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US to refund 4 Arab dollar tariff penalty from 27 Aug to 06 Feb 26

Panel of Commerce, Finance & Foreign secretaries to monitor import of Russian crude oil

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Washington : In case transgression of pact by India is found resumed by the US task force comprising Commerce Secretary, Treasury Secretary, and the US secretary of state, in the violation, the Secretary of state could revive back the 25% penalty tariff on India if deemed fit. As the US pleads their version that

India has committed to stopping Russian federation oil and will purchase energy products from the United States and also potentially from Venezuela while getting revoked 25 % of additional tariff on India, the version has not been denied or confirmed by India. The refund of charged tariff from 27 August 2025 to 06 Feb 2026. The refund would be made in

accordance with the existing customs and border protection law. In line with the market conditions and evolving international dynamics, all minutes have been contemplated. The ministry of External affairs adds that it was open to exploring the possibility of crude oil supplies from the Venezuela. It further added that Venezuela had been a long



standing partner of India in the energy sector, encompassing trade and investments. Consistent with India's approach to energy security, India

remains open to exploring the commercial merits of any new crude supply options, including from Venezuela said MES spokesman Randhir Jaiswal.

At times, our government had publicly stated that ensuring the energy security of 1.4 billion Indians had been the supreme priority of the present regime.

"Made in India" products will now be exportable to US at the reduced tariff of 18%. The trade agreement will give a major boost to India export, labour intensive industries, job creation growth

curd, butter, lassi, liquid and other items,

Dry and green chilly, pepper, coriander, cinnamon, turmeric, asafoetida, ginger, cumin, fenugreek, carom seeds, and mustard.

No tariff would be leviable on kabli chana, moong, tilhan, mutton, poultry, dairy, soyabean, rice, macca, wheat sugar, strawberry, cherry, fruits and bananas.

Trump team left Pakistan with Indian map showing no POK

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Washington/ Islamabad : New Delhi and Washington announced the framework for an interim trade agreement on Saturday, a map of India shared by the Trump administration quietly took centre stage and garnered attention on social media. While releasing the trade deal details, the US trade representative's office released a map of India showing the entire Jammu and Kashmir, including Pakistan-occupied Kashmir



(POK), as part of the country. The Indian map also included Aksai Chin, which China claims to be part of its territory. However, it's not that the validation of India's territo-

rial sovereignty required US approval. India has always maintained that Kashmir was an inalienable part of our country. Nevertheless, it marks a departure from the US's earlier stance. Whether deliberate or incidental, it has sent a strong diplomatic signal to Pakistan - that the US leadership is in line with India's map flagging no POK telling to India to stay with US, and we will explain why.

Night hrs driving becomes hazardous, Human Rights Commission approached

Commissioner News Service Pkula : Panchkula Metropolitan Development Authority would be required to explain flagging in, as requested by Haryana Human Rights Commission

In the satellite town, road signage, lane markings, zebra crossings and reflective studs have virtually disappeared, making night-time driving hazardous. Mandatory signboards such as speed-limit indicators, warning signs at accident-prone zones, slip roads and pedestrian crossings are either missing or poorly maintained, significantly increasing accident risks. The Haryana Human Rights Commission (HHRC) has been approached by the Citizens' Welfare Association (CWA), Panchkula, regarding the poor, collapsing civic infrastructure besides the discernible plight of recarpeted roads. Damaged footpaths force pedestrians to walk on busy roads. The association further drew attention to the collapse of the drainage system in sectors 8, 9, 10, 15 and 19, resulting in rainwater entering homes during the monsoon, damaging property and disrupting traffic. Frequent damage to central business districts (CBD) ducts at major junctions has led to prolonged road closures and traffic diversions. The Commission's intervention has raised hopes among residents for urgent corrective action and accountability.



Municipal Corporation, HSVP, PMDA, HSIIDC, the Urban Local Bodies Department, the police and the PWD, for failing to maintain roads, medians, footpaths, drainage systems and traffic infrastructure.

The lack of regular tree pruning, particularly in residential areas has blocked sunlight during winter and rendered recently installed reflective guide maps ineffective. Overgrown branches have encroached onto carriageways, posing a danger to heavy vehicles. Damaged footpaths force pedestrians to walk on busy roads. The association further drew attention to the collapse of the drainage system in sectors 8, 9, 10, 15 and 19, resulting in rainwater entering homes during the monsoon, damaging property and disrupting traffic. Frequent damage to central business districts (CBD) ducts at major junctions has led to prolonged road closures and traffic diversions. The Commission's intervention has raised hopes among residents for urgent corrective action and accountability.

MAA ka bharosa, Pyar se parosa 'Patanjali' dominate other marketed brands

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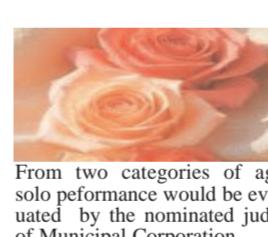
P'kula: Patanjali cow sudhdesi ghee has gained popularity on account of its fragrant quality, purity and economic rates in tricity markets claimed PK Rao Marketing Manager. He adds saying this pure cow ghee is preferred by those who prioritise natural and organic options. During 2024, the claim of high purity was made in August 2025, sample BKD 2458 was taken for purity test and won clientele applause and wide acceptance. For the quality emer-



gence 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 Ayurvedic treatments. Cow ghee must be used before 9 months from date.

54th "Rose festival" with singing, dance, kite show sans helicopter ride begin from 20 Feb

Commissioner News Service Chandigarh : Along sec 16 Rose Garden, in order to compete in different disciplines an audition against Rs. 250 has been arranged into two categories of age ranging between 30 yrs lesser and above 30 yrs. Extraordinary kids zone for children would be orchestrated where zep, train ride, ring stall, bunzi jumping, bhoot bangla, 20 kind of swing and games would be an attraction to fascinate the visitors.



From two categories of age, solo performance would be evaluated by the nominated judge of Municipal Corporation.

Commission News Service New Delhi : Central observers for the upcoming assembly polls in 4 States and UT would be required to act impartially and make sure that electoral laws and extant EC guidelines are complied with.

The observers would be expected to use their extra vigil with their equipped eyes and ears by reporting any glitches and malpractices noticed in the electoral process.

Mr Gyanesh Kumar, chief election commissioner, said

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1. Hotel Mannat, Mobile 7986032424, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
2. Hotel Amaze, Mobile 7508700555 Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
3. Hotel Classic, 9501175566 SCO 34, Main Silver City, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
4. Hotel A One, 8168535996 SCO 8, Silver City, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur.
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10. Hotel Waves, 01762-510909, 9041092622 SCO 21, Kalgidhar Enclave, Zirakpur-Kalka road, Baltana Zirakpur
11. Hotel # Tag, 7999900050 SCO17, Kalgidhar Market, Opp. K.Area, Baltana,ZRK
12. Hotel Taj Inn, 8968284079 SCO22, Kalgidhar Market, Opp. K.Area, Baltana,ZRK
13. Hotel Atlante, Properties 9578110000 SCO24, Kalgidhar Market, Opp. K.Area, Baltana,ZRK
14. Hotel Magus, 9872791857 SCO 3, Shimla Highway, Zirakpur
15. Hotel Shine Inn, 7341134340 SCO4,(Near Sohi Banquet Hall) Simla Highway, ZRK
16. Prime Land Regency, 7837767769 SCO 34-35, Simla Highway, ZRK
17. Hotel Z, 9478479235 Roof Top Restaurant Shimla road, Zirakpur

CLINIC/HOSPITAL/LAB

1. AMCARE Hospital, Abhi Tej Nibber 7087113922 VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Public Clinic & Nursing Home (Lab Facility Also Available) Dr Ashwani Bansal, Mobile : 9915866644
- Near N.K. Sharma Office, Amb-chd road, Zirakpur
3. Santosh Hospital, 9779968778
- SCF101-A, Shree Balaji Enclave, Patiala road, Zirakpur
4. Dr Dhawan's, 9876931601 Renovin Skin & Cosmetology Clinic, SCO 17, First Floor, Navjot Square, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
5. Ashirwad Hospital, 9501775448 Bhabat road, Zirakpur
6. Myoma Clinic, Dr Chatli, 9872669171 Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

MEDICINES & CHEMISTS/MEDICOS

1. Mohan Medical Hall, 9063000061 Amb-chd road, Zirakpur
2. MF Chemist, 7341130032 Allopathic/Ayurvedic/Cosmetics SCO 16, Navjot Square, Near NK Sharma office, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
3. The Diabetes Store, (Retail & Wholesale) 16, Navjot Square, Zirakpur
4. Investors Home, 9781077770 Civil Construction, Interior Designer, Shop 9, Silver City Mains, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
2. SBP Group, 9888854530 Plot no. 1265, Near Tata Motors, Sector 82, Mohali
3. Maya Garden Magnesia, 9815521552 Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. Om Property, 7696445500 SCO 2, Near Parmar Petrol Pump, Chd-Amb road, ZRK.

TAXI, TRANSPORTS

1. Guru Nanak Taxi Service, 9988531007 **A/c, Non A/c cars** Near UCO Bank, Modern Complex, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
2. GS Tezi Transport, 24 Hrs Mobile : 9316017250 Ranjan Plaza, Zirakpur
3. Satguru, Loading Jeep Operator Union, 9872531068, 9814722165, Ranjan Plaza, Chd-road, Zirakpur
4. Sai Tour & Travels 9888875827 A/c, Non A/c 24 Hours, Shop 1, Dev Shopping Complex, Bhabat road, Zirakpur

RESTAURANTS, EATRIES, DHABA

1. Dine o City, Mobile 9876629396 Buffet & Restaurants, SCO 5, Opp. Royal City, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
2. Baba Ki Rasoi, 8427468720 Amritsari Kulcha, Near NK Sharma office, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
3. Guru Nanak Vaishnu Dhabha, 9779004974 Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

JEWELLERS SHINE

1. Shri Kapila Jewellers, 9872207279 SCO 21, Block-B, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Mahadev Jewellers, 9876826740 9, Block-B, Ground Floor, High Street, VIP road, Zirakpur
3. Bagga Jewellers, 9815000662 SCO 6, Badal Colony, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. MG Jewellers, 988881869 Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
5. Kalaji Jeweller, 9815076523, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

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2. Ganesh Electricals, 9417621222 Shop 637, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
3. Shiv Electricals, 9569243076 Repair & Spare, Amb-chd road, Zirakpur
4. CLOTH HOUSE/EMPORIUM/BOUTIQUE 1. Paridhaan, (9570000069) Designer Suit Saree, Lehenga G-10, Hollywood Plaza, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Brand Tree, Fashion Wear, 7888721165 VIP road, Block-C, Zirakpur
3. Sanorita, 9878523318 (Kiran) The Fashion Town, Western Outfit, SCO 5, AMCARE Plaza, VIP road, Zirakpur
4. Indian Shadow Handloom, 7082071500 Curtain King, Near PTC, Lower Ground, Shop 14, VIP road, Zirakpur
5. Raymond, Dulha Collection, 9888388919 Men's Tailoring Shop, Shop 5, 1st Floor, VIP road, Near AMCARE Hospital, Zirakpur
6. Vijay Cobb Brand Fabric, 9625168599
7. Octave Clothing Apparel, 9988886017 Upper Ground Floor, Shop 1,2 Singhpara, Zirakpur
8. Gupta Cloth House, 9815694155, Suits, Sarees, Lehnga, Handloom SCO 1, Royale Estates, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
9. Veena Fashion, 9855595548 ** Party wear Suit/Dress Material/Wedding Collection SCO 4, Royale Estate Market, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

DENTAL CARE/CLINIC/DENTURE

1. Aesthetic Dental Centre Dr Samir Anand 9872184048, VIP road, Shopping Centre, Zirakpur
2. Dr Hayer's, Dental Care 9914495951 SCO 2, First Floor, Royal Estate, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
3. Smile Dental Clinic, 9888345500 SCO 56, Dev Shopping Complex, Pabbat road, Zirakpur
4. Books & STATIONERS, GIFT, TOYS 1. Jindal Book Centre, 9417851069, 9463420594 *Gift Item Sports*, near Mona Green, Opp Apple Height, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Fancy Stationers, Vivek, 828382651 SCO 42, Ground Floor, B-Block, VIP road, Zirakpur
3. Gopal Ji Gift Gallery Archies, 9968590015 SCO 6, Block-C, (Opp Indus Ind Bank) VIP road, ZRK
4. Garg Stationery Zone, 7341111142 SCO 3, Block B, Royale Palm, VIP road, Zirakpur

SANITARY, HARDWARE/PLY/PLY/TIMBER

1. Aggarwal Building Store, 7814999997 SCO 12, Near ICICI Bank, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
2. Ganga Traders, 9034794483 Chd-Amb road, (Opp. NK Sharma) Zirakpur
3. Bansal & Sons, 9815245803 **Plywood, Hardware, Sanitary, Paints SCO 1 A, B Royale Estate, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. Shiv Hardware, 9417728473 Paints, Sanitary Near NK Sharma Office, Opp. Royale Estates, Zirakpur
5. Amara Trading Co., 9356948172 **Aluminium Section, A.C.P, A.P.P sheets, Laminated Board** Opp. UCO Bank, Chd-Amb road, Badal Colony, Zrk.
6. AS Enterprises, 8194980063 **Manufacturing variety of boards including 2D & 3D Jaali** SCO 1, Near GS Memorial Public School, Zirakpur

SWEETS WONDER

1. Khalsa Sweets & Dairy, 9914304596 (Jawaharpurian Dee Hatti), Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
2. Longia Sweets, 9814906894, 9914351215 21, near Hotel Citi Inn, Zirakpur
3. Goyal's Chandigarh Sweets, 9357258011, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
4. Annpurna Sweets, 7508700555 Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

GRAPHICS/FLEX/PRINTING/ GLOW SIGN/DOCUMENT CENTRES

1. Kothari Graphics, 9988335861 Near NK Sharma Office, SCO 13,15 Navjot Square, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
2. Graphics Printing, 9256338644 SCO 6/697, Basement, Opp. Parmar Petrol Pump), Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur
3. AV Traders, 9888063232 Amb-Chd road, Parmar petrol pump, Zirakpur
4. Yadav Document Centre, 9888348862 **Documents all solutions** Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur
5. Glow Signage Chg, 9316198717 (A Complete Printing Hub) SCO 1, Modern Complex, Near Vijay Bank, Chd-Amb road, Zirakpur

GROCERY, KARYANA STORE

1. Tushan Gupta, Mobile 8437061864 Ganpati Karyana Store, Shop 4, VIP road, Zirakpur

2. Aggarwal Provision Store, Mobile 8195998148, Shop 41, Lower Ground, High Street, VIP road, Zirakpur
3. PTC Retail, Shop No. 44, Block-B, High Street Market, VIP road, Zirakpur

COMMUNICATION, LAPTOP, MOBILE, COMPUTERS

1. Tricity Computers Service, Link Patiala Road Sigma City, Opp Defence Enclve Lohgarh (Zirakpur) Balwinder Singh Mobile 7814422624
2. The Mobile Gallery, 9888301099 Near Lottery Bazar, SCO 06, PKL-road, Zirakpur New Mobiles, Accessories and Mobile Repair etc.
3. Phone Zone, Mobile : 9464856771 VIP road, near KFC, Zirakpur
4. Sachhi Trading, Mobile 9914669100 Shop 10, Ground Floor, B-Block, VIP road, Zirakpur
5. Dell Store, Gulam Heddar 9878614133, 9914007121 Computer, Laptop, High Street, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur

BAKERS/oven/DAIRY

1. Pulkit Dairy, Mobile 9872715495 Butter, Milk, Cream, Paneer, Shop No.3, Opp. Apple Height VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Khan Dairy, Butter, Milk, Cream, Paneer, VIP road, Kaseri Plaza, Zirakpur (Mr Sonu) 8872413205, 9779908814
3. Blu Heaven (Cake Shop), Mobile 8146030300 VIP road, SCO 11, (VIP Shopping Centre) Zirakpur
4. Gurpal Bakers, 872885252 Baker & Confectioners, 37, Block-B, High Street, VIP road, Zirakpur
5. National Baker's Bake Shop, 9646688997 Patiala road, Near PNB Bank, Zirakpur

VITALITY FRUITS, DRY MEWA

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1. Fish 'n' Chips, Mobile 8307957367 Apple Height, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. INTERIOR DECOR, GIFTS/ GLITTERS/PVC

1. Dhruv Interiors, 9356280216 Shop 4,5 Navjot Square, Near NK Sharma Office, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

2. Chandigarh Wallpapers HUB Mobile, 9729687777 Saurav Sikri,

3. Opp. Domino's Pizza VIP road, Zirakpur

3. Fuzzon, 9958828833, 9540722215 SCO 19, VIP road, Shopping Centre, Zirakpur

4. Decor Plus, Pawan Jain 9215600099 SCO 25, Block-B, VIP road, Zirakpur

5. Doro Homes Concepts, 7814572180 Shop 22, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur,

6. Chandigarh Interior Hub, 9050374005 Handloom & Wallpaper, SCO 5, Hollywood Plaza, Near CCC, VIP road, Zirakpur

7. Hariom Handloom Craft, Mobile 6283934250 (Home Décor Item) 14, RBC Mall, Zirakpur

DISPOSABLE & PLASTIC ITEMS

1. Sri Balaji Enterprises, Mobile 8708478658, 8968215182 Shop 36 Opp. Square Hospital, VIP road, Shopping Centre, Zirakpur
2. Bhagwati Plastics, Manoj Goyal, 9315538654 43, Royal Palm, VIP road, Zirakpur.

OPTICAL/VISION/SPECS

1. B.L. & Sons Opticals 9888549073 EYE CARE CLINIC (Computerised Eye Testing) Gali no. 2, Chd-Amb, Zirakpur
2. Care Vision Opticals 8284908330, 9988920377 SCF, Block-C, HighStreet Mkt, Zirakpur.
3. Sun Glasses, Square-Mobile 9728310732, SCO 39, Block-B, VIP road, Zirakpur
4. Kalra Opticians, 9872399095 Showroom no.5, High Street, C-Block, VIP road, Zrk.

KITCHEN WARES & SPARKS

1. Kitchen Concepts (Devanshu Goel) 7696617533, 8196857770 SCO 1, Ground Floor, High Street, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Ten 11 Kitchen, Vikash Tomar, 7657999655, Block-A, VIP road, Zirakpur

READYMADE/BOUTIQUE/APPARELS

1. Odhani, 9888889021, RNT Enterprises, (For Lady Purses, Luggage) 614, Hollywood Plaza, near CCC, VIP road, Zirakpur
2. Odhani, 9888888299, Shivam All Clothings from Indian to Western, Amb-chd road, Shingpura chowk, Zirakpur

3. The Junior's, Complete Kids Store, Mobile 988877705

396, 1st floor, Sector 8, Panchkula.

4. Patiala House, Mobile 9888806044, Suits Sarees Lehngas, SCO 5, Singhpara Chowk, Zirakpur

5. Elegant Saloni Collection, 9417303402 (A complete range of lady wear)

SCO 16, AMCARE Plaza, VIP road, Zirakpur

6. Vijay Cobb Brand Fabric, 9625168599, Amb-Chd road, Zirakpur

7. Raymond Store, Mobile 9888664543

Shop No. 3, 1st Floor, Citi Square, Chd-Amb road, Opp. Royal Enfield, Zirakpur

8. Madame Readymade Garments, (Vishala) 8283836387, 8146118674

Shop 7, Citi Square, Upper ground floor, Zirakpur

9. Spendid Lifestyle, The Steps, 9814201600

Amb-Chd road, Singhpara, Zirakpur

10. She-16, All Female Wear, Swastik Enterprises, Mobile 9646557681, 9780247475

SCO 93, Guru Nanak Enclave, Old Amb-road, Dhakoli</

EDITORIAL -

FTA to help EU & India sans any glitches ?

The FTA deal is being concluded now, not because differences between the two sides have vanished, but because geopolitics has forced pragmatism. Recent tariff shocks under Trump, combined with rising dependence on China, have pushed both sides to narrower ambitions, and an executable deal.

India and EU together account for 23% of global GDP and 25% of global population (nearly \$25tn and 2bn people), making this one of the world's largest trade deals, serving around 1bn middle- and high-income consumers. Plus, with bilateral goods and services trade already close to \$220bn, it starts from a strong base for expansion.

The FTA helps both sides. Because India and Europe sell different kinds of products, they do not compete directly with each other. India mainly exports labour-intensive goods such as garments, footwear and auto parts, along with downstream products like smartphones, generic pharmaceuticals and cut and polished diamonds, and processed fuels including diesel and aviation turbine fuel.

EU, by contrast, supplies capital- and tech-intensive products (machinery and aircraft), advanced goods such as electronic components and medical devices, and essential industrial inputs like rough diamonds and metal scrap. Because both operate at different stages of the value chain, tariff cuts will reduce costs and expand trade without hurting domestic industries.

This FTA spans 24 chapters covering goods, services, intellectual property, digital trade, govt procurement, environment, labour

and data protection. Here's how both sides stand to gain in the key areas.

EU will cut or eliminate tariffs on 98% of Indian goods, though many duties are already low. Real gains lie in garments (around 12%) and footwear (8-15%), where tariff cuts would boost India's competitiveness against Vietnam and Bangladesh. Tariff cuts will also benefit marine products, gems and jewellery, handicrafts, chemicals and machinery.

India will reduce or remove tariffs on about 97% of EU exports. Wine duties will fall from 150% to 20-30%, spirits to 40%, beer to 50%, and car tariffs from 100-125% to 10% for up to 250,000 vehicles. India will also move to zero tariffs on many agri-food products and most processed foods, chemicals, machinery, electronics and aircraft. India has secured EU commitments in IT and IT-enabled services, professional services, education, finance, tourism, construction and other business sectors. This FTA also creates a framework, to ease short-term and temporary business travel for professionals. However, the final outcome will be clear only once the text is released.

Despite EU being India's second-largest IT market, exports remain below potential.

EU rules often require Indian firms to set up local offices even for remote work and impose high minimum salary thresholds for Indian professionals. India is seeking EU recognition as a "data-secure" country to cut compliance costs and compete on equal terms with Japan and South Korea.

Overall, India's gains in services will depend on

outcome of data security status, adequate number of short-term visas, social-security totalisation, and mutual recognition of qualifications. Both sides have agreed on facilitative frameworks on above themes, but we have to wait for the legal text for details. India has offered EU its most ambitious commitments on financial services in any trade agreement so far. However, India and EU differ critically on govt procurement, intellectual property, labour, environment and sustainability. We will know the details once FTA texts are released. EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) began taxing imports based on their carbon emissions from Jan 1. Post FTA implementation, EU goods could enter India duty-free, while Indian exports will continue to face carbon taxes in Europe. Worse, although CBAM currently covers only six products, including steel and aluminium, it is designed to expand to all industrial goods in the next few years, potentially wiping out much of the FTA's tariff gains.

The agreement does little to fix this imbalance. EU has agreed to extend to India any flexibility it offers other countries, like recognising carbon prices or verifiers. But this provides no relief to exporters already paying the tax. Also, a proposed cooperation platform in early 2026 and possible EU funding of 500mn for India's green transition are broad measures that do not address exporters' immediate, product-level, carbon-tax costs, leaving CBAM largely unresolved. India may consider an equal value retaliation.

MC monthly one parking pass attracts 3000 applicants in 10 days

Commissioner News Service

CHANDIGARH : The Municipal Corporation has enabled local citizens to generate their pass by simply scanning QR codes installed at all paid parking sites under its jurisdiction. Such practice would make on-the-spot registration quick and hassle-free. The Municipal Corporation's flagship initiative, "MC One Pass", has crossed 3,000 registrations within just 10 days of its launch.



Amit Kumar Municipal Commissioner attributed the success of the initiative to its user-friendly features, simplified processes and extensive awareness efforts. He expressed confidence that the momentum will continue, further strengthening service delivery and reducing procedural delays.

Lok Samadhan Unified online grievance monitoring system launched by administrator

Commissioner News Service

CHANDIGARH : Mr Gulab Chand Kataria Punjab Governor and UT Administrator launched the Lok Samadhan - Unified Online Grievance Monitoring System of the Chandigarh Administration. Kataria launched the system at a 'Samadhan Shivir' held in Guru Dronacharya Stadium, Dadumajra, for residents of Dhanas and Dadumajra. Chief Secretary H Rajesh Prasad, along with senior UT officers and representatives of various departments, was present at the first-of-its-kind camp organised by the Chandigarh Administration.

The portal, available at <https://loksamadhan.chd.gov.in>, enables citizens to register and monitor their grievances online at any time and from anywhere, thereby eliminating the need for repeated visits to government offices. Under the Lok Samadhan system, citizens can submit grievances after mandatory registration using a valid mobile number verified via OTP. Upon submission, an electronic acknowledgment, along with a unique grievance number is generated and shared with the complainant through SMS, enabling real-time tracking of grievance status and ensuring transparency in the redressal process.

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Chandigarh Administration seeks Rs 8379.81 crore for FY27 Budget

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CHANDIGARH : The Central Government for the current financial year had allocated Rs 6,983.18 crore to the UT. Now for the next fiscal, the Chandigarh Administration has requested an additional Rs 1,396.63 crore, taking the total budget demand to Rs 8,379.81 crore. The Administration has sought a nearly 20% increase in its annual budget for the financial year 2026-27 to undertake several major development projects across various sectors, including health, education, transport and urban infrastructure. Of the Rs 6,983.18 crore sanctioned for 2025-26, Rs 6,185.18 crore was provided under the revenue head and Rs 798 crore for capital expenditure.

Officials said the increased demand reflected the city's growing requirements due to rapid urbanisation and rising pressure on civic amenities. According to sources, the proposed budget for 2026-27 prioritises the health and education sectors. In healthcare, the Administration plans to construct an Ayush hospital as well as a new hospital in Sector 53 to strengthen medical infrastructure and improve access to services. In the education sector, several government schools are slated for renovation, upgrade and infrastructure improvement to enhance learning facilities.

Apart from health and education, the proposed budget also focuses on transportation, housing and urban development projects aimed at easing congestion, improving connectivity and addressing housing needs.

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No one can yield impediment in Special Intensive Revision : Supreme Court

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : Amid West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's apprehension of "mass exclusion" of voters in the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in the state, the Supreme Court on Monday said it would not allow anyone to create an impediment in the poll revision exercise.

A Bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and N V Anjaria said it would issue whatever orders or clarifications are required in the matter.

"We will not allow anyone to create any impediment in the SIR exercise. It must be clear to the states," the CJI said while hearing a batch of petitions, including the one filed by Banerjee, related to the ongoing SIR of electoral rolls in West Bengal.

The Bench took note of the affidavit filed by the Election Commission (EC)



which alleged burning of its notices by some miscreants. It directed the West Bengal Director General of Police (DGP) to file an affidavit in this regard.

The poll panel said that so far, no FIR has been registered against the miscreants.

"A message must go that the Constitution of India applies to all states," Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for Banerjee, said.

The top court took note of the West Bengal government providing a list of 8,505 Group B officers to the poll panel, and said they may be

trained and employed in the SIR process. The Bench clarified that final decisions on revision of the electoral rolls will always be taken by the electoral roll officers. The Bench said the manner of employment and work profile of these 8,505 officers will be decided by the poll panel.

During the hearing, senior advocate Shyam Divan, appearing for Banerjee, raised apprehensions about the appointment of micro-observers and mass exclusion of eligible voters in the SIR exercise.

"We don't want any mass exclusion," Divan told the Bench.

7,000 km high-speed rail corridors would be built by 2047: Vaishnaw

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : High-speed routes, designed for maximum speeds of up to 350 km per hour and an operating speed of 320 km per hour, will mark a transformative leap in India's rail infrastructure, said the Union railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw while inaugurating the 16th International Railway Equipment Exhibition (IREE), 2025, at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.

Unveiling an ambitious roadmap for the Railways, on Wednesday announced that the government plans to build 7,000 km of dedicated passenger corridors by 2047 under the Viksit Bharat vision.

Vaishnaw said the proposed corridors would be powered by indigenously developed signalling systems and modern operations control centres, ensuring both speed and safety.

He also outlined the



government's futuristic vision for Vande Bharat 4.0, Amrit Bharat 4.0, and next-generation railway manufacturing standards. Highlighting the success of the Vande Bharat series, he said the third-generation train already meets global parameters, with acceleration from 0 to 100 kmph in just 52 seconds, faster than many trains in Japan and Europe, while maintaining low noise and vibration levels.

"Vande Bharat 4.0 will be a new benchmark in performance and passenger experience," said Vaishnaw, adding that the upcoming

model will focus on superior seats, enhanced toilets, and refined workmanship. Discussing the Amrit Bharat series, the minister said the 2.0 version is already operational and the 3.0 model, based on push-pull technology, is being developed for long-distance routes. The 4.0 version, he added, will bring in new-generation trainsets and locomotives, expected to be ready for testing within 36 months.

Vaishnaw credited Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership for what he termed "a decade of modernisation," noting that more than 35,000 km of new rail lines have been laid and 46,000 km of electrification completed in the past 11 years. "Our budget allocation for the Railways has consistently risen, reflecting the government's commitment to a modern, self-reliant network," he said.

AYUSH to become a globally accepted, evidence-based healthcare system : Jadhav

Commissioner News Service

NEW DELHI : "The Government's objective would remain to position AYUSH as an evidence-based, scientifically validated and globally accepted healthcare system," said Prataprao Jadhav Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH, on Monday.

Speaking at the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the National Institute of Ayurveda (NIA) in Jaipur, Jadhav said that AYUSH systems have been firmly integrated into the national healthcare framework. He referred to key budgetary announcements, including the establishment of three new "All India Institutes of Ayurveda" and the upgradation of the WHO Global Centre for Traditional Medicine at Jamnagar, as transformative steps for the sector.

Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Bhajan Lal Sharma assured

state government is working continuously to strengthen AYUSH systems and integrate Ayurveda, Yoga and traditional medicine into the mainstream healthcare framework for citizens to avail.

Sharma also flagged the alleged misuse of government facilities by serving and former employees. He said that an incident recently came across to him, wherein 75 boxes of Chyawanprash were sanctioned for a single employee. "Is this appropriate? The government wants to work wholeheartedly for its employees, but such irregularities are deeply disappointing," he added.

Lunar eclipse necessitates Tirumala temple to be shut for over 10 hours on March 3

Commissioner News Service

TIRUPATI : The Tirumala temple of Lord Venkateswara will remain closed to devotees from 9 am to 7.30 pm on March 3 owing to a lunar eclipse, the temple administration said on Sunday.

The Tirumala temple will reopen for devotees after the completion of 'suddhi', the purificatory rites performed to cleanse the temple after the eclipse, with offline darshan resuming at 8.30 pm.

The lunar eclipse is expected to last nearly three-and-a-half hours, from 3.20 pm to 6.47 pm.

"TTD said several sevas—including Ashtadala Pada Padmaradhana (worship

of the Lord's feet with eight-petaled lotus flowers), Kalyanotsavam (celestial wedding ceremony), Unjal (swing ceremony), Arjita Brahamotsavam (ceremonial procession) and Sahasra Deepalankara (lamp illumination ceremony)—will be cancelled due to the eclipse," the release said. Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams has requested devotees to cooperate with the arrangements made in view of the lunar eclipse.

Tulip Garden near Palampur opened to public from February 10

Commissioner News Service

PALAMPUR : The garden presents a colourful display of red, yellow, white and multi-coloured tulips, with the CSIR-Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology (IHBT) introducing several new flower varieties this year. Tulip Garden developed at the CSIR complex, located about 2 km from Palampur along the Pathankot-Mandi National Highway, will be thrown open to the public on Tuesday, February 10.

CSIR-IHBT Director Dr Sanjay Yadav said that the tulip, which originated in Persia (present-day Iran), was introduced to Europe in the 17th century and subsequently developed into numerous varieties. "At present, the Netherlands is the world's largest producer of tulips," he said.

Dr Yadav added that tulip is a tuberous cut flower with significant international and domestic demand and ranks third globally in the cut-flower trade. "Under this initiative, the institute has been planting



tulips on its campus for the past three years. This year, nearly 50,000 tulip bulbs of various vibrant varieties have been planted," he said.

The garden is expected to attract a large number of visitors from within Himachal and other states, thereby promoting scientific and eco-tourism in the region. He noted that the flowers have bloomed earlier than usual this year due to comparatively warmer climatic conditions. Last year, over 1 lakh visitors from across the country visited the tulip garden, and an even higher footfall is anticipated this season. This is the first tulip garden of its kind in Himachal Pradesh. In addition, CSIR-IHBT has

initiated experimental trials on tulip flower and bulb production in the Lahaul valley to promote its commercial cultivation. In the initial phase, farmers from cooperative societies such as

Yaani Mahadev Floriculture Society (Madagran), Pattan Valley Floriculture Society Limited (Shansha), and Tinan White Mountain Floriculture Society Limited (Jangla) were trained and empowered to take up tulip cultivation.

These farmers are now actively engaged in tulip flower and bulb production and are benefiting economically from the initiative. The institute aims to create new income-generation opportunities for farmers and entrepreneurs while making India self-reliant in tulip bulb production to meet the country's domestic demand over the next seven to eight years.

BJP's commitment to make Thiruvananthapuram 2036 Olympics venue generate political uproar

Commissioner News Service

Thiruvananthapuram : BJP Kerala unit urge it would request the Centre to include the city as one of the venues for the 2036 Games. In its manifesto for the Thiruvananthapuram Corporation election.

BJP's local body election manifesto promise to develop the state capital into a co-host city for the 2036 Olympics triggered a political row, with leaders of both LDF and UDF on Monday calling it a fake claim.

The International Olympic Committee is yet to announce the host for the 2036 edition of the world's biggest sporting event. However, there have been reports that India is bidding for the Games with Ahmedabad as its proposed main host city.

Kerala Education Minister V Sivankutty accused BJP of deceiving the people of Thiruvananthapuram.

"When the Union Government has bid for the



Olympics in Gujarat, how can BJP here claim that Thiruvananthapuram will be a venue?" He further said as part of the bidding process, BJP is planning for the 2030 Commonwealth Games in Ahmedabad, he claimed. He asked whether BJP state president Rajeev Chandrasekhar considered the people of Thiruvananthapuram "fools". "The proposal submitted to the Olympic body has no mention of Thiruvananthapuram. This is a trick because BJP has nothing to say about development," he said. Senior Congress leader K Muraleedharan also hit out at BJP on its election manifesto,

saying that, fearing defeat, the party had begun making "fake promises".

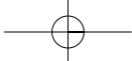
"They know they would not even become the main opposition party this time. Hence, such claims," he said. State Revenue Minister K Rajan echoed a similar view, stating that the host for the 2036 Olympics had yet to be announced, but BJP claimed the event would be held in Thiruvananthapuram.

Reacting to the criticism, Chandrasekhar said that other political parties would realise the proposal later.

"They do not understand how it will happen. We will teach them after we get the opportunity to govern," he said.

BJP is currently the main opposition in the CPI(M)-governed Thiruvananthapuram Corporation. The local body election in the state will be held in two phases on December 9 and 11.





Iran, US start crucial talks in Oman as confrontation looms

Commissioner News Service
MUSCAT/DUBAI : Iran and the United States started high-stakes negotiations via Omani mediation on Friday to try to overcome sharp differences over Tehran's nuclear programme, but a dispute over widening the agenda risked derailing diplomacy and triggering another Middle East conflict.

An Iranian official pronounced the talks had not officially started, although Iran's demands had been conveyed to the U.S. via Oman. The official said indirect negotiations "possibly" would begin after a meeting between the top U.S. negotiator and Oman's foreign minister. Previous Iran-U.S. talks have adopted a shuttle diplomacy approach.



While both sides have indicated readiness to revive diplomacy over Tehran's long-running nuclear row with the West, Washington wants to expand the talks to cover Iran's ballistic missiles, support for armed groups around the region and "treatment of their own people", U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio said on Wednesday.

Any "presence of CENTCOM (U.S. Central Command) or any regional military officials

in the talks can jeopardize the process of indirect nuclear talks between Iran and the United States" in Oman. Iran has said it wants Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi and U.S. Middle East envoy Steve Witkoff to discuss only the nuclear issue in Oman's capital Muscat. U.S. President Donald Trump's son-in-law Jared Kushner, who helped mediate in Gaza ceasefire talks, is also due to take part in the discussions.

India committed to no longer purchasing Russian oil, \$500 billion of investments goes into U.S. White House

Commissioner News Service
New York/Washington

: The White House has hailed a new trade agreement with India, saying the country has committed to "no longer" purchasing Russian oil, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi also agreeing on investments of \$500 billion across key American sectors. These remarks were made by White House Press Secretary Karoline Leavitt on Tuesday (February 3, 2026). Mr Trump struck another great trade deal with India. He spoke with Prime Minister Modi directly. They share a very good relationship. India is committed to not only no longer purchasing Russian oil, but buying



oil from the United States, also perhaps from Venezuela too, which we know will now have a direct benefit on the United States and the American people," Ms. Leavitt press secretary announced before the media on 3, 2026. She further said it would include transportation, for energy and for agricultural products as well. So this is another great trade deal thanks to President Trump."

Ghaziabad Triple Sisters' Suicide Over 'Korean Love'

Commissioner News Service

Ghaziabad: The three minor sisters who allegedly jumped to their deaths from a ninth-floor flat in Ghaziabad on Wednesday left a diary with an eight-page note detailing their love for Korean and K-Pop. The girls were reportedly in distress as they were unable to watch K-dramas.

The three sisters - Nishika (16), Prachi (14), and Pakhi (12) - had created a social media account that gained a significant number of followers.



They identified themselves with Korean names - Maria, Aliza, and Cindy. On reaching the spot, the police found that the girls had fallen to the ground floor and suffered the fatal injuries. They were rushed by an ambulance to a hospital in Loni, where doctors declared them dead on arrival.

Bullet train to run on tracks from 15 August 2027 - Railway Minister

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : The maiden "Bullet" train equipped with 16 coaches 11 of AC-3, 4 of AC-2, 1 of AC-1. A total of 823 travellers would be able to board the envisaged train, disclosed Mr Ashwani Vaishnav, the Railway minister on Friday.

In systematic schedule



of planned phases, first would run from Surat to Biliomora, followed by other Vaapi - Surat, Vaapi Ahmedabad. Thane Ahmadabad. In the last run Mumbai to Ahmadabad would be covered, commented the minister.

Chd Univ to organise country's first AI impact summit 2026

Commission News Service

CHANDIGARH : The country's first AI impact summit 2026 would be organised in New Delhi by Chandigarh University from 19 Feb to 21 Feb 2026 with an aim to arm the youth innovators which could augment the sense of creativity and influence the technology based ideology.



The inauguration of the Atos Solutions and System Pvt Ltd event would be pioneered by CEO Umar Ali Sekh and

the Rajya Sabha MP cum Chancellor Satnam Singh Sandhu who would accompany the Atos Solutions and Systems Pvt Limited.

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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.

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Follow up trade deal, Trump lifts 25% tariff on India over Russian federation oil

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Washington: India has committed to stop directly or indirectly importing Russian federation oil in accordance with an executive order signed by US President Donald Trump. He moved Friday to lift an additional 25 percent tariff he imposed on goods from India over its purchases of Russian oil -- a step to implement a trade deal announced this week.

New Delhi has also said that it will purchase US energy products, and has recently committed to a framework with the United States to expand defense cooperation over the next 10 years," the order said.

The additional 25 percent US duty will be removed at 12:01 am



Eastern Time on Saturday.

The executive order comes days after Trump announced a trade deal to reduce tariffs on India, saying that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had promised to stop buying Russian oil over the war in Ukraine.

The pact would also see Washington cutting so-called "reciprocal" levies on Indian products to 18 percent, down from a 25-percent level. The rollout of this

reduction is still to come.

Other terms of the agreement include the removal of tariffs on certain aircraft and parts, according to a separate joint statement released Friday by the White House.

The statement added that India intends to purchase \$500 billion of US energy products, aircraft and parts, precious metals, tech products and coking coal over the next five years.

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In rural area, specially in the backdrop of the Union Budget 2026-27, three new All India Institutes of



Ayurveda would be instituted across India. Such planned national intent signified to germinate leading hub for affordable and accessible traditional medicines.

MC Election for Pkula Mayor post falls due in April

Commissioner News Service
Panchkula : Across 20 wards in the satellite town, about 250 applicants have sought tickets for the seat of respective councillors and approximate strength of 12 congress leaders have applied for the nomination of mayor post.

For the post of Mayoral ticket, several aspirants like Sudha Bharadwaj of Haryana Congress Mahila Chief, Ravinder Rawal, former MC President Manveer Kaur Gill, Suneeta Sharma, Congress Sewa Dal leader



and Advocate Raj Singh Chauhan. Certain outgoing councillors Salim Dabkouri and Akshay Choudhary also filed their application for the post of Mayor.

"You Can't Buy Respect" natives face backlash over India-US Trade Deal

Commissioner News Service
New Delhi : Despite Islamabad's overtures to US President Donald Trump including nominating him for the Nobel Peace Prize, backing his inclusion on the board of peace, Pakistan emerged with a high tariff burden than India.

India's newly concluded trade agreement with the United States has apparently triggered an unprecedented sharp backlash within Pakistan, where critics say months of high-profile outreach to Washington yielded little to generate.

New Delhi is widely seen as having held its ground against pressure from Trump for months.

In a flurry of social media posts, Trump shared images of India Gate, a magazine cover featuring Prime Minister Narendra Modi alongside himself before revealing that tariffs on Indian goods would be cut to 18 percent, one percentage point lower than Pakistan's rate.

The optics have not gone unnoticed across the border. Many in Pakistan expressed



disbelief that India managed to secure a better deal without what they describe as excessive deference to Trump. One viral post captured the prevailing anger and sarcasm. Pakistan-based X user Umar Ali wrote, "Donald Trump has treated Field Marshal like mistress who makes her lover do all the illegal and dirty work, and on need to give or take something, she says I am compelled to obey my family's decision, forget me. My body will remain my husband's, but my soul will always remain yours." Alongside an AI-generated image depicting a distraught Field Marshal Asim Munir holding a box of rare minerals before the India Today cover featuring PM Modi and Trump.

Medical practitioners' unproven treatment is criminal misconduct : Supreme Court

Commissioner News Service

Chandigarh : New Delhi : Every medical practitioners owes accountability toward the patient in exercising reasonable degree of care, skill and knowledge, expected out from the prudent practitioner in the health care and cure. If the medical practitioner administers intervention lacking credibility, scientific evidence of safety and efficacy, and authoritative medical bodies too unequivocally voice concern over unproven medical treatment. Here, doctors admin-



istering speculative experimental treatment on patients amounts to professional misconduct and criminal negligence.

stem cell therapy can not be used for "Autism Spectrum

Disorder (ASD), said the bench of Justice JB Pardiwala and R Mahadevan in Supreme Court.

The bench expressed displeasure as ASD has never been approved for clinical treatment as no action by the Centre govt yet taken to prevent the malfunctioning.

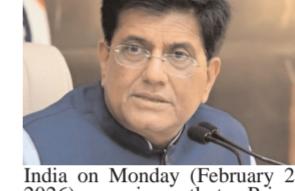
The centre was asked to put in place the rules, regulations and guidelines to govern stem-cell based clinical trials and research in our country," the bench directed.

Sensitive sectors of agriculture and dairy excluded from the U.S. deal, Piyush Goyal

Commissioner News Service

New Delhi : In the India-U.S. trade agreement, Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal, said "The trade deal is in the final stages of detailing between the negotiating teams of both countries. We will be issuing a joint statement by both countries shortly, along with the details which we will be shortly inking between the U.S. and India. As soon as the final understanding of the deal is inked and the joint statement is finalised, technical processes are completed, and full details will be shared."

U.S. President Donald Trump announced a trade deal with



India on Monday (February 2, 2026), saying that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has promised to stop buying Russian oil over the war in Ukraine.

Mr. Trump said he was cutting tariffs on Indian goods to 18%. He had previously levied 25% reciprocal tariffs, plus an additional 25% for New Delhi's purchases of Moscow's oil. Stock

market benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty were trading nearly 3% higher during the afternoon session on Tuesday (February 3, 2026). The development also propelled a sharp rally in textile, leather, gems and jewellery, seafood exports and speciality chemicals stocks.

"Delighted that Made in India products will now have a reduced tariff of 18%", said Mr. Modi, thanking Mr. Trump. "When two large economies and the world's largest democracies work together, it benefits our people and unlocks immense opportunities for mutually beneficial cooperation," said Mr. Modi in his post on X.

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