foreign university to establish a full-fledged campus in Gurugram. The university has already started classes and is accepting applications for its 2026 intake.

The international education landscape in the region is expected to expand further. Institutions such as the



Illinois Institute of Technology (USA), University of Western Australia and University of Bristol (UK) have announced plans to establish cam-

pus in India, giving students more options to pursue globally recognised degrees closer to home.

For students planning to apply, the good news is that admissions at most foreign universities are far more holistic than traditional entrance based systems. Academic performance, personal achievements and overall profile play a key

role in selection.

Students from CBSE, ISC, state boards, International Baccalaureate (IB) and Cambridge curricula are generally eligible to apply, provided they meet the programme specific academic requirements.

Unlike many Indian institutions, foreign universities often do not require a separate entrance examination.

2 realtors held for building collapse in Delhi that killed 6; probe to examine design, illegal extra floors

New Delhi ,(GNS): Delhi Police has arrested a builder and a contractor in connection with the collapse of a multi-storey building in south Delhi's Saidulajab that claimed the lives of six people and left eight others injured on May 30, officials said on Tuesday.

The accused have been identified as Avinash Gupta and Manish Khatri, who were allegedly involved in the construction of the building. They were arrested from different parts of the city. Sources said the two are being questioned about the construction process, permissions obtained for the project and their specific roles in adding extra floors to the structure.

Earlier, police had arrested the building owner, Karamveer. During interrogation, he reportedly told investigators that construction work to add additional floors had begun around three months prior to the collapse.

Investigators found that the building



lacked a sanctioned plan, approved construction map and other mandatory documents required for such construction. Police said the structure was originally designed to support only four floors, but two additional storeys were subsequently built.

Sources said Karamveer was earning

nearly Rs 2.5 lakh per floor in rent for the commercial property and was allegedly looking to increase his earnings by adding two more storeys. Police suspect that the expansion was undertaken primarily to generate higher rental revenue and that the additional load placed on the building weakened its foundation, contributing to the collapse.

Police sources further said Karamveer was not present at the site when the building came crashing down. He allegedly went into hiding after being informed about the incident through a phone call and was later traced and arrested by police.

A rescuer involved in the operation said the investigation would focus on determining whether the building's design, construction quality and subsequent modifications played a role in the tragedy.

Delhi: Hashim gang sharpshooter nabbed after exchange of fire

New Delhi ,(GNS): A wanted sharpshooter linked to the notorious Hashim Baba gang and an accused in the double murder case of a man and his nephew on the day of Diwali in 2024 was arrested after an exchange of fire, the police said on Tuesday. The accused, Amir, alias Saleem, alias Tillan (34), a resident of Seelampur, was nabbed near the Metro Depot in Shastri Park on the night of June 8.

Based on specific intelligence, a team laid a trap near the Metro Depot. Around 10:48 pm, the police spotted the suspect and signalled him to stop. Instead of surrendering, Amir allegedly opened fire on the police team in an attempt to escape.

The police said the team fired in self-defence, aiming at the accused's legs. Despite sustaining a bullet injury, Amir allegedly tried to flee but was overpowered and arrested.

A semi-automatic .32 bore pistol, reportedly made in Italy, along with four live cartridges and four empty



cartridge cases, were recovered from his possession. Following the encounter, a fresh case under relevant provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and the Arms Act was registered at the Crime Branch police station.

Towering ambitions: Delhi Fire Service looks skyward for solutions



New Delhi ,(GNS): The capital's highrise fire woes may finally find a resolution, as the fire department plans to procure tenders and ladders to strengthen its response to blazes in tall buildings with 50-plus floors.

Two specialised fire tenders designed for firefighting in highrises and skyscrapers, equipped with long-range systems capable of reaching heights of up to 200 metres, are likely to be procured.

"The tenders will be fitted with compressors and foam-based systems, enabling firefighters to effectively tackle blazes in buildings of up to 50 floors," a fire official said.

The department also plans to procure six multipurpose water tenders fitted with turntable ladders that can reach 15-22 metres, carrying water along with a full range of firefighting and rescue equipment. Apart from this, one 55-metre and

two 42-metre turntable ladders will be procured. With 360-degree rotation, these vehicles are specifically designed for highrise emergencies, improving access to upper floors and enabling faster rescue and more effective firefighting in multi-storey structures where conventional equipment has limited reach. Last month, a building collapsed in south Delhi's Said-ul-Ajaib, claiming six lives. During the rescue operation, a major challenge was inadequate lighting, as the incident occurred at night. Keeping this in mind, the department plans to acquire four lighting-cum-breathing apparatus vans that support rescue teams in low-visibility and hazardous conditions. The vehicles will carry cas-

cases of breathing air cylinders to ensure continuous supply of breathable air to firefighters operating in smoke-filled environments. The fire department will also procure 50 quick-response vehicles capable of navigating narrow lanes to reach emergency sites faster. Additionally, four urban search and rescue tenders, carrying a comprehensive range of rescue tools, will be added to respond to building collapses, gas leaks and major fires.

Delhi Fire Service chief fire officer Abhilash Kumar Malik said the department will try its best to complete the procurement in 2026, which would significantly strengthen the city's firefighting and emergency response capabilities.

70% desilting done, to finish work by June 15: DDA

New Delhi ,(GNS): Delhi Development Authority (DDA) claimed to have completed around 70% of its desilting work and is aiming to finish the exercise by June 15 to minimise the risk of waterlogging during the monsoon. Reviewing the progress on Tuesday, lieutenant governor TS Sandhu stressed that delays won't be tolerated. An extensive desilting drive of stormwater drains "was initiated well in advance to ensure smooth drainage of rainwater, prevent flooding of roads, reduce traffic congestion, maintain hygiene and improve the overall upkeep of public infrastructure during the monsoon", LG said. As part of the drive, DDA is currently desilting 69km of stormwater drains in Narela and 192km in Dwarka. The exercise includes the removal of accumulated silt, debris, vegeta-



tion and other obstructions that impede the free flow of rainwater.

A total of 494.8km of drains fall under DDA's jurisdiction across its six zones. Of these, 148.2km comprise drains up to four feet deep, while 246km are deeper. DDA has also identified 11 waterlogging-prone locations, including 10 in South zone and one in East zone, and taken steps to fix the problem,

said sources.

These include Okhla underpass, the side road near Dwarka flyover and Maharaja Agrasen Hospital, Radha Swami T-Point, Sector 6/7 crossing, Sector 22 and Sector 23 in Dwarka, Sarita Vihar-Okhla Underpass, Dwarka Court, Utsav Park and Patparganj. Officials said regular inspections and monitoring were being carried out to ensure timely completion and adherence to quality standards. The initiative is expected to improve drainage efficiency, reduce waterlogging and facilitate smoother traffic movement during the rainy season.

DDA is also upgrading civic infrastructure in vulnerable areas, including improvements of drainage systems and roads near Sarita Vihar underpass and in several sectors of Dwarka and Rohini.