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## INDIA'S DIGITAL REVOLUTION GOES GLOBAL: PM SHOWCASES FINANCIAL INCLUSION MODEL TO QUEEN MÁXIMA

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**NEW DELHI:** India's Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) revolution took centre stage on the global platform as Prime Minister Narendra Modi met Her Majesty Queen Máxima of the Netherlands, the United Nations Secretary-General's Special Advocate for Financial Health, to discuss how technology is transforming access to financial services for millions.

The meeting focused on India's rapidly expanding digital ecosystem, with the Prime Minister highlighting how initiatives built around Digital Public Infrastructure have made banking and financial ser-



vices more accessible, affordable and inclusive, while significantly enhancing the 'Ease of Living' for citizens across the country. Emphasising India's growing role as a global

digital innovator, Modi said the country's experience in building scalable, citizen-centric digital platforms is not confined to domestic success. He reaffirmed New Delhi's com-

mitment to sharing its technological expertise and best practices with partner nations seeking to accelerate financial inclusion and digital empowerment. Queen Máxima, a

long-standing global advocate for inclusive finance, has consistently championed the use of technology to expand access to financial services, making the interaction particularly significant amid growing international interest in India's digital governance model. The meeting underscored India's ambition to emerge not merely as a technology consumer but as a global exporter of digital public goods. As countries increasingly look to India's DPI architecture as a template for inclusive growth, New Delhi is positioning its digital transformation as a cornerstone of both domestic development and international cooperation.

## Panic In Dubai: Missile Attack Alert Blares On Phones, Then Officials Say 'Don't Take It Seriously'



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**DUBAI:** A wave of panic swept through Dubai on Friday after authorities pushed out an emergency alert warning residents of an incoming missile attack — only to follow it up moments later with a message telling the public to disregard the very warning they had just received.

The confusing sequence of events unfolded when UAE officials

first issued the missile alert, sending a jolt of fear through the city. But in an extraordinary about-turn, a second message landed on phones almost immediately afterward, instructing citizens to ignore the earlier alert altogether — leaving residents baffled over what exactly had just happened. The scare marks the first such alert in the UAE in several weeks, coming after a ceasefire had brought a

tense calm following the Iran-US conflict. The episode is likely to raise fresh questions about the reliability of the region's emergency alert systems at a time when nerves remain on edge. In what may offer some reassurance, foreign ministers of the UAE and Iran reportedly spoke over the phone amid the developments, suggesting diplomatic channels remain active even as the false alarm rattled the Gulf city.

## 'Entire Nation Is Shaken': Ajmal Kasab's Prosecutor Ujjwal Nikam Takes Up Ketan Agarwal Murder Case

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**MUMBAI:** The killing of Ketan Agarwal has sent shockwaves across the country, with senior advocate and Rajya Sabha MP Ujjwal Nikam — the man who secured the death penalty for 26/11 terror attacker Ajmal Kasab — stepping in as special public prosecutor in the case.

Nikam, known for handling some of India's most high-profile criminal trials, did not mince words while describing the impact of the murder, saying the case had left the entire nation shaken. He went on to call the responsibility of prosecuting the case a significant one, underlining the gravity with which he is approaching the matter.



According to reports, Agarwal was allegedly murdered by his fiancée and her lover, a development that has only added to the shock value of the case and intensified public attention on the proceedings.

With Nikam — whose legal career is most closely associated with delivering justice in the 26/11 attacks case — now leading the prosecution, the trial is expected to draw heightened scrutiny in the days ahead.

## Europe Sizzles, Netherlands Sounds Alarm: Dutch Issue First-Ever 'Code Red' As Killer Heat Dome Grips Continent

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**THE HAGUE:** As a brutal heatwave tightens its grip across Europe, the Netherlands has done something it has never done before — issuing a "Code Red" warning, the highest level of heat alert in the country's history.

The unprecedented step comes as temperatures are forecast to stay at or above 35°C for several consecutive days, a threshold authorities say poses a serious risk to public health. Officials are urging citi-



zens to take the warning seriously, with vulnerable groups including the elderly and children expected to bear the brunt of the

soaring mercury. The Dutch alert is just one symptom of a far larger crisis unfolding across the continent, with a massive

"heat dome" currently parked over large parts of Europe and pushing temperatures to dangerous extremes. Countries including France, Spain and Britain are simultaneously logging record-breaking heat, painting a grim picture of a continent struggling to cope with increasingly extreme weather patterns. With forecasters offering little hope of immediate relief, health authorities across the region are bracing for what could be one of the most punishing heat events in recent memory.

## Tradition Bends: 13-Year-Old Girl Breaks 65-Year Silence To Become Heir Of Rajasthan's Royal Legacy

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**Pali:** In a village fort that has stood since the 17th century, history quietly re-wrote itself on Thursday. Thirteen-year-old Tejaswi Kumari Jodha was formally anointed heir to the former royal house of Kherwagarh — the first girl ever to inherit a title that, for generations, had been reserved strictly for sons.

The ceremony, known as "Pag Ka Dastur," is no ordinary ritual in Marwar. It is the region's traditional public declaration of succession — a turban tied on the heir's head as the formal handover of a family's responsibilities after the head of the household passes away. For Tejaswi, the moment came after the death of her father, Harish Chandra Jodha, the last head of the Kherwagarh lineage. What makes the

moment extraordinary is the silence that preceded it. With no male heir in the family, Kherwagarh had not performed this ceremony in roughly 65 years. Rather than let centuries of tradition lapse, village elders and community members took a collective decision: tradition would survive, even if it meant breaking its own rule. Tejaswi — the only child of the family — was named successor. At the historic Kherwa fort, amid Vedic chants and a gathering of villagers from across the region, a pink turban was tied on her head — marking both the end of the mourning period and the start of her new role. She sat through the entire ritual with quiet composure, becoming, in that single moment, a symbol of a tradition finally catching up with the present.

## Theft In The Sanctum: 8 Held For Looting Donations At Ram Mandir, Sent To Judicial Custody Till June 29

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**AYODHYA:** In a case that has scandalised devotees nationwide, eight accused arrested for stealing donation money from the Ayodhya Ram Mandir were produced before a local court and remanded to judicial custody till June 29. The arrests come as a jolt to the temple administration, with investigators

revealing that a staggering 79.85 lakh in cash was recovered from the accused. The prosecution officer attached to the court of Ayodhya's Chief Judicial Magistrate, K C Verma, confirmed the recovery, underlining the scale of the alleged loot pulled off right under the nose of one of the country's most heavily guarded religious sites.

**NEW DELHI:** The alleged theft of donation money at the Ayodhya Ram Mandir has triggered a sharp reaction from actor Mukesh Khanna, best known for his iconic portrayal of Shaktimaan, who didn't hold back while reacting to the scandal.

Khanna pointed out that cash offerings made by devotees never actually reach God, and used the controversy to push a blunt message: if there's no offer-



ing, there can be no scam. His advice to devotees was straightforward — stop putting cash in the dona-

tion box altogether, arguing that doing so would please God just as much, if not more.

The remarks come days after eight people were arrested in connection with the alleged loot of temple donations, with investigators recovering nearly 80 lakh in cash from the accused — a case that has left devotees across the country fuming.

Khanna's comments have struck a chord online, with many devotees echoing his call to rethink how — and whether — cash offerings should be made at major temples going forward.

## Caught On Camera: Son Thrashes Elderly Father, Drags Him Across Floor As Family Watches In Silence

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**Jaipur:** A CCTV camera in a quiet Sanganer home has captured a scene that has left Jaipur reeling — a son raining slaps, punches and kicks on his own 67-year-old father, even as the elderly man crumpled to the ground bleeding. The footage, from Maruti Colony in Chandlai, shows retired BSNL employee Anandi Lal Uchheniya being attacked inside his own house on the night of June 19. The assault reportedly began the moment his son walked in, and didn't stop even after the old man collapsed on the staircase — the accused allegedly dragged his injured father across the floor and shut him in a room, ignoring family members who could

be heard pleading for him to stop. It was only when tenants on the property rushed in that the attacker fled the scene. What's drawn equal outrage is what happened next — or rather, what didn't. According to the victim's daughter, Sunena, police initially refused to register an FIR on the spot, turning her father away and asking him to return the next day. It took three visits to the Sanganer police station, and two days, before officers finally filed the case on June 21. The accused was eventually arrested — and has since walked out on bail, a development that has only added fuel to public anger already simmering over the viral video. Police say the legal process is ongoing.

## CS JOINS AMIT SHAH-LED NCORD MEET, REAFFIRMS RAJASTHAN'S COMMITMENT TO DRUG-FREE GOVERNANCE

FAIR REPORT HEMRAJ TIKAMCHAND

**JAIPUR:** Rajasthan Chief Secretary attended the 10th Apex Level Meeting of the National Committee on Drug Law Enforcement (NCORD), chaired by Union Home Minister Amit Shah through video conferencing, reaffirming the state's commitment to strengthening anti-narcotics enforcement through coordinated governance. The high-level meeting



reviewed the national strategy to combat drug

trafficking, enhance intelligence sharing, and im-

prove coordination between central and state

agencies. Discussions focused on dismantling drug networks, tightening enforcement mechanisms, and leveraging technology to curb the narcotics trade.

Representing Rajasthan, the Chief Secretary underscored the state's resolve to implement the Centre's zero-tolerance policy against drugs and ensure effective inter-departmental coordination for stronger law enforcement. The meeting

also emphasized preventive awareness campaigns alongside strict legal action to achieve the vision of a Drug-Free India.

The Chief Secretary's participation reflected Rajasthan's proactive engagement in national security and governance initiatives, with the state aligning its enforcement strategies with the Centre's broader anti-narcotics framework to protect public health and maintain law and order.

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## Rahul Gandhi vows to keep fighting for people's rights

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ New Delhi

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Friday said he would keep fighting for the people of the country and carry their voice to the corridors of power as the Lok Sabha leader of the Opposition.

In a post on social media, Gandhi shared a short video, listing issues he raised both inside and outside Parliament, as he completed two years in the key parliamentary post.

"Today marks two years since I became the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha. Every single day of these two years has been dedicated to one task - to carry the voice of every Indian to the corridors of power.

"Whether it's the fight for



NEET aspirants, exposing electoral fraud, or defending the Constitution, I have stood with you on every front. I stand with you today, and I always will," he said in Hindi.

Gandhi said that from the streets to Parliament, the people's trust is his greatest strength.

"The journey is long, but my resolve remains the

same - I will keep fighting every battle for you. Jai Hind. Jai Constitution," Gandhi said, sharing in the three-and-a-half-minute video of speeches he made over the past two years.

Gandhi has been a five-term MP and currently represents the Rae Bareilly Lok Sabha constituency, which was earlier represented by his mother, Sonia Gandhi.

### BJP TARGETS RAHUL OVER FOREIGN VISITS

**New Delhi:** The BJP on Friday alleged that Congress leader Rahul Gandhi is always in "constant vacation mode" and is frequently absent whenever Parliament, elections or his party needs him. The ruling party claimed that Gandhi was away on "yet another foreign visit."

BJP national spokesperson Shehzad Poonawalla said for Gandhi, LOP does not mean Leader of Opposition but "Leader of Paryatan (tourism) and Partying." "Rahul Gandhi should rename LOP as 'Leader of Paryatan and Partying' because that's what he always does - partying, tourism and travel," he said in a video statement.

## Marshal Arjan Singh was exceptional soldier and statesman: Delhi LG Sandhu

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ New Delhi

Marshal of the Air Force Arjan Singh was an "exceptional soldier and a statesman", and across the different roles he assumed during his illustrious career, there remained a striking consistency in his professionalism and commitment to service, Delhi Lt Governor Taranjit Singh Sandhu said on Friday.

Delivering the Arjan Singh Memorial Lecture hosted by the IAF at Subroto Park here, he also underlined that the legendary military officer had also "served with distinction" as Delhi's LG, and this legacy carries a special significance.

"As we remember him today, we honour not only an exceptional soldier and a statesman but also the values he embodied throughout his life - professional excellence, humility, integrity, and unwa-



vering commitment to service," the LG said.

Extolling his distinguished career, in uniform and beyond, Sandhu said that few individuals in independent India's history have had careers that intersected so fluidly with the defining transition of the Indian State.

His life traversed British India, the Second World War, India's Independence, military modernisation, diplomacy and institutional building, the LG said.

"Across these different

roles, there remained a striking consistency in his approach, seriousness of purpose, professionalism and a quiet commitment to service," he asserted.

An iconic figure in the country's military history, Arjan Singh was the first and only officer of the Indian Air Force to be awarded the rank of Marshal in 2002. Born on April 15, 1919, at Lyallpur in undivided Punjab, his father, grandfather and great-grandfather had served in the cavalry.

Singh led a fledgling IAF in

the 1965 India-Pakistan war when he was in his 40s. He died in September 2017 at the age of 98. In his address, the Delhi LG also mentioned that his own grandfather's life was associated with a social movement in Lyallpur (now Faisalabad in Pakistan).

"Arjan Singh came of age during a period of enormous critical and strategic change," the LG underlined, adding he excelled in swimming and team games.

"Aviation was not a pre-determined path, but during his studies in Lahore, he came across an opportunity to train at the Royal Air Force, Cranwell, and chose to pursue it," Sandhu said.

During his initial training, his flying assessments were "described as avara; at through persistence and sustained practice, he improved steadily and emerged as "one of the strongest performers of his cohorts".

## Delhi BJP marks Emergency anniversary with tribute event

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ New Delhi

The Delhi BJP on Friday commemorated the 51st anniversary of the Emergency by organising a seminar at the NDMC Convention Centre. At the seminar, 115 Loktantra Senanis jailed during the 1975-77 Emergency were felicitated and honoured for their role in resisting what party leaders described as an assault on democratic values.

The event was attended by Chief Minister Rekha Gupta, former Union Minister Smriti Irani, BJP Parliamentary Board member and Loktantra Senani Satyanarayan Jatiya, and Delhi BJP president Harsh Malhotra, besides several MPs and senior party leaders.

Addressing the gathering, the chief minister said June 25, observed by the Centre as Samvidhan Hatya Diwas, should be remembered so that future generations understand the consequences of the Emergency.

"Every year when we burn the effigy of Ravana, it symbolises the victory of truth over falsehood and good over evil. Similarly, Samvidhan Hatya Diwas is remembered so that future



generations remain aware of this chapter in history and no leader ever dares to repeat such an act again," she said.

The Chief Minister also paid tribute to those imprisoned during the Emergency, recalling former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's writings from jail. "Despite being imprisoned, respected Atal Bihari Vajpayee ji's pen continued to work and became the voice of lakhs of democracy warriors," she said.

Former Union Minister Smriti Irani accused the Congress of attempting to rewrite the history of the Emergency and urged young people to learn about the period. "Congress leaders spread misconceptions from Parliament to the streets and claim that they are the true protectors of the Constitution. Therefore, the

youth must know what happened to the Constitution during the Emergency," she said.

Irani also alleged that the suffering of women during the Emergency has largely been omitted from historical accounts. "There is no mention of what happened to women during the Emergency because the atrocities committed against women have been removed from the pages of Emergency history," she claimed.

Delhi BJP president Harsh Malhotra said the Emergency demonstrated the importance of democratic institutions. "The young generation that did not witness that period must understand what the mindset of Congress was at that time and how those who today talk about the Constitution had once strangled it," he said.

## Bengal will bring strict anti-conversion law, implement UCC: Suwendu

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ Kolkata

West Bengal Chief Minister Suwendu Adhikari on Friday said his government would bring in a stringent law against 'land jihad', 'love jihad' and religious conversion, besides implementing the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) as part of measures to strengthen national security and preserve the state's cultural identity.

Addressing a programme at Rabindra Sadan here to mark the 150th anniversary of 'Vande Mataram', Adhikari alleged that infiltration had led to demographic changes and posed a threat to the

state's social fabric and national security.

"Give us some time. A strict law against land jihad, love jihad and forced religious conversion and Uniform Civil Code will be introduced in West Bengal," he said.

Claiming that his government had strengthened border security by providing land required for border infrastructure, the chief minister said holding centres had been set up in border districts to identify and send back "infiltrators" to their place of origin.

"Those entering illegally and engaging in activities that threaten India's culture and national security will be



sent back," he said.

Drawing a distinction between illegal immigrants and refugees covered under the Citizenship (Amendment) Act (CAA), Adhikari said Hindus who had come to India after facing religious persecution were "not infil-

trators" and would be granted citizenship under the law.

"We will not allow any anti-national activities on the soil of Bengal, the land of Ramakrishna, Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, Syama Prasad Mookerjee and Bankim

Chandra Chattopadhyay," Adhikari said.

"Those who live here but insult the country's defence forces, oppose Operation Sindoor, remain silent on the Pahalgam incident and speak only of humanity would not be allowed to indulge in such activities in the state," he added. Mookerjee gave the slogan of 'Ek Desh, Ek Vidhan, Ek Pradhan, Ek Nishan', and we remain committed to that vision, the CM said.

He asserted that his government would not allow any force to weaken West Bengal's cultural identity or national character, describing the state as India's "cultural and spiritual capital".

## Ayodhya will become BJP's Lanka: Akhilesh Yadav

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ Lucknow

Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav on Friday asserted that Ayodhya will prove to be the Lanka for the BJP and the mask of the "devout" will come off.

Lanka Kaand is an important chapter of Ramcharitmanas that symbolises the victory of good over evil with Lord Ram killing demon Ravan.

"The Lanka Kaand of the BJP will take place in Ayodhya



itself. The mask worn by these 'daanbhakto' (devotees of charity) has finally come off, because the Lord's

divine power has indeed revealed its miracle," Yadav said on X in Hindi, referring to the scam in cash and valu-

ables donated to the Ram Temple.

"Now, the glittering Lanka empire of the BJP's arrogance will meet its end, as well as the 'Lankadhipati' (chief of Lanka) himself," he said.

The former Uttar Pradesh chief minister also said that the ruling BJP used to claim that its office-bearers do not give resignations and are now calling their act of quitting "tyagpatras". This is just the beginning, and an infight is in the offing, he asserted. "Amid this battle of divi-

sion, their 'band of parties, Sangh, Sabha, Parishad, Vahini, and Trust' will now expose one another's secrets. The borders ought to be sealed before they can flee in different directions with their 'sacks and bags' stuffed with stolen loot," he said.

Yadav said the 'BJP gang' will not be able to escape "God's audit." "NEET students are saying that since resignations have already begun, the 'Leakaadhipati' (King of Leaks) should be made to resign as well," he said.

## Delhi Police conducts raids, seizes large quantities of counterfeit Havells packaging material across Delhi

**FAIR REPORT**  
■ New Delhi

The Delhi Police, in coordination with Havells India, conducted multiple raids across the National Capital Territory (NCT), seizing thousands of counterfeit Havells packaging materials and

printing equipment allegedly used for producing fake electrical wire packaging.

The enforcement action comes amid growing concerns over the increasing availability of counterfeit electrical wires in the market, particularly following a rise in fire incidents.



Havells has urged authorities to intensify efforts against the supply of spurious electrical products, stating that counterfeit electrical wires pose a serious threat to public safety and may contribute to fire-related accidents.

The raids occurred on two

occasions in June - June 7 and June 22 - and are expected to continue in the coming months as part of a broader initiative to curb the circulation of counterfeit electrical goods.

According to Havells, the operation aims to protect consumers, discourage the

sale of fake products, and safeguard government tax revenues.

During the first phase of the operation, authorities raided a godown located near Moti Cinema Compound, Chandni Chowk, and another premises at Amar Vihar, Karawal Nagar,

Delhi. The raids were conducted with operational support from the Kotwali Police Station.

Police officials detained two individuals during the operation and seized approximately 11,600 counterfeit outer box packaging sheets bearing the Havells

brand. The packaging materials were allegedly intended for use in marketing counterfeit electrical wires.

Acting on leads from the initial raids, Delhi Police carried out a second round of searches in the Mandoli and Shadara areas.

## KICKS, BRUISES AND BETRAYAL: VIRAL VIDEO OF ALLEGED ANGANWADI ASSAULT ON CHILD SPARKS OUTRAGE

**FAIR REPORT**

**PANVEL:** A disturbing video purportedly showing an Anganwadi worker allegedly kicking and physically assaulting a young girl in Maharashtra's Nandgaon area of Panvel has triggered widespread public outrage, with calls for swift legal action and accountability.

The footage, which has rapidly spread across social media platforms, appears to show the woman

repeatedly assaulting the child, leaving viewers shocked and prompting demands for immediate intervention by the authorities. The authenticity of the video and the precise circumstances surrounding the incident have not yet been independently verified.

Child rights activists and social media users have condemned the alleged assault, arguing that institutions entrusted with the care and protec-

tion of children cannot become places of fear and abuse. Many have urged the state administration to conduct a transparent investigation, suspend the accused pending inquiry if warranted, and ensure that the child receives medical care, psychological support and justice.

The incident has reignited concerns over oversight and accountability within child welfare institutions, with many questioning whether existing

monitoring mechanisms are adequate to safeguard vulnerable children.

Authorities are expected to examine the viral footage, record witness statements and determine the facts before initiating further legal action. As public anger continues to mount, the case has become a stark reminder that those entrusted with nurturing children must be held to the highest standards of care and responsibility.

## BLESSINGS FOR THE STATE: CM BHAJANLAL SHARMA OFFERS PRAYERS AT GOVIND DEV

### J I TEMPLE ON NIRJALA EKADASHI

**FAIR REPORT**

**JAIPUR:** Marking the auspicious occasion of Nirjala Ekadashi, Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma visited the revered Govind Dev Ji Temple on Friday, where he offered prayers and performed traditional rituals, seeking peace, prosperity and well-being for the people of the state. The Chief Minister participated in the temple's religious ceremonies with Vedic rituals

and prayed for Rajasthan's continued progress and harmony. As he arrived at the temple, devotees greeted him warmly, with Sharma acknowledging their presence and exchanging greetings within the temple premises. During the visit, the temple's Mahant presented the Chief Minister with prasadam as a mark of blessings. The spiritual gathering witnessed the presence of Members of Parliament and several prominent public representatives

and dignitaries. The visit underscored the government's emphasis on preserving Rajasthan's rich spiritual and cultural heritage, with the Chief Minister reiterating the significance of faith, tradition and public welfare on one of the most sacred observances in the Hindu calendar. The temple remained abuzz with devotees throughout the day as thousands gathered to celebrate Nirjala Ekadashi with devotion and reverence.

## RCA Cracks Down: Four-Member Panel To Probe Bharatpur Cricket Secretary Over Harassment Charges

**Jaipur:** The Rajasthan Cricket Association has been forced into action. Facing serious allegations against Bharatpur District Cricket Association secretary Shatrughan Tiwari - including claims of harassment and molestation - the RCA has constituted a four-member inquiry committee to get to the bottom of the charges. The move signals that the apex body is treating the complaints with urgency, putting one of its own district office-bearers under formal scrutiny. For an organisation that has weathered its share of governance controversies, ordering a dedicated probe into harassment claims against a sitting secretary marks a serious step - one that will be watched closely by players and officials across the state's cricketering fraternity.

## Bhajan, Bhupender Yadav Meet Amid Political Buzz Over Rajasthan's Development Agenda

**FAIR REPORT**

**JAIPUR:** In a meeting that has sparked political interest beyond routine protocol, Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma on Friday held detailed discussions with Union Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Bhupender Yadav at the Chief Minister's residence.

Officially described as a courtesy call, the meeting focused on issues relating to Rajasthan's development priorities and public welfare. However, political observers believe the interaction carries broader significance as the BJP government intensifies efforts to accelerate infrastructure expansion, environmental clearances, invest-



ment promotion and welfare delivery across the state.

The timing of the meeting is noteworthy, with the state government pushing

key development initiatives while simultaneously balancing environmental concerns linked to industrial growth, mining, water conservation and renewable energy projects. As a senior BJP strategist with deep organisational roots in Rajasthan, Bhupender Yadav's engagement is expected to strengthen coordination between the Centre and the state administration on policy implementation.

While no specific announcements emerged from the meeting, the high-level interaction underscores the BJP leadership's emphasis on maintaining close Centre-state coordination. Political analysts suggest such engagements

are increasingly becoming crucial in fast-tracking major projects and ensuring smoother execution of flagship schemes. With Rajasthan preparing for the next phase of its development roadmap, Friday's meeting signals that governance, investment and policy alignment remain firmly at the top of the government's agenda.

## India launches Op Amistad to aid quake-hit Venezuela

FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

Under the 'Operation Amistad', launched by India to offer humanitarian assistance to quake-hit Venezuela, two IAF C-17 Globemaster aircraft carrying relief supplies and a 41-member rescue team departed on Friday to assist the ongoing relief and rescue efforts in that country.

"India stands shoulder to shoulder with the government and the people of Venezuela during this difficult period," the Ministry of External Affairs said.

In a gesture of solidarity with the people of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, India has launched Operation Amistad, a humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) mission, in response to the devastating earthquake that has caused extensive loss of life, injuries and widespread destruction. "Operation Amistad underway! Two @IAF\_MCC C17s took-off today for Venezuela with urgent assistance to support their post-earthquake relief efforts. The assistance contains an Indian Army @adgpi Field Hospital Unit and over 35 tons of relief supplies, medicines and medical equipment, including two BHISHM cubes. India is committed to supporting the government and people of Venezuela in



A 41-member team of the Indian Army, from the 60 Para Field Hospital, including nine medical officers, being deployed in Venezuela to support humanitarian relief efforts as part of 'Operation Amistad'.

this difficult time," External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said in a post on X.

The MEA said in its statement on Friday that as part of the operation, two C-17 aircraft of the Indian Air Force departed for Venezuela on June 26 morning, carrying humanitarian relief supplies and a 41-member rescue team to assist the ongoing relief and rescue efforts.

"The relief consignment included a self-reliant Indian medical task force, an Indian Army Field Hospital unit with HADR pallets and medicines, 30 tons of relief supplies, six tons of medicines and medical equipment and

two BHISHM cube portable hospitals," it said.

The 41-member team, comprising experienced rescue personnel and medical professionals, will work closely with the Venezuelan authorities in search and rescue operations, emergency medical care and humanitarian relief efforts in the affected areas.

"India stands shoulder to shoulder with the government and the people of Venezuela during this difficult period. The government of India extends its heartfelt condolences to the families who have lost their loved ones and wishes a speedy recovery to those injured.

India will remain in close coordination with the government of Venezuela and stands ready to provide further assistance as may be required," it said.

The 7.2- and 7.5-magnitude earthquakes that struck Wednesday evening were among the strongest in Venezuela in more than a century and were felt throughout the region.

The death toll from two powerful quakes in Venezuela rose to 589, with 2,980 injured, acting President Delcy Rodriguez said early Friday.

The number of casualties may climb, with thousands reported missing.

## Ram temple donation row: Priyanka seeks transparent probe

FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Friday said that instead of a "cover-up" in the name of an investigation into the alleged embezzlement of donations received at the Ram temple in Ayodhya, a transparent inquiry must be conducted into the "theft" and all those involved must face severe punishment.

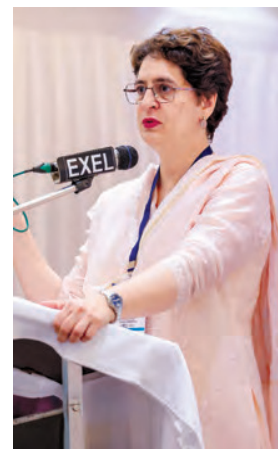
The Congress general secretary also asked whether low-level employees acting alone could switch off CCTV cameras and embezzle offerings worth thousands of crores.

"The entire nation has been left stunned by the deceitful act of theft and plunder committed against Lord Ram -- the embodiment of righteousness (Maryada Purushottam) and the upholder of truth and 'Dharma' -- and the faith of his millions of devotees," Priyanka Gandhi said in a post in Hindi on X.

"Lord Ram resides in the sacred sentiments of millions; it is with this very reverence that people bow their heads and offer donations at the temple," she said.

Those who indulged in "theft" at the Ram temple have committed a grave sin by violating the very essence of faith and 'dharma', she said.

"A crucial question also



arises -- could low-level employees acting alone switch off CCTV cameras and embezzle offerings worth thousands of crores, or is there collusion involving powerful individuals?" Priyanka Gandhi said.

"Instead of a cover-up in the name of an investigation, a transparent inquiry must be conducted, and all those involved in this act of theft must face severe punishment," she asserted.

All eight persons arrested over the alleged embezzlement of donations received at the Ram temple in Ayodhya were on Friday remanded in judicial custody till June 29 as the issue erupted into a full-blown political storm with the ruling BJP and the opposition trading charges and counter-charges while investigators reported recovering Rs 79.85 lakh.

## States Focus



### FCRA CHANGES NOT TARGETING ANY GROUP: KERALA BJP CHIEF

BJP Kerala president Rajeev Chandrasekhar on Friday defended the amendments to the FCRA, saying they were intended to prevent foreign contributions from being used for money laundering and were not aimed at targeting any particular community. Responding to reporters' questions about concerns raised by several Christian organisations over the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA) amendments, Chandrasekhar said the issue had been politicised by the Congress during the elections. "The Congress made this a big political issue during the elections, and we lost a lot of Christian support because of that," he told reporters. He rejected allegations that the amendments targeted Christian institutions, noting that organisations from all religious communities receive foreign contributions under the FCRA. Chandrasekhar said there was nothing in the amendments that would be used to target any group. "This amendment is being used to prevent foreign contributions from being used for money laundering. That is what the Home Ministry has said. There is nothing in the bill that will be used to target anybody," he said. He said organisations with genuine concerns should engage with the Union Home Ministry rather than create apprehensions. "If somebody has a legitimate concern, they should sit down, understand the bill and talk to the Home Ministry. If necessary, I can facilitate that. If you are sincere about understanding the bill and the amendments, we are more than happy to have a conversation. The Government of India is also willing to have that conversation," he said. About the 51st anniversary of the Emergency, Chandrasekhar said the occasion should not be remembered merely as a chapter in history but as a reminder of the need to safeguard democracy and constitutional values.

## AI to speed up India's journey to developed nation: PM Modi



FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said responsible and inclusive adoption of artificial intelligence will play a vital role in accelerating India's journey to become a developed nation. Artificial Intelligence is reshaping industries and creating new avenues for productivity as well as innovation, he said.

In a message to the AI Innovation Summit organised by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), Modi said the accounting and financial professions are also witnessing rapid changes driven by technological advancements.

"When used responsibly and allied with human judgement, AI-powered tools can improve efficiency, strengthen compliance, enable better decision-making and help professionals deliver greater value," he said. The prime

minister's message was read out at the inaugural ceremony of the two-day summit that commenced on Friday in the national Capital.

As India advances towards becoming a developed nation, he said, responsible and inclusive adoption of AI will play a vital role in accelerating the journey. The Government is taking various initiatives as part of larger efforts to make India a developed nation by 2047. Modi also appreciated the invaluable contribution of the chartered accountants' fraternity to the country's progress. "As India embraces the opportunities of the AI era, I am confident that the CA fraternity will continue to uphold the highest standards of integrity, while leading innovation and excellence in the financial sector, contributing to the building of Viksit Bharat," he said. ICAI, set up under an Act of Parliament, has more than five lakh members.

## Sanction delays hamper bank fraud probes: CBI

FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

The CBI has highlighted delays in obtaining required sanctions to initiate investigations and file charges against bank officials in corruption and fraud cases, noting that these delays hinder both investigation and prosecution.

This issue was discussed at a meeting on Thursday attended by senior CBI officers, the Secretary of the Department of Financial Services, senior Finance Ministry officials, bank repre-



sentatives, and Chief Vigilance Officers. The CBI reported that in several cases, banks have denied sanction to prosecute their officials. As a result, cases

lose approval under the Prevention of Corruption Act and are transferred from special courts to regular courts. The CBI must seek sanction under Section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption Act before initiating a criminal investigation and under Section 19 of the Act before prosecution.

The CBI also raised concerns about banks' delays in providing documents in fraud cases, stating that these delays impede investigative progress.

"During the day-long meeting, participants dis-

cussed several topics, including prior approval under Section 17A of the PC Act, prosecution sanctions under Section 19, pending documents, bank fraud complaints, one-time settlement issues, recent court rulings, and mule account concerns. The agenda focused on improving interdepartmental cooperation and expediting bank fraud investigations," a CBI spokesperson said. Senior CBI officers held bank-specific discussions with CVOs to address pending issues, and the agency stated that most con-

cerns were resolved. "Close coordination. The meeting acknowledged the importance of timely document sharing between banks and the CBI. Participants emphasised streamlining procedures and ensuring proactive cooperation in obtaining approvals and sanctions for prosecution under Sections 17A and 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act," the spokesperson said. The meeting concluded with a consensus to maintain the current momentum of cooperation between CBI and public sector banks, she said.

## Opposition uses EVMs, ECI to justify electoral defeats: BJP

FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

The BJP on Friday accused Opposition parties of using electronic voting machines and the Election Commission as "excuses" to justify their electoral defeats, citing the low number of applications seeking verification of EVMs' burnt memory after the recent assembly elections.

Following the latest round of Assembly elections, reportedly no applications for EVM memory checking and verification were received from West Bengal, Assam, Kerala and Puducherry, while Tamil Nadu was the only state where the Election Commission received four such applications.

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alleged that Opposition parties raise questions over EVMs and the Election Commission only after losing elections. "EVMs are just an excuse. Elections are just an excuse. The real objective is to save themselves. That is why they target the Election Commission," he said.

Poonawalla further claimed that the opposition parties question the electoral process to create doubt in the minds of voters and use these allegations as an alibi to escape accountability. "They are only trying to create doubt in the minds of voters and use these allegations as an alibi to escape accountability. In reality, they also know that the EVMs are working perfectly well," he said. Poonawalla claimed the latest figures on EVM verification requests exposed the Opposition's



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"hypocrisy". "They do not blame EVMs when they win in Karnataka, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala or Tamil Nadu. They raise these alle-

gations only in the states where they lose. That is their hypocrisy," he said.

"In the last five Assembly elections in four states, there

were zero applications or complaints seeking EVM scrutiny, memory checking or verification filed by Opposition parties that lost

the elections. "In Tamil Nadu, the Election Commission received only four applications. Even the Opposition, despite losing elections, has effectively acknowledged this through its actions," he claimed. He alleged that opposition parties publicly question EVMs, the Election Commission and the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls but fail to substantiate their allegations.

"In the public domain, they blame EVMs, they blame the SIR and the Election Commission. But these are merely excuses. Whether it is the SIR, EVMs or the election process, they do not pursue these allegations in courts or file substantive complaints. "They only make these claims before television cameras. In reality, they have no evidence to support them," Poonawalla alleged.

## Union Govt decriminalises minor food, drug violations

FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

The Centre has operationalised key reforms under the Jan Vishwas Act, 2026, in the health sector, decriminalising several minor and technical violations under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, and the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, while retaining stringent penalties for offences that threaten public health.

The Union health ministry on Friday said the reforms are aimed at promoting ease of doing business, reducing compliance burden on businesses and ensuring proportionate regulatory enforcement without compromising consumer safety. Under the amended



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framework, certain technical and procedural violations that earlier attracted criminal proceedings will now be dealt with through administrative penalties.

Among key changes, Section 29 of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, which prescribed a penalty up to Rs 1 lakh for using a Government analyst's report for advertis-

ing any drug or cosmetic, has been omitted.

Further, violations relating to the manufacture or sale of low-risk cosmetics have been brought under an administrative penalty framework.

These include cases where cosmetic products fail to comply with minor quality parameters or contain

labelling deficiencies and errors. However, offences involving spurious or adulterated cosmetics, which have a direct bearing on consumer safety, continue to attract strict penal provisions under the act, the ministry said in a statement.

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The amendments have also converted violations under Section 28A, relating to procedural compliance, such as maintenance of records and submission of information, into administrative penalties. To facilitate effective implementation of the

new framework, provisions relating to the appointment of adjudicating authorities and an appeal mechanism have been introduced, enabling the timely and transparent disposal of cases involving such contraventions. In the food safety sector, provisions under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, relating to the imposition of court fines in cases involving false complaints against food safety officers have been brought under an administrative penalty mechanism.

The punishment for interfering with seized items has been rationalised, with the term of imprisonment reduced from six months to three months, the statement said.

## Imported drugs must have 12-month shelf life: Govt

FAIR REPORT  
New Delhi

The Union Health Ministry has published a draft notification proposing amendments to the drugs rules under which imported drugs should have a minimum residual shelf life of 12 months at the time of import.

The step would ensure that patients receive medicines with an adequate usable shelf life and improve the utilisation of pharmaceutical inventories across the supply chain. The draft amendment published for public consultation vide gazette notification on June 22 proposes to revise the existing requirement of a



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continue to apply to biological products and radiopharmaceuticals.

The proposed amendment seeks to facilitate greater efficiency in the pharmaceutical supply chain while maintaining the availability of quality medicines for patients, the ministry said.

By ensuring that imported drugs have a minimum remaining shelf life of 12 months upon entry into the country, the proposal provides sufficient time for distribution and consumption before expiry, thereby ensuring that patients continue to receive medicines with adequate usable shelf life, officials said.

## 'INDIA DESERVES BETTER':

### GOYAL TAKES ON GLOBAL RATING GIANTS, SAYS ECONOMY IS BEING UNDERSOLD

FAIR REPORT



**NEW DELHI:** In a forceful challenge to the world's most influential credit rating agencies, Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal has accused S&P Global, Moody's and Fitch Ratings of systematically underestimating India's economic strength, arguing that outdated assessment frameworks have failed to keep pace with the country's transformation into a global growth engine.

Launching a broadside against the agencies, Goyal questioned why India—one of the world's fastest-growing major economies—continues to receive ratings that, according to him, do not reflect its robust macroeconomic fundamentals, resilient financial system and long-

term growth trajectory.

The minister suggested that conventional rating models remain disproportionately anchored to developed-economy metrics, leaving emerging economies like India unfairly assessed despite delivering

strong growth, fiscal discipline and expanding global influence.

His remarks come amid renewed debate within government circles over whether international credit rating methodologies adequately capture

structural reforms, demographic advantages and the scale of India's economic expansion. Goyal argued that the persistent disconnect between India's performance and its sovereign ratings raises serious questions about the objec-

tivity and relevance of existing evaluation standards.

The criticism also underscores New Delhi's growing confidence in its economic narrative as India positions itself as a key driver of global growth. While international rating agencies continue to acknowledge India's resilience, the government believes the country's economic story deserves far greater recognition than current sovereign ratings suggest.

With India seeking a larger voice in shaping global financial institutions, Goyal's remarks are likely to intensify the debate over whether the world's credit rating architecture needs a fundamental rethink to reflect the realities of the twenty-first century economy.

### District Collector Interacts with Villagers in Night Chaupal, Gives Instructions to Solve Problems

**Public Dialogue Held in Borav, Students Encouraged for Education and Goal Setting; Outstanding Students and Contributors Honoured**

FAIR REPORT



**Chittorgarh:** A night chaupal was organized at Borav Gram Panchayat of Bhainsrorgarh Panchayat Samiti under the chairmanship of District Collector Dr. Manju. The programme became an effective platform for direct communication between the administration and villagers. The District Collector listened to the problems of villagers and instructed officials to resolve them quickly. During the night chaupal, the District Collector interacted with students, youth and villagers. She said that success can be achieved through hard work, discipline and positive thinking. She encouraged students

to focus on education, set goals and follow good values in life. On this occasion, students who secured excellent marks in school were honoured. People who supported the construction of the school roof and other development works were also appreciated. The District Collector planted saplings in the school campus and gave a message of environmental protection. During the public hearing, villagers raised issues related to drinking water, roads, medical facilities, culvert construction, CC roads, speed breakers, correction of revenue records,

land disputes, electricity connections and village routes. The District Collector listened to all complaints seriously and directed officials to take action on priority. The District Collector also distributed policies under the Mangala Animal Insurance Scheme. Chief Executive Officer Zila Parishad Vinay Pathak, Additional District Collector (Rawatbhata) Rajlaxmi Gehlot, Begun SDM Ankit Samaria, Tehsildar Vivek Garasiya, Development Officer Gyarsi Lal Meena and other officials were present along with a large number of villagers.

### 'THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO STEP OUT': Pawan Khera's Warning To BJP Leaders Triggers Massive Political Storm

**New Delhi:** A fresh political firestorm has erupted between the Congress and the BJP after senior Congress leader Pawan Khera made remarks that the ruling party has branded as an open threat against its leaders. Addressing reporters amid the Congress' attack over what it describes as the "undeclared Emergency" under the Narendra Modi government, Khera declared that once the BJP loses power and accountability begins for over a decade of alleged institutional misuse, its leaders "will not be able to step out" without security. He accused the Centre of throttling the media, weakening democratic institutions and turning agencies such as the ED, CBI and the Election Commission into political instruments.

The BJP responded within hours, circulating Khera's video on social media and accusing the Congress of exposing what it called its "Emergency mindset." In a sharp counterattack, the saffron party said that while fifty years have passed since the 1975 Emergency, the Congress continues to believe in intimidation and political vendetta. BJP leaders alleged that Khera's remarks amounted to a direct threat against elected representatives and reflected the Opposition's frustration.

### Copper Coil Truck Robbery Accused Arrested After 14 Years, Mangalwad Police Strategy Brings Success

**10,000 Rewarded and Top-10 Wanted Accused Abdul Mannan alias Munna Arrested from Old Faridabad, Was Involved in Copper Coil Truck Robbery**

FAIR REPORT

**Chittorgarh-** Under Operation Sudarshan Chakra-2, Mangalwad Police have achieved a major success by arresting a wanted criminal who was absconding for the last 14 years. The accused Abdul Mannan alias Munna, a

10,000 rewarded and Top-10 wanted criminal, was arrested from Old Faridabad, Haryana. He was wanted in the 2012 highway robbery and kidnapping case. Superintendent of Police Dharmendra Singh said that under the direction of IG Udaipur Range Gaurav Srivastava, ASP Mukul Sharma and supervision of DSP Badi Sadri Harishchandra, Mangalwad SHO Bhagwan Lal and his team carried out the operation. According to police, the accused was hiding for 14 years by

changing his locations. To catch him, Mangalwad Police made a special plan. A constable was kept on secret surveillance for about one month to track his movements. After getting confirmed information that the accused was going to attend a function, police surrounded the highway and arrested him. The case is from 2012. Traffic Supervisor Kuldeep Sharma had reported that his company's truck carrying 15,070 kg copper coil was going from Silvassa (Gujarat) to Ghaziabad.

**Money Withdrawn Through UPI After Adding Fake Mobile Number and Documents; Kapasan Police Registered Case**

FAIR REPORT

**Chittorgarh:** A case of online fraud involving 9.90 lakh from the bank account of an 80-year-old man has come to light in Kapasan area. It is alleged that money was withdrawn from the elderly man's account through UPI and other online methods even though

he never applied for an ATM card. Kapasan Police have registered a case against a bank manager and a postman and started an investigation. Kapasan SHO Sunil Sharma said that Ramchandra Sharma (80), resident of Tarakhedi, reported that he has an account in State Bank of India, Kapasan branch. He never applied for an ATM card and never used it. However, it is alleged that bank manager Amar Singh Meena and postman Les Mohammad of Damakheda circle together issued a

fake ATM card. The complaint alleges that fake mobile number and other details were added to the account. It is also alleged that fake signatures were used to receive the ATM card through post. Between May 15 and June 17, 2026, a total of 9,90,832 was withdrawn from the account through UPI and other online methods. The amount was withdrawn from different locations including Rajasthan and Maharashtra. The fraud came to light when Ramchandra Sharma went to the bank on June 24 to

withdraw money. Bank officials informed him that there was no balance in his account. After checking the account details, the fraud was discovered. The elderly man's health became disturbed after learning about the incident and his son Jagdish Sharma was called. Kapasan Police registered a case under sections 316(2), 318(4) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and Section 66(D) of the IT Act. Police are investigating bank records, online transactions and related documents.

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### RAJASTHAN'S BIGGEST URBAN SHAKE-UP IN YEARS: 76 NEW MUNICIPALITIES, 684 POSTS CLEARED TO POWER CIVIC EXPANSION

FAIR REPORT

**JAIPUR:** In a landmark overhaul of Rajasthan's urban governance architecture, the state government has approved the creation of 76 new municipalities, taking the total number of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) from 309 to 385 in one of the most ambitious civic expansion drives undertaken in recent years.

The Cabinet also sanctioned 684 new posts in the Department of Local Self-Government, signalling a shift from merely creating civic institutions to en-

suring they are adequately staffed. Officials said the move is aimed at strengthening governance in rapidly urbanising regions by equipping the newly constituted municipalities with the administrative workforce needed to deliver essential civic services.

The decision carries added significance as it marks the first major expansion of sanctioned posts in the Local Self-Government Department in nearly 15 years and the first recruitment approval in the department in three

years. The approvals seek to address longstanding manpower shortages that have hampered urban administration amid Rajasthan's accelerating urban growth.

In another significant policy shift, the government withdrew its earlier decision to outsource Class-IV employees, sanitation supervisors, sanitation workers and watchmen in six previously constituted municipalities. Approval for 54 outsourced posts has been revoked, indicating a preference for strengthening

civic administration through regular staffing rather than contractual arrangements.

With dozens of towns now entering the municipal fold, the challenge shifts from policy to execution. The success of Rajasthan's largest urban restructuring exercise will ultimately be measured by how quickly these new civic bodies translate into better sanitation, stronger infrastructure, efficient public services and more accountable local governance for millions of residents.

### 'MY HEART NEVER LEFT INDIA': 94-YEAR-OLD WOMAN GIVES UP US CITIZENSHIP, PLEADS TO SPEND FINAL DAYS IN HER MOTHERLAND

**AMARAVATI:** In a deeply emotional appeal that has touched hearts across the country, a 94-year-old woman of Andhra Pradesh origin has reportedly renounced her United States citizenship and appealed to the authorities to restore her Indian citizenship so she can spend the final chapter of her life in the land of her birth. In a letter addressed to the district administration, the elderly woman is reported to have written, "Collector garu, I am nearing 95 years of age.

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**Family Alleges: Even After Paying Lakhs, Lenders Demanded More Money, Threatened to Fill Blank Cheques With ₹50 Lakh**

FAIR REPORT

**Chittorgarh-** A 45-year-old farmer, Suresh son of Mangalal Bharti, resident of Daulatpura village under Haripura Gram Panchayat, allegedly consumed poison due to pressure and harassment by people who had given him money on interest. He died during treatment at Chittorgarh District Hospital on Wednesday. Based on the complaint of his wife Rekha Bai, Begun Police have registered a case and started an investigation. According to the family, Suresh had borrowed small amounts of money from several people at different times due to financial needs. It is alleged that even after paying the original amount and interest, lenders continued demanding much more money. His wife alleged that some people demanded up to 1.5 lakh against loans of 10,000 to 20,000. In another case, a person allegedly demanded 3 lakh against a loan of 1 lakh. Due to continuous pressure and threats, Suresh sold his

house and land about seven months ago. It is also alleged that a resident of Haripura, Ratanlal Dhakad, took 12 lakh from him promising to arrange another house, but neither provided the house nor returned the money. The family also alleged that blank bank cheques were taken from Suresh and he was threatened that 50 lakh would be filled in them. After receiving a legal notice related to a cheque, Suresh became more stressed. On Wednesday morning around 4 AM, Suresh left home saying he was going for toilet, but did not return. After two hours, police informed the family that he was found unconscious in a field. He was first taken to Begun Hospital and later referred to Chittorgarh District Hospital, where he died during treatment. The family said farming was their main source of income. Suresh is survived by his elderly mother, wife and a 10-year-old son. Complaints related to illegal money lending and harassment are also frequently received at the SP office. Police officials direct such complaints to the concerned police stations for action. In many cases, lenders try to put pressure by showing cheques and stamp papers.

### NDPS Accused Did Not Return to Jail After 45-Day Interim Bail, Case Registered by Police

**Accused Released from Chittorgarh Jail, Failed to Surrender After Bail Period Ended; Second Such Case Reported in 27 Days**

FAIR REPORT

**Chittorgarh:** A case has been registered against an undertrial prisoner under the NDPS Act for not returning to jail even after completing his 45-day in-

terim bail period. Kotwali Police have started an investigation and are searching for the accused. According to police, Niranjan son of Vardichand Gayari, resident of Subi, Chhoti Sadri (Pratapgarh), was in judicial custody in an NDPS case. Due to overcrowding in Chittorgarh District Jail, he was shifted to Sub Jail Chhoti Sadri on May 12, 2024. On the order of the Special NDPS Court No. 2, Chittorgarh,



the accused was granted 45 days interim bail. Sub Jail Chhoti Sadri released him

District Jail before 5 PM on June 25, 2026. However, the accused did not return to jail even after the deadline. After this, the Jail Superintendent sent a report to Kotwali Police. On the complaint of Jail Guard Vedram Chaudhary, police registered a case and started investigation. The investigation has been handed over to ASI Navranglal. Police said that around 450 prisoners are currently lodged in

Chittorgarh District Jail. This is the second case in the last 27 days where an accused released on interim bail did not return to jail. Earlier, Mandasur resident NDPS accused Ankit Singh Sisodia also failed to return after getting 30 days interim bail. He was arrested by Nimbarhera Police in November 2025 after 4 kg 635 grams MDMA was recovered from a car near Jaliya Check Post.