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Civil war in Uddhav Thackeray's party! Shinde faction MP makes a major revelation on reports of a split within the Shiv Sena (UBT).



Amidst the ongoing discussions about 'Operation Tiger' in Maharashtra politics, Shiv Sena (Shinde faction) MP Naresh Mhaske has launched a scathing attack on the Uddhav Thackeray faction. Mhaske clarified that the reports of Shiv Sena (UBT) MPs meeting Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde or leaving the party are completely baseless and fabricated. He alleged that Shiv Sena (UBT) leaders themselves are planting such news in the media to divert attention from the continuous electoral defeats and leadership failure. What did Mhaske say on the dinner of Uddhav's MPs with Eknath Shinde? Recently, a dinner was hosted in Delhi by Union Minister Prataprao Jadhav for all Maharashtra MPs. Mhaske said that the interaction between MPs from different parties in Delhi is a part of parliamentary culture.

Why did the Bombay High Court tell the Maharashtra government to discontinue the Ladki Behen Scheme? Learn the full story.



The most ambitious 'Chief Minister Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana' of Maharashtra's Mahayuti government is now surrounded by legal controversies and harsh comments from the court. While hearing a case, the Bombay High Court has raised serious questions on the financial priorities of the state government. The court clearly said that if the government does not have the funds to pay the arrears to the teachers and employees as per the Seventh Pay Commission, then it has no moral right to continue with its popular schemes. What is the whole matter? The dispute began when a woman retired from the education department of the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) approached the court. The petitioner alleged that she had not yet been paid her pension benefits and other dues under the Seventh Pay Commission.

Maharashtra announces massive recruitment for 8,669 government posts; Minister Aditi Tatkare announces mega reform

The Maharashtra government has made a historic decision regarding the Women and Child Development Department. The reorganization process, pending for the past 23 years, has finally been approved. Announcing this "mega reform," Women and Child Development Minister Aditi Tatkare stated that this decision will not only speed up the department's work but also improve implementation of schemes at the grassroots level. As decided at the Cabinet meeting, a total of 8,669 regular positions (Group A to Group D) have been approved in the department. In addition, 165 new positions have been created to meet the workload. In addition to the regular positions, 2,843 positions have been approved for



outsourcing to ensure the smooth functioning of the department. Great news for Anganwadi workers. Women working in rural and urban areas under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme have received a major relief. The Maharashtra government has officially approved the creation of 110,664 honorarium-based Anganwadi Sevika and 110,664 Anganwadi Sahayika positions. This means a total of 221,328 honorarium-based positions will now be part of

the department's structure. 15 existing and 32 deputed employees of Maharashtra Social Welfare Board, Mumbai will now be adjusted against vacant posts under Women and Child Development Commissioner's office in Pune. This reform will eliminate manpower shortages for monitoring Anganwadi centers, combating malnutrition, and implementing women's safety programs. This move is considered a milestone in Maharashtra's administrative history. Govt Jobs in Maharashtra: The Maharashtra Women and Child Development Department has undergone a historic transformation after 23 years. A total of over 2.3 lakh posts have been approved, including 8,669 regular positions.

also announced that employees of the Maharashtra Social Welfare Board in Mumbai will now be accommodated in vacant positions under the Women and Child Development Commissioner's office in Pune. This reform will eliminate manpower shortages for monitoring Anganwadi centers, combating malnutrition, and implementing women's safety programs. This move is considered a milestone in Maharashtra's administrative history. Govt Jobs in Maharashtra: The Maharashtra Women and Child Development Department has undergone a historic transformation after 23 years. A total of over 2.3 lakh posts have been approved, including 8,669 regular positions.

Kunal Kamra bluntly refused to apologize to Eknath Shinde over his 'traitor' remark, saying, "This is my profession"



Renowned stand-up comedian Kunal Kamra is once again in the headlines, but this time it's not for his new show, but for his appearance before the Privileges Committee of the Maharashtra Legislature. Kamra has made it clear that he stands by his statement and will not apologize under any circumstances for his derogatory remarks against Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde, calling him a "traitor." What is the whole matter? Comedian Kunal Kamra shared a sarcastic song about Deputy

Chief Minister Eknath Shinde on social media. In the video, Kamra allegedly used highly offensive and provocative language against Shinde, using words and phrases like "traitor," "turncoat," and "Fadnavis's lapdog." Ruling party MLAs issued a notice against Kamra, calling the video an insult to the dignity of the Deputy Chief Minister's position and a violation of the legislature's privilege. What happened before the committee? During the hearing,

when the committee members asked Kamra if he regretted his actions or wanted to apologize, Kamra responded candidly. He said, "The satirical song about Eknath Shinde was part of my professional expression. As a comedian, satire is my job. I have no regrets about what I said, nor have I made any mistakes." Kunal Kamra has appeared before the committee twice so far. He clarified that he was exercising his right to freedom of expression. The committee has now directed him to submit his side of the story in writing. What could happen next? Following comedian Kunal Kamra's refusal to apologize, all eyes are now on the Privileges Committee's next move. If the committee finds Kamra's response unsatisfactory, it could recommend strict action against him. In Indian parliamentary procedure, breach of privilege is considered a serious matter, punishable by punishment or a fine.

After Mumbai, Pod Taxi will start in these three cities, traveling to Thane-Mira-Bhayander will be easy, learn the full plan



metro project will be started. After the metro connection from Kashigaon to Dahisar Check Naka, the tender process for the 9.7 km long elevated metro project from Gaimukh to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Chowk in Thane will begin next week. Transport Minister Pratap Sarnaik said that this decision was taken in a meeting held at MMRDA on the instructions of Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis and Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde. The

Dahisar-Kashigaon route will be extended to Gaimukh. The target for completion of this project is set for 2029. This way, the Ghatkopar to Thane Kasarvadavali-Gaimukh and Mira-Bhayander metro will be connected. Transport Minister Pratap Sarnaik stated that the pod taxi project has already begun in Mumbai from Kurla to BKC. Now, there are plans to implement the pod taxi project in

Thane, Mira-Bhayander, and Navi Mumbai on a PPP basis. The detailed project report (DPR) for this project will be completed in the next six months. 60 meters of road instead of 30 meters on Ghodbunder Road. Considering the heavy traffic congestion on Ghodbunder Road, it has been decided to widen the 30-meter-wide road to 60 meters. The land required for the approximately 5.5 to 6 km wide road between Gaimukh and Kashigaon will be purchased through the MMRDA. Additionally, the tender process for various road projects within the Thane and Mira-Bhayander Municipal Corporation limits will begin soon. Sarnaik said that instructions have been given to complete the widening work on Ghodbunder Road before the monsoon. The Mahavitaran pole relocation work has also been ordered to be completed within the next three months.

Western Railway gets a new General Manager, Ramashray Pandey takes over as GM, learn all about him



There has been a leadership change in Western Railway, one of the most important zones of Indian Railways. Ramashray Pandey, a highly experienced and senior officer of the 1990 batch of the Indian Railway Service of Engineers (IRSE), has been appointed as the new General Manager (GM) of Western Railway. He officially assumed charge on Friday. Held several key positions prior to his appointment as General Manager of Western Railway, Ramashray Pandey was Chief Administrative Officer (Construction/South) of East Central Railway, Patna. During his illustrious career, GM Pandey has served as Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) of Varanasi Division of North Eastern Railway, and Chief Engineer of Northern Railway, New Delhi. Ramashray Pandey has served in several important positions, including Deputy Chief Engineer in Gorakhpur and Samastipur, Officer on Special Duty (OSD) to Member Engineering at the Railway Board, Director Vigilance at the Railway Board, and Deputy Chief Vigilance Officer at Hajipur.

Operation Tiger: Discussion of 8 UBT MPs heats up politics, opposition attacks Shinde



Deputy Chief Minister Eknath Shinde's Operation Tiger has heated up the state's political landscape. There is talk that eight UBT MPs are in contact with Shinde and may leave the party and join the Shinde faction. Although DCM Shinde has denied these possibilities, Congress leader Vijay Wadettiwar has attacked Shinde, saying that he is struggling despite being in power and that his ministers are also restless. Meanwhile, Thackeray-faction MP Arvind Sawant has also criticized Shinde. Opposition leaders claimed that there is an "uneasy situation" within the ruling Shiv Sena. Reports that a section of the Thackeray faction will break away and join the party led by

Eknath Shinde are baseless. There has been talk in the state's political circles for some days that the Shinde faction has secretly launched "Operation Tiger" to bring the leaders of the Thackeray faction to its side. Last Wednesday night, DCM Shinde held a meeting with 8 out of 9 MPs of the Thackeray faction at a secret location in Thane. DCM Shinde is currently in his village of Daretamba in Satara district. He has

clarified that there is no truth to this. The news of a meeting with Thackeray-led MPs is completely baseless and malicious. No such meeting has taken place. For the past year and a half, rumors have been circulating that Thackeray-led MPs would split and join the Shiv Sena. This is just a rumor. Shinde's stature is bigger than that of the CM: Abitkar. Health Minister Prakash Abitkar has

raised the possibility of tension within the Mahayuti alliance by stating that Eknath Shinde's stature in the country is greater than that of the Chief Minister. Shinde will "turn the tables" in the cabinet, and only those who work will get opportunities. This statement is being linked to the current political developments. Political morality is no more. Vijay Wadettiwar said that the state's politics is in chaos and there is no morality left. It has become fashionable to first elevate someone and then trample them underfoot. Despite being in power, DCM Shinde is restless, as are his ministers. Politics has intensified in Maharashtra over "Operation Tiger."

EDITORIAL

A unique example of political determination



A. Suryaprakash. Maoism, once seen as one of the biggest challenges to the country's internal security, has now been liberated. The Modi government's commitment to eradicating Maoism has played a key role in this liberation.

The country has been able to overcome this challenge thanks to the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the efficient implementation of anti-Maoist policies by Home Minister Amit Shah. It should be recalled that when Modi became Prime Minister in 2014, 126 districts were affected by Maoism. Maoists held sway in 36 of these. Now, the remaining roots of Maoism have been reduced to just two districts, and the number of districts under their control has dropped to zero. Maoist violence was eroding the country's very foundations. Success in eradicating Maoism was achieved only through a comprehensive and well-organized strategy led by the Union Home Ministry, involving paramilitary forces and the police forces of the respective states. This is certainly one of the major achievements of the Modi government. Recently, Home Minister Amit Shah informed Parliament about this success. He informed the House that since 2014, 4,839 Maoists have surrendered, while 2,218 have been arrested and 706 have been killed in various operations. Evidence of the state's increasing penetration in Maoist-affected areas is that during this period, 596 police stations have been transformed into fortified fortresses, and 406 new Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) camps have also been established. Facilities for night operations were expanded, including 68 helipads with night landing facilities. The remarkable success achieved against Maoism also prompts one to consider why previous governments failed to address Maoist violence, which has engulfed a population of approximately 120 million. The obvious answer is a lack of determination and political compulsions. In other words, the intentions were unclear. The roots of Maoism in India began to grow under Indira Gandhi's rule. After the 1969 split in the Congress party, Indira Gandhi needed the support of leftist parties to maintain her power. In return for this support, the Congress government adopted a soft approach towards the leftists and their ideological siblings, the Maoists. The Congress party, in order to project itself as progressive, did not crack down on the Maoists.

While Maoism was expanding in Central India, it was eroding the nation's roots like termites. Consequently, the concept of the Red Corridor began to emerge in the country as Maoism spread to states like Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Maharashtra, Kerala, Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, and Telangana. The situation regarding combating Maoism changed after the formation of the Modi government at the center. Home Minister Amit Shah formulated a comprehensive, multi-pronged approach. Previous governments also failed because they were unable to convince the local population that the government was serious about eliminating Maoism.

This led to the continued fear of Maoists among the public. The Modi government changed this public perception. Things began to change under Modi. During Manmohan Singh's tenure (2004-2014), there were 16,463 violent incidents in Maoist-affected districts, while under Modi's tenure (2014-2024), this number dropped to 7,744.

BMW Collides With Vehicle On Worli-Bandra Sea Link; Teen Driver Booked After Crash, No Injuries Reported | Video



Mumbai: An accident involving a BMW car and another vehicle occurred on the northbound lane of the Worli-Bandra Sea Link at around 1:50 am on Saturday.

No injuries were reported in the incident, police said. Based on a complaint filed by Ramdas Patil, the Worli police registered an FIR against Harshad Rapusaria, 18, under Sections 121 (voluntarily causing hurt), 125 (rash or negligent acts that endanger human life) and 324(4) (mischievous causing loss) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, along with Section 184 (dangerous driving) of the Motor Vehicles Act.

Mira Road Shocker: Mob Assaults MBMT Bus Driver Near Thane's Gaimukh Ghat After Minor Traffic Dispute, CCTV Footage Sparks Public Outrage | Video

Mira Bhayandar: A shocking incident of road rage has come to light from the Gaimukh Ghat area of Thane, where a driver of the Mira-Bhayander Municipal Transport (MBMT) was mercilessly beaten by a group of men following a minor traffic dispute. The incident reportedly began over a minor brush between the MBMT bus and a motorcycle. What started as a verbal disagreement quickly spiraled into violence. According to preliminary



reports, a group of 5 to 6 unidentified individuals intercepted the bus and launched a physical assault on the driver. The entire sequence of the assault was captured by the CCTV cameras installed inside the bus.

The footage shows the group storming the driver's cabin and thrashing him while he was on duty. The video has since gone viral on social media platforms, sparking widespread public outrage over the safety of

public transport employees and the rising trend of hooliganism on the city's outskirts. "Minor accidents or cuts are common in heavy traffic, but resort to such brutal violence is unacceptable," said a local resident commenting on the viral clip. The local police are currently using the CCTV footage to identify the attackers. A case is expected to be registered against the mob for obstructing a public servant from discharging his duties and for physical assault.

Central Railway To Run Special Midnight Trains On CSMT-Kalyan & Panvel Routes For Ambedkar Jayanti On April 14 | Details Here

Mumbai: Central Railway will run special midnight trains on the Main Line and Harbour Line on the occasion of Ambedkar Jayanti, also known as Bhim Jayanti, which is observed every year on April 14 to mark the birth anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

According to an official notification from DRM Mumbai Central Railway, special trains will operate on the CSMT-Kalyan and CSMT-Panvel routes. Train Time: The CSMT-Kalyan train will depart from CSMT at 1:30 am and reach Kalyan at 3:00 am, while the train from Kalyan will depart at 1:30 am and reach CSMT at 3:00 am. Speaking of the Harbour line, the train from CSMT will depart at 1:30 am and reach Panvel at 2:50 am, while from Panvel, the train will depart at 1:30 am and reach CSMT at 2:50 am. part from Railways, the BEST too will be operating additional bus ferry services from Dadar



station to Shivaji Park and Chaityabhoomi on the occasion for the commuters. According to the Mid Day report, the bus services will be available from 12.01 am to 10 pm on April 14, enabling his followers to travel conveniently. These decision

and infrastructure for Dr B. R. Ambedkar's 135th birth anniversary celebrations on April 14. The official had said that Railways and BEST will coordinate for seamless transport of visitors, adding that ambulances would be deployed and a central control room would also be set up along with CCTV surveillance and heavy police deployment.

Earlier on Thursday, Konkan Divisional Commissioner Rubal Agarwal had presided over a review meet where he said that emphasised that with lakhs of followers expected to converge at Chaityabhoomi in Dadar, central Mumbai, the police, municipal corporations, and district administrations must work in tandem to maintain order. Moreover, he also instructed municipal authorities to ensure proper arrangements for sanitation, drinking water, temporary toilets, and health services in the Chaityabhoomi area.

MNS Office Bearer Assaulted In Mira Road's Ramdev Park While Filming Pipeline Delay, Shiv Sena Workers Allegedly Involved, Probe Underway

Mira Road: Tension erupted in the Ramdev Park area of Mira Road after a Maharashtra Navnirman Sena (MNS) office bearer was brutally assaulted, allegedly by workers affiliated with the Shiv Sena. The altercation occurred while Reshma Tapase, an MNS office bearer, was filming the slow progress of a municipal water pipeline project in the Ramdev Park locality. The MNS has been critical of the delay in infrastructure work, claiming it has caused significant inconvenience to local residents.

According to reports, while Reshma was recording the video, an unidenti-



fied man—described as being in a semi-nude state—stood behind her while smoking. When Reshma's colleague, Swapnil Tapase, confronted the individual about his inappropriate behavior and presence in the frame, the situation turned violent. The accused reportedly issued a chilling threat, saying "I want to eat your raw meat." The verbal spat

quickly escalated. The assailant allegedly picked up a stone and struck Swapnil Tapase on the head. Swapnil Tapase sustained serious head injuries and was immediately rushed to a nearby hospital, where he is currently undergoing treatment. Local MNS workers have alleged that the attackers are "outsiders" associated with the Shiv Sena. Local authori-

ties are currently investigating the matter to identify the accused and determine if the attack was politically motivated or a result of a spontaneous dispute. No official statement has been released by the Shiv Sena regarding the allegations at this time. Tension flared in Mira Road's Ramdev Park after an MNS office bearer was assaulted, allegedly by Shiv Sena-linked workers. The attack occurred while filming delays in a water pipeline project. A confrontation escalated into violence, leaving Swapnil Tapase seriously injured. Police are probing whether the incident was politically motivated.

Wadala GRP Books 30-Year-Old Man For Stalking Ex-Girlfriend On Mumbai Local, Despite Prior Complaint



Mumbai: The Wadala GRP (Government Railway Police) have registered a case against a 30-year-old man for allegedly stalking his ex-girlfriend during a local train journey. The case was registered on April 7 under Section 78(2) (stalking) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS). The accused has been identified as Gaurav Shrivastav. According to the FIR, the complainant, a 25-year-old woman and a resident of Sewri East, works as an accountant. She was employed with a private company on Gant Road in 2023, where the accused was her colleague. Over time, they became friends, and their friendship later developed into a relationship that lasted for two to three months.

Illegal Statues In Maharashtra's Solapur District? FIR In 4 Hours, Removal Within Hours Under New Crackdown Rules Set By Administration

Solapur: In a strict move to curb the rise of unauthorised statues, the Solapur district administration has announced that any statue erected without permission will attract immediate legal action, including the filing of an FIR and removal within four hours. The decision comes through a joint circular issued by the district administration, involving the District Collector, Superintendent of Police, and Chief Executive Officer of the Zilla Parishad. The move follows a series of recent incidents involving unauthorised statues across the district, which had triggered tensions and administrative concerns. What Are The New Guidelines? According to an ABP Majha report, as per the new guidelines, if information about an illegal statue is concealed, the concerned police patil could face suspension within seven days. Additionally, if prior intimation is not given, ac-



Crackdown In Solapur Against Illegal Statue Installations

tion may also be initiated against gram panchayat members, including proposals for disqualification. Authorities have also made it mandatory for officials, including the sub-divisional officer, police and tehsildar, to visit the site within one hour of receiving information about an unauthorised installation. To regulate the process, the administration has laid down nine key conditions for installing statues of prominent personalities. These include verification of land ownership, a formal resolution by the gram panchayat or municipal body, police clear-

ance, approval from the art directorate, and a no-objection certificate from the public works department. In a major warning, the administration has also directed statue manufacturers not to supply statues without verifying official permissions. Failure to comply could result in the sealing of their factories, officials said. District Collector S. Karthikeyan emphasised that the move is aimed at maintaining law and order while ensuring due process is followed in honouring public figures. The crackdown follows a recent controversy in Madha

taluka's Anjangaon Kheloba, where an unauthorised statue led to tensions. Later, Guardian Minister Jaykumar Gore had directed the administration to find a structured solution. As part of this approach, authorities have initiated discussions with villagers to regularise such installations. A model emerging from Bhose village in Pandharpur taluka has shown early success, where residents voluntarily removed an unauthorised statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and began the process of obtaining official permissions. However, incidents continue to surface. In Modnimb, an unauthorised statue of Dr B.R. Ambedkar was recently installed next to an existing statue, raising fresh concerns. Officials say the new rules aim to balance public sentiments with legal compliance, ensuring that tributes to revered figures are carried out in an orderly and lawful manner.

Mumbai Police Book Jogeshwari Constable Accused Of Using Fake Medical Documents For 49-Day Leave



Mumbai:

The Jogeshwari police have booked a constable for allegedly submitting forged medical documents with fake signatures to obtain leave. The police investigated the matter up to Nashik before registering a case. This is likely one of the first cases against police personnel in Mumbai for allegedly remaining absent from duty using fake medical documents. The police have also booked an unidentified individual in connection with the case. The accused has been identified as Gajendra Rajput. A police officer of

Jogeshwari police station said, "The accused constable was earlier arrested by the Juhu police in an extortion case. We took his custody through the court in connection with the fake medical documents case, arrested him, and produced him before the court. The court granted him bail, and he has since been released."

According to the FIR, the accused is Gajendra Rajput, who is attached to the Jogeshwari police station. In November and December last year, he informed his seniors that he was suffering from haemorrhoids and

sought medical leave. He submitted prescriptions and treatment papers allegedly issued by Tulasi Hospital, a private hospital in Nashik, and availed 49 days of medical leave. His seniors grew suspicious and initiated an inquiry. The police approached the hospital in Nashik and sought Rajput's medical records. As there are two hospitals with the name Tulasi Hospital in Nashik, the police verified details with the second hospital. A police personnel from Jogeshwari police station visited the hospital, where it was revealed that Rajput had not undergone any such treatment. Although his name appeared in the hospital records as a patient, he had not received treatment for the claimed period. Further investigation revealed that Rajput had allegedly created four forged documents.

Artemis II Mission – 4 astronauts return after orbiting the Moon: Landing in the Pacific Ocean at 5:37 am; traveled 1.117 million km



Four astronauts from NASA's Artemis II mission have returned to Earth after orbiting the Moon. Their Orion capsule splashed down in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of San Diego, USA, at 5:37 a.m. IST on April 11th. The mission launched on April 2nd. This is the first time humans have been this close to the Moon since 1972. On April 6, Artemis II astronauts broke the record for the farthest distance from Earth for any human space mission. They also photographed the dark side of the Moon. The mission's purpose was to test the spacecraft's life support system. NASA wanted to see how safe it was for

humans to live in space. The spacecraft did not yet land on the lunar surface, but it will pave the way for future human settlements on the Moon. 3000 degree temperature and 6 minute blackout 5:03 AM: After separating from the service module, the spacecraft's heat shield was activated. Friction caused the temperature outside the spacecraft to reach nearly 3,000 degrees Fahrenheit. During this time, a communications blackout occurred for approximately six minutes, meaning contact with Earth was lost. This increased temperature caused a layer of plasma to form around the spacecraft. 5:23 AM:

The drogue parachutes deployed when the spacecraft was at an altitude of about 22,000 feet. The parachutes decelerated and stabilized Orion before it splashed down into the ocean. 5:34 AM: At about 6,000 feet, the smaller parachutes separated and the three main parachutes deployed, slowing Orion to less than 218 km/h. 5:37 AM: The speed slows to just 51 km/h and Orion splashes down in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of San Diego. The 1.117 million km journey is complete. The speed on the return journey was 42,000 kmph. The Orion spacecraft entered Earth's atmosphere at a speed of 40,000 to 42,000 kilometers per hour. This is much faster than spacecraft returning from the International Space Station (ISS). The spacecraft was specially strengthened to withstand the high speed and the immense pressure and heat generated by gravity.

Hezbollah attacks Israeli military bases; Israel retaliates; Iran says, "If peace talks fail, both the US and Israel are responsible"

The Lebanese militant group Hezbollah launched rocket, drone, and missile attacks on several Israeli military bases on Saturday, prompting Israel to retaliate by attacking several Lebanese targets. Israel has made it clear that it will not negotiate a ceasefire with Hezbollah. Earlier, there were reports that a meeting between Israeli and Lebanese representatives could take place in the US on this issue. Meanwhile, ceasefire talks between Iranian and US representatives are expected to begin soon in Pakistan. The US is led by Vice President JD Vance, while Iran is led by Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf. Meanwhile, Iran said that if the ongoing talks in Islamabad fail to reach a conclusion, Israel cannot be solely blamed. Israel and the US are linked in their decisions, so if the talks fail, the US will also be held accountable. Iranian delegation talking among themselves before ceasefire talks with the US. Iranian delegation talking among themselves before ceasefire talks with



the US. Pakistani Army Chief Asim Munir, Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar and Home Minister Mohsin Naqvi arrived to receive US Vice President Vance. Pakistani Army Chief Asim Munir, Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar and Home Minister Mohsin Naqvi arrived to receive US Vice President Vance. Pakistani Army Chief Asim Munir reached the airport on Friday night to receive the Iranian delegation. Pakistani Army Chief Asim Munir reached the airport on Friday night to receive the Iranian delegation. Ghalibaf arrived in Pakistan with pictures of children on the plane. Ghalibaf shared a photo on Instagram after arriving in Islamabad. It shows pictures of four children

placed on the plane seats, along with their blood-stained school bags and shoes, and flowers. On February 28, the first day of the war, a primary school in the Iranian city of Minab was attacked, killing 168 people, including children and school staff. The US and Israel were blamed for the attack, with the US saying it was investigating. Iranian parliament speaker Ghalibaf looks at photographs of children killed in the February 28 attack. Iranian parliament speaker Ghalibaf looks at photographs of children killed in the February 28 attack. Along with the children's photos, their bags and shoes are also kept on the plane seat. Along with the children's photos, their bags and shoes are also

kept on the plane seat. 5 big updates in the last 24 hours Iranian delegation arrives - Iran's delegation led by Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf has arrived in Islamabad, where important talks are to be held with the US. Trump's warning - Donald Trump warned Iran that if a peace deal is not reached, America will attack again. Vance's advice - While going to Islamabad, Vance said that he hopes for good results from the talks, but Iran should not try to trick America. Another peace talks: Ceasefire talks between Lebanon and Israel will begin in the US on April 14. Death toll rises - A total of more than 1,953 people have been killed and 6,303 injured in Israeli attacks in Lebanon so far. Live Updates 1 minute ago Iranian delegation meets Pakistani PM Iranian Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf and his delegation met with Shahbaz Sharif in Islamabad ahead of crucial talks between the US and Iran to end the war. 13 minutes ago Trump said – empty oil tankers are

coming to America, they will fill up with oil and gas from here. President Trump has stated that several large, empty oil tankers are currently headed toward the United States. These tankers will be loaded with oil and gas upon arrival. Trump wrote on social media that some of the world's largest tankers are completely empty and are coming to America so that oil can be taken from here. He also said that the US has abundant and high-quality oil, even more than other major oil-producing countries. 26 minutes ago Britain said – Ukraine can help maintain the security of Hormuz Britain says Ukraine, with its advanced drone technology, could help maintain security in the Strait of Hormuz, a region through which 20% of the world's oil is transported. 37 minutes ago Claim: Pakistan blocked Israeli media from covering ceasefire talks Russian news agency RT has claimed, quoting local Pakistani media, that Pakistan has stopped Israeli media from covering the Iran-US ceasefire talks.

Pooja Hegde gave a strong message against piracy, saying - the film is the result of the hard work of thousands of people, watch it on the big screen.



Tamil superstar Thalapathy Vijay's upcoming film "Jana Nayakan" has sparked concern in the industry after it was leaked online. The film's female lead, Pooja Hegde, called it "sad" and urged audiences to watch it in theaters. Pooja Hegde wrote in an Instagram story that a film isn't just entertainment, but the result of the hard work, creativity, and sacrifice of thousands of people. She added that the leak hurts the reputation of the technicians and artists. He appealed to the fans not to promote piracy and enjoy the film on the big screen. Earlier too, several celebs, including Rajinikanth, Chiranjeevi, Suriya and Sivakarthikeyan, have expressed their displeasure over the leak. The makers of the film issued a strong statement saying that this is a case of serious digital piracy and legal action will be taken against the culprits. Amid the growing controversy, the makers have yet to announce an official release date. Reports suggest it is set for a wide theatrical release and is being touted as Vijay's last film. It is believed the film will release on June 22, 2026, Vijay's 52nd birthday.

Dhurandhar fame actress rumoured to be in Madhubala biopic: Claims Sara Arjun could be seen in the lead role, official announcement awaited

There's been constant discussion about a biopic on Madhubala, considered one of Hindi cinema's most beautiful actresses. New names are emerging regarding who will play her in the film. According to recent reports, Sara Arjun is leading the race for the lead role. The film will be produced by Sanjay Leela Bhansali and directed by Jasmeet K. Reen. Sara Arjun is currently in the news for her film Dhurandhar. The film performed exceptionally well at the box office. Her career took a new turn, and now she may get the opportunity to play the iconic character of Madhubala. Sara Arjun plays the role of Yaleena Jamali in Dhurandhar. Sara Arjun plays the role of Yaleena Jamali in Dhurandhar. According to reports in the Times, the film is currently in pre-production. Shooting is expected to begin by the



end of 2026. The film will extensively depict the golden era of the 1950s and 1960s. It will also detail Madhubala's films and her personal life, particularly her relationships, struggles, and her young death. Sara Arjun will have to undergo special preparation for this role. She will work on look tests, dialogue delivery, and body language to truly capture Madhubala's grace and screen presence. Several prominent actresses have been named in the Madhubala biopic

recently. Media reports have linked Kiara Advani's name. Recently, there were also reports that Anita Padda might be considered for the role. Now, recent reports have revealed Sara Arjun as the strongest contender. If the casting is finalized, this could prove to be a major breakthrough in her career. Audiences will get a chance to witness a glamorous and mysterious era of Hindi cinema up close. However, an official announcement is still pending.

Ranveer Singh meets wheelchair cricketer Bhima Khunti, latter praises his 'simplicity'

Actor Ranveer Singh, who is currently enjoying the success of Dhurandhar: The Revenge, recently won hearts once again after meeting wheelchair cricketer Bhima Khunti at the airport. Ranveer was on his way to Mumbai after attending Anant Ambani's birthday celebration in Gujarat when he met Bhima at the Jamnagar airport. The actor greeted him warmly, shook hands, sat down for a brief chat, and also gave him an autograph before heading for his flight. Ranveer was seen in a stylish white kurta-pyjama with glasses. Bhima later took to his Instagram to share a video of the meeting and also praised Ranveer's "simplicity, humility, and respect" in a heartfelt note. Sharing how special it was



to meet the actor, he wrote, "With Dhurandhar ranveersingh Sometimes, life gives you moments you'll never forget... Today was one of those days." "Got the chance to meet Ranveer Singh I've met many people in my life, but the simplicity, humility, and respect I experienced today was truly something special. Being a superstar is one thing, but being a genuinely good human being is what makes you a real star. This moment will stay with me forever," he added. In no time, fans chimed in in the

comment section to react to the post and also praised Ranveer for his kind gesture. One user wrote, "Being humble after success, awesome. God Bless you, Ranveer." Another commented, "I am falling in love with his positive aura, love and respect." Ranveer has also been receiving love for his performance in Dhurandhar: The Revenge. He plays Jaskirat Singh Rangi and Hamza Ali Mazari in the Aditya Dhar franchise. Viewers, critics, and celebrities have all praised his work.

Aditya Kripalani reveals Nawazuddin Siddiqui did not charge fees for Main Actor Nahin Hoon

Nawazuddin Siddiqui is one of the most talented, versatile, and legendary actors in Indian cinema. He is someone whose genuine love for his craft and mettle for acting clearly reflect in his work. Having delivered countless incredibly different roles, be it the hero or the villain, he has made every character memorable. Fans eagerly await his films, and now he is gearing up for the release of his next film, Main Actor Nahin Hoon, in Indian theatres, after a successful run at international film festivals. Nawazuddin Siddiqui worked on Main Actor Nahin Hoon for free. The film's director, Aditya Kripalani, described working with Nawazuddin Siddiqui as a dream come true, highlighting his professionalism and dedication despite not charging any fee. He also



revealed the film was earlier titled Impulse before Nawazuddin came on board. Talking to Filmfare, Aditya shared, "He was an absolute professional. He even bought his own ticket to reach Frankfurt, all by himself. He didn't come with his manager." He further added, "Him not charging a fee is a big thing, really big. In India, there is always that pressure of 'how much are you earning?' When someone like Nawaz doesn't charge money, you can actually turn around and say, 'This is my earning.' It's one of the high points of my

career." The actor's commitment goes far beyond just performance, with his decision to forgo fees standing as a true testament to his passion for the craft. Audiences will now get to witness it on the big screen as Main Actor Nahin Hoon releases in theatres on May 8, 2026. Aditya on film's India release The Nawazuddin Siddiqui and Chitrangada Satarupa-starrer revolves around a struggling actor in Mumbai who connects with a melancholic retired banker in Frankfurt through virtual acting

lessons. Speaking to mid-day, Kripalani said, "We have a very able distributor in Platoon One Films, headed by Shiladitya Bora. They've backed smaller films, like Newton [2017] that have gone on to do very well. So we're keeping our fingers crossed." In an industry where screens are often dominated by big-ticket spectacles, the question of space looms at large for intimate, dialogue-driven cinema. "That's always a concern," he admits. "But Nawazuddin Siddiqui brings credibility. He has carried many films as a lead in theatres. So we're hopeful." Kripalani also draws confidence from the overwhelming response at the film's premiere at the Cinequest Film Festival in San Jose. "It was a 600-seater theatre, completely full," he recalls.

Aneet Padda pens birthday wish for Mohit Suri: 'You've shown me a beautiful way to live'

As Mohit Suri turned a year older on Saturday, actress Aneet Padda penned a special note for the Saiyaara filmmaker, whom she lovingly called "momo" and said that he has shown her a "beautiful way to live." Aneet took to Instagram, where she shared a video featuring her and Suri. In the clip, the actress is seen trying to prank the moviemaker but fails as he says, "he has children and they do these things every day." In the caption, Aneet mentioned: "You're a bit like an alchemist, catching things most people miss, quiet pain, love hidden in the eyes and turning it into something we can all feel. And somehow it doesn't stay yours, it becomes ours." She added: "I have too much to thank you for. You've taught my heart the courage to feel out loud and to lead with it. You've shown me a really beautiful way to live." "You're the most human human I know.



You're Mohit Suri. Happy birthday my momo, your purpose finds you every time you create. Thank you for doing what you do, thank you for being you. I love you. Forever and ever and ever." Suri helmed the blockbuster Saiyaara starring Aneet and Ahaan Pandey. The musical drama emerged as the third-highest-grossing Hindi film of 2025, and the highest-grossing Indian romantic film of all time. Saiyaara follows passionate lovers, who navigate a

rollercoaster romance, facing euphoric highs and crushing lows while desperately clinging to their tumultuous bond, as per the synopsis. Suri had started off as an assistant director in Vikram Bhatt's films, such as Kasoor. He made his directorial debut with the moderately successful Zeher in 2005 and has directed the films Murder 2, the romantic action-thrillers Awarapan, Ek Villain and Malang. He also directed the musical romance film Aashiqui 2.

Swiggy co-founder Lakshmi Reddy resigns: Kishan-Rahul appointed additional directors, Alves Pinto becomes nominee director

Lakshmi Nandan Reddy Obul, co-founder of food and grocery delivery platform Swiggy, has resigned from the company's board, Swiggy announced in a regulatory filing on Friday. Obul held the position of Whole-Time Director and Head of Innovation at the company. His resignation is effective today (April 10). The company stated that Obul now wishes to focus on his other professional interests, and therefore has made this decision. Along with Obul's departure, several key appointments to Swiggy's board and

changes to its regulations have also been approved. Alves Pinto appointed Nominee Director Swiggy's board has approved the appointment of Renan de Castro Alves Pinto as Nominee Director. He will lead Prosus Ventures. He replaces Roger Rabalais, who is stepping down from the Swiggy board due to his transition to a role at Prosus Ventures. Additionally, Swiggy's co-founder and chief growth officer, Phani Kishan Addepalli, and group CFO, Rahul Bothra, have been appointed as additional di-



rectors, effective June 1, 2026. Lakshmi Nandan Reddy Obul. Lakshmi Nandan Reddy Obul. Lakshmi CEO said- Nandan's vision was important for the company Commenting on the board changes, Swiggy Group CEO Sriharsha Majety said, "Nandan has been a visionary force in Swiggy's journey. He has been instrumental in building Swiggy from a neighborhood in Bengaluru into a nationwide platform." On the appointment of Phani and Rahul, Majety said,

"These two have been with Swiggy since its early days. They have led the business through some of the company's most challenging and crucial times. As we move into the next phase of growth, their insight and experience will be instrumental in achieving our long-term goals." Changes in the Articles of Association, giving new powers to the CEO Swiggy said in a filing that the board has approved changes to the Articles of Association (AoA) to remove clauses related to the nomination rights of Excel and SoftBank.

its value is ₹830 lakh crore; no country except the US and China has a GDP that is higher.

Indian homes and temples hold 50,000 tons of gold, worth approximately \$10 trillion, or ₹830 lakh crore. According to a report by ASSOCHAM (The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India), an organization of Indian traders, this is more than the combined reserves of the world's 10 largest central banks. Indians possess so much gold that it exceeds the annual GDP of almost every country in the world except the United States and China. Assocham says that if this gold were invested in the country's banking system or businesses, the Indian economy could grow exponentially. RBI has 880.3 tonnes of gold reserves According to data from the World Gold Council (WGC), India holds 880.3 tonnes of gold in its official government treasury (RBI), ranking eighth in the world. This is significantly lower than the US's 8,133 tonnes, but India leads in private stocks. Gold held in homes represents up to 125% of India's GDP According to Kotak Institutional Equities, the rise in gold prices between 2024 and 2026 has given a huge boost to the wealth of Indian households. Wealth Mathematics: By



January 2026, the value of gold held by Indian households is projected to exceed \$5 trillion, representing approximately 125% of India's total GDP. More than bank deposits: Households hold 175% more gold than the combined value of their bank deposits and stock market investments. This means that gold remains the most trusted asset among Indians. Share of Wealth: The share of gold in the total 'non-property wealth' (excluding land and houses) of Indians has reached 65%. By 2047, another \$7.5 trillion could be added to GDP. Assocham has prepared a roadmap on how this 'dead investment' can be put to use.

It offers 8.2% annual interest, understand the full income math from this.



The government has not changed the interest rates on small savings schemes for April-June (Q1FY27). This means you will continue to receive the same interest rates as before. If you are a senior citizen and want to generate monthly income, the Post Office Senior Citizens Savings Scheme (SCSS) account may be right for you. By investing a lump sum in this scheme, you can ensure regular income even after retirement. It offers an 8.2% annual interest rate. Interest is paid every three months. This means you can earn a maximum interest of ₹61,500 in three months, which translates to ₹20,500 on a monthly basis. You can invest a maximum of Rs 30 lakh An account can be opened in the Post Office Senior Citizens Savings Scheme for just ₹1,000. The maximum investment amount in this scheme is ₹30 lakh. This scheme offers an annual interest rate of 8.2%. If you invest up to ₹30 lakh, you will earn ₹246,000 in interest at an 8.2% interest rate. Since interest is paid quarterly under this scheme, dividing it over three months would result in ₹61,500. This means ₹61,500 will be credited to your account every three months.

8 major changes in railways this year: First hydrogen and 12 Vande Bharat sleeper trains, counter tickets can be cancelled from anywhere

Indian Railways is implementing several major changes in the fiscal year 2026-27 to make travel comfortable and high-tech. The Railway Ministry has completed preparations, from changes to ticket cancellation and refund rules to the launch of the country's first hydrogen train. The new refund policy will be effective until April 15th. Additionally, passengers will also receive the gift of 12 new Vande Bharat sleeper trains this year. Let's learn about eight major changes expected within the railways this financial year. 1. New rules: Refunds will be available 8 hours before

the train departure. Indian Railways has tightened the rules for ticket cancellation and refunds. Passengers will now receive a refund only if they cancel their tickets up to eight hours before the train's departure. This period, which was previously four hours, has now been extended to eight hours. According to the new rules, if you cancel your ticket less than 8 hours before your scheduled travel time, you will not receive a single rupee refund. However, if you cancel your ticket between 24 and 8 hours before, you will still receive a 50% refund. The new rules will be in effect un-



til April 15th. 2. Counter tickets can now be cancelled from any station. In a significant relief for passengers, there's no longer the need to go to the same station or the last station to cancel a counter ticket. Passengers can now cancel their tickets at any railway station in the country and re-

ceive a refund. 3. Boarding stations can be changed even after chart preparation Passengers will soon be able to digitally change their boarding station up to 30 minutes before the train's departure. Previously, this change was only possible before chart preparation. This rule is expected to be implemented this fiscal year. 5. Hydrogen Train: Pollution-free travel trial complete India is very close to launching its first hydrogen train. The Research Designs and Stan-

dards Organization (RDSO) has completed trials. This will be the world's longest (10 coaches) and most powerful (2400 kW) hydrogen train. It will have two driving power cars and eight passenger coaches. This train will be completely eco-friendly and will emit only water vapor instead of smoke. The train will be built at a cost of approximately Rs 80 crore, the successful trial of which was conducted between Jind and Sonipat. The train will be built at a cost of approximately Rs 80 crore, the successful trial of which was conducted between Jind and Sonipat.

Shivang Kumar takes his second wicket, Punjab 124/2; Hyderabad set a target of 220.

Sunrisers Hyderabad has set a target of 220 runs for Punjab Kings in the 17th match of IPL 2026. Punjab won the toss and elected to bowl in New Chandigarh. Hyderabad scored 219 runs for 6 wickets in 20 overs. In reply, Punjab has scored 124 runs for 2 wickets in 10 overs. Cooper Connolly and captain Shreyas Iyer are at the crease. In the ninth over, Shivang Kumar had Prabhsimran Singh (51) caught by Heinrich Klaasen. He also had Priyansh Arya (57) caught behind. Earlier, SRH opener

Abhishek Sharma scored 74 runs off 28 balls. This innings included 5 fours and 8 sixes. He shared a 120-run opening partnership with Travis Head off 50 balls. Heinrich Klaasen scored 39 runs. Among bowlers, Arshdeep Singh and Shashank Singh took 2 wickets each. Match scoreboard Playing XI of both the teams Punjab Kings: Prabhsimran Singh (wicketkeeper), Priyansh Arya, Shreyas Iyer (captain), Cooper Connolly, Shashank Singh, Marcus Stoinis, Marco Janson,

Xavier Bartlett, Vijaykumar Vaishakh, Arshdeep Singh, Yuzvendra Chahal. Impact Players – Jaydev Unadkat, Liam Livingstone, Shivam Mavi, Praful Hinge, Kamindu Mendis. Sunrisers Hyderabad: Travis Head, Abhishek Sharma, Ishan Kishan (captain), Heinrich Klaasen, Salil Arora, Aniket Verma, Nitish Kumar Reddy, Harsh Dubey, Shivang Kumar, Harshal Patel, Jaydev Unadkat, Ishan Malinga. Impact Players- Nehal Wadhwa, Vishnu Vinod, Suryansh



Shedge, Yash Thakur, Harpreet Brar. Live Updates 3 minutes ago Shivang gets his second wicket, Prabhsimran gets out after

scoring a fifty. Punjab lost their second opener on the fifth ball of the ninth over. Shivang Kumar had Prabhsimran Singh caught

by Heinrich Klaasen. Prabhsimran Singh reached his fifty with a boundary before being dismissed. 8 minutes ago Harsh Dubey bowls an over of 8 runs, no boundaries. Harsh Dubey conceded just 8 runs in the 8th over. He didn't hit a boundary. He had already conceded 18 runs in his first over of the innings. 14 minutes ago Punjab loses its first wicket, Priyansh Arya is out. Punjab lost their first wicket in the seventh over. Impact player Priyansh Arya was dismissed for 57 runs off 20 balls. He was

caught by Nitish Kumar Reddy off Shivang Kumar. The opening partnership was broken. Punjab also crossed the 100-run mark in the same over. 20 minutes ago Priyansh Arya's fifty, Punjab hit 16 boundaries in the powerplay Chasing a target of 220, Punjab made a quick start, scoring 93 runs in the first six overs with the help of 16 boundaries. In the last over of the powerplay, Priyansh Arya smashed four consecutive boundaries off Harshal Patel's first four balls.

Chess Candidates Tournament - Vaishali tops with a draw; Divya Deshmukh and Praggnanandhaa lose; 4 rounds remaining in the tournament

Indian Grandmaster Vaishali Rameshbabu drew against Ukraine's Anna Muzychuk in the 10th round of the women's category of the FIDE Chess Candidates Tournament. With the half-points she earned from this draw, Vaishali moved to the top spot. Meanwhile, Indian Grandmaster Divya Deshmukh lost to Russia's Aleksandra Goryachkina. In the open category, Indian Grandmaster R. Praggnanandhaa lost to Uzbek Zavokhir Sindarov. This defeat dropped him to No. 7. The tournament is being played in Paphos, Cyprus, with four rounds remaining. 1 point difference between the top 6



players Vaishali faced no trouble in the 10th round, and the match ended in a level-headed draw. Zhu Jiner lost to Bibisara Asaubayeva, giving Vaishali the lead. The tournament remains highly competitive. The top six players are separated by just one point. Zhu Jiner and Anna Muzychuk are half a point behind Vaishali with 5.5

points each. Vaishali will face Goryachkina in the 11th round, while Divya will play Zhu Jiner. Gukesh had won the last Candidates tournament The last time India's D. Gukesh won the tournament, defeating China's Ding Liren. Gukesh became the second Indian to win the Candidates Tournament. Five-time world champion

Viswanathan Anand won the first Candidates Tournament in 1995. What is the Candidates Tournament and why is it important? The Candidates Tournament is considered the most important event in the chess world, as it determines the next challenger to the World Champion. It is also known as the World Championship semi-final. The winner receives the opportunity to play directly against the World Champion. This is the highest qualifying tournament in chess. The Candidates Tournament is held every two years, and the winner challenges the world champion.

Ayush Shetty reaches Asian Badminton Champion ships final: Defeats defending champion, becomes first Indian to reach men's singles final in 60 years

Indian shuttler Ayush Shetty has made history by reaching the final of the Asian Badminton Championships. It's the first time in 60 years that an Indian has reached the final of the men's singles category. Before Ayush, Dinesh Khanna won the men's singles gold medal in 1965. Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty won the doubles title in 2023. The 20-year-old Ayush defeated top seed and defending champion Thai player Kunlavut Vitidsarn in three games in the semi-finals played in Zhejiang, China on Saturday. World number 25 Ayush defeated Paris Olympic bronze medalist and 2023 world champion Vitidsarn 10-21, 21-19, 21-17. Ayush won the semi-final match 10-21, 21-19, 21-17. Ayush won the semi-final match 10-21, 21-19, 21-17.

Dinesh Khanna became the champion in Lucknow in 1965 India's only gold medal at this championship came from Dinesh Khanna, who defeated Thailand's Sangob Rattanusorn in the men's singles final in Lucknow in 1965. Ayush avenged his previous defeat The two players had previously met at the Arctic Open last year, where Vitidsarn won in straight games, but this time Ayush made a remarkable comeback to level the score. His mental strength was also demonstrated



by his comeback after losing the first game. Defeated Christie in the quarterfinals World No. 25 Ayush defeated World No. 4 Jonathan Christie 23-21, 21-17 in the quarterfinals. He also defeated Chinese Taipei's Chin Yu Jen and China's Li Shi Feng. Ayush will now face the winner of the other semifinal between Chou Tien Chen and Shi Yuqi in the title match.