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Suspected Jaish Female Sleeper Cell Arrested in Jaipur Married Pakistani Terror Handler Online Say Investigators

Jaipur (GNS): A woman suspected of being a sleeper cell operative of the Pakistan-based terror outfit Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) allegedly married a Pakistani terror handler through an online Islamic marriage ceremony, according to investigators probing the case. The accused, Babita alias Khadija (38), was arrested recently in Jaipur. Investigators said she admitted during questioning that she came into contact with Pakistani terror handlers after following online content related to terrorists in the aftermath of the Pahalgam terror attack. According to sources, the handlers allegedly indoctrinated her, after which she learned Islamic religious practices, including reciting the Kalma, from a Pakistani cleric through online platforms. Police said Babita later converted to Islam, changed her name to Khadija, and performed an online Nikah with terror handler Abu Ubaidah, who is believed to be a close associate of Jaish-e-Mohammed chief Masood Azhar.

Six Operation Sindoor Martyrs' Names Made Public Included in National War Memorial's 'Roll of Honour' List

New Delhi (GNS): The names of six brave soldiers who laid down their lives during Operation Sindoor have been officially made public for the first time. Their names have been added to the 'Roll of Honour' section on the National War Memorial website, which commemorates all Indian soldiers who have sacrificed their lives in wars and military operations for the nation.



Ayodhya, (GNS): A day after an FIR was registered over the alleged embezzlement of donations received at the Ram Temple in Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh chief minister Yogi Adityanath on Friday asserted that those found guilty would not be spared.

Addressing the controversy at a public meeting in Deoria, Adityanath said the government took action against those accused in the alleged embezzlement immediately after the SIT submitted its

'Do not cast aspersions on Ayodhya': UP CM Adityanath on arrests in Ram temple donation theft case

report.

"I was on a visit to Ayodhya on June 19. Even then, I had said that Ayodhya is a symbol of our unity, a symbol of India's S a n a t a n Dharma. Do not cast aspersions on Ayodhya; learn to follow the dignity of Lord Ram," the UP CM said.

"Regarding the news that was coming about Ayodhya, we had said that an SIT had been formed, and our action would begin as soon as the SIT report came. As soon as the SIT report came, action began," he added. During his address, Adityanath also launched a sharp attack against the opposition and warned against the politicisation of the issue.

"One side used to say that Lord Ram doesn't even exist, meaning these people wanted to deny Ayodhya itself. They kept fighting the case in court continuously, kept fielding armies of lawyers against the construction of the Ram Janmabhoomi temple, and the other side is the one that would wield sticks and fire bullets at those chanting 'Jai Shri Ram.' Those who would fire bullets at the mere mention of Lord Ram's name are now saying that there has been tampering with faith... They would incite riots on Ram Navami, ban Shri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations, prevent the Kanwar Yatra from taking place, incite riots during Durga Puja... Remember, the Congress didn't just loot

the country; they tore it apart," Adityanath said.

"The records of dishonesty and corruption they established, and those very people are now casting aspersions on Ayodhya? This is unacceptable. The government's intention is clear..., everything will come before everyone. But I will appeal once again: do not test Ram devotees, stop tampering with their faith. If there are no facts or evidence, then stop the accusations and counter-accusations, and if there is evidence, then present it before the SIT. The government is proceeding with the action as per the SIT's recommendations, and while the team of senior officials is working, stop making political statements about it," he added. Earlier on

Thursday, an FIR was registered against eight persons over the alleged embezzlement of temple donations. All eight were associated with the process of counting cash and valuables received as donations at the temple. According to news agency PTI, the accused have been booked under multiple provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, including those related to theft by a clerk or servant, criminal breach of trust, receiving stolen property, and criminal conspiracy. Police said the accused were arrested in Ayodhya and are being questioned. The FIR, lodged at the instance of Krishna Mohan, a member of the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust, follows recommendations made in the prelim-

inary report of a Special Investigation Team (SIT) constituted by the Uttar Pradesh government to probe the allegations. "All eight persons named in the FIR have been arrested and are being questioned as part of the investigation," the officials said on condition of anonymity. Ayodhya SSP Gaurav Grover told PTI, "The accused are in our custody. They will be produced before the court following preliminary questioning about the case." Former Samajwadi Party MLA Pawan Pandey alleged that between Rs 7 crore and Rs 7.5 crore in temple donations had been misappropriated. Following the allegations, the government constituted a three-member SIT on June 13 after the Trust itself sought an investigation.

PM Modi Meets Queen Máxima of the Netherlands: Discusses Digital Public Infrastructure and Financial Inclusion

New Delhi (GNS): Prime Minister Narendra Modi met Queen Máxima of the Netherlands on Friday and discussed India's Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) and its role in making financial services more accessible, affordable, and inclusive. Prime Minister Modi said India remains committed to sharing its experience in building digital public infrastructure with partner countries around the world. Sharing details of the meeting on social media platform X, the Prime Minister said he was pleased to meet Queen Máxima, who serves as the United Nations Secretary-General's Special Advocate for Financial Health and has long been a global champion of financial inclusion. Modi said the discussions focused on how India's DPI-based revolution has made financial services more accessible and affordable while simplifying everyday life and empowering millions of people.



8 Killed in Truck-Pickup Collision in Ramgarh

Bodies Trapped in Mangled Vehicle; Victims Belonged to a Band Troupe

Ramgarh (Jharkhand), Agency: At least eight people were killed in a horrific road accident in Jharkhand's Ramgarh district late Thursday night after a coal-laden truck rammed into a pickup vehicle on the Ramgarh-Bokaro highway (NH-23) near Lari-Barlong under the Rajrapa police station area. The impact of the collision completely mangled the pickup vehicle, trapping its occupants inside. All the victims were members of a band and percussion troupe, and their musical instruments were scattered across the highway following the crash. Seven people died on the spot, while another critically injured victim succumbed during treatment after being referred to a hospital in Ranchi. The truck driver fled the scene, abandoning the vehicle.

Victims Were Travelling to Perform at an Event: Police said all eight victims were associated



with a band party. They had travelled from Ramgarh to Margamarcha and were on their way to Balsagra, where they were to pick up other members before proceeding to Bihar for a performance. Preliminary investigations indicate that the speeding coal-laden truck was attempting to overtake another vehicle when it veered

into the pickup, causing the devastating collision. Villagers rushed to the scene and began rescue operations before informing the police. With the help of local residents, the bodies were recovered one by one. Initially, angry locals prevented authorities from removing the bodies, but later relented after being persuaded by district officials.

Guard Says Siya Cried for Help After Ketan Was Pushed

Mother Says, 'If My
Daughter Is Guilty, Throw
Her Off the Fort Too'

Pune (GNS): A fresh revelation has emerged in the murder case of Ketan Agrawal in Pune. A security guard posted at Lohagad Fort, where Ketan allegedly fell to his death, claimed he heard his fiancée Siya Goyal screaming for help immediately after the incident. According to guard Dheeraj Jadhav, he rushed to the spot after hearing cries and found Siya Goyal calling for help. "When I asked her what had happened, she told me that someone had fallen from the fort."



LPG Tanker Crashes into Toll Plaza, Explodes in Flames Driver Burnt Alive; 16 Motorcycles and Two Cars Destroyed

Kaushambi (GNS): An LPG tanker rammed into a toll plaza in Uttar Pradesh's Kaushambi district early Friday morning, triggering a massive explosion and fire that claimed the life of the driver and left five toll employees injured. The accident occurred at around 6 a.m. when the tanker lost control and crashed into the Sihori Toll Plaza under the Kokhraj police station area. The impact caused a powerful explosion, engulfing the tanker in flames. The driver was trapped inside and was burnt alive. His body was completely charred, with only parts of his skeletal remains recovered after the fire was extinguished. Fire brigade personnel reached the spot and brought the blaze under control after nearly 30 minutes of firefighting. However, by then, the tanker had been completely destroyed. The fire also spread to the toll plaza yard, reducing 16 parked motorcycles and two cars to ashes. Initially, there were reports that the driver had escaped by jumping from the tanker, but after the flames were extinguished, firefighters discovered his remains inside the vehicle. The explosion created panic in the area, with towering flames and thick black smoke visible from nearly two kilometres away.

Passport, SIR, Citizenship, Voters and Election Commission

(Sanat Jain)

The SIR process has begun in several states, including Punjab, on June 25th. On June 24th, the Ministry of External Affairs stated that a passport is not a valid document for citizenship. Punjab citizens hold the highest number of passports. A large number of Punjab citizens live as NRIs in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, and other countries. A passport is a valid document in every household in Punjab. Following the Ministry of External Affairs' clarification just before the SIR, a new debate has erupted in Punjab and other states regarding citizenship. People are now asking the govern-

ment to provide a document that proves citizenship. As soon as this controversy erupted, the Election Commission issued a clarification. The SIR process being conducted by the Election Commission will accept passports as a document. What other documents the Election Commission will request in addition to this document is known only to the Election Commission or God alone. As for West Bengal, the Election Commission implemented different rules than those in Bihar and other states. Approximately 10 million voters were removed from the list. The Election Commission doesn't do what it says, and this is what hap-

pened in West Bengal. This battle was fought in the High Court and the Supreme Court. Voters received no justice from either. Instead, the Supreme Court declared that if the appeals filed by the 2.7 million voters with the tribunal aren't resolved before the election, they should vote next time. Millions of such voters were deprived of their constitutional right to vote.

So far, the names of approximately 65 million voters have been removed from the electoral rolls through SIR. Now, in the states where elections are due, initiating the SIR process just before the elections is once again mired in controversy. Punjab has yet

to form a BJP government, just as it never formed in Bihar and West Bengal. Now, both states have BJP governments. Has the BJP targeted Punjab? Such allegations have begun to surface. The Election Commission has gone through a lot of trouble since 2017. Dozens of software have been introduced by the Commission for elections, but political parties are not informed about them. The Election Commission uses new software every year. For the past five years, various questions have been raised about the fairness of elections. Counting more votes than actually cast is being reported. The Election Commission is not following

the Supreme Court's orders regarding EVM machines, BVPATs, and control panels. In the cases of Haryana and Maharashtra, the Election Commission is not complying with the Supreme Court's orders in the High Courts through election petitions. The High Court and Supreme Court's attitude towards the Election Commission is eroding the trust of political parties and voters in the Election Commission. There have been reports of 4,000 EVM machines being burned in West Bengal. The Election Commission has deployed over 200,000 Central Police Forces there. Video footage is not provided even after being requested within the 45-day

deadline. Voter lists and Form 17 information are not made public. The Election Commission initiates the SIR before elections. Millions of voters are removed from the electoral rolls just days before the election. Voters become aware of this only when they are unable to do anything. Political parties are preoccupied with election work. In this situation, distrust in the Election Commission is growing among voters and political parties.

Regarding citizenship, the Indian government and the Election Commission are unable to determine which document is valid for citizenship.

Editorial

On the amended FCRA Rules, the fallout

Civil society organisations play a vital role in areas such as health, education, disaster relief, and civil liberties and rights, stepping in where the state falls short. Yet, the Indian state has treated NGOs with suspicion, using the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA), 2010, to impose stringent restrictions on their functioning. Earlier this week, the FCRA Amendment Rules, 2026 were notified, which require all NGOs registered under the FCRA, 2010, to confine their work to activities specified for their category and to the States and Union Territories named in their registration. They must also disclose their social media handles, websites and publications and are barred from carrying "political content". The new rules impose stringent penalties for using funds for unapproved purposes and require NGOs to pay separate fees for each category of work and to each State or Union Territory in which they operate, replacing the earlier system of a single registration fee. These increase compliance costs and paperwork. While the government argues that such measures promote transparency, evenhandedness and national security, the rules are clearly meant to stifle the work of NGOs. The operation of the FCRA regime has been far from transparent. As CPI(M) MP John Brittas recently complained, parliamentary questions on FCRA cancellations and non-renewals have been disallowed as "secret", even though more than 20,000 registrations have reportedly been revoked over the past decade on opaque grounds. Far from improving transparency, the new rules burden NGOs with greater barriers and commitments, raising concerns that the Centre intends to create a chilling effect.

In Noel Harper (2022), the Supreme Court upheld the stringent 2020 FCRA amendments, accepting the state's invocation of sovereignty and national security. Yet, in 2020, the Court had read down rules that would have classified the rights activism of civil society bodies, including protests and demonstrations as work "of a political nature", drawing a distinction between party politics and the everyday work of social and economic betterment.

(Brainstorming) Passport, SIR, Citizenship Voters and Election Commission

Globally, today is the era of science, technology, artificial intelligence, and the digital revolution. Mobile phones, the internet, and social media have brought the world to our fingertips. Limitless doors of knowledge, information, and convenience have opened. But in this rapidly changing world, if any value seems most threatened, it is respect, sensitivity, and service to elders and parents. Modernity is essential, and progress is also necessary, but if, while pursuing progress, we leave behind our values, our elders, and our parents, that progress will be considered incomplete. Today, the need is not only to teach our children how to use technology, but also to inspire them to touch the feet of their grandparents and parents, respect them, and spend time with them. If elders are respected in the family, children will also develop these same values. When children see their parents respecting their elders, they adopt that behavior as a part of their lives.

For centuries, India has been a harbinger of values, family values, and respect for generations. Parents are considered divine and elders are considered walking universities of experience. They are not just family members, but guides, motivators, and protectors of life. A home blessed with the presence of elders holds a priceless treasure of experience, patience, restraint, and blessings. Therefore, it is said that there is no greater virtue than serving aging parents and elders.

Today's young generation lives in an era of

unprecedented opportunities. Amidst the pressures of careers, competition, technology, and a global lifestyle, family elders are often neglected. Young people spend hours staring at mobile screens, but fail to find time to sit with their parents or grandparents for even a few minutes and listen to them. This isn't just a question of time, but of priorities. We must remember that our parents, who dedicated the golden years of their lives to raising, educating, and building our future, are not just responsible for financial support in their old age, but also for respect, affection, and emotional support.

I have personally spoken with many elderly people who faced neglect due to circumstances or loved ones. Surprisingly, instead of recounting their own sorrows, they only spoke of the good qualities of their children. This is their greatness, sacrifice, and selfless love. In such moments, one realizes that the hearts of the elderly truly reflect God's compassion. Their eyes hold less complaints and more good wishes for their children. This is why their blessings are considered the greatest boon in the world.

The youth of the digital age must understand that modernity and culture are not in conflict. Becoming a successful engineer, doctor, businessman, officer, or technologist is equally important as being a sensitive son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter. Technology can connect us to the world, but we must shoulder the responsibility of staying connected to our families. If young people spend some time each day

with their elderly parents, inquiring about their well-being, understanding their needs, and respecting them, it will infuse new energy of love and trust into families.

Young people should also remember that the parents and elders they see growing old today will face the same fate tomorrow. Old age is a natural phase of life. Therefore, the way we treat elders determines the character of society in the future. If we instill respect and service today, future generations will carry forward this tradition.

Elders in our homes are not only a repository of experiences but also guides in difficult situations. Their experiences can be more valuable than studying countless books. If young people spend time with them, listen to their life journeys, and learn from them, they will learn about patience, struggle, discipline, and human values ??that are not available on any digital platform.

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The greatest lesson for young people is that success isn't simply about a high salary, a big house, or a prestigious position. True success is when your parents and elders feel proud of your achievements, with satisfaction in their eyes and a smile on their face. Even the greatest achievements in the world pale in comparison to the blessings that flow from the hearts of parents and elders. Supreme Court's orders regarding EVM machines, BVPATs, and control panels. In the cases of Haryana and Maharashtra, the Election Commission is not complying with the Supreme Court's orders in the High Courts through election petitions. The High Court and Supreme Court's attitude towards the Election Commission is eroding the trust of political parties and voters in the Election Commission. There have been reports of 4,000 EVM machines being burned in West Bengal. The Election Commission has deployed over 200,000 Central Police Forces there. Video footage is not provided even after being requested within

In today's digital age, if young people resolve to take some time off their mobile phones and social media every day to spend with their elders, respect their feelings, care for their health, and consider them the center of the family, many social prob-

lems can be automatically eliminated. The most effective way to reduce the growing number of old-age homes, family disintegration, and the pain of loneliness is to treat our elders with respect and love.

Therefore, if we analyze this topic holistically, it becomes clear that the fruits of serving the elderly are extremely sweet, sacred, and priceless. There is no greater virtue than serving elders and parents. The true happiness, peace, and prosperity of life lie at their feet. When an elder silently places their affectionate hand on your head, understand that you have received God's greatest blessing. Therefore, it is the duty of every youth in the modern digital age to respect their parents and elders, serve them, and pass on this invaluable tradition of Indian culture to future generations. Several states, including Punjab, on June 25th. On June 24th, the Ministry of External Affairs stated that a passport is not a valid document for citizenship. Punjab citizens hold the highest number of passports. A large number of Punjab citizens live as NRIs in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, and other countries. A passport is a valid document in every household in Punjab. Following the Ministry of External Affairs' clarification just before the SIR,

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Increasing tobacco consumption among women is a serious warning for the new generation and society

(Kantilal Mandot)

Recent data on tobacco consumption in the country are worrying. The increasing prevalence of tobacco use, particularly among women, is posing a serious challenge to both society and the health system. According to the National Family Health Survey, an increase in tobacco use by women has been recorded in 13 states across the country. This situation is not limited to women's health; it also impacts families, children, and future generations. In a society where women are considered the foundation of the family, their exposure to any form of addiction gives rise to a host of new social and health problems.

Tobacco, in whatever form, is extremely harmful to the body. The nicotine present in beedis, cigarettes, gutkha, khaini, zarda,

hookah, and other smoking or chewing products gradually makes a person addicted to it. Initially, it may seem like just a habit, but over time, it becomes an addiction, and a person cannot feel normal without it. This problem is even more severe in women because their anatomy and biological needs differ from those of men.

Experts believe that tobacco use causes a variety of serious diseases in women. It significantly increases the risk of mouth cancer, throat cancer, lung cancer, heart disease, high blood pressure, and respiratory diseases. Women who regularly use tobacco also experience increased dental and gum problems. Premature aging of the skin and weakening of the body's immune system. Several studies have also found that tobacco use affects

women's hormonal balance, leading to numerous health problems. Tobacco use is considered even more dangerous for pregnant women. If a woman consumes tobacco during pregnancy, it directly impacts the unborn baby. This can lead to problems such as premature delivery, low birth weight, and impaired physical and mental development. In many cases, the risk of miscarriage and infant mortality also increases. Therefore, women must understand that their health is not just a personal matter, but concerns the entire family and future generations.

Increasing tobacco use among women also has a significant social impact. Children learn most from their parents' behavior, especially their mothers. If the mother uses tobacco at home, it sends the mes-

sage to children that this is a normal and acceptable behavior. As a result, children may adopt similar habits during adolescence. Thus, one person's bad habit can gradually spread to the entire family and society. Today's youth are already surrounded by various types of addictions and digital influences. In such a situation, if there is an example of tobacco use within the family, it becomes even more difficult for the new generation to stay away from it. The increasing trend of addiction among youth negatively impacts education, employment, and social development. Therefore, the responsibility of women to set a positive example for their children and families increases.

The situation of tobacco use appears to be even more worrying in rural areas. Statistics show that the

rate of tobacco use among rural women is higher than that among urban women. One reason for this is lack of awareness. In many places, tobacco is still considered a part of normal lifestyle, and adequate information about its ill effects is not available to the public. It is essential to change this mindset through education and health awareness. The government and health organizations are continuously campaigning for tobacco control. Examples include warning messages against smoking in public places and public awareness programs. Despite this, if tobacco use among women is increasing, it indicates that society needs to work more seriously in this direction. Only families, schools, social organizations, and the health department can jointly address this challenge.

Statewide AAP "Support March" in Support of MLA Chaitar Vasava

AAP Takes to the Streets Across All Districts, Including Ahmedabad, Surat, Rajkot and Vadodara

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A case was allegedly filed as part of a conspiracy against Chaitar Vasava, Aam Aadmi Party's MLA from Dediapada and a popular tribal leader, in which a total of nine people, including MLA Chaitar Vasava, were sentenced to seven years in prison. In

protest against this sentence and in support of MLA Chaitar Vasava, the Aam Aadmi Party today organised "Support March" across Gujarat, including in Ahmedabad, Surat, Vadodara, Rajkot, Jamnagar, Bhavnagar and Amreli. In Ahmedabad, the Support March was held from the state party office to Income Tax Circle. The programme was attended by State Vice President Gauri Desai, State Chief Spokesperson and State Organisation Secretary Dr. Karan Barot, ASAP State President Dharmik

Mathukiya, ASAP Ahmedabad City President Yatrik Patel, Maldhari Cell State President Kiran Desai, Women's Wing State Vice President Neha Kevalramani, Women's Wing State Organisation secretary Kashmira Mehta, Youth Wing State Vice President Hardik Khokhar, Youth Wing State Organisation Secretary Zuber Sheikh, Ahmedabad West Lok Sabha In-charge Vipul Patel, Aam Aadmi Party leaders Rajesh Dixit, Mukesh Chauhan, Deepak Desai, along with a large number of

party workers, who raised slogans in support of MLA Chaitar Vasava. Chaitar Vasava, a popular tribal MLA who has fought for the rights of the tribal community, protected water, forests and land, and raised his voice for the youth of Gujarat, has been sent to jail through the alleged misuse of law as part of a conspiracy. Ever since Chaitar Vasava was elected from Dediapada, the BJP has repeatedly tried to intimidate him and lure him, but he refused to bow before the BJP party. As a

result, the BJP government has repeatedly misused the administrative machinery to file cases against him and has sent him to jail on several occasions. It is evident that the BJP government wants to remove Chaitar Vasava from the post of MLA through a conspiracy. Chaitar Vasava has consistently raised the voice of the tribal community and the people of Gujarat, from the streets to the Legislative Assembly, while exposing what AAP describes as the BJP's true face before the public. This, the party alleges, made

him a target for the BJP. In Gujarat, cases against many BJP leaders have been pending for years, yet they have not been punished. Land mafias, corrupt individuals, contractors responsible for poorly built roads and bridges, and mafias involved in liquor and drug trafficking continue to roam freely despite their alleged wrongdoing, while Chaitar Vasava, who raised the voice of the people, has been sent to jail. The Aam Aadmi Party says it will continue its struggle until MLA Chaitar Vasava gets justice.

Delhi Govt Strengthens Cyber Security Framework

New Delhi, Agency : Delhi's cyber security preparedness received a fresh push Thursday as the information technology department of Delhi govt, in collaboration with the National e-Governance Division (NeGD) under the ministry of electronics and information technology, organised a state-level consultative workshop on strengthening cyber security framework for state data at Delhi Secretariat, said govt.

The workshop was inaugurated by Delhi's IT minister Pankaj Kumar Singh, who spoke

about the growing importance of cyber security in protecting govt data, digital infrastructure and citizen services amid an evolving cyber threat landscape.

Singh said, safeguarding govt data was not merely a technological responsibility but a commitment towards citizens. He said Delhi Government, guided by chief minister Rekha Gupta's vision of a digitally empowered and transparent capital, was continuously strengthening its cyber security architecture to protect public data and digital services.

Man gets 10-year RI for wife's death over dowry

New Delhi,(GNS): Sentencing a man to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment for the dowry death of his wife in 2014, a court said his "rapacious conduct and the intense desire to have money" from the woman's family and the harassment meted out to her led "the innocent lady to give up her life just within three months of her marriage".

Underscoring the wider social impact of such crimes, additional sessions judge Shunali Gupta observed, "This offence of dowry death is not an offence only against the individual or her family but an offence to society as parents of every girl remain under fear of the atrocities of in-laws, including husband, if they are unable to meet up their expectations, rather insatiable greed, for



dowry."

The court convicted Prashant Kumar Sinha, accepting the prosecution's claim that he had subjected Dr Rekha to cruelty over demands for a Volkswagen car and Rs 50 lakh. Married on Dec 12, 2013, Rekha died of aluminium phosphide poisoning on March 6, 2014.

Witnesses also alleged a pattern of suspicious deaths linked to the accused's family, including the death of his second wife in 2022. The conviction was, however, based on the evidence directly related to Rekha's death.

"Support March" Held in Junagadh in support of MLA Chaitar Vasava Under the Leadership of MLA Gopal Italia and Raju Borkhathariya

● Those Responsible for the Morbi Bridge Collapse, Rajkot and Surat Fire Tragedies Are Free, But Why Has Chaitar Vasava, Who Fought for the People, Been Punished? : Gopal Italia

Ahmedabad/Junagadh/Gujarat

A support march in favour of Chaitarbhhai Vasava was organised in Junagadh under the leadership of Aam Aadmi Party leader Gopal Italia and State Organisation Minister Raju Borkhathariya. On this occasion, Visavadar MLA Gopal Italia said that the BJP government had misused the law, tampered with the legal process, and conspired to

remove Chaitarbhhai Vasava, a leader of the Aam Aadmi Party and a warrior of Gujarat's tribal community, from politics as well as from his position as an MLA. As part of this malicious agenda, he was sentenced to seven years in prison. What is Chaitarbhhai Vasava's crime? His crime is awakening the tribal community. Is fighting for the rights of the tribal community over water, land and forests a crime? Is fighting for displaced tribals, who are being uprooted from their homes, a crime? Is exposing fake offices in tribal areas a crime? Is fighting for society, for the youth and for the people a crime? It is for doing these things that he has been sentenced to seven years in prison. Meanwhile, numerous land mafias, scamsters, contractor mafias, those selling substandard

medicines and those manufacturing counterfeit goods continue to commit thousands of crimes across Gujarat. MLA Gopal Italia further said that not a single person involved in such crimes in Gujarat has been sentenced to seven years in prison. The Morbi bridge collapsed, yet no one received a seven-year sentence. Many innocent people lost their lives in the Rajkot fire tragedy, yet no one was sentenced to seven years. Families of the victims of the Surat fire tragedy are still running from court to court in search of justice, yet the accused have not received a seven-year sentence. More than fifty people died in the Botad hooch tragedy, yet the accused were not sentenced to seven years in prison. Those who entered a hostel and raped young

women are not given seven-year prison sentences. But Chaitar Vasava worked to awaken the people and fought for their rights, and for that he was sentenced to seven years in prison under minor sections of the law. As the Aam Aadmi Party, we stand firmly with Gujarat's tribal community and Chaitarbhhai Vasava. We will continue this fight for as long as necessary and will not bow before this dictatorship. I humbly appeal to the people of Gujarat and the tribal youth that if you believe it is unjust for the BJP to have sent an elected public representative to prison for seven years under minor legal provisions, then in the upcoming elections, not a single vote should go to the BJP. Every vote should go to Chaitarbhhai Vasava and the Aam Aadmi Party.

Kitchen fire leaves 2 brothers injured in Delhi's Ajmeri Gate

New Delhi,(GNS): Two brothers were injured after a late-night fire broke out in the kitchen of their house in central Delhi's Ajmeri Gate area, prompting a swift response from firefighters and local residents.

Both sustained burn injuries and were rushed to hospital, while authorities launched an investigation into the cause of the blaze.

According to the Delhi Fire Services (DFS), a call about the fire was received around 11.25 pm on Thursday from a house in Mohalla Nitaryana, behind GB Road near Ajmeri Gate. Two fire tenders were



immediately dispatched to the spot.

By the time firefighters arrived, the two occupants had already suffered burn injuries.

They were shifted to Lok Nayak Jai Prakash (LNJP) Hospital with the help of PCR personnel and local residents, officials said.

The fire was confined to

the kitchen of the house and was brought under control before it could spread to other parts of the building, PTI reported.

The injured were identified as 14-year-old Waris, who sustained around 35 per cent burns, and his 18-year-old brother Fareed, who suffered nearly 20 per cent burns.

Hospital authorities said both are undergoing treatment at LNJP Hospital and their condition is being monitored.

Police and fire department officials are investigating the exact cause of the fire.

Man shoots wife dead in south Delhi's Sangam Vihar extramarital affair surfaces

New Delhi,(GNS): A 30-year-old woman was allegedly shot dead inside her home in south Delhi's Sangam Vihar on Thursday, with police launching a manhunt for her husband, who is accused of firing multiple rounds before fleeing.

Investigators are also looking into allegations by the victim's family that the accused was involved in an extramarital affair, which they claim had led to frequent marital disputes.

The incident took place around 4 pm in the Tigri area of Sangam Vihar.

According to police, the deceased was allegedly shot four times by her husband,



Shubham Rajput, who fled the spot soon after the attack. Preliminary investigation suggests the couple, who had been married for around two years, had frequent arguments. Police said the accused had allegedly been threatening the woman with dire consequences.

The victim's family has alleged that Rajput was

involved in an extramarital relationship, which often led to arguments between the couple.

"The family has claimed that the accused was in a relationship with another woman and would often threaten to kill her. These allegations are being verified," a police officer said.

Relatives also alleged that Rajput was involved in betting activities. However, police said they were examining all aspects of the case and verifying his background.

After receiving information, police teams rushed to the spot and shifted the woman's body for post-mortem examination.

Delhi High Court to pass order on bail of accused on June 29

New Delhi,(GNS): The Delhi High Court said it would pass an order on June 29 on whether to cancel the bail granted to the 57-year-old caretaker accused of raping a three-year-old girl inside a private school in west Delhi.

A Vacation Bench of Justice Vinod Kumar reserved its verdict on the petitions by the Delhi Police and the complainant against the trial court's May 7 order releasing Lalit Kumar on bail in the case registered under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act.

Additional Solicitor General SV Raju, appearing for the police, urged the court to cancel



the bail, contending that it was not a case in which the trial court should have granted a reprieve to the main accused.

Meanwhile, Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Delhi president Saurabh Bharadwaj alleged that Kumar's son had threatened the rape survivor's mother.

"A shocking incident has taken place.

Travelling abroad a fundamental right under Article 21, says court

New Delhi,(GNS): Travelling abroad is a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution, said a Delhi court allowing a woman accused in a money laundering case to visit Thailand because of her children's summer vacations.

Vacation Judge Rajesh Malik granted relief to Reena Goel, an accused in the case

in which properties in the Karol Bagh area were attached under the anti-money laundering law as part of an investigation into a multi-crore bank loan fraud.

According to

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the Enforcement Directorate, the properties attached under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act allegedly belonging to Ginni Gold Private Limited and its promoters Ginni Devi and Reena Goel.

Goel, who was granted bail in December 2025 on the condition that she would not leave the country without prior court

approval, sought permission to travel to Thailand for her children's summer vacations from June 25 to July 2.

In its order, the court said it needed to balance the right of the accused to travel abroad against the grounds for refusing such permission. Permission could be denied if there were credible reasons to believe that the accused might abscond.

However, the court found that the ED had failed to provide any material suggesting that Goel intended to flee from justice. It also observed that there was no indication that she was making investments abroad or planning to settle outside India. "Mere being an accused does not suffice to stop her from travelling abroad," the court said.

Delhi Fire Services chief sacked days after Malviya Nagar fire killed 23

New Delhi, (GNS): The national capital on Thursday saw a major bureaucratic reshuffle with the Delhi Fire Services (DFS) chief removed from his position in the aftermath of the deadly South Delhi blaze that claimed 23 lives and the Health Department witnessing a big shake-up following a recent procurement scandal.

Delhi Lieutenant Governor (L-G) Taranjit Singh Sandhu ordered the reshuffle in the state's bureaucracy by reallocating departments involving 43 senior Indian Administrative Services (IAS) and Delhi, Andaman and Nicobar Islands Civil Service



(DANICS) officers. Special Secretary (Home) Sachin Rana has been given the additional charge of the Delhi Fire Services chief, replacing A Nedunchezhiyan. The change comes at a time when Delhi's fire safety and emergency response mechanisms have come

under intense public and administrative scrutiny following a series of major fire incidents. After the Malviya Nagar fire, the L-G had castigated the DFS for failure to do due diligence.

The order also says all senior Health Department officials have

been changed. Further, the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) will no longer have the authority to approve departmental expenditure and financial proposals. This power has been given to Special Secretary (Health) Yash Chaudhary (IAS, AGMUT cadre of 2017 batch). Chaudhary will have financial powers along with an additional charge of the Central Procurement Authority (CPA).

Changes come close on the heels of Delhi's Anti-Corruption Bureau unearthing a Rs 350-crore medical equipment procurement scam in which a doctor was arrested.

Delhi: Hurdle for key Metro expansion project cleared

New Delhi, (GNS): Delhi has cleared a procedural hurdle for one of its key Metro expansion projects by granting a statutory exemption that allows officials to examine a proposal involving the transplantation or felling of 877 trees for the proposed Inderlok to Indraprastha corridor under Phase-IV of the Delhi Metro.

The exemption, notified by the Department of Forests and Wildlife with the approval of Delhi L-G Taranjit Singh Sandhu, has been issued under Section 29 of the Delhi Preservation of Trees (DPT) Act, 1994. It enables the competent tree officer to process an application submitted by the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC), which otherwise could not have been taken up because the land involved exceeds the one hectare limit prescribed under Section 9(3) of the Act.

According to the notification, the DMRC submitted its proposal through the Delhi e-forest portal seeking permission for the trans-



plantation or felling of trees required for construction of the Inderlok to Indraprastha Metro corridor. The proposal covers 5.655 hectares, prompting the government to invoke its powers under Section 29 to relax the procedural restriction in public interest.

Officials have clarified that the notification does not grant permission to remove or transplant any tree. Instead, it only permits the statutory appraisal of the proposal, which could not have proceeded under the existing one hectare ceiling.

Don't use name of institute online NHAI to deploy AI-based ATMS across 1,205 km Delhi-NCR highways at Rs 238 cr

New Delhi, (GNS): Delhi AIIMS to students: The All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, has issued a comprehensive social media policy barring students, residents and employees from using the institute's name or logo without written approval from the concerned departments.

Students and their recognised associations, societies, clubs and organising committees have been directed not to post, share or discuss any patient information, images or case details on social media, even if the patient's identity is not disclosed. The move is in accordance with the Indian Medical Council Regulations, 2002, and the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023.

The policy also prohibits social media posts or forwarding of content that is harassing, threatening or discriminatory.



Students have been instructed to comply with the University Grants Commission (UGC) regulations on ragging.

"Do not post obscene, defamatory or hate speech content as per applicable laws. Do not engage in plagiarism or academic dishonesty on social media platforms. Do not share examination questions, answer keys or other confidential academic materials," the guidelines stated.

New Delhi, (GNS): In a major initiative to create smart, safe, and digitally connected National Highways, the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) will implement an Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) across the National Highway network in a phased, zone-wise manner at an estimated cost of Rs 238.2 crore.

According to officials, in the first phase, NHAI will deploy and upgrade ATMS infrastructure across 1,205 km of National Highways in Delhi-NCR. Under this, around 408 km of National Highway stretches will be covered through full-scale implementation of all ATMS components, while around 797 km of existing



ATMS-enabled corridors will be upgraded with Video Incident Detection and Enforcement Systems (VIDES) to strengthen monitoring and enforcement capabilities.

The project will cover important National Highway corridors across Delhi-NCR and adjoining regions, including Rewari, Mathura, Ghaziabad, Meerut, Dwarka, Baghpat and Bhiwani. Key stretches

include the Delhi Gurgaon-Kotputli (NH-48), Delhi-Meerut Expressway (NE-3), Delhi-Saharanpur (NH-709B), Meerut-Muzaffarnagar (NH-58), Meerut-Bulandshahar (NH-235), Meerut-Najibabad (NH-119), Delhi-Faridabad-KMP corridor, Baghpat-Shamli bypass, Panipat-Shamli, Muzaffarnagar, and several strategic corridors in Haryana, including NH-148B, NH-152, NH-152G and the Delhi-Amritsar-Katra packages.

The ATMS will leverage Artificial Intelligence (AI), advanced analytics and integrated command-and-control centres to enable real-time traffic monitoring, faster incident

response, improved enforcement, seamless dissemination of commuter information and data-driven decision-making.

Key components of the ATMS ecosystem include Traffic Monitoring Camera Systems (TMCS) for round-the-clock surveillance, Video Incident Detection and Enforcement Systems (VIDES) for automated detection of traffic violations and road incidents, Vehicle Actuated Speed Displays (VASD) to alert drivers about over-speeding, Variable Message Signboards (VMS) for real-time traffic and safety updates, and a high-speed Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) communication backbone.

DDA sets deadline next May deadline for Sanjay Lake revamp

New Delhi, (GNS): Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has planned to complete key restoration and rejuvenation works of east Delhi's 52-acre Sanjay Lake in phases by next May.

DDA announced the timeline Thursday following a recent visit by lieutenant governor TS Sandhu, who inspected the ongoing works and took note of the reports highlighting the lake's deteriorating condition due to disrupted water supply, silt accumulation, sewage inflow and garbage deposition. He directed officials to undertake the rejuvenation project in mission mode.

Located inside a 165-acre protected forest area, Sanjay Lake is one of east Delhi's most prominent recreational spaces, bordered by Kalyanpuri and Trilokpuri on one side and Mayur Vihar Phase II on the other.

Better late than never

New Delhi, (GNS): Delhi Education Minister Ashish Sood on Thursday welcomed the inclusion of a chapter on the Emergency in the new NCERT Class IX textbook, saying students should be made aware of one of the most significant periods in India's democratic history.

Reacting to the move, Sood said, "Better late than never. How were people taken away from their homes overnight? How were they detained in police stations for months without charges? The current generation should know about these events of the Emergency so that



they can understand the importance of protecting freedom of expression in the country today and recognise its value."

The minister said the younger generation must understand the events of the Emergency and appreciate the importance of democratic rights and freedoms guaranteed under the Constitution.

Meanwhile, Sood also spoke about the Delhi gov-

ernment's ongoing crackdown on coaching centres across the capital, stating that stricter regulations and legal provisions were being prepared based on the recommendations of the Justice Gauba Committee.

He added, "Following the unfortunate incidents that have taken place in neighbouring states, we inspected 924 coaching centres in a month."

The minister said inspections of 923 coaching centres had been completed over the past month, with authorities examining building safety and compliance with prescribed norms.

Monsoon preparedness dominates MCD House meeting

New Delhi, (GNS): Amid slogan-shouting and heated exchanges between BJP and AAP councillors over allegations of embezzlement of donations received at the Ram Temple in Ayodhya, the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) House on Thursday turned its focus to the city's preparedness for the upcoming monsoon season, with concerns over waterlogging and sanitation dominating the proceedings.

During the meeting, chaired by Mayor Praveesh Wahli, Leader of Opposition Ankush Narang sought details from the MCD Commissioner regarding the



number of drains and sewer lines under the civic body's jurisdiction and the progress made in desilting operations ahead of the rains.

The House witnessed extensive discussions on sanitation, prevention of waterlogging, desilting of drains and strengthening civic infrastructure across the city.

Viral assault video triggers police action in Gurugram, five booked

New Delhi, (GNS): The Gurugram police have taken preventive legal action against five individuals over apprehensions of a breach of peace in connection with a viral assault video circulating on social media.

A video of the incident surfaced online, showing a group of youths allegedly assaulting a civil engineer. The complainant, a resident of Andour Heights in Sector 71, lodged a complaint at the Badshahpur police station against the youths travelling in a Thar vehicle.

Acting on the complaint, the

police conducted an inquiry and called both parties to the police station for questioning. The complainant, however, declined to undergo a medical examination. The police said the video was also examined as part of the inquiry into the incident.

During the investigation, the police found apprehensions of a breach of peace and disturbance of law and order arising from the dispute. Accordingly, preventive legal action was initiated against five individuals under Sections 126 and 170 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS).

Centre revises passport rules; children below 9 years, elders to get 10 per cent fee concession from July 1

New Delhi, (GNS): Indians applying for passports will pay under a new revised fee structure, which will be applicable from July 1, 2026.

The change kicks in after the Ministry of External Affairs today notified amendments to the existing passport rules.

What are the new rules The Passports (Amendment) Rules, 2026, replace the existing Schedule IV of the Passports Rules, 1980, with a comprehensively updated schedule of fees covering all categories of applicants, travel documents, and miscellaneous passport services.

Concessions for small children, elderly Under the new rules, a 10% per cent fee concession on fresh applications will be offered to two categories of people-children up to the age of eight years and senior citizens above the age of 60 years. The concession applies to fresh applications only and not to reissues, and covers applications made within India.

For families obtaining a first passport for a young child, and for elderly citizens applying for the first time, the discount provides meaningful relief on what is otherwise a significant one-time expense.

What will an Indian applicant pay from July 1

For adults aged 18 years and above and minors between 15 and 18 years applying under the adult category, a fresh 36-page passport or reissue will cost Rs 2,500 under the normal category and Rs 5,000 under the Tatkal category within India. For overseas applicants, the corresponding fees are USD 125 and USD 250, respectively.

Those opting for a 60-page passport will pay Rs 3,500 under the normal category and Rs 6,000 under Tatkal within India, with overseas fees of USD 175 and USD 300, respectively.