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Global landscape needs a permanent seat for India in Security Council --Sergev Lavrov, Foreign Minister Russia

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New York/New Delhi : The need for reforms in the United Nations Security Council called for initiatives to pick Brazil, India and others echoed Sergev Lavrov. The minister reiterated that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India, has been pursuing a completely independent, sovereign policy and over all blistering success in economic transformation. At the 80th session of the UNGA, in New York, Mr Sergev Lavrov, foreign minister on Saturday, emphasised the need for reform in the existing UNSC to exhibit the scenario of the global landscape. The United Nations is "gridlocked" and in dire need of reform, said External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar, while delivering the government's address to the 80th session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York on Saturday

(September 27, 2025). During his speech, Mr. Jaishankar lampooned Pakistan for being a hub of terror, highlighted some of the challenges faced by the world today, including tariff uncertainty, and said India was ready to take on greater responsibilities at the UN. Conflicts, a lack of resources and terrorism had left the UN "gridlocked", according to the Minister. The diminishing ability of the UN to forge common ground was eroding the belief in multilateralism, he said. "Central to the erosion of the UN's credibility has been resistance to reform," said Jaishankar. He called for historical wrongs done to Africa at the global body to be redressed and for the expansion of both permanent and non-permanent membership to the United Nations Security Council (UNSC). India was ready to assume greater responsibilities, he said.



The Minister highlighted India's role in UN peace-keeping, efforts in fighting piracy in the Arabian Sea and the promotion of digitisation as core activities of India's foreign policy. Mr. Jaishankar briefly presented a summary of the UN's history and contemporary challenges, which included the conflicts in West Asia and Ukraine, slow progress on the sustainable development goals (SDGs), and challenges with energy and food security. He also pointed to tariff volatility and uncertain market access as current challenges.

"De-risking is a growing compulsion, whether from limited sources of supply or over-dependence on a particular market," he said. Many countries, including India, have been navigating tariffs imposed by the U.S. administration of Donald Trump. Without naming Pakistan, Mr. Jaishankar said India's neighbour had become "an epicentre of terrorism". India had exercised its right to defend its citizens against terrorism, in its response to the Pahalgam terror attacks of April 22, Mr. Jaishankar said. He called for the



financing of terrorism to be choked and for relentless pressure on the terror ecosystem. "Bharat will always maintain its freedom of choice and will always be a voice of the Global South," he said, presumably referring to pressure on India to align with various blocs in the conduct of its foreign policy. In a sharp riposte to Pakistan PM Shehbaz Sharif's "absurd theatrics", which included pretensions of seeking peace and presenting the country as a bulwark of terrorism in his speech, India's first secretary Petal

Gahlot reminded the UN that Pakistan sheltered Osama bin Laden for a decade even while pretending to partner in the war against terrorism. As is customary in recent years, India fielded a junior diplomat to lance Pakistan's claims as the two countries resumed their war of words at the UN. "A country long steeped in the tradition of deploying and exporting terrorism has no shame in advancing the most ludicrous narratives to that end," Gahlot said while exercising New Delhi's right to reply to Pakistan PM's speech.

Gahlot also reminded the UN that "this is the very same Pakistan which, at the UN Security Council, shielded 'The Resistance Front'," a Pakistan-sponsored terror outfit that carried out the Pahalgam massacre where Hindu were identified by their religion and butchered. The carnage led to India's retaliatory strikes against terrorist camps in Pakistan. The Indian diplomat also asserted New Delhi's "long-standing national position" that there is no room for any third party in mediating outstanding issues between India and Pakistan, rejecting Islamabad's effort to draw the US and other countries into the dispute. After claims by US President Donald Trump that he brought about a truce between the two sides during the recent war and his tentative efforts to mediate, Washington has now reverted to its position that matters need to be resolved bilaterally.

Earlier, Sharif pleaded in his speech that Pakistan's "sacrifices" as a "bulwark against terrorism" must be respected and appreciated because "had these terrorists not been encountered by us, they would have been roaming in the streets of New York, London, and the Far East", unwittingly reminding the UN that Pakistan terrorists are indeed doing so. Aside from Ramzi Yousef, Khalid Shaikh Mohammed and Osama bin Laden, who were responsible for the two world trade center bombings in 1993 and 2001, and who sheltered in Pakistan, Faisal Shahzad, son of Pakistani air vice-marshal, was convicted of the 2010 Times square car bombing a few blocks from the UN. Pakistanis and Pakistani-origin terrorists also carried out massacres from San Bernardino, California, to London, to Mumbai, a record its patrons have glossed over.

Canada Foreign Minister to visit India this month

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NEW DELHI : The breakthrough at the Modi-Carney meetings on the margins of the G7 summit in Canada led to the return of the High Commissioners to each other's capitals earlier this month. India and Canada have appointed veteran diplomats Dinesh Patnaik and Christopher Cooter as high commissioners. "Canada supports step-by-step approach to deepen diplomatic engagement and advance bilateral cooperation," said Anita Anand, Canadian Foreign Minister.



The shortcoming bilateral visit will help improve mutual ties in the face of relation nose diving in 2003 in pursuit of allegations by Justin Trudeau that India government was involved in killing of Khalistan separatist Hardeep Nijjar on Canadian soil. For the Oct visit, both

countries are busy finalising details. Both countries have appointed veteran diplomats Dinesh Patnaik and Christopher Cooter as high commissioners. Both the ministries agreed to resume dialogues across sectors such as trade, defence, energy, civil nuclear security, law enforcement and critical minerals. Amid global uncertainties, including US tariff policies, both sides are seen ambitious to expand economic partnership and strengthen people-to-people contacts.

Sonam Wangchuk Ladhak activist arrested by Indian after deadly protests

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SRINAGAR : Indian police arrested Ladakh activist Sonam Wangchuk on Friday, two days after New Delhi blamed him for violent protests demanding statehood, opens new tab for the Himalayan federal territory in which four people died, and suspended mobile internet services in its main city of Leh. Buildings and police vehicles were torched by angry crowds in Leh on Wednesday, as protesters moved away from a site where Wangchuk had been on hunger strike for 14 days. They clashed with police, who opened fire. Authorities said the police were acting in self-defence. A police officer who did not want to be named said Wangchuk had been arrested ahead of a press conference that he was to address. India's interior ministry had earlier accused Wangchuk, who called off his fast after the violence, of inciting people through his "provocative statements". It had also cancelled a licence



granted to his non-governmental organisation, the Students' Educational and Cultural Movement of Ladakh, alleging violations. A curfew has been in place in several parts of the territory since the clashes, in which dozens were injured, including police and security personnel. Another official who also did not wish to be identified said mobile internet services had been suspended in Leh on Friday as a precaution. Wangchuk had earlier denied the allegations against him, and said the violent protests were a reflection of frustration with the federal government.

German Shepherd bites an High Court advocate

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Chandigarh: Advocate Ashish had parked his car near his house after returning from the high court around 6.15 pm on Sept 22, when he got out of his car and was standing on the berm, he saw two women walking with a fully grown German Shepherd. The dog suddenly attacked Ashish without any provocation. The lawyer told police the dog was without a leash and mouth cover muzzle, which endangered his life, as it bit his right knee and pushed him backward with full force. The dog owners reportedly stood there as mute spectators and



did nothing to stop their pet. Both women ran away from the scene without offering any help to the complainant. Ashish Sharma raised an alarm, following which his family members rushed to his rescue. Later, his family admitted him to GMSH 16. It

was a grade three bite, and the victim was administered an injection. The domestic dog keeper woman 'Saroj' was booked after her dog bit a lawyer in Sector 43 here. The injured man was taken to GMSH-16. No arrest has been made in the case so far. The victim, Ashish Sharma, works at the Punjab and Haryana high court. He is a resident of Sector 43 and the case by the sector 36 police station under section 291 (negligent conduct with respect to animal) of the BNS and has started investigations.

Putin acclaims India's eco growth as highest in the world

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Moscow (Russia): Russian President Vladimir Putin underlined the stability of Russian-Indian relations, describing them as "based on a national consensus." He went on to commend India's achievement in governance and economic growth under Modi's leadership. Putin held a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, reaffirming the strong and time-tested nature of relations between Moscow and New Delhi last week. Putin disclosed details of the exchange during a meeting with members of the



Russian govt, according to the official website of the Kremlin. "Under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi, India is pursuing a completely independent, sovereign policy and, most importantly, is

achieving very good results in the economic sphere. India is demonstrating the highest economic growth rates among the world's major economies," Putin said. In his message, he emphasized the Indian leader's personal contribution to strengthening bilateral ties. "You (Narendra Modi) are making a great personal contribution to strengthening the special privileged strategic partnership between our countries and developing mutually beneficial Russian-Indian cooperation in various areas," Putin noted.

Exempt Verka pouch milk from GST, yields no further relief

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Chandigarh : Since Verka pouch milk continues to be exempt from the GST,



hence it's price remains stable unchanged. The price of verka paneer

has been lowered by Rs 5/ from Rs 90 to Rs 85. Verka's one litre tetra pack of ultra high temperature milk costs now Rs74 from previous Rs 76. The price of Ghee has been reduced by Rs 35 and slashed price of pasteurised butter by Rs 30. With regard to reduction of GST and subsequent relief to consumers, Mr Sanjeev Sharma, General Manager, Industrial Area, Chandigarh apprised that there had earlier too not

been any GST on daily milk pouch, and further relief was not feasible, not expected. On other milk products, rates have significantly been revised as such in butter, cheese, ghee and cooperative state backed farmers cooperative has decided to substantially reduce items prices to align with the centre's GST 2.0 reforms which lowered the tariff on essential dairy products.

MAA ka bharosa, Pyar se parosa 'Patanjali' brand desi ghee dominates market

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P'kula: Patanjali gao sudhdesi ghee has gained popularity on account of its fragrant quality, purity and economic rates in tricity markets claimed PK Rao Marketing Manager. He adds saying this pure cow ghee is preferred by those who prioritise natural and organic options. During 2024, the claim of high purity was made in August 2025, sample BKD 2458 was taken for purity test and won clientele applause and wide acceptance. For the quality emergence conventional ayurvedic Bolana procedure is adopted by the dairy engineers. Cow pure milk is manufactured from white butter/curd. The quantum of cow milk is put on mild flame specific span of time until it got melted for ghee



. It is widely claimed that cow milk is scared substance, often used in religious rituals besides Aurvedic treatments. Cow ghee must be used before 9 months from date. Milk fat is inherently expensive. Its current exdairy price of Rs 460, -- 470 / is way above Rs 125 -- 130, wholesale range for refined palmolien, soyabean or sunflower.

Udaipur Chd Superfast Express thrills masses

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MOHALI : The Udaipur-Chandigarh Superfast Express was flagged off by PM Narendra Modi on Sept 25 via video link from Banwara. The train runs twice a week in both directions. The service includes 22 coaches: 2 Second AC, 6 Third AC, 2 Third AC Economy, 6 Sleeper Class, 4 General Class along with a Power Car and a Guard Coach, making it convenient for passengers of all categories. The thrills of Tricity residents knew no bounds as the newly rolled out Udaipur-Chandigarh Superfast Express train chugged into the Chandigarh railway station Friday mornings. The train was warmly welcomed by Punjab governor and UT administrator Gulab Chand Kataria at 8.50 am. It arrived with 90% seats filled with passengers and railway staff, the governor described the train as a major achievement and a gift for the people of Udaipur and Chandigarh. He said this direct connection



became possible due to his continuous efforts with Union railway minister Ashwini Vaishnaw. He added that the service would not only strengthen rail connectivity but also promote tourism and trade between the two regions. For many passengers, this new service has come as a blessing, Kumar Rajan, a chef working in Udaipur and a native of Chandigarh, said, "This is a great treat for tricity residents just before Diwali. Earlier, I had to take a train from Udaipur to Delhi and then from Delhi to Chandigarh, which wasted nearly two days of my holidays for a one-sided journey. With this train, it's just an overnight journey to reach home."

CBSE To Conduct Annually Class X, XII Exam Twice

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NEW DELHI : Disclosing a tentative date sheet for the country's largest school level examination exercise, CBSE will conduct X and XII Board examination from Feb17 next year revealed the sources. In a significant first, the class X exam will be held twice in the same academic year. Sanyam Bhardwaj, CBSE examination controller said the class X exam will be conducted first between Feb 17 and March 6, and for the second time for May 15 to June 1. The second phase will be optional, meant for students who wish to improve their performance. If a student appears in both sessions, the better of the two scores will be retained. "The second session will effectively double up as a supplementary exams. Hence, no separate supplementary exams will be conducted under this new



system," added Mr. Bhardwaj. He remarked that the scheme of studies, syllabus and the examination pattern will remain unchanged across both sessions. Currently, students are allowed to appear in supplementary exams to improve their results, but the two-session model marks a major shift in CBSE's assessment approach. For class XII, the board has fixed the exam schedule from Feb 17 to April 9. Mr. Bhardwaj also detailed the evaluation timeline, nothing that answer-script checking will begin roughly 10 days

after the conduct within 12 days. "For example, if the class XII Physics paper is held on Feb 20, evaluation would likely start on March 3 and finish by March 15," the controller explained. The scale of the exercise will be vast. Around 45 lakh candidates are expected to appear for the examinations across classes X and XII in 204 subjects, with candidates spreading not only across India but also in 26 other countries. Officials said the two-session model for class X was introduced after extensive deliberations, with the aim of reducing student stress and giving them another chance to improve their performance within the same academic year. Educationists believe the move will align CBSE closer with global assessment systems that focus on flexibility and students choice.

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JOURNEY FROM INJURY TO

PODIUM

Directing ‘Beyond Crux’ a documentary that follows a climber’s journey from injury to podium reveals not only the physical and mental challenges of the sport but also the financial hurdles and identity struggles that shape all type of ascent. Sport climber Kabir Gupta however, went beyond storytelling and founded Project Elevate to support underserved athletes and highlight their journeys. At American Embassy School , New Delhi ,he plans to study sports management, aiming to bridge India’s talent with systems that let it truly soar. His several peers came from economically weaker b a c k g r o u n d s , climbing in worn-out shoes and grappling with injuries they couldn’t afford to treat .His friend Sachin Saroj, who had a serious shoulder injury, could not afford surgery or rehab.”He was once changing his clothes with obvious pain and struggle , so I asked him what had happened. He told me his shoulder was seriously injured and necessitated surgery, but he couldn’t afford it. His father is a truck driver and I could understand the difficulties they faced in daily life. The surgery alone would cost Rs.2.5lakh, with an additional Rs 1lakh for rehabilitation,” Kabir said.

That moment sparked the idea of project Elevate. Launched in June 2024, the initiative now helps underserved athletes list their needs on a website, which Kabir pitches to corporates for funding through CSR initiatives . Within a year, the initiative raised Rs. 7.5 lakh and supported 15 athletes, some t r a v e l l i n g internationally for competitions and training. “ Even small things can provide athletes and their families hope against hope.” Kabir elucidates, reflecting on his own experiences with prize money. Kabir’s documentary grew from the same ethos. Instead of centring around his own story he chose to chronicle Sachin’s journey in Beyond Crux .” When I told him I was making a film on his life, the smile on his face said everything, “Kabir recalls. Within days of sharing the film privately , it reached dozens in Sachin’s hometown, a testament to its resonance. The d o c u m e n t a r y received over five national and international awards and was screened at several film festivals, including Golden Lion & Crown Wood International Film Festival and International Children’s Film Festival of Jaipur. Kabir learned everything through his own journey,

pursuing his passion for climbing. “I’ve always had an adventurous spirit and a love for the outdoors,”he recalls. “When I was five or six, my mom took me to an outdoor climbing centre near Anand Niketan. I instantly loved it and began going every weekend.” Over time, climbing became more than a hobby ; it became a personal sanctuary. “ When I climb everything else fades away ;it’s just me and the wall.” His journey however was not without its hurdles. During the Covid lockdown , he suffered a hand injury that kept him away from climbing for over two years .That absence, he says, made him realize the sport’s true meaning in his life. By 12 he was determined to become the best climber in India reaching out to a national-level athlete to train him. The efforts of dedication paid off dividends by 2022, he won three gold medals in North I n d i a n Championship. “Coming into my first nationals, I thought I had a shot,” Kabir says.”But the level was far higher than I expected. I ended up at the bottom-with a score of zero.” The defeat didn’t discourage him; it ignited a focus so intense that he blocked out all d i s t r a c t i o n s , eventually earning a silver medal in the junior category.

Rs 1.25L compensation awarded to victim of RERA violations

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MOHALI : Shahnawaj Khan, advocate for the complainants, Sunita Sharma and Ajay Kumar residence of Amritsar stated that a composite complaint was filed seeking refund of the capital amount paid by complainants to the b u i l d e r , Complainants later came to know that neither the project was registered with RERA and a settlement deed dated October 5, 2023, was executed between the parties. Even the facilities and amenities promised in the advertisement, such as Club House, Gated Township, Green Pollution free surroundings, were not provided.M/S Gunjan Land Developers, Motiaz Pacific Centre, Kisanpur village, along with interest



and compensation. A Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA) court has directed a Zirakpur-based builder to pay a compensation of Rs 1.25 lakhs to Amritsar residents Sunita Sharma and Ajay Kumar within 90 days for violating the Act or its rules and regulations in a one year old case. Hence the respondent company has violated Section 3,4,12 & 13 of RERA Act, 2016. Representative of the respondent also misbehaved with the complainant Ajay Kumar, who is co-purchaser after which he filed a criminal

complaint. The complainants had booked residential Flat in GLD Homes, Kharar, and the respondent company represented of having all sufficient approvals, clear ownership as per master plan and that it was an approachable project to live with fully d e v e l o p e d infrastructure. Total price of the flat in question was Rs.27,50,000 and the complainants have till date paid an amount of Rs. 1 6 , 4 4 , 0 0 0 . Accordingly, Buyer’s Agreement dated 19.08.2022 was also executed.

Resolution for Rs 20K cr special package for flood hit area sought

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CHANDIGARH : Punjab Chief Minister, Mr Bhagwant Singh Mann assured the assembly that teams of ministers would oversee the exercise to provide relief and lift the sombre mood of residents during the festival season. The CM added that the time-bound girdwari process was already underway across different parts of the state. Unanimously passed a resolution sought a Rs 20,000-crore special package for flood-hit areas while rebuking the Centre for failing to sanction adequate relief, even as Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann announced that compensation to affected families would begin from October 15. Mr Mann said the state government had increased compensation under the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF). For crop loss of 26-33 per cent, the amount had been raised from Rs 2,000 to Rs 10,000 per acre; for 33-75 per cent loss, from Rs 6,800 to Rs 10,000 per acre; and for 75-100 per cent loss, from Rs



6,800 to Rs 20,000 per acre. Mann also announced Rs 7,200 per acre for de-silting sand from fields under the “Jisda Khet, Ohdi Ret” scheme. The state will pay Rs 1.20 lakh for a fully damaged house, while the compensation for partially damaged houses has been raised from Rs 6,500 to Rs 35,100. Farmers whose land has been eroded by rivers will get Rs 47,500 per hectare or Rs 18,800 per acre. The House resolution sought a comprehensive special package of Rs 20,000 crore from the Centre to compensate farmers, rebuilding infrastructure and restoring livelihoods in flood-hit areas. It also demanded the immediate release of Rs 1,600-crore relief to Punjab.

File your complaint with Food Safety & Standard Department, teams formed to collect food samples

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CHANDIGARH : To ensure public health and safety during the festival season, the Chandigarh Food Safety and Standards Department has constituted four teams of food safety officers to conduct surveillance drives and lift samples of sweets, milk, milk products, including ghee, khoya and paneer, and other food articles to check adulteration. In the events of any abnormality one can lodge complaint to the Department of Food Safety & Standards, GMSH, Sector 16, on emergency phone number 0172-2782457 or the Food



Safety and Standards Authority of India portal <https://foscos.fssai.gov.in/consumergrievance/>. The department urged the residents and consumers to purchase food products, especially milk and milk products, bakery products, dry fruits, sweets, etc, from licensed shops that maintain proper hygiene and maintain quality.

Chandigarh MC cuts rent for Tibetan, Khampa markets by 50%

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CHANDIGARH : In a compassionate move reflecting solidarity with victims of the recent natural calamity in Himachal Pradesh, the Municipal Corporation has decided to reduce the booking charges by 50% for the Dassehra Ground in Manimajra and Circus Ground in Sector 17, where the Himalayan Khampa Janjati Woollen Market and Tibetan Market are temporarily set up each year. This significant decision was taken during the Finance and Contract Committee (F&CC) meeting held under the chairpersonship of Mayor Harpreet Kaur Babla. The meeting was attended by Amit Kumar, MC Commissioner; Pardeep Kumar, Special Commissioner; committee members Gurpreet Singh, Jasmanpreet Singh, Poonam, Saurabh Joshi, Suman Devi and other senior officers of the MC. During the meeting, the committee deliberated on the agenda concerning policy guidelines and terms and conditions for the booking of commercial grounds, particularly the two key market locations. After detailed discussions, the committee



unanimously approved the reduction in booking fee for this year, keeping in view the hardship faced by Tibetan and Khampa traders due to landslides and floods in Himachal Pradesh. Babla said it was a gesture of empathy and support towards communities that have long been associated with Chandigarh and contribute to its vibrant seasonal markets. The committee also accorded approval to Rs 26.28-lakh rough estimates for the strengthening of existing stormwater drainage by repairing road gullies and machine holes and constructing new ones in Transport Area, Sector 26-E. Also, Valley Park, Dhanas, will be developed at an estimated cost of Rs. 33.41 lakh. An estimated cost of Rs 36.13 lakh has been approved for the hiring of a leachate suction machine for three MRF centres.

Pet dog registration made mandatory by MC

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PANCHKULA : The Panchkula Municipal Corporation has made pet dog registration mandatory. Residents have hailed the directive as an important step towards ensuring responsibility pet ownership, improving public safety and promoting adherence to animal welfare norms. The directive, issued under Section 311 of the Haryana Municipal Corporation Act, 1994, and the Haryana Municipal Corporation (Registration and Proper Control of Dogs) Bylaws, 2008, is aimed at bringing pet owners into a structured framework. The Chief Sanitary Inspector of the MC in a communication addressed to all Resident Welfare Associations (RWAs), has urged full cooperation in facilitating the registration process. While the online registration through the SARAL portal has been closed, pet owners can now apply via the offline process. However, while the intent is widely supported, residents have also voiced concerns over practical implementation of the directive. Many have pointed out that delays in processing applications, repeated follow-



ups without updates and technical glitches in the SARAL Haryana portal are making the process cumbersome. A resident shared that his application, submitted on April 9, was still unresolved, with the last communication he received was dated June 10. The corporation has directed the pet owners to submit documents manually due to portal failures, but uncertainty continues to linger. Guidelines from the Animal Welfare Board of India, such as keeping pets on leashes and observing muzzle rules, are in place but difficult to enforce without efficient registration. The pet owners and residents’ groups have called on the authorities to streamline procedures and ensure prompt responses, emphasising that registration is crucial not only for compliance but also for public health and order.

Govt revises speed post tariffs effective from October 1

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CHANDIGARH : The Department of Union Ministry of Communications Posts has notified the overhaul, which will take effect on October 1, along with a revised tariff structure for speed post. The Ministry has announced a significant overhaul of postal services, designating speed post as the primary accountable mail service nationwide, with registration available only as an add-on facility. Under the new system, speed post letters and parcels will serve as the fundamental service for delivering accountable items, such as legal documents and statutory communications, to specific addresses. Registration will now be offered exclusively as a supplementary value-added option for speed post.



Along with this rationalisation, the government has also revised tariffs for speed post services. The new rates for intra-city deliveries will be Rs 20 for the first 50 gram; Rs 2 for every additional 50 gram; for deliveries up to 200 km: Rs 30 for the first 50 gram; Rs 3 for every additional 50 gram; for deliveries between 201-1,000 km: Rs 50 for the first 50 gram; Rs 4 for every additional 50 gram; for deliveries above 1,000 km: Rs 60 for the first 50 gram;

Rs 6 for every additional 50 gram; and for parcels above 5 kg, tariffs will be calculated on a slab basis with proportionate charges for each additional 500 gram. Officials said the rationalisation aims to modernise and simplify postal services while ensuring affordability and efficiency. “This step will streamline accountable mail delivery, reduce overlaps in services, and align India Post with international best practices,” a senior Communications Ministry official stated. The resolution and revised tariff notification have been circulated to all ministries, state governments, constitutional authorities, and statutory bodies, including the Supreme Court Registry.

Punjab Minister slams Mohali private hospital for ‘gross mismanagement’

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MOHALI : The patients were being made to wait in ambulances outside the hospital’s Emergency even as beds inside lay vacant, lampooned Harjot Bains, Punjab cabinet minister. He criticised the “gross mismanagement” and “fleecing of patients” at the super-specialty Max Hospital in Phase 6. “I will ask the Health Minister to get the bed occupancy verified,” the Education Minister warned during his visit to the hospital as other visitors nodded in agreement with his allegations. Bains came to the hospital after a relative of a sarpanch made a distress call to him. The patient had alleged that he was



made to wait outside the hospital for half an hour. “Due to the negligence of management and their race for money, patients coming from far away were made to sit outside under the excuse of ‘file making’ instead of being admitted in the emergency — even when the emergency ward was empty,” he wrote on ‘X’. Bains complained that an elderly woman from Hamirpur had to also wait 20–25 minutes in an ambulance. The minister added that he had to step in personally to get her,

and another patient admitted to t h e hospital. Sources said “credit patients” require an approval letter was from the department concerned. “The 60-year-old patient, who had been admitted to our hospital multiple times, was last discharged on September 22, 2025 said a hospital spokesperson.

He returned to Emergency with further complications. At that time, no ICU bed was available, and this was duly communicated. The patient was admitted to the CCU once a bed became available.”

10 times hike in fee for placing standby fire tender

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CHANDIGARH : Three months after the General House approval of the agenda, the Municipal Corporation (MC) has increased the charges for standby fire tender service 10 times. The service, amounting including staff, is provided at various events in and outside UT. In accordance with the directives of the Municipal Commissioner, Amit Kumar, the MC will charge Rs 5,000 per hour, per fire vehicle for five hours subject to a minimum of Rs 25,000, along with GST as applicable from time to time for major programmes, and Rs 3,000 per hour, per fire vehicle for other functions. The agenda had been approved in the General House meeting on June 3. For events held outside



Chandigarh, it has been decided to charge Rs 7,500 per hour, per fire vehicle for five hours subject to a minimum of Rs 37,500, along with GST. These charges will be increased by 10% every year with effect from April 1. Earlier, the Fire Department was charging Rs 579 per hour/per fire vehicle for providing this service within Chandigarh, and Rs 2,205 and 3,308 per hour/per vehicle for events held

outside UT. The MC justified the decision by saying that the prices of petrol/diesel have been increasing day by day and also, the salaries of the fire staff have increased after the implementation of the 7th pay commission’s recommendations. Firefighters are deputed on standby duty along with vehicles on a request by organisers. The value of a fire vehicle is from Rs.60 lakh to Rs 1 crore.

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Rs 4,600-cr maiden rail projects
to link India with Bhutan

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NEW DELHI : With the Indian Railways network Himalayan kingdom Bhutan would be annexed with Rs 4600 Cr railway projects. India on Monday announced the launch of two cross-border railway projects that will, for the first time, connect the Himalayan country.

In a joint presser with Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri, Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnav said the 69-km Kokrajhar-Gelephu and 20-km Banarhat-Samtse projects, worth Rs 4,600 crore, would serve as vital trade and passenger links, unlocking new economic opportunities for both nations.

“A seamless gateway for Bhutan to the 1,50,000-km-long would be provided by Indian railway grid, cutting travel time from days to hours and catalysing industrial growth and tourism,” said Vaishnav, adding the lines would be



fully electrified and designed for Vande Bharat trains.

Responding to a question whether this railway project should be seen as a counter measure to China extending its railway network right up to the border areas of Tibet, Misri said when it comes to the border -- specifically the areas through which these railway lines will pass -- there is no involvement of any third country.

Misri also underscored the strategic importance of the projects, calling them “a first-of-its-kind initiative” that strengthens not just trade, but also cultural and developmental ties. The Gelephu line will support

Bhutan’s flagship “Mindfulness City” project, while Samtse is emerging as a major industrial hub exporting minerals like dolomite and ferro-silicon to India.

Of the total cost, the Indian Railways will fund work on its territory, while the Ministry of External Affairs will finance construction within Bhutan as part of India’s Rs 10,000-crore development package for Thimphu’s 13th Five-Year Plan.

The Kokrajhar-Gelephu stretch, involving 29 major bridges, six stations and two viaducts, will take four years to complete, while the Banarhat-Samtse link is expected within three years.

“In Banarhat-Samtse project, Bhutanese side is about 2.13 km, while 17.42-km stretch would be in India. In case of Gelephu, 2.39-km track will be in Bhutan and 66.66 km in India,” Vaishnav said.

EC likely to announce
Bihar poll dates, on
October 6-7



Commissioner News Service
NEW DELHI : With the final electoral roll for Bihar set to be published on Sept 30, the Election Commission will immediately start the warm-up for announcement of assembly poll dates, starting with a meeting with poll observers on Oct 3 and a visit by the full commission to the state on Oct 4 and 5.

That exercise of poll announcement to be followed by a meeting with the Union Home Secretary to would finalise the logistics relating to deployment of Central forces for poll security.

Given that the aforesaid engagements are penultimate formalities before announcement of the poll dates, the EC may hold the press conference soon after to release the Bihar

poll schedule, possibly as early as Oct 6 or 7. There have been precedents when the meeting with the Home Secretary was done on the same as the poll announcement.

The upcoming Bihar poll is likely to be held over fewer phases as compared to 2020. There were three rounds of polling in the state in 2020, which was held under the shadow of Covid pandemic.

The term of the current Bihar assembly expires on November 22, 2025. EC usually completes polls with sufficient time to spare for govt formation.

Interestingly, the Supreme Court is set to conduct its final hearing on Oct 7 on the slew of petitions challenging the special intensive revision (SIR) in Bihar.

Ethanol blending a network of
powerful lobby, charges Gadkari,
Union Minister



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NAGPUR : While likening to a tree Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari himself to a “tree that bears fruit,” said, “I don’t respond to such criticisms because then it becomes news. The tree that bears fruit is the one people throw stones at. It is better that we avoid it.”

Gadkari said the focus of his policy is to promote ethanol blending, make farmers energy producers, and reduce pollution.

Mr Gadkari on Monday refused to be pulled into a controversy over allegations against him with regard to ethanol blending, saying it is the work of a powerful import lobby upset by his decisions.

He claimed that the policy had directly hurt those with vested interests in fuel imports.

“About Rs 22 lakh crore were going out of the country due to imports of

fossil fuels. Their businesses got affected and they got angry and started paid news against me,” the minister said.

“I have not taken a single penny from any contractor till date and hence contractors fear me,” he stressed.

Gadkari said that he would focus on his work and not get distracted by false allegations, which are a common and predictable part of politics. “People know what the truth is...I have gone through such things many times in the

past.”

CIAN Agro Industries, a company run by Nikhil Gadkari, son of the Union Minister, has been the centre of a controversy over dramatic rise in profits and revenues since the time the BJP-led government mandated 20 per cent ethanol blending in petrol.

The company saw its revenue surge from Rs 17.47 crore (Q1 FY24) to Rs 510.8 crore (Q1 FY26). Profits too shot up from almost negligible levels to over Rs 52 crore, largely riding the ethanol blending boom and expansion into new subsidiaries.

CIAN Agro’s share price also zoomed to Rs 2,023 on the BSE on Monday from Rs 172 a year ago.

Analysts have said the growth is not only from ethanol sales, but also from “other income” and new businesses.

2,191 food adulteration cases were
penalised Rs 3.04 crore in 5 yrs : AAP

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CHANDIGARH : In the adulteration of Milk and Dairy products Punjab govt had apprised that Punjab and Haryana High Court that it imposed penalties totalling Rs 3.04 crore in 2,191 cases decided between January 2019 and December 2024.

The data was placed on record through an affidavit filed by Under Secretary Ram Ishwar, Department of Health and Family Welfare, in compliance with the high court’s July 22 direction to both Punjab and Haryana to submit details of penalties imposed in such cases over the last five years.

The case has its genesis in a public interest



litigation filed by advocate Sunaina on adulteration in milk and milk products across the State. The affidavit said penalties were imposed in about 95 per cent of the decided cases.

The adulteration recorded in a affidavit showed in a wide spectrum of food items, ranging from cow and buffalo milk, curd, paneer, khoya, desi ghee and butter to milk-based sweets such as burfi, rasgullas and milk cake, besides products like biscuits, namkeen, ice

cream, haldi powder, red chilli powder, rose squash and edible oils.

The PIL seeks court directions for the establishment of additional food-testing laboratories, extensive public awareness campaigns, and harsher penalties for repeat offenders. It also presses for strict enforcement of the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, arguing that adulteration of milk and dairy products directly violates the right to health under Article 21 of the Constitution.

Final hearing on pleas
against validity of Bihar
SIR on Oct 7, SC orders

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NEW DELHI : The Election Commission of India being a constitutional authority was following the law during the special intensive revision of electoral roll in poll-bound Bihar and cautioned in case of any illegality, the exercise would be set aside, said the Supreme Court.

A bench of Justices Surya Kant and Joymalya Bagchi fixed October 7 for hearing final arguments on validity of Bihar SIR while refusing to offer any “any piecemeal opinion” on the exercise.

“Our judgement in Bihar SIR will be applicable for Pan-India SIR,” the bench said, clarifying it can’t stop the poll panel from conducting the similar exercise for revision of electoral roll across the country.

The bench, however,



allowed petitioners against the Bihar SIR exercise to also argue on the pan-India SIR on October 7.

The top court, in the meantime, issued notice on a plea seeking the recall of the September 8 top court order directing the poll panel to include Aadhaar card as the 12th prescribed document in the Bihar SIR.

On September 8, the apex court clarified Aadhaar will not be proof of citizenship and the poll panel can ascertain its genuineness on being submitted by an elector for inclusion in the electoral roll.

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AMRITSAR : The recent changes in GST rates by the Central government are certainly steps to boost consumption and production, but their implementation has serious flaws said president Piara Lal Seth, Punjab Pradesh Beopar Mandal (PPBM).

Seth has urged the government to watch the financial interests of dealers and manufacturers in the MSME sector after the reduction in GST rates.

He stated that these changes will impact the pharmaceutical industry, corrugated box industry, stationery industry (such as pencils, sharpeners and erasers – which are placed in the zero tax slab), and steel utensils industry.

These sectors often have to purchase raw materials at 18 per cent tax, while finished products are taxed at only 5 per cent or zero. The disparity will cause traders and industries to face significant difficulties in adjusting input tax credits



and lead to double blockages in the payment system.

For example, a trader may purchase raw materials at 18 per cent tax, but may only collect 5 per cent or zero GST when selling finished goods. This would require a series of departmental visits to recoup the difference. The process wastes both time and money and proves to be an unnecessary burden for traders.

Seth said it is not appropriate to include the shawl industry in the “made-up category” because there is no cutting involved. All shawls, regardless of their price, should be placed in the 5 per cent GST slab. He said that shawls are a traditional and employment-generating industry in Punjab and northern India. The complexity of different tax

slabs is proving burdensome for traders.

Similar problems have been created in some services sectors. A five per cent GST has been imposed on the service industry, but input tax credit has been eliminated. The move contradicts the spirit of GST and appears to be a return to the VAT era.

Jain said the government should make decisions keeping in mind the practical aspects of businesses and industries. The tax structure should not create such discrepancies that lead to complications and creation of additional burden for businesses. He added that if these discrepancies are not addressed, small businesses and industries will be the most affected.

Finally, he urged the government to immediately eliminate this imbalance in GST rates and make the tax structure simple and practical so that all three – trade, industry and consumers – can benefit.



Tejas fighter to be rolled out in Oct 25

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Nasik : Tejas fighter to be rolled out in Oct25 Nasik. On April7, 2023, the HAL Nasik division inaugurated the third production line for manufacturing Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) MK1A. It was inaugurated by the then defence secretary Giridhar Aramane. The new target date for the rollout is Oct17 and defence minister Rajnath Singh is likely to attend, although his confirmation is still pending. This new facility in Nasik is the third production line for the Tejas LCA MK1A. HAL currently has two production lines in



B e n g a l u r u , producing16 jets annually. With an investment of over Rs 150 crore, the Nashik facility will add an additional eight units per year, increasing HAL's total production capacity to 24 jets per annum. The availability of GE-404 engines was the issue that delayed the rollout of its first LCA MKIA jet. "But we are managing with the

available and expected engines. Supply is likely to be regular next year," the sources said. HAL recently received the third GE-404 engine for the LCA-MK1A (Tejas MK1A) and another engine is expected to be delivered shortly. The MK1A variant of the LCA includes improvements in combat avionics and air-to-air refueling capabilities. The Nashik division of HAL has a total of 2,207 employees, including 1,188 technical experts, 624 experts for technical support and 395 engineers.

Horticulture waste processing plant costing Rs 2.43 Cr to optimise much unswept cleanness

Commissioner News Service

PANCHKULA : On the roads, streets and public spaces no more littering with horticulture waste would be found in order. Bids have been invited until Oct 3 and will be opened on Oct 6 for the functioning span of 2 years. Under the scheduled plan, 10 to 15 tonnes per day, raw horticulture waste would be processed into biomass briquettes. The assigned agency would instal a briquette machine, hammer mill, flash dryer and own pollution control system at the cost of Rs 2.43 Cr . Along with the lines of Chandigarh, the project is being commissioned in the industrial area. In a



scientific manner ,it would produce combustible materials. Earlier in the F& CC meeting of the civic body during May, the project has been cleared but due to the delayed clearance of estimates and floating of tender, the work could not be launched in Chandigarh along the lines of their operational processing plant turning over daily 30 / 40 tonnes of raw horticulture waste into briquettes.

Synthetic milk dominates market unchecked by health authority

We over 70% of populace digest daily the pulverised synthetic milk which comprises a definite quantity of detergent, urea, caustic soda, sodium hydroxide and fats, cautioned the otherday, Dr Harsh Vardhan, former Union Minister for Science & Technology.

In accordance with Food Safety & Standard Authority of. India, the quality of milk in question doesn't conform to the parameters laid by the stipulated law.The excess water added to the milk may destroy the intake of nutritious specific values,which are immensely harmful.

The unnatural milk also comprises certain quantity of insecticides and metal which are destructive to human health. One day, skimmed milk sample of 548, only 577 were found to be carrying ample quantity of glucose. It has been noticed while storing, packaging, certain quantity of detergent particles enter the openly placed quantity of bare milk.The demand for the genuine quality milk is not being met hence the glut of synthetic milk would continue to rein in the prevailing market. Artificial imitation of natural



milk remains harmful to human health. Its excessive use inflict very serious damage on human body causing swelling in the eyes and many other complication in the liver and kidney. The journey of synthetic milk, now a days, has been heading from urban area to rural populace to acclimatise to their propensities.

Our nation has been notoriously becoming famous, leaving concentration away from genuine natural milk. Now fait accompli, we are tolerating assortment by of chemicals, urea, by compulsion as the occupation of genuine dairy farming has been going in very lackadaisical race even government controlled units are losing curiosity in natural milk. What a catastrophic approach, but against whom? remains puzzling.

AADHAAR CARD MANDATORY FOR CHANGE IN DETAILS

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : While online application related to the electoral roll through Form 6 (fresh enrolment), Form 7 (objection to inclusion/exclusion of voter in roll) and Form 8(corrections) would henceforth require 'e-sign' based on Aadhaar authentication, those who do not have Aadhaar number can always fill out the physical forms and personally submit them to the electoral registration officer (ERO) or the booth level officer (BLO). An applicant seeking fresh enrolment or inclusion/exclusion of a voter from the electoral roll via online mode to mandatorily verify his identity through OTP-based Aadhaar authentication. The 'e-sign' requirement for online applications related to the voters' list revealed Election Commition was conceptualized in Aug and rolled out quietly in the second week of Sept. The reform , it was underlind, preceded Congress MP Rahul Gandhi's Sept 18 press



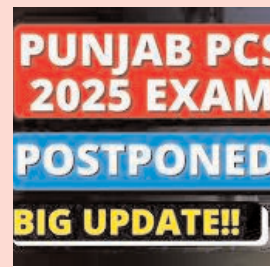
conference during which he had alleged unauthorized attempts at deletion of over 6,000 voters in Aland assembly constituency of Karnataka in Dec 2022. The e-sign initiatives is meant to ensure that the applicant's name in the electoral photo identity card (EPIC) and phone number -as declared in the online Forms 6,7 or 8 matches with his /her details recorded in the Aadhaar system. Form 7 allows an elector to object against the proposed inclusion exclusion of a voter in the electoral roll of a constituency in which he himself is also registered. Such an applicant must mention his name, EPIC

number and mobile number of self 'or' r e l a t i v e (father/mother/husband/1 egal guardian) in the form The e-sign option prompts the applicant to complete his OTP based Aadhaar authentication before submitting the form. Election commission had ,soon after Rahul's presser, clarified only 24 of the 6018 application for deletions in Aland were found genuine ,while the remaining 5,994 were found incorrect , and rejected. An FIR was filed on Sept 6,2023 by the Aland ERO in the case and all available details handed over to the investigation agency.

Pb postpones preliminary exam to 7 Dec

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Patiala: The Punjab State Civil Services C o m b i n e d Competitive Preliminary Examination -25 would now be held in 2 session on 7 Dec , said Charanjit Singh PPSC Secretary . On the commission 's web site , admit cards before the



actual 10 days of the exams would be uploaded. By using their registration number and p a s s w o r d through the Download admit

card linkage system over http// ppsc. gov. In. On admit card itself details about the exams would be indicated. On the web site, candidates are advised to check regularly the latest updates, said the Secretary.

India rained down on Pak PM's 'absurd theatrics' at UNGA

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Washington : India, on Friday, delivered a sharp rebuke to Pakistan at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), accusing Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif of glorifying terrorism and spreading falsehoods on the global stage. Exercising its right of reply, India condemned Islamabad for peddling distorted narratives and shielding terror outfits from accountability. Speaking from India's Permanent Mission to the UN, First Secretary Petal Gahlot described Sharif's address as "absurd theatrics" and highlighted Pakistan's long-standing history of exporting terrorism. "Mr President, this assembly witnessed absurd theatrics in the morning from the Prime Minister of Pakistan, who once again glorified terrorism that is so central to their foreign policy. However, no degree of drama and no level of lies can conceal the facts. This is the very same Pakistan which, at the UN Security Council on 25th April 2025, shielded the Resistance Front, a Pakistani-sponsored terror outfit, from the



responsibility of carrying out the barbaric massacre of tourists in the Indian Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir," Gahlot said, lashing out sharply at the Pakistani PM. She added, "A country long steeped in the tradition of deploying and exporting terrorism has no shame in advancing the most ludicrous narratives to that end," further reminding how Islamabad shielded slain terrorist Osama Bin Laden. "Let us recall that it sheltered Osama bin Laden for a decade, even while pretending to partner in the war against terrorism. Its ministers have just recently acknowledged that they have been operating terrorist camps for decades. It should come as no surprise that once again this duplicity continues, this time at the level of its Prime Minister." She also challenged Sharif's account of the recent India-

Pakistan conflict, calling it "bizarre." "Till 9 May, Pakistan was threatening more attacks on India. But on 10 May, its military pleaded with us directly for a cessation to the fighting. The intervening event was the destruction caused to multiple Pakistani airbases by Indian forces. The pictures of that damage are, of course, publicly accessible. If destroyed runways and burnt-out hangars look like victory, as the Prime Minister claimed, Pakistan is welcome to enjoy it," she stated New Delhi's assertions. Gahlot stressed that Pakistan bore responsibility for terrorist attacks on Indian civilians and laid out the conditions for peace. She further slammed Pakistan's internal politics and in "Where terrorism is concerned, we are making it clear that there will be no distinction between the terrorists and their sponsors. Both will be held accountable. Nor will we allow terrorism to be practised under the cover of nuclear blackmail. India will never bow to such threats. India's message to the world is clear -- there must be zero tolerance for terrorism."

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Public Service Right in Kerala Bill 2024

Commissioner News Service Thiruvananthapuram : The draft bill to be introduced in the assembly soon, promises transparency, accountability and direct compensation for citizens when officials fail to act. It is set to replace the largely defunct Kerala State Right to service Act, 2012, by introducing strict timelines, electronic service delivery, financial penalties, and a robust grievance redressal system. The previous law, as govt admitted, had “completely failed to achieve its objects and purposes,” with no reported penalties imposed under it. The new legislation mandates



every department to publish a list of services, designate responsible officers, and specify delivery timelines. All services must be delivered electronically, except for limited exemptions, with departments required to update their service lists annually. Grievances over delayed or

denied services can be escalated through a three-tier appeal system, culminating in an independent authority chaired by the law secretary. This body will have civil court powers, including summoning officials and reviewing decisions. The draft law goes further than any of its kind in India on penalties. Officers delaying services without justification can be fined up to Rs 10,000 and appellate authorities up to Rs 15,000, with penalties deducted from salaries. Citizens will be directly compensated from these fines. Repeated failures may trigger disciplinary action.

Trade talk with US very constructive, contours favour India

Commissioner News Service NEW DELHI : Indian officials held “constructive” talks with U.S. counterparts during a visit to Washington this week. Both sides agreed to continue discussions aimed at concluding a mutually beneficial trade deal soon. “Two nations exchanged views on possible contours of the deal,” the commerce ministry said in a statement. Piyush Goyal Commerce and Industry Minister led a delegation to the U.S. from September 22 to 24

and met U.S. Trade Representative Jamieson Greer and ambassador-designate Sergio Gor. Goyal and Greer also joined a meeting between India's Foreign Minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar and U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio on the sidelines of the U.N. General Assembly in New York, India's foreign ministry spokesperson said. “The focus of the discussion was on trade and tariffs. Other aspects of our bilateral relation-

ship were also reviewed,” foreign ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal told a regular briefing. A senior government official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said New Delhi is pushing for the removal of the 25% additional tariff imposed by Washington on goods from India for its buying of Russian oil, with both sides aiming to conclude the first part of the deal by autumn.

"मेरे आंजनेय"

By K.Kashyap

हे आंजनेय, मुझे अपनी शरण में ले लो,
मेरे मन की सारी मोह-माया हर लो।

ना अब कोई चाहत, ना कोई आस शेष,
बस तुम रहो, तुम्हारा नाम रहे विशेष।

ना धन, ना यश, ना जग का कोई मान,
बस तुम्हारे चरणों में हो मेरा हर प्राण।

मेरे हर श्वास में तुम्हारा ही नाम हो,
मेरे हर जन्म में तुम्हारा ही धाम हो।

हे पंचमुखी बाबा, ये मन तुमको सौंप दूँ,
अपने प्रेम की गोद में मुझे सदा तुम थाम लो

India junks NATO chief's claims on Modi-Putin talks

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : The govt on Friday dismissed as incorrect, baseless and unacceptable claims by Nato chief Mark Rutte that PM Modi, under pressure from the US tariffs on India, had sought an explanation from Russian President Vladimir Putin over his Ukraine strategy. The MEA said at no point did Modi have any such conversation with Putin and urged the “leadership of an important institution like NATO” to exercise greater responsibility and accuracy in public statements. Speaking to CNN, Rutte had insisted that US President Donald Trump’s tariffs on India were having a big impact on Putin. “We have seen the statement by NATO secretary general Mr. Mark Rutte regarding a purported phone conversation between PM Narendra Modi and President



Vladimir Putin . At no point has PM Modi spoken with President Putin in the manner suggested. No such conversation has taken place ,” said MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal, adding speculative or careless remarks that misrepresent the PM’s engagements or suggest conversations that never occurred are unacceptable. The official said that , as previously stated , India’s energy imports are meant to ensure predictable and affordable energy costs to the Indian consumer. “ India will continue taking all necessary measures to safeguard its national interest and economic security,” he said.

‘I Love Muhammad’ UP stir part of conspiracy turns violent

Commissioner News Service

Kamni Kashyap

Bareilly/Kanpur: “If you vandalise in the name of faith, attack pedestrians in the name of faith... attack the police, then we won't let you go...*chedhoge to chodenge nahi aur chodenge nahi toh fir chootoge bhi nahi* If you trouble us, we won't spare you and then you won't be able to escape,”Yogi Adityanath said while speaking at a ‘Viksit UP’ event of a media house on Saturday (September 27). In Mau district, an unauthorised procession under the banner ‘I Love Muhammad’ was held , mostly by children. Four to five people were picked up for questioning. In Beed , a case was lodged against a cleric for alleged inflammatory remarks on UP CM Yogi Adityanath at a Sept 23 stir. There were reports of protest in Gujrat and Bihar.

Yogi said the protests were part of a “planned conspiracy” to disrupt social harmony and directed police and administration to act with zero tolerance. “Use footage, monitor social media, and act against every single offender,” he instructed officials. Protests against alleged “administrative action” over ‘I Love Muhammad’ posters



turned violent in UP’s Bareilly after Friday prayers, as a crowd of over 1000 people carrying banners and placards gathered near Islamia Ground and pelted stones at police and vandalised several vehicles. Police resorted to lathi charge and lobbed tear gas shells. Police said the protesters fired in the air, and 10 cops were injured.Ittehad-e-Millat Council chief Maulana Tauqeer Raza Khan was among 50 to be detained for questioning, said sources. Bareilly range DIG Ajay Kumar Sahani said police had videos and call records of instigators. Police conducted search operations. Additional forces were stationed in sensitive areas. Authorities urged the public not to believe in rumours. The crowd gathered following a call by Khan for a procession to the DM office to hand

over a memorandum addressed to the PM, to protest registration of an FIR by Kanpur police over an ‘I love Muhammad’ board put up for Barawafat procession to commemorate the birth of prophet Muhammad on Sept 4.

Yogi Adityanath warned ‘I Love Mohammad’ protesters after Bareilly violence: ‘Chedhoge to fir chodhenge nahi Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath issued a stern warning to protesters a day after violence erupted over ‘I Love Mohammad’ row in Bareilly after Friday prayers. The Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister said, “There are some people who dislike peace and welfare. Whenever a Hindu festival or celebration approaches, they become overheated. To cool their heat, we have to resort to denting and painting... Faith is a matter of conscience, not a subject of protest...”

Yogi Adityanath's comments came as tension escalated in Bareilly after a large crowd carrying ‘I Love Mohammad’ posters clashed with police outside a mosque in the Kotwali area after Friday prayers.

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