

# FAIR REPORT

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## THIEL'S SECRET CLUB IS OUT

### THE POWERFUL NAMES BEHIND SILICON VALLEY'S MOST EXCLUSIVE RETREAT

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**New Delhi:** A hacker's discovery blows the lid off 'Dialog' — two decades of elite off-the-record gatherings, now exposed. For nearly twenty years, it had no website, no press releases, and no public existence. Now, thanks to a Swiss hacktivist and a Wired investigation, billionaire Peter Thiel's invitation-only society "Dialog" is a secret no more. A Swiss researcher named maia arson crimew uncovered records left exposed in the code of Dialog's website, revealing the names of 222 registrants for the group's August 2026 retreat in Dublin, Ireland.

The guest list reads like a who's who of global power. Attendees include Elon Musk, Jared Kushner, Senator Ted Cruz, Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent, YouTube CEO Neal Mohan, OpenAI president

Greg Brockman, and LinkedIn co-founder Reid Hoffman — alongside senators, generals, academics, and even Hollywood actors. Founded in 2006 by Thiel and Silicon Valley investor Auren Hoffman, Dialog hosts annual off-the-record retreats where members discuss geopolitical issues in sessions titled "Navigating WWII," "Disinformation and Deep Fakes," and "It's Fun To Be In Charge."

Perhaps most eyebrow-raising: a session called "Build-a-Cult." The behind-closed-doors nature of retreats is meant to allow members to "talk candidly across ideological lines" and share "controversial and concerning ideas" they wouldn't voice publicly.

The world's most powerful people, it turns out, needed a room where no one was watching. Now everyone is.

## GOD'S MONEY, MISSING SIT HANDS CM YOGI A BOMBSHELL REPORT ON RAM MANDIR DONATION THEFT

FAIR REPORT

**New Delhi:** 150 questioned, 25 in the crosshairs — and someone may have tampered with the CCTV. In a scandal that has shaken the faith of millions, the Special Investigation Team probing alleged theft of donations at the Ayodhya Ram Mandir submitted its preliminary report to Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Sunday — and the findings are damning. After six days of intensive investigation spanning over 60 hours, the SIT questioned more than 150 suspects. Of these, 25 individuals are believed to be facing imminent action. Investigators found glaring discrepancies in the documentation of offerings — gold, silver, precious

stones, and diamonds — donated by lakhs of devotees to Lord Ram. The evidence, including CCTV footage and bank records, has been saved across seven pen drives submitted alongside the report. In a chilling twist, investigators found indications of possible tampering with CCTV footage and are now attempting to recover deleted or altered data. Adding to the suspicion, temple footage is automatically deleted after 45 days. Trust officials and temple functionaries have been barred from leaving Ayodhya as the SIT tightens its net.

CM Yogi has been unequivocal: "If anyone is a criminal, they will not be spared." India built a temple. Someone, it appears, was quietly looting it.

## TRUMP-MELONI TIES HIT TURBULENCE

### G7 PHOTO SPAT TRIGGERS TRANSATLANTIC SHOWDOWN

FAIR REPORT

**New Delhi:** What was once one of the strongest political partnerships between Washington and Europe has descended into a bitter public feud.

US President Donald Trump sparked controversy after claiming Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni had asked him for a photograph during the G7 Summit in Evian-les-Bains, France. Meloni swiftly dismissed the assertion as "completely fabricated," turning a seemingly trivial dispute

into a full-blown diplomatic clash.

The real fault line, however, lies elsewhere.

Trump openly criticized Italy for refusing to fully back the US-led military campaign against Iran, accusing Rome of denying American forces access to key Italian airbases. The decision, he argued, created significant logistical hurdles for US operations.

Italy had earlier refused permission for the use of a Sicilian base without parliamentary approval, citing constitu-



tional limitations and strong domestic opposition to involvement in the conflict.

Meloni responded with a sharp rebuke.

"I and Italy never beg," she said, before adding, "My popularity is none of your concern. I suggest you focus on yours."

The fallout was immediate. Italian Foreign Minister Antonio Tajani cancelled a planned Washington visit, calling Trump's remarks offensive to the nation.

Once Trump's closest European ally, Meloni now finds herself on the receiving end of his trademark political firepower, exposing fresh cracks in an already strained Western alliance.

## Starmer on the Brink? UK PM Faces Defining Moment Amid Resignation Speculation

FAIR REPORT

**London:** British Prime Minister Keir Starmer is facing the most serious challenge of his political career, with reports suggesting he could announce plans for an orderly exit as early as Monday amid mounting pressure from within his own Labour Party. However, government sources insist that Starmer remains focused on governing and has made no official resignation an-

nouncement. The speculation follows months of political turbulence, declining approval ratings, disappointing election performances, and growing unrest among Labour MPs. Reports indicate that more than 100 Labour lawmakers have either called for Starmer's resignation or demanded a clear timetable for his departure, exposing deep fractures within the governing party.

At the centre of the unfolding drama is Andy Burnham, whose recent parliamentary victory has transformed him from a regional power broker into a potential contender for Britain's top office. Many within Labour now view Burnham as the figure capable of restoring the party's political fortunes.

The crisis underscores broader concerns confronting Britain, including economic pressures, immigration challenges, strained public services, and voter dissatisfaction with the political establishment. Critics argue that Labour's overwhelming electoral mandate has failed to translate into public confidence, while supporters maintain that Starmer inherited complex structural problems.

If Starmer ultimately steps aside, Britain could witness its seventh prime minister in just over a decade—a stark reflection of the political volatility that continues to define post-Brexit Britain.

## 'An Indian at Home, a Pakistani General on Speed Dial'

### JD Vance's Remark Sparks Geopolitical Chatter

FAIR REPORT

**Washington:** A seemingly light-hearted remark by US Vice President-designate JD Vance has triggered intense geopolitical discussion, highlighting the delicate balance Washington continues to maintain between South Asia's two nuclear-armed rivals. Speaking at a public event, Vance quipped that there are "two very, very important people" in his life — "an Indian and a Pakistani."

Referring to his wife, Usha Vance, of Indian origin, and Pakistan Army Chief Field Marshal Asim Munir, the comment was delivered with humour but carried unmistakable diplomatic undertones. The remark comes at a time when the United States is deepening strategic cooperation with India across defence, technology and supply chains, while simultaneously preserving critical security channels with Pakistan's powerful military establishment.

## 'WE WILL GO TO WAR' - PAKISTAN'S DEFENCE MINISTER RATTLES THE SABRE OVER INDUS WATERS

FAIR REPORT

**New Delhi:** Khawaja Asif's blunt threat exposes Islamabad's desperation as water crisis deepens Pakistan's Defence Minister Khawaja Asif has issued one of Islamabad's most explicit war threats against India in recent memory — and this time, the trigger isn't Kashmir. It's water. Speaking on ARY News, Asif declared without

flinching: "The moment we feel that our national security — and water is part of our national security — is being threatened, we will go to war against India. Definitely." The incendiary remarks came after a clip aired showing India's Water Minister CR Patil claiming that the flow of Indus water to Pakistan could be stopped completely by June 2028 — a statement



that sent shockwaves through Islamabad. Asif said war would be considered if material evidence emerged that India was moving at an "alarming speed" towards disrupting water supplies. He claimed Pakistani teams had conducted around 115 inspections of Indian water infrastructure under the now-suspended Indus Waters Treaty — yet candidly ad-

mitted he lacked up-to-date information on the latest developments. The context is dire. A crippling water shortage has already gripped nearly one-third of Pakistan's population across the agricultural heartlands of Sindh and Balochistan. Two nuclear-armed neighbours. One river. And a Defence Minister who just said the quiet part very, very loudly.

# THE PEACE PARADOX: CAN TRUMP SELL DIPLOMACY WHILE THREATENING WAR?



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By Special Feature Desk

Trump simultaneously celebrates a ceasefire framework with Iran and threatens fresh military action against it. Diplomacy and deterrence often coexist in international relations, but they are effective only when carefully balanced. When threats overshadow negotiations, the balance collapses.

The 60-day Memorandum of Understanding between Washington and Tehran was presented as a breakthrough after months of conflict that pushed the Middle East to the brink of a wider regional war. Yet within hours of implementation



talks beginning in Switzerland, Trump was again warning Iran of severe consequences if violence continued through regional proxy

groups. The contradiction is impossible to ignore. A ceasefire is not merely a document; it is a test of political discipline. It requires all sides to create space for trust, however limited that trust may be. Public threats, inflammatory rhetoric and constantly

shifting conditions erode that space.

The challenge is further complicated by realities on the ground. Neither Israel nor Hezbollah is a formal signatory to the agreement. Violence along the Lebanon frontier continues. Civilian casualties continue to mount. Tehran argues that continued Israeli military operations undermine the spirit of the accord, while Washington insists Iran remains responsible for the actions of its regional allies.

Both arguments contain elements of truth. Neither provides a pathway to lasting stability.

The broader concern is strategic. Global markets remain sensitive to developments around the Strait of Hormuz, one of the world's most critical energy corridors. Every escalation risks higher energy prices, deeper economic uncertainty and a wider geopolitical confrontation involving multiple regional powers.

History demonstrates that successful diplomacy requires consistency. Allies must know where the red lines are. Adversaries must know what commitments will be honoured. Mixed signals create uncertainty, and uncertainty creates opportunities for miscalculation.

The coming weeks will determine whether the US-Iran understanding evolves into a durable framework or becomes another short-lived pause in a decades-long confrontation. The question is no longer whether a deal exists on paper. The question is whether political leaders on all sides possess the patience, restraint and strategic clarity required to keep it alive. In geopolitics, signing an agreement is often the easiest part. Keeping it alive is where history delivers its verdict.

## States Focus

# Yoga is India's gift to the world: President



### YOGA SESSIONS HELD AT HUMAYUN TOMB, ASI SITES

From the world-famous Humayun Tomb in New Delhi to the iconic Warangal Fort in Telangana, yoga sessions were hosted on the premises of several ASI sites across the country to mark the International Day of Yoga. In Delhi, Union Culture Secretary Vivek Aggarwal attended a session held at the Purana Quila, where he was joined by the director general of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), Yadubir Singh Rawat, and other senior officials. This year marks the 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) with the theme 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing', which emphasises the importance of yoga for all ages. On the occasion, the ASI organised yoga day celebrations across ASI-protected monuments nationwide under the theme 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing', the ASI said in a post on social media. (PTI)



### DIPLOMATS JOIN JAISHANKAR FOR YOGA SESSION

Several members of the diplomatic corps in Delhi on Sunday took part in a yoga session along with External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar to mark the International Day of Yoga. Besides, the Australian High Commission and French Embassy here released special videos to mark the occasion. This year marks the 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) with the theme 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing', which emphasises the importance of yoga for all ages. "Joined the Diplomatic Corps at New Delhi to celebrate the #InternationalDayofYoga. As PM @narendramodi highlighted, we must strive to make yoga a part of our lives, part of our families, and a part of our coming generations. #YogaForHealthyAgeing," Jaishankar posted on social media. Prime Minister Narendra Modi led the nation in celebrating IDY and took part in a mega yoga session held in the streets of Kolkata. The video by the Australian High Commission was shared on social media on Sunday by the country's envoy Philip Green. "From New Delhi to Chennai, Mumbai to Kolkata & Bengaluru - Team Australia in India is moving together! Watch our teams across India unite for a powerful #InternationalYogaDay celebration. Yoga truly connects us all across borders and cultures, Australia India," he posted. (PTI)

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ Jabalpur (MP)

President Droupadi Murmu on Sunday said that yoga is an invaluable gift of India's cultural heritage to the world, playing a vital role in guiding humanity towards peace and harmony amid multiple global challenges.

She led International Yoga Day celebrations, performing exercises along with Madhya Pradesh Governor Mangubhai Patel, Chief Minister Mohan Yadav and thousands of participants at a State-level event in Jabalpur.

The mass yoga session, organised at the Garrison Ground, conveyed a message of making yoga an integral part of life and adopting a healthy, balanced lifestyle.

Programmes to mark the 12th International Yoga Day also took place in other cities of Madhya Pradesh, drawing enthusiastic participation

from public representatives and citizens.

Dressed in a white salwar-kurta, Murmu performed various yoga asanas on a blue mat. Yadav and Patel also participated in the session. Addressing the gathering, Murmu said, "Today, we are celebrating India's great tradition that has shown humanity the path to a healthy, balanced and meaningful life. Yoga is an invaluable gift of our cultural heritage to the global community. It is the result of thousands of years of penance by our sages and seers."

She said scriptures regarded the balance of body, mind and soul as the basis of success in life and yoga provided the means to establish that balance.

"The literal meaning of the word yoga is to unite. It is a powerful medium that connects individuals with themselves, society with nature



and humanity with the larger universal consciousness," she said. Murmu said yoga was playing an important role in guiding humanity towards peace, balance, harmony and social welfare at a time when the world faced multiple challenges. Yoga has emerged as a powerful medium for global welfare over the past 12 years, and crores of people across many countries have adopted it as part of their daily lives, she noted.

Referring to this year's International Yoga Day theme focusing on healthy ageing, Murmu said yoga helps people remain active and self-reliant as they advance in age while also providing mental peace and emotional balance.

She urged people to resolve to make yoga an integral part of their daily lives.

Governor Patel said yoga was not merely a means to keep the body healthy but a

way to make life balanced, simple and joyful.

He said the path to healthy living shown by India's knowledge tradition is now being embraced across the world. "Just 20 to 30 minutes of yoga, meditation and pranayama every day is the simplest way to bring effective and positive changes in our lives," he said.

CM Yadav said yoga not only strengthens physical and mental health but also promotes global welfare, peace and harmony.

"It is a matter of good fortune for us that we are celebrating the 12th International Yoga Day alongside the completion of 12 successful years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership," he said.

given yoga global recognition and introduced the international community to India's rich cultural heritage, ancient traditions and philosophy of life. He has also conveyed a global message of healthy, balanced and positive living for humanity," he said.

Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan participated in a yoga programme in the state capital, Bhopal. "Yoga connects the body with the mind, the mind with intellect, intellect with the soul and the soul with the Supreme Being. When we connect with the Supreme Being, we realise that we are all part of the same consciousness," Chouhan said.

A large number of people also participated in yoga sessions at TT Nagar Stadium in Bhopal, while thousands of participants in Indore performed 'Bhramari Pranayama' continuously for over 3 minutes.

## Yoga energises mind, body and soul, says Amit Shah

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ Ahmedabad

Yoga is India's invaluable gift to humankind, nourishing holistic well-being, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said on Sunday as he performed exercises at an event to mark the International Day of Yoga in Ahmedabad. Speaking to the audience, Shah said that he was highly diabetic and after bringing discipline in lifestyle from May 2020, he is not using any allopathic medicine or insulin. He advised the young generation to take enough rest and bring discipline to life.

Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel participated in the state-level yoga event at Mansa town in Gandhinagar district.

"Yoga is India's invaluable gift to humankind, which nourishes holistic well-being through energising mind, body and soul.



Union Home Minister Amit Shah during a yoga session on the occasion of the International Day of Yoga in Ahmedabad (PTI)

Joined millions across the world in Yoga Day celebration by participating in a public yoga session in Ahmedabad," Shah said in a post on X.

Gujarat Deputy Chief Minister Harsh Sanghavi also attended the programme in Ahmedabad. CM Patel

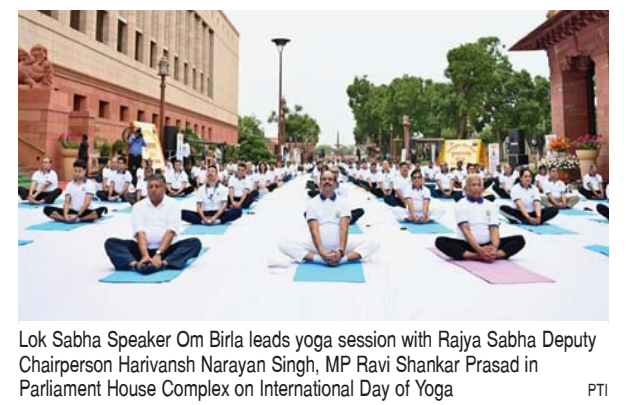
said this year's theme is Yoga for Healthy Ageing, which gives the message that people can remain healthy through yoga. Several enthusiasts performed aqua yoga (yoga in the water) in Vadodra. The Yoga Day events were held at nearly 330 places in Gujarat.

## Yoga teaches dialogue and self-restraint: Om Birla

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ New Delhi

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Sunday led a yoga session with Members of Parliament in the Parliament House Complex on the occasion of International Day of Yoga. Extending his greetings to everyone, he said that this day celebrates India's timeless civilizational heritage, which has provided humanity with a path to health, balance, and inner peace. He stated, "Yoga not only balances the body but also the mind and thoughts. Differences of opinion are natural in Parliament, but yoga shows us the path of dialogue and self-restraint."

Highlighting the importance of yoga, Birla said that India's sages and scholars worked for centuries to preserve the tradition of yoga and established it as a way of life. Its purpose was to promote physical health,



Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla leads yoga session with Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairperson Harivansh Narayan Singh, MP Ravi Shankar Prasad in Parliament House Complex on International Day of Yoga (PTI)

mental peace, and the awakening of human consciousness. He noted that yoga has now become a global mass movement embraced around the world, but it remains a gift from India's thousands-year-old knowledge tradition.

Emphasising the relevance of yoga in contemporary life, the Lok Sabha Speaker said that modern life is surrounded by stress, imbalance, and uncertainty. In such times,

yoga serves as an effective means of maintaining mental peace, patience, emotional balance, and a disciplined lifestyle. He added that one of the greatest challenges of the 21st century is mental stress, and yoga offers an accessible, scientific, and inclusive solution.

He further remarked that today's digital generation must make yoga a part of their lifestyle to balance screen time and stress.

## Yoga helps us move from good to great, says VP Radhakrishnan

**FAIR REPORT**

■ Leh

Vice President CP Radhakrishnan on Sunday participated in the International Day of Yoga celebrations in Leh, joining hundreds of yoga enthusiasts at Astro Turf Stadium in Spituk.

Ladakh Lieutenant Governor VK Saxena, Ladakh MP Haneefa Jan and chief executive councillor of the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (LAHDC), Kargil, Mohd Jaffer Akhoun, also participated along with senior civil and military officers, students, and members of the public at the



Vice-President CP Radhakrishnan along with Ladakh LG Vinai Kumar Saxena performing yoga at Spituk Stadium in Leh, Ladakh (PTI)

event, officials said. The celebrations featured a mass yoga session, with participants per-

forming various 'asanas' against the scenic backdrop of the Himalayan mountains.

## Armed forces mark Yoga Day from Siachen to the seas

**FAIR REPORT**

■ New Delhi

From the icy heights of Siachen Glacier to the vast Rann of Kutch, and from the hills of the northeast to naval platforms at sea, the armed forces observed the International Day of Yoga across the country, reaffirming their commitment to physical fitness and mental resilience.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh led the celebrations in Shillong, as he, accompanied by IAF Chief Air Chief Marshal AP Singh and other air warriors, took part in a yoga session hosted by the Eastern Air Command.

"Celebrating the International Yoga Day at



Eastern Air Command in Shillong. I urge everyone to make Yoga an integral part of their lives," he said in a post on social media and also shared a video of the session. Chief of Defence Staff Gen NS Raja Subramani led the Yoga Day celebrations organised by Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff at the National

War Memorial in Delhi. Meanwhile, Army Chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi fronted the celebrations with troops in Tezpur, Assam.

"His participation alongside soldiers in the Eastern theatre symbolised the Army's continued emphasis on fitness, resilience and operational readiness in all

terrains and conditions," a senior official said.

This year marks the 12th International Day of Yoga (IDY) with the theme 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing', which emphasises the importance of yoga for all ages.

"From the icy heights of Siachen Glacier to the southern tip at Kanyakumari; from the land of the rising sun in the northeast to the vast expanse of the Rann of Kutch, soldiers performed yoga in diverse and challenging terrains, reaffirming their commitment to physical fitness, mental well-being and holistic health," the Army said in a post on social media. The celebrations reflected the Indian Army's ethos of discipline, resilience

and wellness, while reinforcing yoga's role in promoting a healthy lifestyle and enhancing operational effectiveness. In the national capital, the Indian Army hosted the event at the Cariappa Parade Ground at Delhi Cantonment.

Army jawans and others, positioned in a huge grid formation, stretched their arms and legs to perform various 'asanas'. Vice Chief of the Army Staff, Lt Gen Dhiraj Seth, participated in the yoga session at the Cariappa Parade Ground with over 3,500 enthusiastic participants, including several personnel and their family members, veterans, women, children, NCC cadets and many civilians, officials said.



Dr P K Mishra, Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister, led the officers and staff of PMO, NSCS and Cabinet Secretariat to perform yoga at Seva Teerth on Sunday (PTI)



Union Minister of Ayush (Ministry of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homeopathy) Prataprao Garpatrao Jadhav (PTI)



Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma along with Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs Nirmala Sitharaman attending International Day of Yoga programme in Guwahati (PTI)



## GRAPEVINE

### Cabinet reshuffle anticipated, invitations on hold

As a major overhaul of the Modi Cabinet has been doing the rounds for the last fortnight, an interesting observation has come to light. Except for the Government functions, the incumbent Council of Ministers are putting on hold the invitations to be the Chief Guest, Guest of Honour, etc., when approached by individuals, establishments, organisations, institutions, based on presumptions whether they continue to be the Minister or could be reallocated to a different Ministry. Grapevine has it that several new faces could be inducted, with an overall 60 per cent of the ministers likely to be replaced.



FAIR REPORT

### 8th Pay Commission. When?

From Friday onwards, the top to bottom of bureaucracy is abuzz with the news on the forthcoming implementation of the Eighth Pay Commission. There were reports flashed in Social Media Groups that the Justice Ranjana Desai Commission has finished the preparation of the long-overdue Pay Commission Report. Most believe that by next month or before Diwali, the Report will be submitted to the Government. The question is when the Government will approve it, resulting in salary hikes. Many veteran officers say the implementation announcement will take more than a year. Some say the Government prefers to announce in mid 2028, a few months away from the Lok Sabha election, to keep Bureaucracy and retired persons in the vote bank.



### Tharoor annoys Congress again for talking Modi

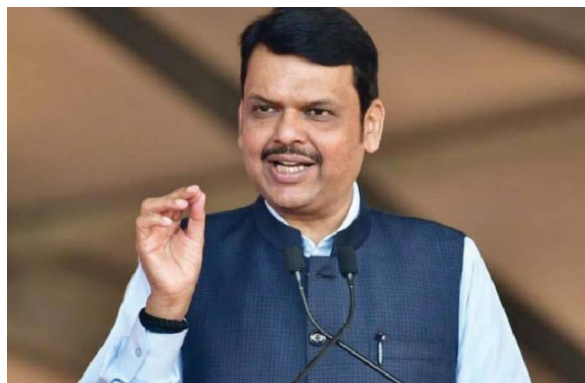
Lok Sabha MP Shashi Tharoor has once again got into trouble for praising Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Just before the assembly elections in Kerala, the strained relationship between Tharoor and Congress was settled, and both sides maintained each other's sanctity until the former Union Minister once again talked 'Modi' for his stand on US diplomatic developments during the West Asia crisis. Congress officially attacked Tharoor on Saturday for giving statements on the good strategy presented by PM Modi. Grapevine has it that Tharoor flak from his party began a day after he attended and delivered a speech at an event backed by the Adani Group, which is always forbidden by the party's first family, the Gandhis.



## Sena (UBT) crisis: Operation successful, says Fadnavis

FAIR REPORT  
Mumbai

Amid the buzz over a split in the ranks of Lok Sabha MPs of Shiv Sena (UBT) through "Operation Tiger", Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Sunday said the "operation" has been successful.



His deputy and Shiv Sena president Eknath Shinde said he never leaves an operation incomplete. Responding to questions over the "Operation Tiger" aimed at securing defections from the Uddhav Thackeray camp, Fadnavis said, "The operation has been successful, and the body is in very good health. There is no need for anyone to worry. Those who need to introspect should do so."

Shinde, who addressed a joint news conference with Fadnavis, said he didn't conduct incomplete operations. "Whenever I undertake an operation, I complete it fully. We have already shown it," he said.

When asked about the

status of Operation Tiger, Shinde said, "You will get breaking news soon. The MPs are abused, and then you (Thackeray camp) want them (back). There is a chemical locha." MPs Sanjay Dina Patil, Sanjay Deshmukh, Sanjay Jadhav, Bhausaheb Wakchaure, Nagesh Patil, Ashtikar and Nimbalkar skipped the Sena (UBT) parliamentary party meeting in Delhi on June 17, fuelling speculation that they were on their way to the Eknath Shinde-led Shiv Sena.

The Sena (UBT) has nine Lok Sabha members, and

the rebel bloc needs at least six MPs — two-thirds of the total strength — to avoid disqualification under the anti-defection law.

On Sunday, at least two of the six rebel MPs belonging to the Sena (UBT) confirmed they crossed over to the Shinde camp. Fadnavis said the Shiv Sena, led by Shinde, is carrying forward the legacy of the party founder Bal Thackeray.

"Shiv Sena is not merely a political party. It is Balasaheb Thackeray's ideology. It is not a legacy of property, but a legacy of ideas. The

moment some people abandoned those ideas, those who believed in them chose a different path.

"All those people came together under the leadership of Eknath Shinde to keep Shiv Sena alive and carry forward that ideological legacy. Workers and public representatives who believe in those ideas are continuously coming together under his leadership," the Chief Minister said.

He advised Uddhav Thackeray to introspect.

"Uddhav ji did not introspect, and this is the consequence. There is no doubt in anyone's mind now that the Shiv Sena being run by Eknath Shinde is the real Shiv Sena. Balasaheb's bow-and-arrow symbol is with Eknath Shinde, and he is carrying forward Balasaheb's ideology," Fadnavis added.

When asked about the removal of several beneficiaries from the Ladki Bahin scheme, Fadnavis said the initiative was initially launched on the basis of self-certification.

## CBSE declares Class 12 re-evaluation results



FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) declared the re-evaluation results on Sunday for students who applied for verification and re-evaluation of their Class 12 board exam answer sheets, with over 87 per cent of the applications announced in the first phase.

"The CBSE has commenced the release of Class XII Verification of issues observed and Re-evaluation outcomes," the CBSE said in a post on X.

"The outcomes are being released in a phased manner, with over 87 per cent of the total applications received being declared today. The outcomes of the remaining applications will be available in phases, and the entire process is expected to be completed soon," it said. Students can check their updated marks on the official CBSE website results.digilocker.gov.in using their login credentials, the board said.

The CBSE assured students that every application was processed through a "robust, transparent, and carefully monitored system" to ensure fairness and accuracy. "Students are advised not to believe rumours or unverified social media posts and to rely only on official CBSE communications for authentic information," the board said.

"The CBSE offices will

always remain available to provide guidance and assistance to students," it said.

The CBSE declared the results of the Class XII examinations 2026 on May 13, 2026, for approximately 17.69 lakh candidates. The CBSE provided candidates the facility to scan scanned copies of their evaluated answer books from May 19 to May 25, 2026. Subsequently, candidates could apply for verification of observed issues and/or re-evaluation from June 2 to June 7, 2026.

The board said the post-result services platform functioned under the supervision of technical experts from the Digital India Corporation, IIT Kanpur and IIT Madras. To ensure the integrity of the entire process, the board said these experts supported the CBSE team to safeguard the system against unauthorised and malicious access.

"As was done last year, in all cases where a candidate's claim regarding observed issues is established, the CBSE corrects the evaluation, updates the marks, and the candidates can see the status of their requests on Digilocker," it said. The board said candidates who applied for verification of observed issues and for whom CBSE reported the outcome as "No-change" if they wish to inspect their answer books at the concerned CBSE Regional Office.

## 2 dead in ammonia gas leak in Tamil Nadu's Tiruvallur

FAIR REPORT  
Tiruvallur (Tamil Nadu)

Two women died, and 62 others were affected following an ammonia gas leak at the production unit of a private fish meal export factory in Tiruvallur district on Sunday, the Tamil Nadu Government said.

The incident happened at Kannigaipair village near Periyapalayam.

According to a Government press release, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay has instructed the formation of a three-member committee with the Director of

Industrial Safety and Health, the Member Secretary, Pollution Control Board and the Additional Director of Public Health, and to submit an interim report within 24 hours and a final report within three days.

Earlier, the police said the death toll was seven, but a CMO release and Health Minister KG Arunraj later put it at two.

Speaking to reporters, Arunraj said that an ammonia gas leak with an impact of this scale has never happened. "Doctors say we haven't seen cases with such high levels any-



where else," the minister said. He also said the health condition of some patients shows a worsening trend,

adding that critical patients have been shifted out of private hospitals to Government hospitals.

### Stop mosque demolitions in Rajasthan: Owaisi to Shah



FAIR REPORT  
Hyderabad

AIMIM president Asaduddin Owaisi on Sunday alleged that a wave of demolitions targeting mosques, dargahs, and other Muslim religious sites was underway across Rajasthan's border districts and urged Union Home Minister Amit Shah to immediately stop the "discriminatory and targeted" demolitions. The Hyderabad MP said he spoke to AIMIM Bikaner District President Shafi Jameel Qasmi, who informed him that four mosques in Bikaner and nine mosques and dargahs across Phalodi, Jaisalmer, and Barmer have already been demolished.

In a post on X, Owaisi said, "Notices have also reportedly been issued to hundreds of other religious sites. These demolitions are being justified on national security grounds. However, none of the people in these areas has ever been involved in any such activities. Only Muslim places of worship are being targeted."

The AIMIM chief further said the authorities have claimed that some structures were built on grazing land. However, in cases where it has been shown that the structures stand on private property, the allegation has reportedly shifted to a lack of permissions or approvals, he said. "@Amit Shah, these discriminatory and targeted demolitions are illegal and must be stopped immediately," Owaisi urged.

## 9 detained over suspected impersonation during NEET-UG re-exam in Bihar

FAIR REPORT  
Patna

Nine persons were detained on Sunday in connection with alleged impersonation during the NEET-UG re-examination in Bihar's Lakhisarai district, officials said.

SP Purna Kumar said the detainees were suspected of appearing in the examination in place of registered candidates.

"Nine persons have been detained on suspicion of impersonating NEET-UG candidates during the examination. An FIR may be registered after written complaints are received from the centre superintendents concerned," Kumar



said. Police were also questioning 10 to 12 other persons allegedly linked to the racket, including biometric operators and middlemen, she said.

The SP did not immediately share details of those

detained, adding that further information would emerge after preliminary questioning was completed. The NEET-UG re-examination was conducted across Bihar under tight security arrangements.

## Jan Suraaj seeks justice in Bhojpur encounter case

FAIR REPORT  
Patna

Jan Suraaj Party on Sunday held a candlelight march in Patna, demanding "justice" for the man who was killed in a police encounter in Bihar's Bhojpur district.

Bharat Bhushan Tiwari, a resident of Bilauti village in the Shahpur police station area of the district, was killed in an encounter with police on Wednesday.

"The manner in which the social worker was killed in a so-called encounter is tragic and condemnable. We are holding this candlelight march to demand justice for the victim," the party's state president, Manoj Bharti, told reporters.

He claimed that Tiwari had long raised public issues and fought for people's rights.



Founder of Jan Suraaj Party Prashant Kishor

"We seek a swift judicial inquiry into the matter alongside suspension of all officials involved in the killing until the investigation is completed. We also demand a

Government job for a member of the victim's family and compensation of Rs 1 crore," Bharti said.

The Bihar Government on Saturday announced a judi-

cial inquiry into the recent police encounter in Bhojpur district in which Bharat Bhushan Tiwari was killed.

The Bihar Police has suspended four policemen, including the Station House Officer (SHO), in connection with the incident.

Former MLA and Jan Suraaj leader Kishore Kumar Munna accused police of acting "impartially" and said that "a fair investigation at an earlier stage might have prevented Tiwari's death."

Describing the suspension of SHO as "inadequate", Munna asked for lodging a murder case against senior district police officials.

He alleged that incidents of fake encounters had increased in the state since the formation of the new Government under Samrat Choudhary.

## Karnataka plans India's first AI-powered mega city

FAIR REPORT  
Bengaluru

Karnataka is moving ahead with one of its most ambitious urban development initiatives as Chief Minister DK Shivakumar pushes forward the proposed Greater Bengaluru Integrated Township at Bidadi, a project envisioned to reshape the State's economic and urban landscape while reducing pressure on Bengaluru's overstretched infrastructure.

Planned across nearly 7,500 to 9,600 acres in nine villages of Ramanagara district, around 30 to 40 kilometres southwest of Bengaluru, the township is being designed as India's first AI-powered integrated city. The project aims to create a modern "work-live-play" ecosystem that combines residential, commercial, industrial and innovation-driven spaces within a self-sustaining urban framework.

Officials estimate that the development could attract investments exceeding Rs 20,000 crore and generate lakhs of direct and indirect employment opportunities across sectors, including artificial intelligence, advanced

manufacturing, technology services and logistics. More than 2,000 acres have been earmarked for AI and innovation hubs, while around 1,800 acres are proposed for residential development. Commercial districts, industrial clusters and supporting infrastructure will further strengthen Bidadi's role as an emerging economic centre.

Sustainability remains a central pillar of the project. Nearly 950 acres have been reserved for green buffers and environmental conservation. Plans also include the rejuvenation of water bodies such as Byramangala Lake, alongside advanced water-management systems aimed at ensuring long-term water security. A proposed 40-kilometre transport network connecting key roads and rail corridors is expected to significantly improve regional connectivity.

The initiative comes at a crucial time for Bengaluru, which continues to grapple with rapid urbanisation. With the city's population estimated at nearly 15 million, mounting challenges such as traffic congestion, housing shortages, water stress, and increasing pressure on civic



Representative image

infrastructure have underscored the need for satellite growth centres. The Bidadi township is expected to emerge as a major economic hub along the Bengaluru-Mysuru corridor, helping decentralise commercial activity and create employment opportunities beyond the city's core. Government officials have also highlighted plans for skill development programmes and local employment initiatives to ensure surrounding rural communities benefit directly from the project.

Chief Minister Shivakumar has described the township

as the continuation of a long-standing development vision rather than a new political initiative. He has repeatedly noted that the concept dates back to 2006 and has evolved through multiple administrations. In public statements, he has acknowledged the role of former Chief Minister HD Kumaraswamy in conceptualising the project and reaffirmed his government's commitment to implementing it through established legal and administrative processes. To facilitate land acquisition, the Government has introduced an enhanced compensation and rehabili-

ation package. Compensation has reportedly been increased to as much as Rs 255 crore per acre, among the highest offered in Karnataka. Landowners are also being given options to receive developed residential or commercial plots, along with additional incentives and financial assistance during the transition period.

While concerns have been raised by some farmers and environmental groups regarding land acquisition and ecological impact, the Government has responded with assurances on rehabilitation, compensatory afforestation and stakeholder consultations.

As planning moves into implementation, the Bidadi Integrated Township is emerging as a defining project of the Shivakumar Government's development agenda. Supporters believe that if executed successfully, it could position Karnataka as a national leader in artificial intelligence, sustainable urbanisation and advanced manufacturing, while creating lasting opportunities for both urban and rural communities.

## Five more jails in J&K to get CISF security cover



FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

The Union Government is set to deploy CISF security personnel to secure five more prisons of Jammu and Kashmir after the two central jails in Jammu and Srinagar.

A force spokesperson said on Sunday that "plans are under consideration" for extending the security cover of the paramilitary to the high security prison at Mahanpur (Kathua) and district jails of Jammu, Anantnag, Kupwara and Baramulla.

The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) was inducted to provide armed security to the Central Jails

in Srinagar and Jammu (Kot Bhalwal) at Jammu in October 2023.

The force is responsible for securing both the inner and outer perimeters of these sensitive facilities through a combination of trained manpower, modern surveillance systems, and strict access control measures, the spokesperson said.

In order to check crimes in these two prisons, including smuggling of narcotics, the CISF has deployed non-linear junction detectors (NLJD), capable of detecting concealed electronic circuits, dual-view x-ray baggage inspection systems (X-BIS) and hand-held metal detectors (HHMDs) at all access points.

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## CONGRESS HITS BACK

### STOP LOOKING FOR FACTIONS, LOOK AT BJP'S HOUSE FIRST

FAIR REPORT

**Jaipur:** Former Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on Sunday launched a sharp political counterattack against the BJP, dismissing persistent questions about factionalism within the Congress and turning the spotlight on what he described as growing discontent inside the ruling party itself.

Rejecting suggestions of divisions within the Congress, Gehlot asserted that the party remains united both in Rajasthan and across the country. He expressed irritation over repeated questions on internal rivalries, arguing that the narrative lacks substance and is being arti-



cially sustained by political opponents.

The veteran Congress leader then shifted focus to the BJP, questioning sev-

ing from BJP legislators and ministers, suggesting that governance and internal coordination remain serious concerns for the state government.

Gehlot also intensified his attack over the delay in Panchayati Raj and urban local body elections. Calling the postponement a constitutional failure, he accused the state government of disregarding repeated judicial directions. In one of his strongest remarks, he suggested that the situation was serious enough to warrant intervention from constitutional authorities, arguing that democratic institutions cannot be kept in suspension indefinitely.

His sharpest comments,

however, were reserved for Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma. Gehlot said the Chief Minister's statements should not be taken too seriously, claiming that criticism of the government is now emerging from within the BJP itself. He also accused the Chief Minister of avoiding direct engagement with the media and failing to answer difficult questions on governance.

As Rajasthan's political temperature rises, Gehlot's message was unmistakable: Congress wants the debate to move away from its alleged divisions and toward what it sees as the BJP government's mounting challenges and accountability deficit.

### PM Modi's Airport Wait Claim Goes Viral; No Official Confirmation on 45-Minute Delay Allegation

FAIR REPORT

**New Delhi:** A social media claim alleging that Prime Minister Narendra Modi waited for nearly 45 minutes at Delhi airport to reportedly avoid traffic disruption for NEET aspirants has gone viral, triggering a wave of political commentary and online debate.

According to posts circulating on multiple platforms, the Prime Minister is said to have adjusted his arrival schedule to prevent additional road closures during peak movement hours linked to students and examination-related traffic. However, there has been no official confirmation from the Prime Minister's Office or airport authorities regarding the duration or the operational reasoning behind



any such delay.

The claim has also been accompanied by criticism from sections of social media users, some of whom have questioned the government's recent public engagement on issues related to NEET aspirants. These assertions, however, remain in the domain of online discourse and have not been substantiated by verified statements or documentary evidence. Officials have consistently maintained in the past that high-level movement schedules are

coordinated in advance with security agencies, particularly in Delhi, where VIP protocol and civilian traffic management are tightly regulated. Meanwhile, political observers note that such viral narratives often gain traction in high-stakes examination seasons, where student sentiment and policy scrutiny intersect with broader political debates. As of now, neither the government nor airport authorities have issued any statement confirming or denying the specific claim.

### Anshu Jain named BCCI Emerging Men's Team coach for Bengaluru red-ball tournament



FAIR REPORT

**Bengaluru:** In a significant recognition of his growing stature in India's domestic coaching circuit, Rajasthan senior men's head coach Anshu Jain has been appointed as coach for Team 2 in the upcoming BCCI Emerging Men's red-ball tournament, scheduled from July 6 to July 24, 2026 at the BCCI Centre of Excellence in Bengaluru.

The tournament, organised by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), will serve as a key selection platform for the "Emerging India" squad ahead of India's upcoming red-ball tour of Sri Lanka. Jain will work alongside former India international and coach Ramesh Powar in the high-performance environment at the Centre of Excellence. This appoint-

ment comes on the back of a strong domestic coaching record. Jain recently guided the North Zone team to the Vizzy Trophy title and has also been involved with the BCCI CoE Elite U-19 camp, strengthening his credentials in the elite development structure.

According to sources, the selection of coaches has been overseen by BCCI Head of Cricket Operations VVS Laxman, placing Jain among a select group of eight domestic and international coaches chosen for the tournament setup. Notably, experienced names such as Wasim Jaffer and Devashish Mohanty are also part of the coaching roster. All appointed coaches have been instructed to report to the BCCI Centre of Excellence in Bengaluru by July 5, 2026, ahead of the preparatory phase.

### Rajasthan to Link Building Permissions with Energy Efficiency Gains Under New Green Code

FAIR REPORT

**Jaipur:** In a decisive push towards sustainable urban infrastructure, the Rajasthan government is set to implement the North Zone team to the Vizzy Trophy title and has also been involved with the BCCI CoE Elite U-19 camp, strengthening his credentials in the elite development structure.

The draft code, reviewed by Energy Minister Heeralal Nagar, proposes mandatory efficiency standards for commercial buildings with a connected load of 100 kW or more, or a built-up area exceeding 2,000 sq metres. Officials



said the framework is designed to make energy conservation a core component of building approvals rather than an optional add-on.

A key highlight of the proposed rules is the introduction of financial and developmental incentives.

Buildings complying with higher "plus" standards will be eligible for 5% additional Floor Area Ratio (FAR), while those meeting "super" code benchmarks may receive up to 10% extra FAR—an unprecedented incentive structure in the state's construction

policy landscape.

The code also mandates allocation of 4% of contracted demand or 50% of rooftop space for renewable energy installations, primarily solar. Provisions for EV charging infrastructure, third-party energy audits, and penalties for non-compliance have also been incorporated.

Rajasthan Renewable Energy Corporation CMD Rohit Gupta said stakeholder consultations are ongoing, with over 50 suggestions already received to refine the final draft. An integrated online compliance portal is also planned to streamline approvals and monitoring.

### Congress Mised People for Decades, Modi Govt Ended Middlemen Era: Rajasthan CM Bhajanlal Sharma

FAIR REPORT

**Jaipur:** Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma launched a sharp political attack on the Congress on Saturday, accusing the party of misleading farmers, labourers, youth, and women during its decades in power, while promoting caste and religion-based divisions in society.

Addressing a public function, Sharma said the Congress had "consistently betrayed public trust" and failed to ensure that welfare benefits reached the intended beneficiaries. Recalling a frequently cited remark from a former Prime Minister, he claimed that out of every 1 sent from Delhi, only 15 paise reached the ground level, while the rest was lost to corruption and leakages in the system. In contrast, the Chief Minister said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India has witnessed a structural transformation in welfare delivery systems. He asserted that the "era of brokers and cut-money networks" has ended, with direct benefit transfer mechanisms ensuring that government assistance reaches citizens directly into their bank accounts. Sharma highlighted schemes such as farmer



income support initiatives and other welfare programmes, stating that beneficiaries now receive funds without intermediaries or deductions. He added that the present governance model is rooted in transparency, accountability, and digital delivery systems that minimise corruption risks. Taking further aim at the opposition, the Chief Minister alleged that the Congress has historically relied on "appeasement politics," whereas the current "double-engine government" is focused on inclusive development without discrimination. He said the administration is committed to ensuring equitable growth across all sections of society through efficient governance and technology-driven service delivery systems.

### NO HANDSHAKE, NO PHOTO: IRAN'S COLD SHOULDER SETS TENSE TONE FOR SWISS PEACE TALKS

FAIR REPORT

**New Delhi:** Diplomacy often begins with a handshake. On Sunday in Burgenstock, Switzerland, the absence of one spoke louder than any opening statement.

In a carefully choreographed diplomatic gathering aimed at implementing a fragile 60-day ceasefire agreement, Iran refused to participate in a planned joint handshake and photo session with the United States, delivering a sym-

bolic snub before formal negotiations had even begun.

According to reports carried by Tasnim News Agency, Swiss organisers and American officials had arranged a ceremonial photo opportunity involving both delegations. Tehran declined outright. The live broadcast proceeded without the Iranian delegation, which entered the venue only after the cameras were gone.

The message was unmis-

takable: while Iran may be willing to negotiate, it remains deeply unwilling to normalize relations with Washington.

The summit brings together US Vice President JD Vance and senior Iranian leaders, including Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf and Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi, following months of devastating military confrontation that pushed the region to the brink.

Pakistan and Qatar have emerged as key mediators, attempting to bridge a trust deficit measured not in words, but in decades.

Compounding tensions, Iran's military leadership has declared the Strait of Hormuz closed, even as Washington insists it sees no evidence of an active blockade.

The negotiations may have begun, but the road to peace remains long, uncertain, and visibly burdened by mistrust.

### Punjab CM must be held accountable for 'insulting Gurus': Nitin Nabin

FAIR REPORT

**Ludhiana:** Launching a scathing attack on the ruling Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) in Punjab, BJP President Nitin Nabin on Sunday said the time has come to punish the state government and the Chief Minister for "insulting the Gurus". Accusing the government of pushing the state into a fiscal abyss, Nabin alleged that Punjab has been used as an "ATM" through reckless borrowing and promised that every single penny would be accounted for. Nabin was addressing a convention of more than 8,000 sub-circle (shakti kendra) workers and party of-

fice-bearers in Ludhiana. Coming on the heels of Union Home Minister Amit Shah's massive rally in Moga, Nabin's high-level organisational meeting strongly signalled that the BJP is preparing to contest the 2027 Punjab Assembly elections on its own strength. "For the people of Punjab, nothing stands above the honour and respect of our Gurus," Nabin said. "How can a state tolerate a government whose own Chief Minister insults our Gurus? The time has come for the public to penalise such an administration." Focusing on the state's economic health, the BJP chief



said Punjab has been burdened with a staggering debt of Rs 4 lakh crore. He alleged that Central funds worth crores, disbursed over the past few years, had been si-

phoned off by fraudsters.

"The Punjab government has delivered next to nothing for the public while actively putting people's lives and livelihoods at risk. Human

life has lost its value under this regime. Following the 2027 elections, we will recover every penny looted from Punjab," he said. Nabin said Punjab is currently reeling

under a triple crisis of rampant drug abuse, gangsterism and mounting debt.

He maintained that only the BJP possesses the political will to rescue the state from this situation. "The BJP delivers on its promises. We promised the abrogation of Article 370, and we fulfilled it. In Kashmir, where Pakistani flags once flew, peace has finally returned, and the youth have integrated into the mainstream," Nabin said.

Highlighting the achievements of the Central government under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Nabin said that 25

crore people have been lifted out of poverty, nearly four crore houses have been built under the PM Awas Yojana, and millions of women have been empowered through targeted welfare schemes. "The BJP governs 22 states across India, driving rapid development nationwide. However, because Punjab lacks a 'double-engine government', its people are being deprived of these benefits and the state is lagging behind," Nabin said. He appealed to the electorate to vote out the current administration, stating that the party's ultimate objective

is a powerful, prosperous and Viksit Punjab.

Nabin urged party workers to step out of their comfort zones and launch a grassroots campaign.

"Every BJP worker must reach every home, neighbourhood, village and city to communicate the welfare policies of the PM Narendra Modi-led government and expose the state government's misgovernance. If we put in our full strength, every booth committee will transform into a development and heritage committee, working towards Sarbat da Bhala (the welfare of all)," he added.