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Won't tolerate jihad or love jihad on MP soil: Yadav

Bhopal (Agency), Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav on Sunday said the government will not tolerate "jihad or love jihad" on the state's soil and perpetrators will not be spared. Yadav's statement came days after police registered a case of rape and blackmail of three girls from a college in Bhopal by the accused who concealed their identity. In Madhya Pradesh, which is known for good governance, there is no place for crime and criminals, Yadav stated.

₹1 lakh cr investment to be grounded in Ganjam dist: CM

Berhampur (Agency), Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi on Sunday said investment valued at ₹1 lakh crore will be brought to Ganjam district. More than one lakh people would get employment in the industrial units to be set up with that investment, Majhi told reporters after visiting the Budhi Thakurani temple here. The Budhi Thakurani Yatra, a 25-day festival, will be concluded on Monday. The CM offered puja at the temple and witnessed the "tiger dance" performed by local artists.

Delhi sees warmest April night in six years, temperature at 27.2 degrees Celsius

New Delhi (Agency): Delhi on Sunday recorded a minimum temperature of 27.2 degrees Celsius, three notches above normal and the highest in April in six years. This is the highest night-time temperature in Delhi since April 25, 2019, when it was 28 degrees Celsius, according to India Meteorological Department (IMD) data. Delhi experienced a hot Saturday as daytime temperatures crossed 42 degrees Celsius, the highest this season. It was also the highest April day temperature in three years. On Sunday, the maximum temperature dropped slightly but remained hot at 41.3 degrees Celsius, 2.3 notches above normal.

Our country's identity is linked to the Indus Valley: Chief Minister Dr. Yadav

- The Sindhi community re-established itself while facing struggles and challenges
- The Chief Minister addressed the Cheti Chand Festival and Pratibha Samman Ceremony

Bhopal (Agency): Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav has said that our country's identity is linked to the Indus Valley Civilization and the Indus River. The Indus Valley Civilization developed in ancient times still makes the whole country proud. Emperor Dahir Sen's struggle to save his religion and culture still gives us inspiration and courage. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is dedicated and committed to the protection of the country, religion and culture. Bhopal is the holy land of Saint Hirdaram, according to the saint tradition, we believe in the principle of live and let live and also practice the feeling of love for all living beings. Following these values, the



Sindhi community left their home, family and business for the protection of their religion and culture. They also re-established themselves with their hard work and self-confidence while facing struggles and challenges. Chief Minister Dr. Yadav was addressing the Cheti Chand Mahotsav and Pratibha Samman ceremony organized at Sindhu Bhawan. The program was presided over by MLA Bhagwan Das Sabnani. Officers of Madhya Pradesh Sindhu Bhawan Trust were present on this occasion. Chief Minister Dr. Yadav said that with its ability, qualification and continuous hard work, the Sindhi community has achieved many achievements in the world of trade and industry. The state government is committed to the expansion of industrial activities and

entrepreneurship at the local level in the state, and every possible effort is being made in this direction. Policies and procedures have been simplified and facilitated for setting up industries and conducting business activities. Industries are being encouraged to increase employment opportunities in the state. Trade and industry are the main means of providing employment. Industrialists and businessmen are being invited for investment from other states and abroad as well. Chief Minister Dr. Yadav called upon the brothers of the Sindhi community to take initiative to expand trade and industrial activities in the state and said that the state government is ready for every possible cooperation in this direction.

Prime Minister Modi's powerful and inspiring words inspire everyone: Chief Minister Dr. Yadav



Bhopal (Agency): Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav has said that listening to the 121st edition of Mann Ki Baat, an unprecedented medium of continuous communication by Prime Minister Narendra Modi with the countrymen, was extremely inspiring. Chief Minister Dr. Yadav listened to Prime Minister Modi's Mann Ki Baat program today. He said that this broadcast binds the country together and gives a nationwide form to the dedication, respect and affection of all the countrymen towards their motherland. Prime Minister Modi's powerful and inspiring words always inspire all of us. Prime Minister Modi said in the 121st episode of Mann Ki Baat that the terrorist incident in Pahalgam has saddened every citizen of the country. The unity of the country and the solidarity of 140 crore Indians is our biggest strength in this war against terrorism. The culprits and conspirators of this attack will be given the harshest reply. Prime Minister Modi recalled the contribution of the great scientist Dr. K Kasturirangan in giving new heights to science education and India's space program.



In 'Mann Ki Baat', PM Modi's Big Message Over Pahalgam Attack

New Delhi (Agency): Every Indian's blood is boiling and each one of them is feeling the pain of those who lost their own in the terror attack at Jammu and Kashmir's Pahalgam on Tuesday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said today, appealing to the country to remain united during this time of crisis. Addressing the country in his monthly Mann Ki Baat radio programme, the Prime Minister said the Pahalgam attack shows the frustration and cowardice of the "masters of terror". "Peace in Kashmir was returning. There was vibrancy in schools and colleges, unprecedented speed in development work, democracy was becoming strong, a record increase in the number of tourists, incomes were increasing and new opportunities were emerging for the youth. The

enemies of the country, of Jammu and Kashmir, did not like this," he said. The Prime Minister said the April 22 attack had pained every Indian, irrespective of the state he/she is from or the language they speak. "I feel every India's blood is boiling on seeing pictures of the terror attack," he said. The whole world, the Prime Minister said, was with India. "I assure the bereaved families that they will get justice. Those behind this attack will get the harshest punishment. Terrorists and their masters plotted this conspiracy because they want to destroy Kashmir," he said. "The unity of 140 crore Indians is the biggest strength in this war against terror. This unity is the basis of our decisive war against terror. We have to strengthen our ideals to face this challenge."

Pakistani nationals who overstay in India can face 3 years in jail, ₹3 lakh fine



New Delhi (Agency): Pakistani nationals on short-term visas who fail to leave India within the stipulated deadline are liable to be arrested, prosecuted and face penalties of three years in jail and a ₹3 lakh fine. Under Section 23 of the Immigration and Foreigners Bill, 2025, foreign nationals who overstay their visa, violate visa conditions, or enter restricted areas in India face imprisonment up to 3 years, or a fine of a maximum ₹3 lakh or

both. The Centre issued a 'Leave India' notice to all Pakistani nationals on short-term visas in India, stating that they had to leave the country by April 27. Special consideration was given to those on medical visas who are required to leave by April 29. The Indian government's directive came after Pakistani-based terrorist organisation was linked to the attack in Jammu and Kashmir's Pahalgam on April 22, which left 26 civilians dead.

Indian Navy conducts successful anti-ship firings, demonstrates prowess in carrying out long-range precision strikes

New Delhi: Amid heightened tensions with Pakistan following the Pahalgam terror attack, Indian warships have conducted multiple successful anti-ship firings, demonstrating the Indian Navy's prowess in carrying out long-range precision strikes and demonstrating the readiness of platforms, systems and crew for possible offensive actions. In a post on X on Sunday, the Navy asserted that it is combat-ready to safeguard the nation's maritime interests, while sharing multiple visuals of the demonstrations. As per officials, the Navy was already out on a missile-firing deployment. "The latest anti-ships firings displayed its role switch capability from peacetime to combat, while still being out

at sea without entering base ports," an official said. The warships included Kolkata-class destroyers, and Nilgiri-class and Krivak-class frigates. The Navy's



tankers, and its latest aircraft carrier INS Vikrant and maritime patrol aircraft P-8Is also remain deployed in the Arabian Sea. On Thursday, the Navy's indigenous guided missile destroyer INS Surat successfully test-fired the

Medium-Range Surface-to-Air Missile in the Arabian Sea. "The Indian Navy's latest indigenous guided missile destroyer INS Surat

notification for the firings in the Arabian Sea. The developments come amid increased tensions between India and Islamabad following a terror attack in Kashmir's Pahalgam on April 22, in which 26 civilians—most of them tourists—were killed by terrorists. As India has vowed retaliation, the last few days have seen multiple operations carried out by security forces across Kashmir. Earlier this week, Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi visited Kashmir to review the security situation. There have been repeated ceasefire violations from Pakistan along the Line of Control (LoC), the Army said, adding that the Indian side has retaliated effectively. There were no casualties reported.

5 prisoners from Aligarh jail clear UP Board exams in first attempt



New Delhi (Agency): Five inmates lodged in the Aligarh district jail, all convicted of heinous crimes, have cleared Uttar Pradesh Board examinations this year in their first attempt, officials said Sunday. According to jail officials, three of them passed the class 10th examination and two of them cleared the class 12th examination. The results of these prisoners have thus opened a fresh window of hope for other prisoners, Jail Superintendent Brijendra Yadav said. Yadav told reporters that all five inmates are aged between 25 and 28 years. One of them is charged with murder, while three others are charged under POSCO Act for having raped minors. The fifth has been booked in a case of acid attack. "All the prisoners are under trial," he said. This year's results could well turn out to be a watershed moment in the lives of these prisoners because they now see a glimmer of hope of leading a normal life after serving their terms. Yadav said, "They (inmates) are now hoping to continue their studies through distance education courses and we will be encouraging them in their attempts." This comes as the UP Board released the 12th board examination results on Friday. In an impressive result, 91 out of 94 prisoners from different jails across the state have passed the examination.

Drones, tourist police centers in place

Haridwar prepares for Char Dham Yatra

New Delhi (Agency): Haridwar SSP Pramod Doval on Sunday announced that the Char Dham Yatra will commence on April 30. Speaking on the preparations, he said, "We are reviewing police arrangements for the Yatra. Three halting areas have been identified, and CCTV cameras have been installed at various locations. Drones will be used for traffic management to ensure smooth movement." SSP Doval further stated, "Our priority is to ensure no devotee faces inconvenience. The area has been divided into zones and sectors with extensive police

deployment. Additionally, five tourist police centres are being established to assist pilgrims." The administration is gearing up to manage the influx of devotees for the annual pilgrimage, which draws thousands to the sacred sites of Yamunotri, Gangotri, Kedarnath, and Badrinath. On April 21, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Dharam Singh reviewed the upcoming Chardham Yatra arrangements. He directed that arrangements be ensured by coordinating with local public representatives, hoteliers and other stakeholders.

According to a release issued, the Chief Minister has directed all the departmental secretaries and



district magistrates to improve all the arrangements at the level of departments and district administration during the Chardham Yatra

of Uttarakhand. Chardham Yatra is a major centre of faith and is also linked to the livelihood of the local

people. The Chief Minister has also instructed the officials to maintain continuous coordination with all the stakeholders associated with the Chardham Yatra. Special attention should be paid to making the Chardham Yatra clean, beautiful and environmentally friendly. Public cooperation should also be taken for this. Cleanliness, beautification, and passenger facilities should be given priority on the travel routes. The Chief Minister stated that special attention should be given to the traffic system in preparation for the upcoming Chardham Yatra, so that devotees and local residents do not encounter any problems during the yatra.

Govt teacher asks student to cut, skin, clean chicken during exam in Udaipur; suspended

New Delhi (Agency): Teacher of a government school in Rajasthan's Udaipur district has reportedly been suspended for allegedly pressuring a class nine student into quitting writing an exam midway to cut, skin and clean a chicken. The teacher, Mohanlal Doda, wanted to take the chicken home, Mohanlal Doda's alleged unethical conduct sparked outrage among the locals of Kotada, resulting in them approaching minister Babulal Kharari to complain. The minister directed sub-divisional officer Hasmukh Kumar to submit a detailed



report on the matter. As the allegation came to the fore and the inquiry was ordered, other students of the school in the Kotada area came forward to claim that Doda had dismissed the school cook from duty around a month ago, the report said. This resulted in the school students not getting food in the school since then, according to locals.

Staff Reporter
Pratapgarh. The death of three siblings due to drowning in a pond created chaos in the family. This tragic incident took place on Sunday in a pond located in Dharouli Madhupur ward of Kohdaur Nagar Panchayat. Police took out the bodies from the pond. Three children Kesari (7), Kuki (6) and Khushi (10) are siblings living in Dharouli Madhupur ward of Nagar Panchayat. All three went to take bath in the pond on Sunday. During this, all three drowned after going into deep water. Hearing the cries of other children bathing with them, a crowd of villagers gathered. Police reached after getting the information and took out the bodies of the three children with the help of the villagers. The wailing of the family members shook the people. There is mourning in the village.

BRIEFS

RBI's strict action on rule violation

New Delhi (Agency). The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has taken strict action on banks and financial institutions, taking seriously the shortcomings in regulatory compliance. Indian Bank and Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services have been fined for violating regulatory instructions, while the license of Imperial Urban Co-operative Bank has been canceled. According to the RBI, Indian Bank violated some provisions of the Banking Regulation Act, including non-compliance of guidelines in matters of determination of interest rates on loans, Kisan Credit Card (KCC) scheme, and lending to the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector.

Ather Energy's IPO will open from April 28

New Delhi (Agency). Ather Energy's IPO will be open for investors from April 28 to April 30, 2025. The company has set a target of raising a total of Rs 2,980.76 crore through this IPO. In this, 8.18 crore new shares will be issued, while 1.11 crore shares will be offered under the offer for sale. This IPO of Ather Energy will come on the mainboard and its listing is likely to happen on BSE and NSE. The company's shares can be listed on the stock exchanges on May 6. Ather Energy has fixed the price band of its shares from Rs 304 to Rs 321 per share. The lot size of the IPO is 46 shares, that is, any investor will have to invest at least Rs 13,984. The company has also announced a discount of Rs 30 per share for its employees. The face value of Ather Energy IPO has been kept at one rupee.

1.45 crore passengers traveled by domestic flights in March

New Delhi (Agency). A total of 1.45 crore passengers traveled through domestic airlines in the country in March 2025, which is 8.79 percent more than a year ago. According to the report released by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) on Saturday, this figure was 1.33 crore in March last year. According to the data, 93.1 lakh passengers traveled by Indigo last month, giving it a market share of 64 percent. Air India Group, which includes Air India and Air India Express, carried 38.8 lakh passengers and had a market share of 26.7 percent. At the same time, 7.2 lakh and 4.8 lakh passengers traveled with Akasa Air and SpiceJet respectively, giving them a market share of five percent and 3.3 percent respectively. In terms of flying on time and reaching the destination, IndiGo performed the best, with 88.1 percent of its flights being on time. It was followed by Akasa Air's performance of 86.9 percent, Air India Group's 82 percent and SpiceJet's 72.1 percent.

Migration to '.bank.in' domain: How it will help reduce digital payments frauds



Mumbai (Agency): To combat the increasing number of digital payment frauds, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to operationalise the '.bank.in' domain for banks. The '.in' is India's Country Code Top Level domain (ccTLD). This exclusive internet domain for domestic banks will minimise cyber security threats and will help in strengthening trust in the country's digital banking and payment services. The RBI has asked banks to migrate to .bank.in domain by October 31, 2025. In February this year, the RBI announced the introduction of the 'bank.in', an exclusive internet domain for Indian banks. On Tuesday, the regulator decided to operationalise the '.bank.in' domain for banks. A domain name is used to find websites. It is a unique and easy-to-remember address to access websites on the internet. The operationalisation of the new internet domain name is through the Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology (IDRBT), which has been authorised by the National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI), under the aegis of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), to serve as the exclusive registrar for this domain, the RBI said. The RBI has asked all banks to commence the migration of their existing domains to the 'bank.in' domain and complete the process by October 31, 2025. NIXI is a not for profit organisation set up for peering of Internet Service Providers (ISPs) among themselves for the purpose of routing the domestic traffic within the country, instead of taking it all the way to US/abroad, thereby resulting in better quality of service and reduced bandwidth charges for ISPs by saving on international bandwidth. The '.IN' domain is India's own ccTLD, which is a two-letter string (eg: <https://www.india.gov.in> or) added at the end of a domain name.

Overseas remittances by Indians under LRS were down 29% in February to \$1,964.21 mn: Here's why

Mumbai (Agency): Overseas remittances by Indian residents under the Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) fell by 29 per cent to \$1,964.21 million in February 2025 from \$2,768.89 million in January. According to RBI data, remittances for travel purpose declined by 33.77 per cent to \$1,090.61 million in February 2023 from \$1,646.74 million in the previous month. Outflows under the 'studies abroad' category declined by 50.52 per cent to \$182.17 million in February from \$368.21 million in January. Remittances for 'travel and studies abroad' declined in the wake of the sharp fall in students going abroad. for the first time in four years, the number of Indian students heading to foreign

universities has simultaneously declined across the top three destination countries — Canada, the United States and the UK. The data shows a sharp decline of at least 25 per cent in Indian students receiving study permits across these key destinations in 2024. Moreover, according to travel industry sources, a good number of people dropped or postponed their travel plans since the global economy and markets faced volatile movements during the period. RBI data shows that remittances for investment in equity and debt spurted to \$173.84 million in February from \$104.98 million in the previous month. The Union Budget in February 2025 increased the threshold for collecting Tax Collected at Source (TCS) on

LRS transactions from Rs 7 lakh to Rs 10 lakh. This change was expected to benefit the travel and foreign exchange sectors, providing



a boost to outbound tourism, education and the airline sectors. Under the Liberalised Remittance Scheme, resident individuals, including minors, can freely remit up to \$2,50,000 per financial year for

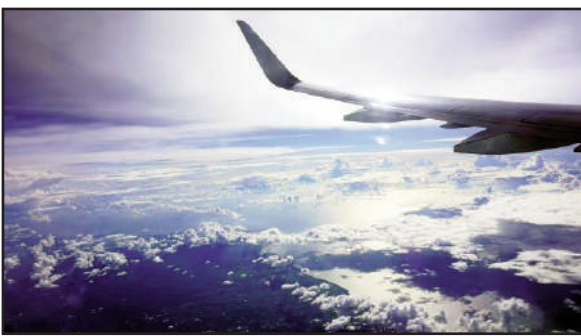
permissible current or capital account transactions. These transactions include education, medical treatment abroad, purchase of property,

and investments in foreign stocks. Outward remittances under LRS were \$31.735 billion during the year ended March 2024. Travel has emerged as the primary source of remittance outflow from India, accounting for over 50 per cent of total

outflows at \$17 billion from just 1.5 per cent share in FY14. Student remittances were \$3.47 billion in FY24. Tax collected at source is not an additional tax liability as people can claim a refund while filing income tax returns. As per the TCS rates under Liberalised Remittance Scheme proposed in the 2023-24 Budget, overseas tour package attracted TCS of 20 per cent from October 1, compared to 5 per cent. However, TCS will not be levied on credit card spending abroad. LRS remittance processed by the bank as an Authorised Dealer towards air travel ticket booking or hotel booking by a resident individual customer would be subject to TCS of 20 per cent above Rs 10 lakh, according to a leading private bank.

the country, and many of these flights were routinely overflying Pakistan. Air India operates flights to West Asia, Europe, the UK, and North America, while IndiGo operates flights to West Asia, Turkey, the Caucasus, and Central Asia. Air India Express, Akasa Air, and SpiceJet's west-bound international flights are to destinations in West Asia. According to data from Cirium, an aviation analytics company, currently there are almost 400 weekly westward international departures from North Indian airports—Delhi, Amritsar, Jaipur, and Lucknow—that were routinely flying over Pakistan. Given that all these flights have return legs, the total number of affected flights goes up to around 800 from these airports. Of these, around 640 flights are from or to India's largest airport—Delhi's Indira Gandhi International airport—which is likely to be the most affected due to the move by Pakistan. Additionally, a

handful of ultra-long-haul flights from other Indian cities like Mumbai are also getting impacted as their flight paths used to go through the Pakistani



airspace. In fact, flight tracking data shows that some of Air India's ultra-long-haul flights to and from North America had to take technical halts—planned stops for refueling or crew change—at European airports like Copenhagen and Vienna on Friday, breaking the journey of the otherwise non-stop flights. These included the airline's Delhi-Washington and Delhi-New York flights, both of which took a stopover in

Vienna, and its Delhi-Chicago, Delhi-Toronto, Delhi-Newark, Mumbai-New York, and Vancouver-Delhi flights, which took a halt in Copenhagen. The

airline had announced on Thursday that some of its international flights "will take an alternative extended route" in view of the airspace closure by Pakistan. The last time when Pakistan closed its airspace for an extended period—in 2019 following the Balakot airstrikes by the Indian Air Force—some of Air India's flights to North America had to take technical halts midway on a regular basis. Air India has so far not

Centre selects start-up Sarvam to build country's first homegrown AI model

The model is not expected to be open-sourced, but will be fine-tuned particularly for Indian languages. The GPUs will be provided to Sarvam by companies separately selected by the government to set up AI data centres in India. "This (Sarvam's) model will have 70 billion parameters and many innovations in programming as well as engineering. With these innovations, a 70 billion parameter (model) can compete with some of the best

from China, which shook up the AI industry. DeepSeek's entry into the AI space — touted for being open source, its accuracy and claims that it has been built at a fraction of the cost as its US competitors — sent Nvidia's stock on a downward spiral, since its R1 model was trained on inferior GPUs compared with the likes of OpenAI. Sarvam's model will be built, deployed, and optimised in India, using local infrastructure and developed by a new generation of Indian talent.

RIL Q4 result: Reliance Industries' net profit rises by 6.4% YoY to Rs 22,611 crore, announces dividend



Mumbai (Agency): Despite a challenging global business environment, Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) on Friday reported a 6.4 per cent rise in consolidated net profit at Rs 22,611 crore for the quarter ended March 2025 as against Rs 21,243 crore in the same period of last year. The net profit attributable to the owners of the company was at Rs 19,407 crore for the March quarter as against Rs 18,951 crore a year ago, showing a rise of 2.40 per cent. RIL's board of directors also declared a dividend of Rs 5.5 per share for the year. The FY25 revenue of the company was Rs 10.71 lakh crore and profit rose 2.9 per cent at Rs 81,309 crore. RIL has also become the first company to have a net worth of over Rs 10 lakh crore.

Jio Platform Ltd, the digital arm of RIL, posted a 25.7 per cent rise in net profit at Rs 7,022 crore for the March quarter. Revenue increased by 17.8 per cent to Rs 39,853 crore for the fourth quarter.

Reliance Retail Ventures Ltd (RRVL) reported a 29.1 per cent rise in net profit at Rs 3,545 crore for the March quarter and posted a 15.7 per cent increase in revenue at Rs 88,620 crore.

RIL Chairman and MD, Mukesh D. Ambani, said FY25 has been a challenging year for the global business environment, with weak macro-economic conditions and a shifting geo-political landscape. "Our focus on operational discipline, customer-centric innovation and fulfilling India's growth requirements has helped Reliance deliver a steady financial performance during the year," he said. "The oil to chemicals business posted a resilient performance despite considerable volatility in energy markets. Significant demand-supply imbalances in downstream chemicals markets have led to multi-year low margins. Our business teams ensured optimisation of integrated operations and feedstock costs to enhance margin capture across value chains," Ambani said.

RIL's oil & gas business recorded its highest ever annual EBITDA led by higher production from our KGD6 and CBM blocks. The retail segment also delivered consistent growth. "In FY25, the business focused on a strategic recalibration of our store network, aimed at improving operational efficiencies and long-term sustainability. The enhanced product catalogue and user experience across all formats, strengthened customer engagement," Ambani said.

Pakistan airspace closure: Over 800 weekly flights of Indian airlines may be impacted; IndiGo suspends flights to Tashkent, Almaty

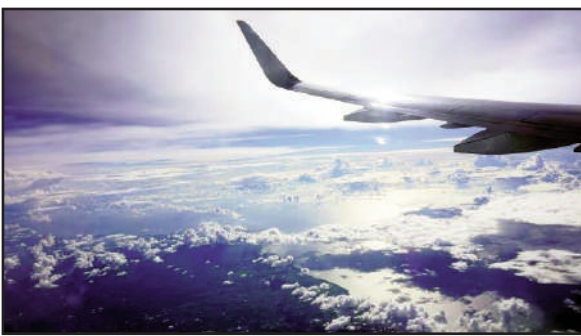
Indian airlines may suspend flights to a few destinations where it may be operationally or financially unviable to operate flights that circumvent the Pakistani airspace, according to industry experts.

New Delhi (Agency) : With Pakistan closing its airspace to Indian airlines from Thursday evening, over 800 flights a week are likely to be impacted by longer flight times, increased fuel burn, and a few other complexities related to crew and flight scheduling, all of which would increase operational costs. The initial impact is already visible with Indian airlines' flights from North India to West Asia, the Caucasus, Europe, the UK, and North America's eastern region switching from their

routine paths to longer routes, adding anywhere between 15 minutes to a few hours to the journey, depending on the distance and the location of the destination. Meanwhile, the Indian carriers are working to adjust their schedules to factor in the ban from Pakistani airspace. On Friday, IndiGo announced the suspension of its daily flights from Delhi to Almaty and Tashkent in Central Asia from April 27 and April 28 until "at least" May 7. The airline said that with the airspace restrictions imposed by Pakistan and limited rerouting options, both the Central Asian cities are now outside the operational range of its existing fleet of narrow-body aircraft. IndiGo added that the closure of Pakistani airspace would affect 50 of its international routes, which may require schedule adjustments. All major Indian airlines operate international flights to destinations to the west of

the country, and many of these flights were routinely overflying Pakistan. Air India operates flights to West Asia, Europe, the UK, and North America, while IndiGo operates flights to West Asia, Turkey, the Caucasus, and Central Asia. Air India Express, Akasa Air, and SpiceJet's west-bound international flights are to destinations in West Asia. According to data from Cirium, an aviation analytics company, currently there are almost 400 weekly westward international departures from North Indian airports—Delhi, Amritsar, Jaipur, and Lucknow—that were routinely flying over Pakistan. Given that all these flights have return legs, the total number of affected flights goes up to around 800 from these airports. Of these, around 640 flights are from or to India's largest airport—Delhi's Indira Gandhi International airport—which is likely to be the most affected due to the move by Pakistan. Additionally, a

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commented on whether such halts on the ultra-long-haul flights will now be a routine occurrence.

These are still early days and airlines are busy chalking out their schedules to adjust to this new reality. According to industry insiders, while it is still too early to assess the impact, the airlines' costs are bound to rise, which could translate into higher airfares for passengers. Additionally, airlines from other countries will get cost and time advantage over Indian airlines as the Pakistani airspace remains open for them.

All this is forcing Indian airlines to adjust their schedules, and could even lead to them suspending flights to a few destinations where it may be operationally or financially unviable to operate flights that circumvent the Pakistani airspace, like IndiGo's flights to Almaty and Tashkent. According to sources in airlines, flight schedules are

being worked on, and the carriers could soon announce changes to their schedules and even their networks to provide clarity and schedule stability to flyers. Indian carriers have so far not commented on the likely financial impact of Pakistan's move and a clearer picture of the impact—financial as well as operational—is likely to emerge over the next few days. When Pakistan closed its airspace for over four months in 2019, Indian airlines are estimated to have lost around Rs 700 crore due to higher fuel expenses and operational complications that came with longer routes many of their flights were forced to take. Air India was the worst affected Indian carrier at the time, as it operated more west-bound international flights than other airlines. Moreover, it was and continues to be the only Indian airline that operates long-haul and ultra-long-haul flights to Europe and North America.

EDITORIAL

How to believe in the proposal of Shahbaz Sharif, who has become incredible in our country?

Taking a tough stand on the terrorist attack in Pahalgam, India imposed several sanctions on Pakistan and warned the terrorists to suffer a big consequences, then Shahbaz Sharif's senses have flew away. They do not understand what to do if they do. Breaking the silence he had kept since the Pahalgam attack, he has said that we are ready to cooperate in the investigation of the incident. However, if it is seen, Pakistan has been adopting assurances like helping in the investigation or the gimmicks, but in reality it never cooperated. Despite repeated assigning evidence against the culprits of the Mumbai attack, he has never taken action against the terrorists nor has he brought the culprits of the Pathankot attack. Therefore, the statement of the Pakistani Prime Minister in the Pahalgam attack case cannot be believed at all. Pakistan's Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif is saying that Pakistan is ready to participate in any "fair and transparent" investigation of the Pahalgam attack. On the other hand, his army is carrying forward his jihad by helping terrorists in PoK from training to infiltration into India. Shahbaz Sharif is saying on one side that India accuses without any fact, on the other hand, the Pakistani diplomat is making a gesture of cutting the neck of Indians performing outside the Pakistani High Commission in London. On the one hand, the Pakistani Prime Minister says that we should know 90,000 in the fight against terrorism and lose \$ 600 billion and on the other hand Pakistan's Defense Minister is publicly accepted that his country has been helping terrorism, a unique example of doubleness and mentally insolvency.

Ramvilas Sharma

“Artificial intelligence is transforming not just education, but also jobs. Here's how we can help create an AI-literate generation.”

A gathering storm: On India's diplomatic actions against Pakistan

The diplomatic actions against Pakistan taken on Wednesday (April 23, 2025) by India's Cabinet Committee on Security in reaction to the Pahalgam terror attack are a measured set of responses that indicate a larger escalation could follow. The decisions such as to cancel visas given to Pakistani nationals, suspend consular operations, and to close the Attari border Integrated Check Post (ICP) carry New Delhi's message that it does not wish to engage with Pakistan above the absolute minimum levels required. Some of these measures had followed previous attacks including Pulwama (2019). The decision to put the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) in abeyance until Pakistan acts "credibly" against terror groups means that India will enforce its earlier decision to suspend all meetings of the Permanent Commission that oversees implementation of the treaty, end site visits by Pakistani water teams to India and continue with hydropower and desilting projects along the tributaries — measures to which Pakistan had raised objections. Pakistan's response is an attempt to mirror Indian measures, without even trying to address the anguish in India. Nor does it indicate it is willing to track down the perpetrators, despite the fact that The Resistance Force (TRF), which claimed responsibility for the attack, is a front for the Pakistan-based LeT. Islamabad has also cancelled visas, cut mission strength and has shut down all trade. Pakistan has threatened to suspend other bilateral agreements including the practically defunct 1972 Simla Agreement, which had most notably converted the ceasefire line into the Line of Control and abjured third party mediation on Kashmir. It also suggested that India's suspension of the IWT would be seen as an "Act of War" if it meant water flows to Pakistan are reduced, and threatened tit for tat strikes if India conducts military operations that harm Pakistani citizens.

All signs indicate the stage is being set for further escalation in tensions and a possible military standoff. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's message from a rally in Bihar is the threat of punishment "beyond imagination". New Delhi is reaching out to countries around the world, Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri is briefing foreign envoys, while senior Ministers have briefed Opposition leaders on the cross-border links. Given geopolitical currents, revulsion at such targeting of innocent tourists, and a broad understanding of India's stand on the issue of cross-border terrorism, it is unlikely that other countries such as the U.S. will press New Delhi to restrain its next steps. The government must continue to take all stakeholders, especially the Jammu-Kashmir government into confidence. Pakistan could benefit from reconsidering its disadvantageous position, and even now, show that it is willing to work against terror groups, and avert the impending escalation.

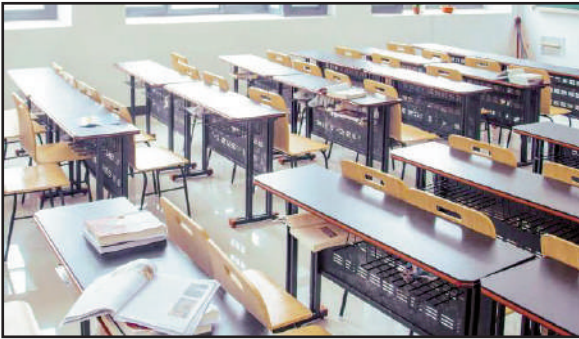
All you need to know about Kailash Manasarovar Yatra

New Delhi (Agency): The Kailash Manasarovar Yatra will be conducted during June and August this year through two routes, one via Uttarakhand and the other via Sikkim. In all, 750 Indian nationals will be permitted to undertake the religious pilgrimage. Mount Kailash and Manasarovar Lake are holy sites for the Hindu religion and are located in Tibet. The Ministry of External Affairs on Saturday issued a statement saying the Yatra is set to take place during June to August 2025.

Giving a breakdown of the 750 Yatris permitted, the MEA said 5 batches, each consisting of 50 Yatris, and 10 batches, each consisting of 50 Yatris, are scheduled to travel through Uttarakhand State, crossing over at Lipulekh Pass, and through Sikkim State, crossing over at Nathu La Pass, respectively. The website at kmy.gov.in has been opened for acceptance of applications. The Yatris will be selected from among applicants through a fair, computer-generated, random and gender-balanced selection process. Since 2015, the entire pro-

cess, commencing with online application until the selection of Yatris, is a fully computerised process. Therefore, applicants do not need to send letters or faxes to seek information. The feedback options on the website can be used for obtaining information, registering observations or making suggestions for improvement, the MEA said. India wanted that part of the Yatra be reverted through the Delhi-Pithoragarh-Lipulekh pass route that goes through the Kumaon region in Uttarakhand, sources said. The Lipulekh pass route would be quicker and less costly for pilgrims. One reason for this is that India now has a fully paved road to its side of Lipulekh Pass, a 16,870 feet high mountain crossing between Uttarakhand, India and Tibet. In 2020, the Border Roads Organisation, under the Ministry of Defence, opened the 80 km road between Dharachula and Lipulekh. This reduced the five-day one-way trek to a four-to five-hour car drive. The Sikkim route via Nathu La onwards entails a 4- to 5-day road journey into Tibet.

From blackboards to AI: A new Indian classroom for the 'Techade'



Artificial Intelligence has leapt from the pages of science fiction into the heart of our everyday lives. No longer just a tool, it has become a transformative force — reshaping classrooms, redefining workplaces, and revolutionising the way we think, learn, and solve problems. A recent global headline illustrates this power vividly: A four-year-old boy, suffering from a rare and undiagnosed medical condition, had visited 17 doctors — all unable to identify the cause. It was not a specialist, but an AI tool — ChatGPT — that finally connected the dots and led to a life-saving diagnosis. This is not tomorrow's tale — it is today's truth. A powerful reminder that, when used ethically and responsibly, AI can amplify human intelligence and deliver outcomes once thought impossible. In India, we stand at a crossroads. The choices we make now will determine whether we lead this global transformation or lag behind. At AICTE, we believe that Artificial Intelligence must not be feared — it must be understood, embraced, and guided. AI is not an adversary — it is a step forward in human evolution. AI is revolutionising education in unprecedented ways. No longer confined to

chalkboards and fixed syllabi, learning today is becoming dynamic, personalised, and borderless. Adaptive learning platforms, AI-powered tutors, automated assessments, and real-time feedback systems are making education more inclusive and tailored to individual needs. The classroom has shifted from a physical space to the cloud — accessible anytime, anywhere. Traditional teaching methods are giving way to intelligent systems that understand learning curves and adapt content accordingly. Teachers are being freed from administrative burdens like grading and attendance, allowing them to focus on mentoring, inspiring, and nurturing critical thinking. However, this transformation is not without its challenges. The over-reliance on automation can lead to a decline in original thought. AI-generated assignments are already raising questions about academic integrity. In response, we at AICTE are reimagining curricula and assessments to encourage deeper thinking, ethical reasoning, and problem-solving. AI is not just transforming how we learn — it is redefining what we must learn. The job market is shifting rapidly. While AI

has displaced certain roles — like typists, data entry operators, and routine clerical jobs — it has simultaneously created opportunities in data science, machine learning, AI ethics, robotics, cybersecurity, and beyond. Careers of the future will demand skills that combine technology with empathy, creativity, and adaptability. In response, AICTE has declared 2025 as the "Year of AI", a nationwide initiative to embed AI across disciplines — not just computer science. We are actively integrating Applied AI into programmes such as BBA, BCA, electrical engineering, and more. An expert committee led by industry stalwart Anand Deshpande and comprising academicians from IITs and NITs is guiding this transformation. Our vision is clear: Every student, regardless of discipline, should graduate with foundational knowledge of AI and data analytics. Faculty development is central to this vision. We are investing heavily in training educators, equipping them to teach and guide students in using AI responsibly. Because while students are adapting fast, it is the teachers who must lead the way. Without proper guidance, students might misuse these powerful tools. Therefore, building AI-literate, AI-competent faculty is not optional — it is a national priority. As we ride this wave of innovation, we must not lose sight of the human core of education. AI must never become a replacement for empathy, curiosity, or human connection.

Pakistan has to teach a lesson and uproot terrorism

Ramvilas Sharma

Due to the barbaric and cruel terrorist attack in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir, the whole country is seen in sorrow and anger, the same Modi government is seen in the mood this time. After a meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India has tightened the five big and tough decisions against Pakistan and tightened Pakistan on Pakistan, which is scared, scared, nervous. The 1960 Indus Water Treaty has been suspended in these punchings with immediate effect, the number of diplomatic missions will be reduced, Pakistani military diplomats will have to leave India in a week, cancel the SAARC visa for Pakistanis and the attic border has also been closed with immediate effect. While these steps show India's strict policy against terrorism, Pakistan has a diplomatic strike to show its status, while no major action can be denied inside. The Modi government is still expected to take more strict action from the Modi government to pressurize Pakistan over cross-border terrorism and to strengthen India's security and it is expected that the government will take revenge two steps ahead of the expectations of the public this time. This time Tandvi Tankar and Hunkar will not only break the back of Pakistan, but will also destroy its nefarious mansumbs forever. Pakistan has so far seen India's peace and cooperation spirit but will now see the tinkling of violence for violence. Those who killed the innocents, those who adopt the path of betrayal and those who wreak havoc on the unarmed will now know what is the

strength of religion and peace-keepers? The resistance front, an organization of Pakistan-based Lashkar-e-Taiba, has taken responsibility for this cowardly attack on innocent tourists. This tragic incident has reminded of

not only sleep, but will also snatch happiness and happiness. Targeting non-Muslims and that too during the visit of US Vice President JD Vance makes it clear that terrorists and their masters have challenged, directly challenged the BJP-led

of the business establishments in Srinagar remained closed after the bandh call on Wednesday. People were seen expressing grief and resentment in the streets and said that this incident is a betrayal with the guest of Kashmir and the spirit of



the massacre created by Lashkar-e-Taiba, who has shook Mumbai and India in 2008. It is not just a coincidence that the attack took place after 26/11 accused Tahavwur Rana's extradition and anti-India statement by Pakistan Army Chief General Aseem Munir. This attack has become a disgusting act of Pakistan's biggest mistake and inhumanity and bestiality ever. Munir described Kashmir as the 'vein' of his country, but this vein will now destroy Pakistan, forcing him to drink bitter. Pakistan, craving for grains, will now reach the verge of destruction by triggering. While the Baloch rebellion has made Munir and the army sleep, now India will

Modi government. Pakistan has suffered the consequences of the mistake of taking the Modi government cheaply, like Uri (2016) and Pulwama (2019), the blood of innocent will not be wasted in the Pahalgam murder case. Just as Sri Krishna created a Mahabharata against the wise powers, in the same way, Modi should create a universe forever by structuring a major war against Pakistan's terrorism. After the Pahalgam murder case, there has been a deep resentment for the first time in the entire country but also in the Kashmir Valley. For the first time after 35 years in the valley, a bandh has been organized against the terrorist attack. Most

peace. The objective of this attack of the terrorist organization associated with Lashkar-e-Taiba was to create awe among tourists and stop the return of general status in the valley. It is noteworthy here that last year more than thirty-five lakh tourists arrived in Jammu and Kashmir. But in a place like Pahalgam, where the livelihood of seventy percent of the people is related to tourism, the situation will take a long time to become normal. Tourists have canceled their trips for the coming days. After the removal of Article 370 from Jammu and Kashmir, there was a lot of change in Jammu and Kashmir. Terrorism was constantly shrinking, there

Incomplete chargesheet, missing documents, questions on ED's credibility?

Enforcement Directorate (ED) has received a big setback from Delhi's Rau Avenue Court in the National Herald case. When the court refused to issue notice to Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi and other accused. The court said that until ED does not present all the necessary documents with its chargesheet, the court will not issue notice to any accused. This action of the court is necessary for the transparency of the legal process and the credibility of the judiciary. It also becomes necessary because a foreign national has also been made an accused in the chargesheet. This negligence of ED in such an important case raises questions on the responsibility and seriousness of the investigating agency. Chargesheet is the basis of any criminal case. Evidence is collected against the accused in the investigation. The court has to hear the case according to the documents presented by the investigating officers in the chargesheet. Chargesheet is the most important document in the court to do justice. It is the court's job to see whether a person should be summoned to the court or not. In the charge sheet, it is checked whether the investigating agency has conducted the investigation in the correct manner as per the law or not. During the investigation, whether the documents related to the crime are attached to the charge sheet or not. The court looks at this at the very beginning. In case of any deficiency, the court does not accept the charge sheet. Before accepting the charge sheet, the court orders the investigating agency to investigate properly and submit the documents. If the necessary documents are not there in the charge sheet, then it has a direct impact on the judicial process. It is clear from this warning of the court that the investigating agencies should not work under any pressure. During the investigation, the investigating agency should attach whatever documents are available against the accused or in favour of the accused for the trial in the charge sheet. The hearing of the case is started only on the basis of documentary evidence and proof. This case has been the center of political allegations and counter-allegations for the last decade. Congress has been calling it an act of revenge. It is being described as a political attack on the Gandhi family. The accused made by the ED include Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and many big leaders of Congress. The ruling party is calling it a fight against corruption. The investigation of this case has been going on for the longest time. It is clear from this direction of the court that no matter how serious the allegations are, when a competent investigation agency has conducted the investigation, in such a situation, the evidence and proofs should be placed before the court. Without this, the court cannot take action against anyone. Both the parties have equal rights before the court. The court gives equal opportunity to both the parties for justice. It is necessary to see this for justice. This is the legal and moral responsibility of a constitutional institution like ED. It should present every document before the court with seriousness. It is clear from the court's comment in this case that there is no scope for haste or negligence in the judicial process. Until the crime is proven in the court, both the parties have equal rights under the Constitution and law.

was a light of peace. The joy of the litigants increased and the markets were buzzing. Festivals were being celebrated together at Lalchauk in Srinagar. Tulip flowers blossomed in the gardens. In the snow, the trees of chinar started swinging with slow cool winds. Which were pulling innumerable tourists of the country and the world. The expectations were tied that one day terrorism-free Jammu and Kashmir would see the new morning but the growing tourist and the strong economy did not like Pakistan. Pahalgam's horrific attack once again frightened everyone. In Jammu and Kashmir, peace, harmony and development in Pakistan were passing by the bosses of terror sitting in Pakistan. Therefore, Pakistan's Army Chief Taurik Munir, his intelligence agency ISI and terrorist organizations together conspired to conspiracy, which blurred and embarrassed his religion and also exposed Pakistani intentions.

Preparations are being done on a large scale to respond to Pakistan, but the question is whether India will be able to take any such major action, which makes it on the right path? Pahalgam's terrorist attack is a horrific attack on India's consciousness and its identity. India has been challenged by this attack. Now Pakistan must consider all options to teach a lesson in the same language. If the war is expected, it should also be carried out. How long will the threats of his atomic attack be scared? Along with this, there should also be a brainstorm on how the terrorists in Pahalgam succeeded in killing so many people so easily? The infiltration

and activism of the terrorists continued from across the border. In such a situation, the Government of India, security forces and intelligence agencies should have been more vigilant. There is enough reasons to believe that when a large number of tourists were reaching Kashmir, then there should have been a lack of vigilance there, why did it lack it? The way the terrorists massacred the Hindus by asking religion and name, the entire nation is in resentment. The daughter of India, whose hand mehndi color was not yet faded and she was married three days ago, her husband was shocked by the entire country after seeing the picture of Indian Navy Lieutenant Vinay Narwal. Hyderabad IB officer Manish Ranjan was killed in front of his wife and children, similarly painful scenes were scattered around. This attack was done by Hamas terrorists on Israel. Today the entire nation stands with Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Every countryman wants Pakistan to be taught a lesson as Israel has taught Hamas. However, after this unfortunate incident, the central government has started action on a war footing. Prime Minister Modi has expressed a pledge to teach Pakistan a lesson by roaring intense roar in Bihar. Home Minister Amit Shah said that there is talk of not kneeling in front of terrorism. Defense Minister Rajnath Singh said that the attackers will be given a strong reply as soon as possible. But now the voices of the valley should also be raised which have chosen humanity, unity of the country and peace of the valley by rejecting violence.

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Temple and Gurudwara vandalized in Canada

Amritsar (Agency). Two major religious places in British Columbia province of Canada - Lakshmi Narayan Temple (Surrey) and Ross Street Gurudwara (Vancouver) were vandalized early in the morning of 19 April. These incidents happened around 3 am. Now Surrey Police Service (SPS) and Vancouver Police Department (VPD) have released CCTV pictures of those who carried out these incidents. The local police have appealed to the public to immediately give them any information related to this matter. This incident especially happened on 19 April, when a large number of Nagar Kirtans were to be taken out in the local areas on the occasion of Baisakhi. It is clear that by carrying out this incident, an attempt was made to incite communal riots between the Hindu and Sikh community settled in Canada.

IED blast in Pakistani military convoy, 10 killed

Islamabad (Agency). 10 Pakistani soldiers were killed in an attack by the Baloch Liberation Army in Quetta, the capital of Balochistan province of Pakistan. BLA issued a statement and took responsibility for the attack. BLA said that its freedom fighters have targeted the convoy of the Pakistani army through a remote controlled IED. This attack is part of our freedom struggle. The military convoy was targeted near Margat Chowki, about 30 km from Quetta. BLA said that our operation against the enemy will continue rapidly. The Baloch Liberation Army attacked and hijacked the Jaffar Express in Quetta, Balochistan last month.

Pakistan, scared of India, reached out to its evergreen friend China

Islamabad (Agency). After the terrorist attack in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir, Pakistan is afraid of an attack from India. Pakistan, which has been threatening India with a nuclear attack for the past two days, has started a new maneuver on Saturday. While Pakistan Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif has offered a fair investigation, Pakistani Defense Minister Khawaja Asif has demanded an international investigation. But seeing India's attitude, Pakistan has taken refuge in its evergreen friend China. Pakistan's Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar has met Chinese Ambassador Jiang Z. During this, Pakistan's Foreign Ministry has said that the Pakistani Foreign Minister has informed China about the regional tension. Earlier, after the terrorist attack in Pahalgam, China had condemned the terrorist attack in its reaction. China's Ambassador to New Delhi, Shu Feihong, has condemned the barbaric terrorist attack. But this statement of China came a day after the terrorist attack and what was even more interesting was that the response of Pakistan and China came simultaneously. Now a meeting has taken place between Chinese and Pakistani officials in Islamabad.

What is the International Court of Justice and why is it weighing in on humanitarian aid in Gaza?

The Hague (Agency): The top United Nations court on Monday will begin hearing from 40 countries on what Israel must do to provide desperately needed humanitarian assistance to Palestinians in Gaza and the occupied West Bank. Last year, the UN General Assembly asked the International Court of Justice to weigh in on Israel's legal obligations after the country effectively banned the UN agency for Palestinian refugees, the main provider of aid to Gaza, from operating. The United States, Israel's closest ally, voted against the resolution. Israel over a month ago again cut off all aid to Gaza and its over 2 million people. Israel has disputed that there is a shortage of aid in Gaza, and says it is entitled to block the aid because it says Hamas seizes it for its own use. The Hague-based court has been asked to give an advisory opinion, a non-binding but legally definitive answer, in the latest judicial proceedings involving Israel and the 18-month war in Gaza. That is expected to take several months. Set up in the aftermath of World War II, the ICJ is an organ of the UN and adjudicates disputes between countries. Certain UN bodies, including the General

Assembly, can request advisory opinions from the court's 15 judges. All 193 UN member

violating international laws against acquiring territory by force and was impeding



states are members of the ICJ, though not all of them automatically recognize its jurisdiction. Last year, the court issued an unprecedented and sweeping condemnation of Israel's rule over the occupied Palestinian territories, finding Israel's presence unlawful and calling for it to end. The UN General Assembly sought the opinion after a Palestinian request. The ICJ said Israel had no right to sovereignty in the territories, was

Palestinians' right to self-determination. Two decades ago, the court in another advisory opinion held that Israel was violating international law by constructing a barrier between Israel and the West Bank. That opinion, also requested by the UN General Assembly, dismissed Israeli arguments that the wall was needed for security. Israel has not participated in previous advisory opinion hearings but has submitted written statements.

South Africa went to the court last year to accuse Israel of genocide over its actions in the war in Gaza, which began when Hamas-led militants attacked southern Israel on Oct. 7, 2023, killing about 1,200 people, mostly civilians, and abducting 251. Israel's retaliatory offensive has killed over 51,000 Palestinians, according to Gaza's Health Ministry, which does not say how many are civilians or combatants. The offensive has reduced much of Gaza to rubble, and most of its people remain homeless. Israel rejects South Africa's claim and accuses it of providing political cover for Hamas. South Africa also asked judges to make nine urgent orders known as provisional measures. They are aimed at protecting civilians in Gaza while the court considers the legal arguments. The court has ruled several times on that request, including ordering Israel to do all it can to prevent death, destruction and any acts of genocide in Gaza. The proceedings are ongoing and likely to take years to reach a conclusion. The International Criminal Court was established in 2002 as the court of last resort to prosecute those responsible for the world's most heinous atrocities: war crimes, crimes

against humanity, genocide and the crime of aggression. While the ICJ deals with disputes between two or more countries, the ICC seeks to hold individuals criminally responsible. In November, a three-judge panel issued arrest warrants for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, former Defense Minister Yoav Gallant and Hamas' military chief, Mohammed Deif, accusing them of crimes against humanity in connection with the war in Gaza. The warrants said there was reason to believe Netanyahu and Gallant have used "starvation as a method of warfare" by restricting humanitarian aid and intentionally targeted civilians in Israel's campaign against Hamas, charges Israeli officials deny. The warrant marked the first time a sitting leader of a major Western ally has been accused of war crimes and crimes against humanity by the global court of justice and has sparked major pushback from supporters of Israel, including the US. Israel and its top ally, the United States, are not members of the court. However, Palestine is, and judges ruled in 2021 that the court had jurisdiction over crimes committed on Palestinian territory.

Baloch Liberation Army killed 10 Pakistani army soldiers

Quetta (Agency). The Baloch Liberation Army (BLA) has claimed to have killed 10 Pakistani army soldiers in Margat area of Quetta, the capital of Balochistan province of Pakistan. The attack was carried out through a remote-controlled IED, which completely destroyed an army vehicle. BLA has issued a statement taking responsibility for this attack. The spokesperson of the organization, Jiyand Baloch, said that this attack is part of our ongoing struggle against the occupying army of Pakistan. It is noteworthy that BLA members often target the Pakistani army in Balochistan and the attacks have increased in the last few days. It is said that BLA continuously targets Pakistani security forces demanding an independent Baloch nation. The soldiers killed in the attack include Subedar Shahzad Amin, Naib Subedar Abbas, Sepoy Khalil, Sepoy Zahid, Sepoy Khurram Salim and other soldiers. BLA said in its statement that our operations will continue till the army occupying Baloch land is completely eliminated. Earlier, BLA attacked an army convoy in Balochistan province on March 16, killing five soldiers and injuring 12 others.

If a nuclear war happens, 5 billion people will die in 72 minutes?

Only two countries will survive, those countries are New Zealand and Australia

Washington (Agency). The world is under threat of nuclear war. Western countries fear that after Ukraine, Russia can attack anytime, which will create the risk of nuclear war. Earlier, the possibility of a nuclear attack by Russia on Ukraine was also expressed. Now nuclear war

experts and investigative journalists have said that if a nuclear war breaks out, five billion people can die in less than an hour. He says that only two countries have a real possibility of survival, those countries are New Zealand and Australia. The war expert said that it takes 26 minutes and 40 seconds for a ballistic missile to reach the east coast of America from Russia's launchpad. He pointed out that this was true in 1959-60 when Herb York first did the analysis, and it is still true today. A research agency that was a Pulitzer finalist in 2016 for its



investigative work, he said humanity would have less than 90 minutes before the world would be radically changed.

Part of the terrifying truth about nuclear war is that if nuclear strikes are exchanged, every country that is targeted would

know exactly how much time they would have. He said that in the event of an attack, the US president has only six minutes to decide on a retaliatory strike using a classified set of retaliatory options known as the Black Book and in that time, the Black Book opens; he must choose one option from a retaliatory list of options inside the Black Book. The professor, an expert in atmospheric science, cited research by the professor who warned that there would be catastrophic damage to the global climate. He explained that

most of the world, certainly the mid-latitudes, would be covered in ice sheets...places like Iowa and Ukraine would be just ice for 10 years. He said agriculture would disappear and when agriculture fails, people die. He said even sunlight would become deadly. Also, you would have radiation poisoning because the ozone layer would be so damaged and destroyed that you would not be able to live outside in sunlight. People would be forced to live underground, struggling for food everywhere except New Zealand and Australia.

Massive explosion at Iran's Rajai port

New Delhi (Agency). A massive explosion and fire incident took place in Iran's port city of Bandar Abbas on Saturday. The number of injured in this blast has increased to 516. This information was given by Babak Yaktaparast, spokesperson of Iran's National Emergency Services. However, no death has been officially confirmed till about three hours after the blast. At the same time, provincial disaster management officer Mehrdad Hasanzadeh said that the blast was very horrific. The number of people injured in the explosion has increased to 516. Many of the injured have been admitted to hospitals in Hormozgan province.

We have no hand in Pahalgam attack, if you want you can get an international investigation done: Defence Minister Khawaja

Islamabad (Agency). Pakistan is scared after the Pahalgam attack. But its arrogance does not seem to be decreasing. Pakistan's Defence Minister Khawaja Muhammad Asif said that we have been nurturing terrorists for the last 30 years. America has made us do this dirty work, but we have no hand in the Pahalgam attack, if you want you can get it investigated at the international level. Even after this if India attacks then this war will be destructive. Pakistan's Defence Minister Khawaja Muhammad Asif rejected these allegations in an interview and said that Pakistan is ready to cooperate in any international investigation.



He accused India of taking action without proof and said that these steps have been taken for domestic political gains. Asif said, we do not want to provoke this war because it can create a disaster for the entire region.

However, in another interview Asif admitted that Pakistan has done dirty work related to terrorism for America and western countries for decades. He called it a historic mistake, for which Pakistan itself had to pay

the price. Let us tell you that once again the tension between India and Pakistan is at its peak regarding terrorism. While India has taken a clear stand and taken decisive steps, Pakistan is repeating the old strategy and talking about cooperation in the investigation, but the contradictory statements of its own minister have raised many questions. The Resistance Front (TRF) has taken responsibility for this attack, which is considered a front organization of the banned terrorist organization Lashkar-e-Taiba. Jammu and Kashmir Police on Thursday released the sketches and identities of three terrorists.

Russia now has its eyes on the strategically important Bagram airbase



Moscow (Agency). After a long war with the Taliban in Afghanistan, the US has withdrawn from the Bagram airbase. Now this airbase has become the reason for a major change in the global power balance. On one hand, China is eyeing the Bagram airbase through Pakistan, while now Russia's strategy has also come out in the open. It is true that Russia has gradually started strengthening its hold in Afghanistan. Due to this, two shocking decisions have been taken under the leadership of Russian President Vladimir Putin. The first decision was to thank Hamas for the release of Russian hostages and the second decision is Russia's refusal to consider the Taliban a terrorist organization. It is reported that the Supreme Court of Russia has removed the Taliban, declared terrorists since 2003, from the official list, giving the Taliban a major

victory. This move of Russia is being seen as a geopolitical strategy. Moscow has long been trying to establish itself as a regional power. After the return of the Taliban to power in Afghanistan, their delegations have visited Russia several times and have also participated in many forums. On the one hand, America and Israel are engaged in eliminating Hamas, on the other hand, Putin's attitude towards Hamas seems to be a soft corner, which has become a topic of discussion. Putin had publicly thanked Hamas for the release of three Russian citizens kidnapped in the Israel-Hamas conflict of October 2023. Putin had said that this is the result of years-old relations between Russia and Palestinian organizations. Amidst all these events, another activity of Russia is drawing attention. Joint military exercise of Russia and Tajikistan on the border of Afghanistan.

True story behind Netflix's A Tragedy Foretold Flight 3054: The secrets of Brazil's deadliest crash, resulting in 199 deaths

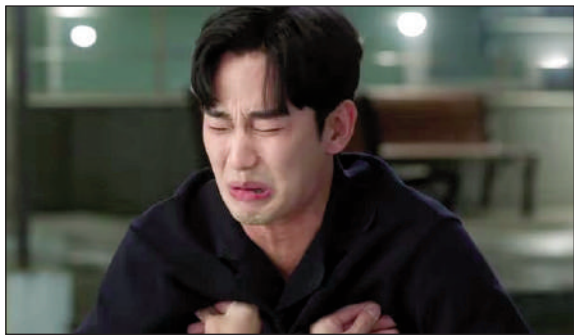


Netflix is revisiting one of the deadliest crashes in aviation history. In 2007, Brazil experienced one of its worst aviation disasters with the crash of TAM Airlines Flight 3054, which claimed 199 lives. Eighteen years later, with safety concerns in the sector rising and similar incidents being recorded, the OTT streamer released A Tragedy Foretold on April 23. The docuseries takes a closer look at what went wrong and the chain of failures that led to the tragic event. From an overcrowded airport to dangerous runway conditions, lack of communication and poor pilot training, the film explores how a series of mistakes were overlooked, resulting in a catastrophe that remains one of the deadliest aviation tragedies, still haunting Brazil to this day. The new Netflix documentary uncovers the chilling story with gripping visuals and firsthand accounts, forcing us to confront the painful truth behind one of South America's worst airline crashes at Congonhas Airport. It also serves as a clever reminder for viewers to consider how small oversights led to the disaster and raises questions about the potential for history to repeat itself, especially with the uptick in concerns over American flights. "This airport has always been a challenging one for pilots to navigate. Its reputation has always been bad. And it was getting even worse, some would say," says a Congonhas pilot. On July 17, 2007, a domestic carrier that took off from Porto Alegre tragically crashed at São Paulo airport while attempting to make a risky landing. The flight reportedly skidded, as the runway surface was slippery and lacked the necessary equipment to drain rainwater. To make matters worse, it rained on the day of the crash, further worsening braking conditions. The flight then veered off, hit a freeway, collided with the TAM warehouse, and exploded in flames after hitting a nearby petrol pump. According to an investigation carried out by Brazil's Aeronautical Accidents Investigation and Prevention Centre (CENIPA), the flight was completely destroyed alongside the local convenience stores.

Queen of Tears turns 1: How Kim Soo Hyun's iconic '40 crying scenes' backfired after tear fest at a 40-minute press conference

Imagine it's 2024. tvN delivers its biggest hit of the season, or perhaps even in its history. Queen of Tears, its new show, shatters records, even historical ones, surpassing legends like Crash Landing on You, Reply 1988, Vincenzo, and others to claim the top spot. Kim Soo Hyun rockets to the pinnacle of his career. His iconic crying scenes in the show had the entire K-drama fandom

sobbing along with him, feeling his pain, a huge factor in the show's immense success. Netflix, which secured the international rights, watched as viewership soared through the roof. Kim Ji Won delivered her career-best performance. Soo Hyun's popularity crossed borders. Fast forward to today: Kim Soo Hyun is now one of the most scrutinised stars in K-drama history, his popularity



drowning. Ironically, those same crying scenes have backfired. His real-life, tearful 40-minute speech, meant to be

heartfelt, is far from convincing for many fans. Instead, netizens are drawing uncomfortable parallels between his tearful moments in the Netflix series and his press conference. Queen of Tears is celebrating its one-year anniversary. If things had gone right, Kim Soo Hyun's house and agency Gold Medalist would have been flooded with support trucks, fan letters, postcards, gifts —

you name it. Today, it's protest trucks, wreaths, haters, accusers, and fans-turned-antis. Soo Hyun's life flipped upside down, and so did his career, when he was accused of dating late Bloodhounds star Kim Sae Ron while she was allegedly underage. The bereaved family teamed up with a controversial YouTube channel and dropped a series of alleged pieces of evidence.

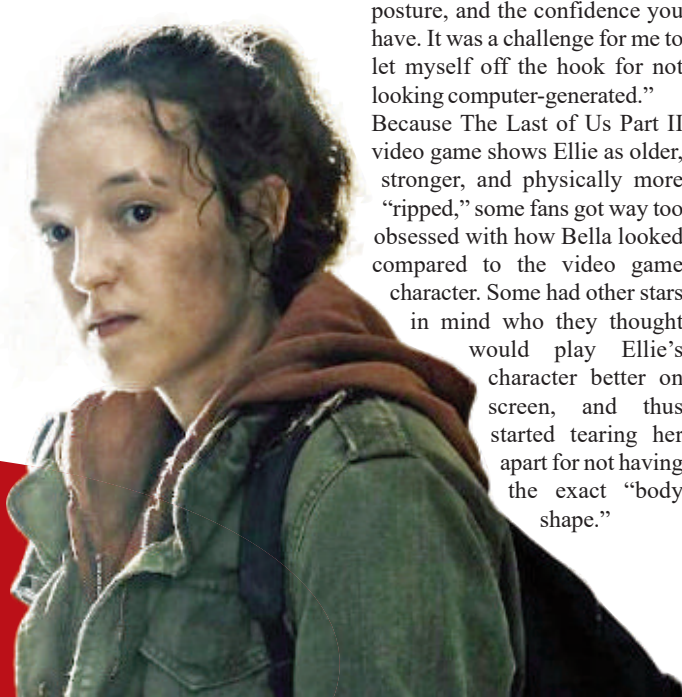
Bella Ramsey claps back at haters 'obsessing' over her physique; reveals why she quit social media after The Last of Us 2 premiere

The Last of Us season 2 premiered, and while the show has been faring well in terms of storyline and being praised as one of the rare and best video game live adaptations, not everything is sunshine for its lead star, Bella Ramsey, who plays Ellie in the show. In a new interview with the Hollywood Reporter, Ramsey opened up about fans obsessing over her appearance, revealing how the non-stop scrutiny pushed her to step back from social media platforms like Twitter and Reddit. The second season also marked the end of Pedro Pascal's character, someone very close to her, and while watching and shooting Joel's brutal death with a golf club was already incredibly hard for Ramsey, she was also dealing

with a lot behind the scenes. She was quietly battling the insane amount of online hate. "I always knew that I'd [deactivate] it one day and never even really wanted to have social media in the first place," Ramsey said. During her conversation with THR, the 21-year-old, who earlier shared her struggle with autism that was diagnosed while filming season 1, revealed getting 'fixated' over the video game character of Ellie. To master Ellie's skills, she had to go through intense physical training, such as boxing, jiu-jitsu, and weight training. But she admitted that she repeatedly questioned herself over her look. "I didn't look like

that. My body type isn't that. I talked about this a lot with Craig," she shared, revealing that she lacked Ellie's look from the game, specifically the muscle definition in her

arms. However, Ramsey revealed how the showrunner never had an issue with that. In fact, she shared, Craig Mazin "wanted me to look strong and feel strong, and that was in how I carried myself, my posture, and the confidence you have. It was a challenge for me to let myself off the hook for not looking computer-generated." Because The Last of Us Part II video game shows Ellie as older, stronger, and physically more "ripped," some fans got way too obsessed with how Bella looked compared to the video game character. Some had other stars in mind who they thought would play Ellie's character better on screen, and thus started tearing her apart for not having the exact "body shape."



Bella Ramsey opens up about the toll of social media scrutiny and how she stepped back from Twitter and Reddit while portraying Ellie in The Last of Us Season 2 amid online hate and personal struggles.

Shubman Gill opens up on rumours of dating Sara Tendulkar, Sara Ali Khan and Avneet Kaur: 'There's hardly any time to invest in a relationship'

Shubman Gill is one of the most promising cricketers today. He's also been in the news for his alleged link-ups with Sara Tendulkar, Sara Ali Khan and Avneet Kaur.

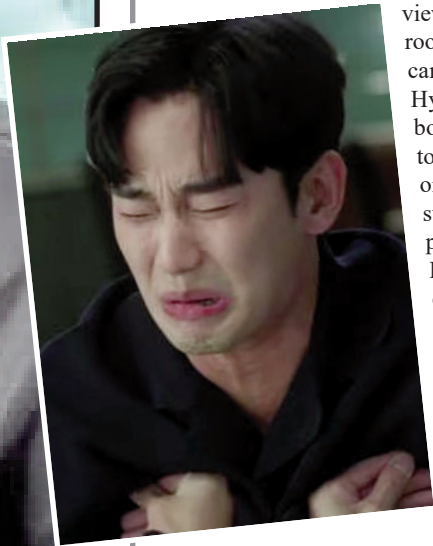
Shubman Gill is one of the most promising players in the Indian cricket team today. The 25-year-old all-rounder is not only the opening batter in One Day International cricket, but also the vice-captain of the Indian team in that format. He's also the captain of the Gujarat Titans team in the ongoing Indian Premier League. Over the past few years, Shubman has also been in the news for his speculated affairs with fellow young, budding celebrities. He has most famously been linked with Sara Tendulkar, the daughter of ace cricketer Sachin Tendulkar. He's also been linked with actors Sara Ali Khan and Avneet Kaur. In an interview with The Hollywood Reporter India, Shubman clarified that contrary to the rumours doing the rounds, he's been single for over three years now. "There have been so many rumours and speculations linking me with different people. And sometimes, it would be so

ridiculous that I've never seen or met that person ever in my life. Right now, I'm so focused on what I need to do in my professional career. There's no space in my life to be able to be with someone. Three hundred days, we're on the road, travelling somewhere. So there's hardly any time to invest in a relationship with someone," said Shubman. Appearing on Koffee with Karan Season 8, Sara Ali Khan was asked by host and filmmaker Karan Johar about her alleged linkup with Shubman Gill. Sara reacted to the stadium audience cheering "Sara! Sara! when Shubman is batting, "You've got the wrong Sara, guys! Sara ka sara duniya galat Sara ke peechhe pada hai (The whole world is after the wrong Sara)," said the actor. In an appearance on the Punjabi chat show Dil Diyan Gallan, hosted by Sonam Bajwa, Shubman was asked if he is indeed dating Sara. He answered, "Maybe." When Sonam egged him on and said, "Sara ka sara sach bolo (Tell the whole truth)," Shubman replied, "Sara da sara sach bol diya (I have told the truth). Maybe, maybe not."



Queen of Tears turns 1: How Kim Soo Hyun's iconic '40 crying scenes' backfired after tear fest at a 40-minute press conference

Imagine it's 2024. tvN delivers its biggest hit of the season, or perhaps even in its history. Queen of Tears, its new show, shatters records, even historical ones, surpassing legends like Crash Landing on You, Reply 1988, Vincenzo, and others to claim the top spot. Kim Soo Hyun rockets to the pinnacle of his career. His iconic crying scenes in the show had the entire K-drama fandom sobbing along with him, feeling his pain, a huge factor in the show's immense success. Netflix, which secured the international rights, watched as viewership soared through the roof. Kim Ji Won delivered her career-best performance. Soo Hyun's popularity crossed borders. Fast forward to today: Kim Soo Hyun is now one of the most scrutinised stars in K-drama history, his popularity drowning. Ironically, those same crying scenes have backfired. His real-life, tearful 40-minute speech, meant to be heartfelt, is far from convincing for many fans. Instead, netizens are drawing uncomfortable parallels between his tearful moments in the



Netflix series and his press conference. Queen of Tears is celebrating its one-year anniversary. If things had gone right, Kim Soo Hyun's house and agency Gold Medalist would have been flooded with support trucks, fan letters, postcards, gifts — you name it. Today, it's protest trucks, wreaths, haters, accusers, and fans-turned-antis. Soo Hyun's life flipped upside down, and so did his career, when he was accused of dating late Bloodhounds star Kim Sae Ron while she was allegedly underage. The bereaved family teamed up with a controversial YouTube channel and dropped a series of alleged pieces of evidence. Soo Hyun kept losing it all, first fans, then friends, then brand endorsements. Even Prada, the same brand that once proudly rallied behind him, quietly took ten steps back and dropped him from their ambassador list. Watching the situation slip out of control, Soo Hyun held a press conference, broke down in tears, and tried to set the record straight. He acknowledged being in a relationship with Sae Ron but insisted it was only after she had turned an adult. But fans weren't buying it, not the heartfelt story, not the threatening lawsuits, and definitely not the tears. What stuck with many was how he referred to Kim Sae Ron as "deceased," almost in passing. Some were left shaking their heads in disbelief, when he called himself a "star" while dropping Queen of Tears mid-speech. Reading the whole thing off a paper didn't help either, it only made the moment feel even more rehearsed.

Nyrraa Banerji recalls casting directors calling her face and body 'perfect' for South Indian films: 'I was a little voluptuous, yeh log muh par bol dete the'

Actor Nyrraa Banerji, known for her work in Bollywood and South Indian cinema, has experienced a rollercoaster journey in the film industry. Recently, Nyrraa opened up about her entry into South Indian cinema, how she was labelled 'perfect' for the industry due to her 'voluptuous' figure, and the challenge of balancing her film career with law school. On SCREEN's The Suvir

Saran Show, Nyrraa revealed that she actually joined law school as no one in her family was a lawyer, but her interests lay elsewhere. "I went to law school in Bombay. I chose that because no one in my family is a lawyer. In college, I used to participate a lot in these inter-college competitions, but not for acting, for dancing and fashion shows. I was inclined towards dancing. I actually wanted to become a dancer apart from law," she shared.



Talking about her entry into cinema, the actor recalled how casting directors often told her

that her face and body were well-suited for South Indian films. "I always heard casting

directors say, 'Tumhaara face and body South Indian films ke lie perfect hai.' I was a little voluptuous and not so skinny at that time. Yeh log bol lete hain muh par ki aapka face and figure South movies wala hai. I said that I don't want to do it. I have never even seen a South film. A casting director took Sridevi and other legendary actor names, explaining how South Indian films are also good," she said. "When I went home and told my parents

about the offer, dad said no. My mother also said that forget it because we don't know anybody who we can even consult. But, they also said that if one of them is travelling with me to Mumbai and overlooking, then it's worth giving a shot. Because astrologically, several pandits had already destined that this girl will definitely do something in the creative field, she is very good at fine arts.



Stoinis is impressed by Priyansh Arya and Abhishek



New Delhi (Agency). Australian all-rounder Marcus Stoinis has said that Indian cricket has a lot of depth. Stoinis, who is playing for Punjab Kings in the IPL, has praised the young Indian cricketers. Stoinis said that the way Indian young players play fearlessly is commendable. According to Stoinis, this is the reason why the Indian team was not affected by the simultaneous retirement of experienced players like Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli and Ravindra Jadeja from the T20 format. Players like Tilak Verma, Abhishek Sharma and Washington Sundar have taken over their responsibility well. He was also impressed by the performance of Punjab Kings' young batsman Priyansh Arya. Stoinis said, 'Indian cricket has a lot of depth. It has always been there. And I believe that the IPL is giving their players an opportunity to showcase their skills at the world level. He said, 'Young players are full of confidence because they get the benefit of going through pressure situations in tournaments like IPL in their career itself.

Former fast bowler said, this is the reason why Venkatesh Iyer is failing

Mumbai (Agency). In this season of IPL, Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) batsman Venkatesh Iyer has failed this season even though he was bought by the franchise for a huge amount of Rs 23.75 crore in the auction. Despite being the vice-captain of the team, he has been able to score only 135 runs in 8 matches. During this time his average is 22.5 and strike rate has been 140. At the same time, former cricketer RP Singh has said that due to the huge amount received in the auction, there is pressure on him to prove himself. Due to this stress, he

Krishna will play a big role for the Indian team in the future: Rayudu



New Delhi (Agency). Former Indian cricketer Ambati Rayudu has praised young fast bowler Prasidh Krishna and said that he will play an important role for the Indian team in the coming times. Krishna has performed brilliantly in this season of IPL. He is a contender for the Purple Cap as he is the highest wicket-taker so far. Gujarat's team is currently at the top of the points table and Krishna has taken 16 wickets from its side so far. Krishna was away from the game for a long time due to fitness problems, but earlier this year, he showed his abilities by taking six wickets in the Sydney Test against Australia. Since then, he has been performing well consistently. Rayudu said, he



Thai players competing in AVC Volleyball in the Philippines.

Fleming admitted that there was a mistake in the auction



Chennai (Agency). Chennai Super Kings (CSK) coach Stephen Fleming is very disappointed with the team's poor performance in the IPL season. Fleming has admitted that the team management made mistakes in the mega auction due to which the right team could not be formed. CSK has lost

seven out of nine matches this season. Fleming said, "It is difficult to say. We have found it completely right in the performance we have shown. That is why we are not rethinking our playing style. We are also looking at how the game is developing and how to adapt to it. He said, "This is the reason why

we are proud of our record because we have been able to maintain consistency in our performance for a long time. He also said that it does not take much time to take the other path. "Fleming admitted that some mistakes have been made by his team which are also related to the auction. He said, "Other teams kept getting better than us and this is where the auction mistake comes in. We could not correct it, so you have to take responsibility for everything. Auction is not an easy task which is mentally and physically tiring, however I believe that we had selected a good team."

during the auction and during selection. He further said, you let go of your best captain and now he is performing well under the captaincy of another team. So I don't think dropping this player now is a good option, because you have already given him many matches. Form problems can happen to any player, but usually, the more matches you play, your form gets better. Dropping him is not really a solution to the problem. This former fast bowler said, maybe the amount for which he has been bought is going on in his mind.

Sudirman Cup: PV Sindhu snatches defeat from the jaws of victory; India thrashed 1-4 by Denmark

New Delhi (Agency). Tanisha Crasto and Shruti Mishra objected with a defiant 21-13, 21-18 win in women's doubles, the fifth match of the Sudirman Cup tie. But otherwise, April 27th was threatening to go down as one of the worst days in Indian badminton, where the giants were humbled and rookies were offered an abject reality check of where they stood. India went down 4-1 to Denmark in their first group tie, and seldom has any Indian performance in shuttle, pointed to such hopelessness as on Sunday. Tanisha-Dhruv were shown the yawning gap between Top 20 and Top 10 in mixed doubles. HS Prannoy fought with fiery brimstone but never looked close to winning. PV Sindhu was twice on the verge of winning sets, but ceded 6 and 8 points in a row inexplicably. And Hariharan Amsakarunan and Ruban Kumar Rethinasabapathi realised in a rude awakening how simplicity in the form of a fast-paced, aggressive, flat game over a mere 6 exchanges in a rally, is still a long way off the elite level. The men's doubles, both 21, and barely entering Top 50,

will learn their lessons fast. But for India's Top 20 shuttles, this plummeting of fortunes will be tough to swallow. India has never won a Sudirman Cup medal – probably the toughest team event that tests a country's capability (top range, not depth) in each of the five disciplines. But Sunday made it plain that not much was going to change with the available set of players, with Satwik-Chirag and Treesa-Gayatri not travelling due to injuries. Tanisha and Dhruv Kapila were declared team captains, but the freshly minted Top 20s got a swatting reminder of what Top 10s in mixed doubles is. Playing Danish World No 7s Jesper Toft and Amalie Magelund, the Indians ranked No.17, were never the favourites. But the young duo will need to learn to compose their nerves quickly, and hit the road running in any tournament. Defensively tentative, and overwhelmed by the stage, the top pairing which has been making some headway on the circuit, could not stem the flow of points as the Danes, got cracking quickly and never took the foot off the pedal in a 21-13,

Both get one point each KKR and Punjab suffer setback as match gets cancelled due to rain

Kolkata (Agency). The match between Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) and Punjab Kings (PBKS) in IPL could not take place due to rain. Both teams have got one point each. In this match, Shreyas Iyer's Punjab Kings batted first and scored 201 runs. Priyansh Arya scored 69, Prabhsimran Singh scored 83 runs. After this, KKR's innings had just started when it started raining, due to which the match was stopped. Even after this, when it did not rain, the match was declared cancelled at 11 o'clock and both teams were given 1 point each. This has come as a shock to both because both wanted to confirm their claim for the playoffs by winning this match. Punjab's team is



now fourth in the points table while Kolkata remains at the seventh position with 7 points. Priyansh and Prabhsimran made a good start for Punjab in this match and scored 71 runs in 8 overs. This is the first time in this season that Punjab has not

lost a wicket in the powerplay. Priyansh scored runs at a strike rate of more than 150 during this period. Priyansh scored fifty runs in just 27 balls. Prabhsimran also completed his 1000 runs. Priyansh scored 69 runs in 35 balls with the help of 8 fours

and 4 sixes. Prabhsimran scored a half-century in 38 balls. Prabhsimran scored 83 runs with the help of 6 fours and 6 sixes. Maxwell was out in this match after scoring 7 runs on Varun Chakraborty's ball. Marco Jansen could score only 3 runs.

RCB coach praises Hazelwood



Bengaluru (Agency). Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) head coach Andy Flower has praised his team's fast bowler Josh Hazelwood. Flower said that Hazelwood easily handles pressure in any format of the game and knows when and how to

bowl. Hazelwood has also played an important role in RCB reaching the third position in the points table. This bowler took 4 wickets for only seven runs in his last two overs against Rajasthan Royals in the last match. Flower said, 'I will talk about

his last two overs because only seven runs went in his two overs and he took three wickets. Both those overs show what level of bowler he is. He has the ability to play in any format. I know he is known for bowling on the same line-length but he has the ability to bowl all types of balls. The former Zimbabwe captain said, 'He bowled a great mix of yorkers, wide yorkers and slow balls. He knows when to bowl what type of ball. Flower said that three different types of fast bowling attack is the biggest strength of RCB. He said, 'I think Bhuvneshwar Kumar's performance has also been good this season.

Manoj Tiwari said Punjab will not be able to win the title due to coach Ponting

Kolkata (Agency). In this season of IPL, Punjab Kings have performed very well so far under the captaincy of Shreyas Iyer and are strong contenders for the title. At the same time, former Indian cricketer Manoj Tiwari has questioned Punjab Kings coach Ricky Ponting and said that the Punjab team will not be able to win the title. Tiwari is not happy with Ponting's coaching style. This former cricketer has said that the way Ponting is ignoring the Indian players will harm Punjab. Tiwari wrote on social media,

I think Punjab Kings will not be able to win the IPL title this season as well. I saw that the coach is trusting foreign players more than Indian players. That is why Glenn Maxwell and Marco Jansen, who failed to score runs this season despite the better performance of Nehal Vadera and Shashank Singh, are being sent forward. He said, Ponting seems to have less trust in Indian players. If they continue like this, then despite making it to the top two, Punjab's team will be far from winning the title.



Goenka gives players freedom in taking decisions: Pooran

Lucknow (Agency). Lucknow Super Giants (LSG) batsman Nicholas Pooran has defended franchise owner Sanjiv Goenka, saying that he gives players freedom in taking decisions. Goenka is involved in the team's strategies and is believed to have a tough attitude towards the players. A special controversy also arose after his argument with captain KL Rahul last season. Rahul was not retained after this. This time too, he has been on the target for the conversation with captain Rishabh Pant after the team's defeat. He has been accused of interfering in sports matters without reason. Puran has praised Goenka's work and said that he fully supports the players and gives them freedom to take decisions based on the game. Puran said that the franchise has provided many opportunities to the players, the effect of which has been seen on the performance of the entire team. He said that this has given the players an opportunity to move forward.

Prabhsimran completes 1,000 runs



Kolkata (Agency). Punjab Kings batsman Prabhsimran Singh has become the first uncapped batsman of the team to score 1000 runs in IPL. Prabhsimran completed his 1000 runs during his half-century in the match against Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR). An uncapped player is one who has never played for his country in official international matches. During his innings, Prabhsimran scored 83 runs in 49 balls with the help of six fours and six sixes. He has scored these runs at a strike rate of 169.39. This season, he has scored 292 runs in 9 innings at an average of 32.44, which also includes two half-centuries. His best score is 83. Overall, he has scored 1,048 runs in 43 matches at an average of 24.37 and a strike rate of 151.88, including one century and five fifties. His best score has been 103 runs.



second set storm where the Indian amped up the pace, and hit some well-positioned down the line smashes. But Prannoy struggled in an area that has been daunting him through the past few seasons—he just couldn't go toe to toe with Antonsen after the 11th point break, and faded off 21-15, 21-16 in 49 blistering minutes. Dominating an individual rally he managed, stringing together a bunch of points, he couldn't. What's been depressing for India in the leadup is that Sen too has been out-manoeuvred in the

were just far too taken in by the enormity of the occasion (and replacing Satwik-Chirag), to be able to settle down and regain their poise. Aggression and speed in flat games is all very well but not when the defense disappears. PV Sindhu led Line Kjaersfeldt 20-16 in the opening set. Then she frittered 6 points in the most irrational fashion to cede the opener 22-20. You would think she had regained her equilibrium leading 19-12 in the second set, but this time it was 8 straight points she allowed her opponent to

snatch a win, in one of the biggest capitulations of her career. It was literally the lack of application in finishing the job, as she got waylaid by the leads and hoped for the last few points to fall in her lap. The Danish European champion stuck to basics, and sauntered past a crumbling opponent who had no clue about why she was crumbling. Commentators talking of her need to polish her skills and constant changing of coaches, was the final nail in the coffin, though the problem was specifically in finishing, turning the proverbial knife. Shruti and Tanisha had nothing to lose—not much to win either. And that seemed to liberate them from the pressure as they took to the court beaming away at the opportunity to play badminton. Natasjia Anthonisen and Alexandra Boje were really no match to the scratch Indian pair, who matched aggression with execution. At one point, Mishra and Crasto converged and the former literally tackled her partner, pushing her inadvertently while chasing the shuttle to the back court.

Chief Secretary of the state homeless for six months

■ **Arbitrariness:** Neither a minister, nor an MLA, yet the honorables are sitting on big bungalows

■ **Waiting for** MLA Ramakant Bhargava to vacate the bungalow given to him by MP eligibility



Bhopal (Agency): Indeed, Madhya Pradesh is strange. In Madhya Pradesh, where on one hand ineligible honorables, that is, those who are neither ministers nor MLAs, are living in big

government bungalows, the administrative head of the state has not been able to get a single government bungalow in 6 months. When Anurag Jain, a 1989 batch IAS officer who has handled big and important responsibilities from

Madhya Pradesh to the Central Government, became the 35th Chief Secretary of Madhya Pradesh, it seemed that the government and administration would welcome him with open arms. But the irony is that it

has been 6 months since Jain took charge, but he is still homeless. It is worth noting that Chief Secretary Anurag Jain is currently living in a rest house. The bungalow allotted to the Chief Secretary after a long time is B-4 Bungalow located at Char Imli. Budhni MLA Ramakant Bhargava is living in it. This is the residence allotted to the Chief Secretary. The government has sent a notice to Ramakant Bhargava asking him to vacate this bungalow soon. At the same time, Ramakant has been allotted another residence from the MLA Vidhan Sabha pool. Ramakant Bhargava has not vacated the bungalow yet.

B-4 Bungalow remained in the news

This is the same bungalow, which was vacated overnight from former minister PC Sharma as soon as Kamal Nath's government fell in 2020 and given to Vidisha MP Ramakant Bhargava by the Shivraj government. His term ended in June 2024. Despite this, Ramakant Bhargava did not vacate the bungalow for six months. After this, he was elected MLA in the Budhni by-election in November 2024. Lakhs of rupees of the government have been spent in the decoration of this bungalow.

Took charge on 3 October

Anurag Jain took over as Chief Secretary on 3 October 2024. Despite the passage of six months, the top officer of the state is still waiting for a government residence. This not only raises questions on the administrative system, but also tells how rules and laws are kept aside in the equations of power. Such a vacillating attitude with a post like Chief Secretary is very worrying in

Not getting a free hand

Anurag Jain is known for his devotion to duty in MP and the Center. He has performed important responsibilities in the PMO, Ministry of Transport and other departments at the Center. As per what was

Occupying government bungalow despite not being

Former ministers of the state Narottam Mishra, Arvind Bhadoria, Rampal Singh have lost the elections, but are occupying government bungalows for one and a half years. Former

terms of discipline and order in bureaucracy. This is an administrative failure, a dangerous message is also being sent that even after the Chief Secretary was allotted a residence, the government could not vacate the bungalow. At the same time, the coordination between the Chief Minister and the Chief Secretary remains a topic of discussion in the ministry.

expected as the Chief Secretary of MP, he may not have got a free hand. Which has started being discussed in the ministry. Its effect is being seen in governance and administration.

ministers Gopal Bhargava, Bhupendra Singh are also living in big houses without ministerial posts. Former Bhopal MP Pragya Singh Thakur has also not vacated the government house.

BRIEF NEWS

Fire in huts, two people died

Delhi (Agency): A hut in Rohini Sector 17 suddenly caught fire on Sunday morning. Within no time, the fire engulfed more than a dozen huts nearby. As soon as the information was received, 20 fire engines reached the spot. The firefighters have controlled the fire. Two bodies have been recovered during the search, the search operation is still going on. Local people have accused the fire brigade of reaching late.

Congress leader Karan Singh's big statement on Pahalgam terror attack

Delhi (Agency): Senior Congress leader Dr. Karan Singh has given a big statement on the retaliation to the horrific terrorist attack in Pahalgam. He said that whatever steps are necessary should be taken. As far as war is concerned, both sides have to suffer huge destruction in it. Therefore, it is better if there is no war now. He said that it remains to be seen in which direction the situation goes now. I think Prime Minister Narendra Modi is keeping an eye on the situation and steps will be taken according to the circumstances. I cannot give any specific opinion on this, but it is certain that there will be a reaction to this horrific incident. Time will tell what will happen next. When the media asked Dr Karan Singh about Pakistan's statement that Pakistan is ready to investigate this attack, he gave a sharp reaction. Karan Singh said that when the attack was carried out by them, then what difference will it make if they investigate now. They should see for themselves who did it. The people who were sent did their job, killed 26 innocent people. This is a very horrific incident, it should not have happened. This will harm both the countries, no one will benefit.

Saturday was the hottest day in the last three years

Delhi (Agency): The weather in Delhi and nearby cities is fluctuating rapidly. According to the Meteorological Department, the highest temperature of 42.1 degrees Celsius was recorded in Delhi last year. Earlier, the highest temperature in the national capital was recorded in 2022. When the maximum temperature reached 43.5 degree Celsius in April. According to the Meteorological Department, the minimum temperature in Delhi on Saturday was recorded at 20.7 degree Celsius, which is 3.1 degrees below the average temperature of this season. The humidity level in Delhi remained between 35 percent and 15 percent. The Meteorological Department has forecast cloudy weather in Delhi on Sunday. The maximum and minimum temperatures are expected to be around 41 degree Celsius and 24 degree Celsius respectively during the day. That is, there is a possibility of partial relief in temperature today as compared to yesterday. According to the IMD, strong winds are expected to blow in Delhi during the day till May 2. During this time the temperature is also expected to decrease. According to meteorologists, despite strong winds, Delhiites are unlikely to get relief from the heat. According to the IMD, the maximum temperature is likely to be 41 to 42 degree Celsius and the minimum temperature is likely to be 22 to 24 degrees for the next few days. Heat wave alert continues in Delhi. There is no forecast of drizzle or rain in Delhi amid partial change in weather. In the absence of clouds, people may also be troubled by the scorching sun. According to the data of the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), Delhi's air quality remained in the "poor" category, where the Air Quality Index was recorded at 247 at four in the evening. According to the CPCB, AQI between zero to 50 is considered 'good', between 51 to 100 'satisfactory', between 101 to 200 'moderate', between 201 to 300 'bad', between 301 to 400 'very bad' and between 401 to 500 'severe'.

Will it give or not, a big update has come for 68 thousand ration card holders

Delhi (Agency): Even during the tenure of the newly formed BJP government, 68 thousand card holders of Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) in Delhi will continue to get free sugar every month. The Delhi government has approved the proposal to bear the additional cost of free sugar. The Chief Secretary has also issued a circular to this effect. The sugar quota did not come from February to April because approval was not received from the new government of Delhi. In such a situation, the card holders were upset and were repeatedly visiting ration shops. Now on April 15, the BJP government of the capital has approved the cabinet proposal for free sugar distribution. Two days ago, Delhi Chief Secretary Dharmendra has also issued a circular of this decision. Let us also tell you here that till the Corona period, AAY card holders were getting sugar at the rate of Rs 13.50 per kg. A subsidy of Rs 18 per kg was being provided by the Centre, but after Corona, the state government started bearing Rs 13.50.

Doors of promotion for employee officers will be opened

CM Dr. Mohan said in the provincial conference of Gazetted Officers Association

Bhopal (Agency): Whatever happened inside Pahalgam, be it Hindus, Muslims, Madhya Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, all have united and for the first time, along with the Prime Minister, both the ruling party and the opposition have condemned the massacre. The Prime Minister is also getting support from the world for strict action.

Today I have listened to the Prime Minister's Mann Ki Baat and Modi ji has reiterated that those responsible for this incident will have to pay the price for it, they will not be spared, this is the resolution of my country. The enemies could not digest the restoration of democracy in Kashmir. They kill in the name of religion. If they had so much courage, they would have been cut into pieces in front of our army. They went like rats and did a cowardly act, the owner

of the hole in which they are hiding will also be punished. The above words were said by Chief Minister Dr. Mohan



Yadav in the provincial conference of Madhya Pradesh Gazetted Officers Association held in Bhopal. He said that we take decisions, officers have a role to make policies for implementation. Officers also play the biggest role. Officers and Employees Union is like our family, they have a very big role. When we talk about development, how can our officers and employees stay behind, we cannot leave them behind. In the city, in the village, we are taking care of the poor farmers and women. We will not ignore your demands. CM Dr. Mohan said that we are sensitive towards all your service conditions and

various demands. We have fulfilled many demands in the past. We will do so in the future too.



The demand letter of the employees and officers that I have read is very big. But it is also very good. Your demand is also not bad. We are working continuously. Madhya Pradesh is constantly moving forward. Madhya Pradesh will create an identity in the country. There will also be talk about the heritage of the state. There is a need to remember the glorious history of the state. Our government has decided to do Bhoomi Pujan in the name of Raja Bhoj on the highway. King Vikramaditya used to work 24 hours a day. Everything can be learned from Vikramaditya. A highway will also be named after

Vaya Vandana Yojana will be implemented in Delhi from this day

Delhi (Agency): The Center's insurance policy and Vaya Vandana Yojana are going to be launched in Delhi from April 28. Under this scheme, now every elderly person above 70 years of age will get treatment up to five lakhs absolutely free. Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said about this that lakhs of elderly people of the country are benefiting from this scheme, which is proving to be a milestone. The BJP government of Delhi is going

to launch the Center's insurance policy and Vaya Vandana Yojana in the national capital from April 28. Under this scheme, now every elderly person above 70 years of age will get treatment up to five lakhs absolutely free. The previous Arvind Kejriwal government of Delhi did not implement this scheme of the Center. At the same time, now this card is being launched in Delhi. Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said about this that



lakhs of elderly people of the country are benefiting from this scheme, which is proving to be a milestone. But till now Delhi was deprived of this because the previous Kejriwal government did not implement it in Delhi due to the feeling of malice. Now the elderly of Delhi will also have Ayushman Vaya Vandana card, so the family expenses will be reduced and their worries will also be reduced. All preparations have been made to

implement the Vaya Vandana scheme in Delhi. It will be launched by the Rekha Gupta government on April 28 at the Thyagaraj Stadium in Delhi. Distribution of health cards will also start from the same day under the Vaya Vandana scheme. Chief Minister Rekha Gupta and Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri will be the chief guests in this program. The program will be presided over by Delhi Health Minister Pankaj Singh.

If India stops water, where will it store it?

Delhi (Agency): Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge has raised serious questions on the response of the central government after the Pulwama terrorist attack. On the suspension of the Indus Water Treaty, he asked that if India stops the water of Indus, where will it store it, does the country have such big dams? Earlier, he had raised questions on the absence of the Prime Minister in the all-party meeting. Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge has questioned the central government's decision to suspend the Indus Water Treaty with Pakistan after the Pahalgam terror attack on April 22. He asked that if India stops the water of Indus, where will it store it, does the country have such

big dams? Kharge also said that Congress stands with the government for the unity and security of the nation, but it is important that such incidents do not happen in future. Kharge said that if you (government) decide to stop the water, where will you store it? Do we have such dams? But these questions will be asked later, not now. Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge had expressed deep displeasure over the absence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the all-party meeting held in Delhi after the Pahalgam terror attack. He said that it is unfortunate that the Prime Minister was away from such a meeting when the country is facing a serious crisis. Kharge claimed that in the meeting, the government

clearly admitted the security lapse, which was a major reason for this horrific terrorist attack. He said that this lapse has happened not only at the intelligence level, but at every level of the security system. After the all-party meeting, Kharge had said that the first question I raised in the meeting was that when the government itself calls a meeting, the Prime Minister should attend it. Since he did not come, we said that this is not appropriate. He also alleged that the Prime Minister ignored the all-party meeting and gave priority to the election rally in Bihar. He said that you go to Bihar to give election speeches. If he (PM) is not attending the meeting, it means that he is not serious about this attack.

Yellow alert for thunderstorms in Delhi for 3 days, winds with speed of 50 degrees will blow

Delhi (Agency): There is going to be a big change in the weather of Delhi-NCR this week. IMD has warned of bad weather for three days in Delhi as well as NCR areas. The Meteorological Department has issued a yellow alert for three days of stormy winds and light rain or showers with thunder and lightning in various parts of Delhi. This will reduce the temperature and people will get relief from the scorching heat. The Meteorological Department has predicted partly cloudy sky in Delhi on April 28. Also, strong winds with a speed of 10 to 20 kilometers per hour are expected. The maximum temperature on this day is expected to be 40 to 42 degrees while the minimum temperature is expected to be 25 to 27 degrees Celsius. After this, the weather will be bad in Delhi as well as NCR on April 29. The Meteorological Department has predicted partly cloudy sky in Delhi on April 29. A warning has been issued for winds blowing at a speed of 30 to 40 kmph during the weather worsening. Sometimes the wind speed can increase to 50 kmph. During this time, a yellow



alert has been issued for light rain or showers with thunder and lightning. The weather is expected to remain more or less the same in the NCR areas as well. The Meteorological Department has issued a yellow alert for partly cloudy weather and winds blowing at a speed of 20 to 30 kmph on April 30 and May 1. However, there is no possibility of rain on both these dates. A decrease in temperature will be seen on both these days. On April 30, the maximum temperature in Delhi is expected to be 38 to 40 degrees while the minimum temperature is expected to be 25 to 27 degrees Celsius.