

Rahul takes 'not Hindus' jibe at BJP

Says the ruling party indulges in violence, hate '24x7'

PTI, NEW DELHI: Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi launched a no-holds-barred attack on the BJP in the Lok Sabha on Monday, saying the leaders of the ruling party are not Hindus as they engage in "violence and hate" round the clock, drawing massive protests from the treasury benches, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi accusing the Congress leader of calling the entire Hindu community violent.

Gandhi, however, hit back at Modi, saying he was speaking about the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and neither the ruling party nor the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) nor Modi represents the entire Hindu society.

Besides Modi, who intervened twice, at least five cabinet ministers also interjected during Gandhi's speech that lasted for about an hour and 40 minutes, with Home Minister Amit Shah demanding his apology for painting the Hindu community as violent.

"It is not just one religion that talks about courage. In fact, all our religions talk about courage," Gandhi said in his debut speech as the leader of opposition in the Lok Sabha that was watched by his mother Sonia Gandhi and sister Priyanka Gandhi Vadra from the visitors' gallery.

The Congress leader was

THIS ISSUE IS VERY SERIOUS: PM MODI

PTI, NEW DELHI: The treasury-bench members stood up in protest against Rahul Gandhi's speech, in which he slammed the BJP, saying, "Aap Hindu ho hi nahin (You are not Hindus). Intervening during Rahul Gandhi's speech, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, "This issue is very serious. Calling the entire Hindu community violent is a serious issue." Union Home Minister, Amit Shah sought the Congress leader's apology to the House and the country for hurting the feelings of crores of people who take pride in identifying themselves as Hindus. He said the ruckus created by the Opposition cannot drown the fact that the words - "those who call themselves Hindus indulge in violence" - were used in the House.

speaking during the debate on the Motion of Thanks on the president's address to a joint sitting of Parliament.

Gandhi quoted Prophet Muhammad to highlight that the Quran talks about fearlessness and said without hands are raised in "dua", the "abhyas mudra" can also be observed in a way.

Holding up pictures of Lord Shiva, Guru Nanak and Jesus Christ, he referred to Hinduism, Islam, Sikhism, Christianity, Buddhism and Jainism to underline the importance of fearlessness. He also cited the attributes of Lord Shiva and teachings of Guru Nanak, Jesus Christ, Buddha and Mahavir to state that all religions and great people of the country have said "daro mat, darao mat (do not be scared, do not scare others)".

"Shivji says daro mat, darao mat, shows the abhyas mudra (the right hand held

upright with the palm facing outwards), talks about ahimsa, but those who call themselves Hindus indulge in hatred, violence and untruths round the clock," Gandhi said, pointing towards the BJP MPs.

Gandhi said that minorities represent India in all spheres and bring pride to the nation. "They stand like a rock with the country and are patriots, but you (BJP) attack them," he said.

Referring to the Agnipath scheme for short-term military recruitment, Gandhi said the government regards the Agniveers as "use-and-throw labourers" and does not even give them the status of a "shaheed" (martyr).

The Congress leader also hit out at the Centre over the situation in Manipur, alleging that it has pushed the northeastern state into a civil war.

GROWING UNREST



Massive protests and riots break out in France after Marine Le Pen's right-wing National Rally takes the lead in the first round of the parliamentary elections

BJP paid heavy price for throttling voice of one MP: Moitra in Lok Sabha

TMC MP Mahua Moitra hits out at the ruling party for suspending her in the last Lok Sabha session

PTI, NEW DELHI: TMC MP Mahua Moitra hit out at the ruling party for suspending her in the last Lok Sabha session, saying they paid a very heavy price for throttling her voice which led to loss of 63 BJP MPs.

Speaking during a discussion on the Motion of Thanks to the President's address to a joint sitting of Parliament, she said the BJP will not be able to treat the opposition the way they treated them during the last session.

"People would tell me, 'Mahua, you lost so much. You lost your membership, your house.' I also lost my uterus, but you know what I gained? I gained freedom from fear - Mahua Moitra, TMC Lok Sabha MP



"Last time I stood, I was not allowed to speak. The ruling party paid a very heavy price for throttling the voice of one MP," she said, referring to her suspension in the last session. "In their attempt to si-

lence me, the public silenced them, causing them to lose 63 MPs... mujhko bithane ke chakkar mein janta ne apko bitha diya, apke 63 MPs loss kar diya," Moitra began, setting a defiant tone. Moitra condemned the

installation of the Sengol in Parliament, calling it a symbol of monarchy with no place in a democracy.

"The BJP's 'raj tantra' has been reduced by the 'lok tantra' of this country. This is not a stable government. It depends on multiple allies who have a history of U-turns. We are 234 warriors this time, having walked on fire. You will not be able to treat us like last time," she said.

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ASSAGAO CASE KIDNAP ACCUSED IN NO MOOD TO JOIN INVESTIGATION AS GOA COPS KEEP LOOKING As Crime Branch anticipates her arrival, accused Pooja Sharma files for anticipatory bail

Elusive for eight days, Sharma moved the Sessions Court after the Goa Police issued two notices to her asking her to appear before the police for inquiry

Team Herald

PANJIM: Pooja Sharma, one of the accused in the Assagao house demolition case, on Monday filed an anticipatory bail application before the North Goa District and Sessions Court, Panjim.

The Court will hear Sharma's anticipatory bail application on Wednesday, July 3.

After being elusive for eight days, Sharma moved the Sessions Court after the Goa police issued two notices to her asking her to appear before the police for inquiry, into the incident of partial demolition of a house at Bairo Alto, Assagao on June 22. However, both the notices issued under Section 41 A of CrPC could not be delivered as Sharma was not found at her Chandivali,

Mumbai residence.

The State government and the Police are tight lipped on this case and whether both the notices were served to Pooja Sharma.

The Anjuna police had registered and FIR against Pooja Sharma and other unknown persons following a complaint by Prinsha Agarwadekar, whose family is currently residing in the house. The case was registered under Sections 365 and 427 read with 34 of IPC. It was later transferred to the Crime Branch, who added more Section of IPC, against the accused.

Sharma in her anticipatory bail application has stated that she had not visited the State since January this year. Sharma, who purchased the property bearing Survey No 135/1-A

CM DUCKS QUESTION ON DGP'S TRANSFER, SAYS HE WILL BRIEF MEDIA

PANJIM: While enjoying a joyride on an air-conditioned electric-bus from Panjim to Porvorim, reporters bowled a googly to Chief Minister Pramod Sawant on Monday. The question was about the news doing the rounds that the Director General of Police (DGP) Jaspal Singh, IPS would be transferred out of the State for his alleged role in the Assagao house demolition case. The Chief Minister, who may have been expecting the googly, said that he would address a press conference on the DGP Jaspal Singh's transfer. Meanwhile, the Chief Secretary Puneet Kumar Goel, who is conducting an inquiry into the Assagao house demolition case, and DGP came face to face at a function, where books were released regarding implementation of three new laws at Police Headquarters Panjim.

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in September last year has stated that the seller Chrys Pinto had told her that the structure belongs to him and that he would vacate it

and give it to her. The property admeasuring 600 square metres was purchased for consideration of a total sum of Rs 1.14 crore. The

area of the structure was 23 years old and it was valued at Rs 18 lakh and the land was valued at Rs 96 lakh.

The Agarwadekars' house was partially demolished on June 22, 2024 with heavy machinery without serving any notice from any authority. Bouncers were employed in executing the daring act.

So far the crime Branch has arrested six persons including three women bouncers. Five of these six were present on the spot and sixth one conspired with the main accused persons and gave his vehicle for commission of offence.

The police teams were sent to Belagavi and Mumbai to nab the absconding accused, but in vain.

Adv Pavithran A V is arguing on behalf of land owner Pooja Sharma.

In place of the promised 48 e-buses, KTCL launches just 6 CM says old buses won't be stopped; buses to ply along with private buses

Team Herald

PANJIM: After making the city dwellers wait for the electric buses, the State government on Monday launched six air conditioned electric buses (e-buses) to ply on the city's routes out of the 48 e-buses that were announced for Panjim.

The six buses, which will ply along with private buses, were flagged off by Chief Minister Pramod Sawant in the presence of Transport Minister Mauvin Godinho and MLA and Chairman of Kadamba Transport Corporation Limited (KTCL) Ulhas Tuenkar.

Speaking to reporters, Sawant said along with the electric buses the government is also planning to introduce electric rickshaws and electric bikes for the use of motorcycle pilots as well.

The Chief Minister said the 'Mhaji Bus' scheme is slowly picking up momentum and till date 57 bus owners have joined the scheme wherein Kadamba Transport Corporation Limited (KTCL) operates private buses. He said that reforms will be brought in the transport sector to give better service to the people of the state. The Chief Minister also assured that old buses will not be stopped.

Transport Minister Mauvin Godinho said that private bus operators were given alternate routes but they did not accept them so it has been decided that to run the buses on the routes along with them. "Let them also ply. Let the people decide which buses to use," he said.

KTCL Chairman Ulhas Tuenkar said, "Under the Smart City Mission, we have received 48 buses and they will start running in the city within next two months. As many as 100 buses are to arrive in Goa. However, it



CM Sawant travels in a newly introduced e-bus, on Monday

THE E-BUS STORY

▶▶ KTC plans to infuse 48 electric buses in Smart City Panjim soon at a cost of about Rs 1.25 crore per vehicle
▶▶ Six high-tech electric buses manufactured by PMI were commissioned to service recently
▶▶ Unlike the hire purchase last time, this time round the buses have been purchased with part Golden

Jubilee Fund and partly with Smart City fund
▶▶ Interestingly, one group, Piramal Group, invested Rs 250 crore on the electric bus manufacturing company which has bagged multiple orders for buses ever since
▶▶ KTC had earlier hired purchased a large number higher capacity buses by Olectra

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- Rohit Monserrate, CCP Mayor

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will take some time."

However, Corporation of the City of Panjim (CCP) Mayor Rohit Monserrate said the government should take into confidence the private bus operators who have been in the field for 10-15 years.

"CM has said that he will consult them. However, those working in the private buses cannot be removed suddenly. There has to be mutual understanding and give and take for both," he said.

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Proposed new Borim bridge inspection slated for today

Loutolim farmers meet PWD principal chief engineer; PWD officials and engineers will visit the proposed new Borim Bridge access road site on Tuesday to check the possibility of alternative alignment

Team Herald

PANJIM: The PWD officials and engineers will visit the proposed new Borim Bridge access road site on Tuesday, July 2, to check the possibility of alternative alignment, according to the farmers and residents.

A core committee of the Farmers Association from Loutolim on Monday met the Environment Minister Aleixo Sequeira and PWD principal chief engineer Uttam Parsekar regarding the alignment of the new Borim Bridge. The farmers conveyed their dissatisfaction with govern-



Farmers from Loutolim briefing media after attending a meeting at PWD office at Altinho-Panjim, on Monday

ment's alignment proposal for Borim Bridge.

They said that the khazans are eco-sensitive and had been reclaimed from

the Zuari river by ancestors over 3,000 years ago and the water is not even one metre deep. Hence it is not suitable for putting up the

pillars of the bridge. After the meeting, the delegation members said the present proposal will directly affect three to four

lakh square metres of the 7.50 lakh jhazan land in their village.

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DEATH TRAPS IN SEA: 'Ghost nets' threaten marine life in Goa

Multiple turtles were found entangled in 'ghost nets' along South Goa's beaches; eco-warriors call for financial incentives for fishers to prevent them from abandoning 'ghost nets' and damaged nets at sea

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MARGAO: Recent incidents involving 'ghost nets' along Goa's coastline have sparked renewed concerns for marine wildlife and prompted discussions about potential solutions. These nets that degrade into harmful microplastics, pose a significant threat to sea creatures, particularly turtles.

Multiple turtles were found entangled in ghost nets along South Goa's beaches. At Betalbatim, lifeguards removed a net from a severely injured turtle, now under veterinary care supervised by Forest Department. The animal sustained cuts to its flippers. Another incident at Benaulim resulted in a turtle fatality. The department conducted a post-mortem examination to determine the cause of death. In Ma-

jorda, Olive Ridley hatching and adult Hawksbill turtle were found stuck in a 'ghost net'. Lifeguards were able to rescue them, and the department officials took them for treatment and potential release.

Conservationists said that response system is in place for rescues, but more needs to be done to address the root causes of these injuries and deaths.

Experts called for a collaborative effort involving government, local communities, and industry stakeholders to tackle the issue.

A conservationist called for creating financial incentives for fishers to ensure 'ghost nets' and damaged nets are not abandoned in the sea.

The eco-warrior suggested implementing proper storage solutions.

Dr Sebastiao Rodrigues, National Council Member



A lifeguard rescues a turtle that got entangled in ghost nets at Betalbatim

Two turtles caught in 'ghost nets' rescued at Colva

MARGAO: Two Olive Ridley turtles caught in ghost nets were rescued at Colva beach by fishermen on Monday. The rescued turtles were handed over to the Forest Department and lifeguards for treatment.

The department officials said that they have been conducting periodic workshops for fishermen creating awareness about rescue of turtles and other sea creatures.

of the National Platform for Small Scale Fish Workers, identified layers of insensitivity contributing to the proliferation of ghost fishing which include lack of awareness leading to the abandonment of stripped gillnets, conflicts between water sports boats, barges, and fishing vessels resulting in torn nets left in the water, and inadequate waste disposal systems, turning rivers and Arabian Sea into dumping grounds for fishing nets.

Dr Rodrigues pointed out the shift to petrochemical-based net manufactur-

ing, with no responsibility placed on manufacturers for the nets end-of-life disposal, and the role of middlemen involved in selling industrially manufactured fishing nets without accountability for their disposal. He said that addressing these layers of insensitivity is crucial to combating the 'ghost net' problem.

The Forest Department's Wildlife Division has installed a signboard warning about ghost nets in one area of South Goa, with conservationists urging the department to expand this

ENCOUNTERING STRANDED MARINE LIFE: DO'S & DON'T'S

IF THE ANIMAL IS ALIVE
- Maintain a respectful distance

- Avoid crowding or making noise
- Do not attempt to move the animal

FOR DECEASED ANIMALS
- Keep a safe distance
- Do not attempt to handle or bury the carcass

REPORT IMMEDIATELY TO:
- Forest Department
- Nearest lifeguard tower

CONTACT NUMBERS:
- North Goa: 0832-2228772
- South Goa: 0832-2750246

The expert said, "This compartmentalisation of issues creates the gaps." There should be better coordination between the Fisheries and Forest Departments to create effective schemes."

The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) initiated the collection and recycling of discarded plastic fishing nets on four beaches and expanded the project along the coastline. TERI estimated that approximately 40-50 tonnes of plastic waste from fishing nets are discarded monthly.

Experts say that long-term strategies will address the ghost net problem. A multi-pronged approach involving awareness campaigns, financial incentives, improved waste management systems and stricter regulations on net manufacturing and disposal is necessary to protect marine life.

Bhoma mom sits on Mamlatdar's doorstep when administration doesn't reach her doorstep

Fed up by government inaction on encroachment on their land, mother-son duo from Bhoma sat on a dharna at the Ponda Mamlatdar's office

Team Herald

PONDA: When administration at doorsteps did not reach this mother from Bhoma, and her son decided to sit on the Mamlatdar's doorstep.

Mother and son duo from Bhoma, senior citizen Prema Naik and her son Suresh have been seeking action on their complaint against their neighbour for allegedly encroaching upon their property since the last four months, but there has been no action from the authorities.

Miffed with the government inaction on their complaint, the duo on Monday, decided to protest by staging a sit-in at Ponda Mamlatdar's office to save her house from encroachment by her neighbour.

According to Suresh Naik, his neighbour has started repair work of his house for which he has no objection. However, the neighbour has encroached into his property, due to which rainwater is directly entering into his house property. Further, the neighbour has built a septic tank, which is encroaching into his property.

According to Suresh, following his complaint filed in January this year, the local panchayat issued a stop work order to his neighbour.

But the very next day, without proper verification, Bhoma-Adcolna Panchayat revoked its order and gave permission for conducting repairs of the house and in this regard, he had filed complaint in last



Prema Naik and her son Suresh staged a sit-in, asking for justice to save their house

February to BDO, Mamlatdar, asking for justice and even warning to stage sit-in, if no justice was done. Ponda Mamlatdar directed the panchayat to take proper action into the matter, but it failed to Act. Thereafter, he again made a com-

plaint under Section 66/1of Goa Panchayat Raj Act. However, the Sarpanch and Secretary inspected the site, but failed to take any action.

Suresh further said that since the panchayat and government authorities were not taking action into the encroachment issue, he has been forced to stage a sit-in in front of Ponda administrative building, having the office of Deputy Collector, Mamlatdar and the BDO. He said his agitation will continue till his family gets justice. He said if the authorities fail to take action, all the 13 members of his family will join the agitation.

Meanwhile, when the media approached Ponda BDO, Ashwin Desai on the issue and asked

him why no action was taken by the panchayat for the past four months, he said he will direct the panchayat to take action.

He said that based on the permissions received from the BDO, the panchayat gave the permission to repair the house.

"However, if the house owner has violated the terms and conditions and encroachment into other's property, then the panchayat needs to verify or take action on complaint. It's the responsibility of the panchayat to verify complaints filed by the citizens and act on violations, if any, after site inspection and verifications of documents of both the parties," Ponda BDO, Ashwin Desai, said.

If denied permission, will hold public meet in front of MMC on July 4: Vijai

Says as an elected representative, holding Janta Darbar is his right; Margao civic body chief says such event has never been held in MMC Hall in the past

Team Herald

MARGAO: An attempt by the Margao municipality to deny permission to Goa Forward Party (GFP) president Vijai Sardesai to hold a public meeting in the municipal hall has escalated tensions between the two groups of councillors supported by Fatorda and Margao MLAs.

Sardesai sought permission from the MMC hall to hold a 'Janta Darbar' to meet the general public on Thursday, July 4.

Sources revealed that as of Monday, MMC was unlikely to grant permission, although this has yet to be formally conveyed to Sardesai's camp.

Reacting to this development, Sardesai pointed out that the Chief Officer (CO) has yet to inform him about the decision.

He added that if permission

"This is not something bestowed upon me but it is my right as the elected representative. If they give permission or not, we will hold the Janta Darbar on that day - Vijai Sardesai, Goa Forward Party president"

is indeed denied, he would go ahead and hold the meeting with the people in front of the municipal building.

Sardesai emphasised his statutory powers as an associate member of the Margao Municipality, stating that holding the Janta Darbar is his right as an elected representative, regardless of permission. "This is not something bestowed upon me but it is my right as the elected representative. If they give permission or not, we will hold the Janta Darbar on

that day," said Sardesai.

When contacted by mediapersons, MMC chairperson Damodar Shirodkar hinted that the request to hold the meeting is not being considered by the CO.

Shirodkar explained that such a Janta Darbar has never been held at the MMC Hall in the past.

He clarified that only government-sponsored events are allowed at the MMC Hall, apart from meetings organised by the MMC.

Sardesai pointed out that he held a Janta Darbar when he was a minister.

The Fatorda MLA questioned whether it is democracy if an elected representative cannot meet and hear the grievances of people, which is the purpose of holding the meeting.

GFP office bearers also questioned the rationale behind denying permission for a public meeting.

Fatorda residents fume over discarded branches on footpaths



Team Herald

MARGAO: The unattended trimmed tree branches discarded on the footpaths near Ravindra Bhavan in Margao and in the vicinity of Fatorda football stadium for several days, have left Fatorda residents fuming.

The entire stretch of footpath from the entry point of the South Goa Planning and Development Authority (SGPDA) to the swimming pool is cluttered with tree branches for days.

The branches, left unattended, posed a significant inconvenience to pedestrians navigating the area.

Residents highlighted the potential hazards posed by these obstructions, calling for immediate action from local authorities to clear the pathways and ensure public safety.

It is learnt that the contractor has left behind branches on the footpaths after cutting the trees which has led to obstructions and inconvenience to pedestrians.

The residents have demanded that the contractor clear the branches to ensure public safety and accessibility.

Milagres Dias, a resident, said that the unattend-

ed branches have caused hardships to pedestrians and senior citizens.

"We can observe several residents, including senior citizens near the Fatorda football stadium and in the vicinity of the swimming pool, who come here for a walk. However, the presence of tree branches on the footpath at several locations has made it difficult for them to walk," he complained.

He said that it is the responsibility of the contractor or Margao Municipal Council to remove the tree branches.

Suresh Kurtarkar, another resident, informed O Herald that branches have been on the footpath for several days.

"We don't understand how the district authorities are tolerating such incidents from the concerned contractor. The branches should have been removed immediately. This is a totally irresponsible attitude of the contractor and the authority concerned," he added.

STREET VOICES WHERE GOANS ARE HEARD

SHOULD THE GOVT BUILD VILLAGE ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE BEFORE BUILDING MULTI-CRORE BRIDGES AND FLYOVERS?

"The Goa government speaks about reaching to the last person, so says the chief minister. I congratulate Team Herald for going to Sanguem and doing the ground report about Carla village. Today, the government is only focusing on making the city sparkle. But there are many villages where students don't have access to schools, they have to cross through jungles. Though the government may have to look after cities at the same time, it has to build the infrastructure in villages. The government has to focus on transportation and roads in villages"

Ashwinkumar Naik

The government has spent crores of rupees on building highways and fancy bridges. Even a viewing tower and restaurant has been proposed on the new Zuari Bridge. Looking at the condition of rural roads and the troubles that students are facing in places such as Carla village in Sanguem, Herald TV asked people if the government should build village roads and infrastructure before building multi-crore bridges and flyovers, in this edition of Street Voices.

"Those living in the villages do not have many of the facilities available in towns and cities. Most infrastructure, especially roads in villages are in bad shape. Culverts are in bad shape. Even then the government spends crores on bridges and highways in the cities. The government should repair the roads and culverts connecting villages to cities. It appears that the State government did not utilise funds under the Centre's Gram Sadak Yojana and returned the money to the Centre. This should be fully utilised for developing villages. Students suffer during the rains. Sometimes the small bridges overflow with water."

Ramnath Parab

"The government does not have a policy for developing village roads. There is an urgent need for such a policy. Seventy per cent of India's population lives in the villages. Many villages in Goa don't have roads. Many roads are plagued with potholes which are not filled. The process is long drawn. The panchayat or municipality has to pass a resolution, then tenders are floated. By that time there are several accidents in which many die. Contractors dig the roads then they don't repair them. Roads should connect all houses in the villages"

Shivaji Desai

Rachol seminarians cultivate paddy, spread message to preserve agri fields for posterity

Team Herald

MARGAO: Sending out a message to fellow Goans, especially the youth, to take up farming and preserve agricultural fields for posterity, the seminarians at Rachol Seminary along with members of the public carried out their annual community initiative of paddy cultivation in the fields of the seminary.

Locals from Rachol and neighbouring villages along with others from other parts of South Goa like Raia, Agalli-Housing Board-Borda, Nuvem, Margao, Loutolim and Shiroda had gathered at the seminary to join hands with the seminarians. There were over 125 people including the youth and children, for the collaborative exercise.



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What made the occasion even more special was the words of praise, encouragement by the Archbishop of Goa and Daman Filipe Neri Cardinal Ferrão and new Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese Rev Fr Simião Purificação Fernandes, who also blessed the fields, the farmers and the seminarians.

The Rector of Rachol Seminary, Fr Donato Rodrigues and a teacher from Our Lady of Snows High

School, Raia, Greta Oliveira, spoke on the occasion.

A group of farmers stuck to traditional methods as a way to teach the youngsters present how they used to cultivate the fields in the past so that such ground level knowledge is passed on to the future generation.

Food and refreshments were also provided while popular Konkani hit songs were also played.

Staff at Rachol Seminary said that the rice harvested from the fields is then kept for the seminarians for their food throughout the year and then whatever additional amount is harvested, is then sold. The seminarians called upon Goans not to leave any field abandoned and ensure that age-old agricultural practices are carried forward.

Three new criminal laws will shape the future of Bharat: Sawant

Team Herald

PANJIM: Chief Minister Pramod Sawant on Monday said that the rollout of the three new criminal laws is a historic day for the country and it will shape the future of Bharat.

"Use of technology, justice on time and redefining the crime are the characteristic features that will shape the future of Bharat," the Chief Minister said.

The three new laws which come into force in the country are Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam. They will replace the Indian Penal Code (IPC) of 1860, the Code of Criminal Procedure Act of 1898, and

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the Indian Evidence Act of 1872, respectively.

The Chief Minister said these laws represent the 'Viksit Bharat ke Panchpran' envisioned by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Director General of Police (DGP) Jaspal Singh, IPS, said, "The new laws will stress more on justice. It means taking the cases to conviction using the latest technology. It has statutory provision of zero FIR. If you are travelling and your belongings are stolen. You can file a complaint

CHIEF SECRETARY AND DGP COME FACE-TO-FACE

PANJIM: Amidst the ongoing controversy of the Director General of Police (DGP) Jaspal Singh's transfer, Chief Secretary Puneet Kumar Goel, IAS came face-to-face with the former and other police officials during the official inauguration ceremony of the process of implementing the three new criminal laws at the Panjim police station on Monday.

The three new criminal laws which are the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, and the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam will bring a widespread change and end the colonial era laws.

DGP Singh said, "Today, all Indians deserve compliments as it is a red letter day in the legislative history of the country as three new criminal laws, enacted by our own popularly elected Parliament, with the theme 'Dand to Nyaya' come into operation. The old colonial laws stand repealed."

after getting down at your place of choice. It also has provision of e-FIR. If your vehicle is stolen then you can

file an online complaint."

Chief Secretary Puneet Goel said, "Now, one will not have to go to the police sta-

tion under whose jurisdiction crime has taken place. It will stop now. It is very important for citizens."



Ponda cops create awareness among citizens on three new criminal laws

Team Herald

PONDA: With three new criminal laws coming into effect from July 1, the Ponda Police on Monday created awareness among the people about them.

PI Sagun Sawant who chaired the meeting along with his officials said that the Indian Penal Code (IPC) has been replaced with Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, the CrPC with Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita and the Indian Evidence Act has been replaced with Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam.

Social workers, PMC councillors, lawyers and journalists and citizens attended the meeting. The citizens stressed to on the need to create awareness about these laws in schools so that every section of society was aware of it.

Social worker Seema Fer-



nandes said with new laws, she is expecting punishment to be meted out to accused and justice to victims at the earliest.

PI Sawant said under new laws, besides various provisions, there would be online registration of police complaints, summons through electronic modes such as SMS, mandatory videography of crime scenes etc.

Some Offences under Colonial era laws such as murder which used to earlier registered under section 302 will be registered under 101 under new law, cheating under old law

section 420 would be registered under section 316 under new law, illegal assembly under old section 144 would be registered under new law under section 187, waging of war under old laws under section 121 will come under 146 of new law, defamation under old law 499 would be recorded under section 356 of new law, gangrape under section 376 of old law would be registered under section 63, 64, 70 of new law, similarly sedition under section 124-A would be registered under section 170 of new law.

CHOKE-A-BLOCK

SAGUN GAWADE



Perennial traffic problem and jam near Heera petrol pump in Patto, Panjim

The 'Dean' of Goan enterprise walks into the sunset

CMM Group Chairman and MD Dean Menezes passes away on Monday evening

Team Herald

PANJIM: CMM Group Chairman and Managing Director Dean Menezes passed away after a brief illness at the CMM Memorial Hospital, Altinho, on Monday evening. He was 59.

Dean was suffering from illness for a year. He was also Honorary Consul for Germany in Goa and was on the governing council of Holy Cross Indo-German Techno Centre, Marna-Siolim. He was also the vice president of Goa Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCCI), Panjim.

Dean completed his studies with a Bachelor's in Commerce from Mumbai



Dean was suffering from illness for a year. He was also Honorary Consul for Germany in Goa and was on the governing council of Holy Cross Indo-German Techno Centre, Marna-Siolim

University and his Chartered Accountancy from the Institute of Chartered Account-

ants of India. He worked with AF Ferguson & Co (then an associate of KPMG) and as a Management Consultant and with ANZ Grindlays Bank as an Investment Banker for six years.

He was involved with the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) and was the Chairman of the Goa Council for the year 2008-09 and as an elected member of the Western Regional Council from 2014 to 2016 and as member of the Managing Committee of the Goa Chamber of Commerce (GCCCI) and was a Society Member and Board Member of the Goa Institute of Management (GIM).

Cong seeks MoRTH Minister's appointment to discuss fatal accidents, substandard highway works

Team Herald

PANJIM: The Goa Pradesh Congress Committee (GPCC) has sent an email to Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari seeking his appointment to meet Congress delegation during his visit to Goa on July 12.

"As per the media reports, we understand that you will be visiting Goa on July 12 and I would like to seek

your appointment to meet you along with our Party MLAs, Member of Parliament (South Goa) and other functionaries to highlight various issues concerning Goa and Goans and which fall under the domain of the portfolios held by you," GPCC president Amit Patkar wrote in his letter.

Goan roads especially the National Highways have turned into "death traps" with almost one life lost

every day. The expansion works of the national highways are of sub-standard quality, which have resulted in caving of roads, landslides and fatal accidents, Patkar has pointed out in his letter.

The national highways expansion works on Patravedi-Porvorim stretch have become a major cause of concern due to complete negligence of the contractor to maintain quality of the works as well as providing

safety to the Commuters. There are concerns amongst the Public on the expansion works presently undergoing and proposed to be carried out on the stretches of roads in the State.

Congress has listed stretches like Patravedi to Porvorim highway expansion work, Porvorim to Panjim construction of flyover, poor accessibility to Goa Medical College and Hospital (GMC), Bambolim, Old Goa to Usg-

ah highway expansion passing through Bhoma Village, Nuvem to Navelim construction of national highway, Navelim to Cuncolim highway expansion work, Cuncolim bypass, Cuncolim to Canacona highway expansion, coal transportation from Mormugao Port Authority (MPA), construction of Observatory Tower along Zuari Bridge, construction of Borim Bridge and highway expansion passing through Borim village.

Vailankanni pilgrims demand special train for feast

Team Herald

VASCO: The members of Christian community along with Vasco MLA Krishna 'Daji' Salkar on Monday submitted a representation to the Vasco railway station in-charge, regarding the starting of special train services for the annual Vailankanni feast.

The annual Vailankanni feast will be celebrated on September 8 preceded by novenas. The said that the first train that leaves from Vasco to Vailankannion August 27 should leave on time because last year the train was delayed and caused stress and inconvenience to the devotees and other pilgrims. In the representation, the devotees have requested the South Western Railway (SWR) authorities to have a longer period of halting of two days to offer extra time for the devotees. The trains that will leave from Vasco station can halt for two days so that the pilgrims who leave from Goa get enough time to offer prayers and attend

one mass atleast.

Many a times the pilgrims leave from Goa and we want that no devotee is faced by time crunch when they have set out on a holy pilgrimage. The devotees have also suggested that train leaves from Vasco on Monday and leaves for Vasco again on Tuesday night reaching back to Goa on Wednesday. This arrangement does not provide enough time for the devotees and they are stressed out of missing the return train while they are in Vailankanni Church.

"We have asked the railways to have two trains a week for to and fro movement with a gap of two days so that the devotees can get enough time," the devotees said.

Salkar said that many devotees from Vasco had approached him for a need of special train services to accommodate the extra rush during the Vailankannifeast. He assured the devotees that he will their representation to the Chief Minister Pramod Sawant with a request to provide these facilities.

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Majorda gram sabha for steps to control stray dog population

To request for implementing vaccination progs, awareness campaigns

Team Herald

MARGAO: The issue of stray dog menace, which is being raised in several other coastal villages of South Goa too, was a key topic of discussion at the Majorda-Utorda-Calata gram sabha.

At the meeting, the locals highlighted the urgent need for measures to control the growing stray dog population. Following their deliberations, it was decided that the panchayat has to write to the department concerned, requesting the implementation of vaccination programmes and awareness campaigns to address this issue.

Another big matter of discussion centred around the model village proposal. In this regard, a notice from the Block Development Officer (BDO) was also reviewed, which proposed categorising the village as a model village based on certain criteria, such as the availability of functional toilets in households, anganwadis, schools, separate toilets for men and women at the panchayat office, a solid waste management system, open

defecation-free status, and minimal public littering. However, the gram sabha decided to reject the proposal, stating that the village did not meet the necessary criteria.

Traffic congestion during school hours was another critical topic of discussion. The panchayat was asked to take the necessary initiatives to ensure that the Colva Traffic Cell deploys additional personnel to manage traffic congestion near local schools, especially during peak hours, to prevent traffic jams.

The locals further proposed implementing the traffic rules in order to discourage parents from stopping on the road, while dropping their children to school. They suggested creating a detailed plan in collaboration with the road and safety traffic committee.

Earlier, following the approval of the minutes from the previous meeting, the gram sabha reviewed and discussed the budget and audit report for 2022-2023. The gram sabha meeting

HERALD IMPACT



SAGUN GAWADE

QUICK ACTION: The PWD initiated the road repair works of the Panjim bus stand exit, immediately after O Heraldo highlighted the deteriorating state of the road. The road which was filled with potholes making it difficult for vehicles to negotiate. On Monday, the PWD workers were seen putting a carpet of hot mix on the road, to ensure smooth flow of traffic

Colva cops book teenager for allegedly raping minor

Team Herald

MARGAO: The Colva police booked 19-year-old Rajesh Chavan for allegedly raping a minor girl from Salcete. The victim in her complaint alleged that the accused developed friendship and later sexually abused her.

Police stated that the victim was residing in an orphanage while her parents were in Karnataka.

The victim was admitted at the South Goa District Hospital and later shifted to Goa Medical College (GMC) Bambolim.

The accused has been booked under Section 376 of IPC and Prevention of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO). Police said that they are on the look out for the alleged accused who is on the run and wireless messages have been sent to all over Goa and other neighbouring States. PSI Varshada Naik Dessai is investigating the case.

Two Indian tourists bear the brunt of rough seas at Calangute

Team Herald

CALANGUTE: Two Indian tourists bore the brunt of rough seas at the Calangute beach yesterday as they were injured while swimming over the weekend while lifesavers saved three others from meeting with a watery grave at Candolim.

Drishti Marine, in a statement, said two beachgoers, one male and one female from Mumbai, part of a large group standing in the shallow water, were hit by a strong wave and dislocated their knees.

In another incident, a 58-year-old man from

Mumbai also fell victim to a strong wave, falling and dislocating his ankle. First aid was administered to the victims, who were then shifted to hospital.

Despite Goa's beaches being off-limits for swimming due to the ongoing monsoons which witness huge waves and strong currents, tourists still venture into the water.

A triple rescue incident took place over the weekend at Candolim beach. A family consisting of two women and a teenager from Navi Mumbai who were dragged out to sea by strong waves were rescued by lifesavers.

Massive sinkhole formed on Guleli-Murmune road



Team Herald

PORIEM: The massive sinkhole was formed on Guleli-Murmune road on Sunday evening thereby causing inconvenience to the villagers passing through this road. Fortunately, no one was hurt when this incident occurred.

Barricades have been placed on both the sides of the road and it has been temporarily closed for four wheelers while two wheelers are allowed to pass through this road cautiously.

Villagers of Murmune said that there is a river around and there was a heavy flow of water with the rains. "We don't want stop gap arrangements but the issue should be solved once and for all by constructing a new road by keeping water outlet," a villager said.

Another villager said that luckily at the time of incident no vehicle was passing through this road. "We request PWD officials to look into the matter as soon as possible on priority basis at the villages are connected through this road," he said.



PICS: SIDRA KHAN

Mormugao Council Chairperson warns against abusing city fathers

Team Herald

VASCO: Mormugao Municipal Council (MMC) Chairperson Girish Borker has issued strict warning to anyone abusing city fathers after a councillor Narayan Borkar complained of being abused by a citizen.

"Anybody abusing councillors will be dealt with stringent action, no matter how politically connected they may be," Borker said after the council meeting.

According to Borker, a citizen from another ward abused councillor Narayan Borkar with filthy words on the cellphone for taking action

against a vendor for selling fruits illegally.

The Mormugao municipal council had already filed a police complaint in this regard, Borker said.

Councillor Narayan Borkar said that he was abused on the phone with filthy words and that alleged that one of the councillor was in connivance with the citizen, who abused him.

The councillor said that he was a member of the municipal market committee and it was his job to ensure that there were no illegalities or encroachments in the market. He said that during his visit, he noticed a

vendor selling fruits illegally in a parking space near the market and requested him to move out from the parking area since he was blocking the parking space and causing congestion.

The vendor was again seen at the same place the next day and the matter was reported to the market committee, who decided to go to the spot and talk to him. The committee warned him and left and we posted photograph of the vendor in the market committee WhatsApp group which had municipal staff and inspectors as members.

American woman, two Indian tourists bitten by stray dogs at Benaullim beach

Team Herald

MARGAO: Three tourists including a 56-yr-old American woman and two Indian women from Ghaziabad and Mumbai, both in their thirties fell victim to dog bites at the Benaullim beach.

All three were attacked as they were strolling on the beach.

Stray dogs unleashing a reign of terror here have sparked alarm among local residents and tourism stakeholders alike.

The issue of stray dogs on beaches has also been raised in recent gram sabha meetings of villages located on the Salcete coastline, where the villagers have complained that locals as well as tourists have been at the receiving end of stray dogs trying to charge at them.

In response to these recent incidents, a meeting was convened at the South Goa District Collector's office with local panchayats and other stakeholders, including representatives from Mission Rabies. The gathering aimed to discuss potential solutions, with a focus on establishing a central dog shelter to address the problem more comprehensively and conducting awareness programmes too. Animal Welfare representatives who had attended the meeting had also defended their actions of feeding stray animals and suggested various that need to be taken as well.

After Lobo, CM promises to reward Mormugao MLA on his birthday

Team Herald

VASCO: Within a fortnight of announcing good news for birthday boy Calangute MLA Michael Lobo, Chief Minister has yet again announced some good news for Mormugao MLA Sankalp Amonkar on his birthday on Sunday.

But both the birthday boys are unaware of what the birthday gift is.

On the birthday of Lobo on June 18, Sawant had made a similar statement.

"Amonkar, who switched over from Congress to the

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), is my close friend and what he wants he will get from my side. As of now, I can only say that I will try my best to give him the good news that people from Mormugao constituency are expecting," Sawant said.

The Chief Minister justified why Amonkar had joined the BJP and said that people should support him in the 2027 Assembly elections, hinting he would be BJP's Mormugao candidate. He also assured the Mormugao constituents that sig-

nificant developments were on the horizon.

"Sankalp has not asked anything for himself when he joined the BJP, but all he asked was the development of his constituency and the well-being of his people. The dream he had seen will be completed within remaining tenure of three years," said Sawant.

The Chief Minister said that Amonkar's birthday celebrations were marked by enthusiasm, reminiscent of the 50th wedding anniversary of his parents two days before his birthday.

No licence issued as yet to on land casino promoter, says CCP Mayor

Team Herald

PANJIM: The Corporation of the City of Panaji (CCP) will issue a notice to remove the casino board which has been erected without obtaining permission, according to Mayor Rohit Monserrate.

"As of now, they (casino promoters) haven't applied for trade licence; if they fall within the license criteria then we have to grant the licence. We can't deny it. The licence to operate on land casino has been given by Home Department, Monser-

rate clarified.

Reacting to the putting up of a board by the casino operator, Monserrate said he has asked the Corporation of the City of Panaji Commissioner to issue them a notice asking under what provisions they had erected the board. The Commissioner will issue them a notice asking them to first remove the board.

However, the Corporation of the City of Panaji Mayor evaded the question of additional parking and whether it would cause traffic congestion at Patto.

Green revolution in schools: Nurturing environmental stewards
Tree planting, lasting environment awareness campaign launched in 17 schools

Team Herald

MARGAO: A quiet green revolution is taking place across Goa, one classroom at a time. Schools across the state are transforming into living laboratories, where young minds are cultivating not just saplings, but a deep-seated connection to the environment that surrounds them.

This innovative programme combines practical learning with modern scientific approaches to educate students about environmental conservation and sustainability with the hope of nurturing a generation of environmental stewards who will shape Goa's green future.

The initiative, already reached 17 schools across North and South Goa.

According to the organisers, by engaging students during critical stages of brain development, the programme seeks to instil lasting aware-



Tree Planting Fun at St Anthony's Convent (Pre-Primary), Agasaim



Seed dispersion on bike at Mae Dos Pobres High School, Nuvem



Pre-primary tree planting at St Josph Convent High School, Nagoa-Verna

ness of pressing environmental challenges such as climate change, waste management, water pollution, air quality, and food safety.

The NGO behind this transformative project, Goyche Fudle Pilgue Khatir (GFPK), has created this curriculum that teaches environmental concepts through practical activities. Students embark on a journey of discovery, exploring the vital importance of trees, the far-reaching

consequences of deforestation, and practical methods for reforestation. Interactive presentations delve into topics like air quality, illuminating the intricate relationship between trees and the very air humans breathe.

Expert team members guide students through a series of immersive activities designed to forge a tangible connection with nature. Participants learn the art of proper tree planting, ensuring that each sapling has the

best chance of survival. They delve into the fascinating world of seed bomb creation, using indigenous species like Mankurad Mango, Jambul, Tamarind, Jackfruit, and Kokum.

Students are introduced to the technique of air layering, a method of plant propagation that allows for the multiplication of desirable species and they also witness the remarkable power of earthworms in action.

The impact of this program

extends far beyond the classroom. As GFPK President Jack Mascarenhas explains, "After this educational experience, we plant trees at the school where the staff has already prepared the planting site."

Orlando Misquita, Amancio Fernandes, John Baptista, Sr Milena Mascarenhas SFN, Cristina Carvalho D'Souza, Lu-mena Almeida, Itiyaz Sayed, and Russel Fernandes were all active members involved in bringing this vision to life.

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Managed by Diocesan Society of Education

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2) **LOWER DIVISION CLERK** - 1 Post

3) **MULTI TASKING STAFF** - 1 Post On Regular Basis

Candidates having required qualifications as per Government Recruitment Rules, below 45 years of age, having valid Employment Exchange Registration, Residence certificate, may apply within 07 days, with full bio-data to the Manager of the School. Those in permanent service may apply through proper channel.

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2) **Account Assistant** - 2 Posts (Knowledge of Tally & Bank Reconciliation)

3) **Billing Clerk** - 4 Posts (Margao and Mapusa)

4) **Computer Hardware Engineer** - 2 Posts (Margao) (Specialised in Surveillance, Security and Camera Installation)

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How will new criminal laws be implemented?

The recently passed criminal laws have come into force in the country from July 1. But government officials, law enforcement agencies, legal professionals and law academic institutions have claimed that the current system is not yet capable enough of implementing these new changes. The Centre has asked ministries and other key stakeholders to incorporate the new laws in their training programmes for a smooth transition. The new Bharatiya Nyay Samhita has 358 Sections, compared to 511 sections in the earlier Indian Penal Code. Overall, 20 offences have been redefined and punishments have been increased in 33 offences, among other changes.

The new Bharatiya Nyay Samhita has a new chapter on 'Crimes against Women and Children' and has references to terrorism, organised crime, mob lynching, snatching and killings due to racism, caste and communal enmity. The Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Samhita has 484 Sections, instead of 531 Sections in CrPC. It has two new cases, taking the total number to 39. The main feature of the Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Samhita is the addition of time frames in 35 Sections out of the total Sections and the use of new-age technology like audio-video media. The Bharatiya Sakhsya Adhinyam now has 170 sections, instead of 167 Sections in the Evidence Act. Twenty-four provisions have been amended. In fact, the text of any law is first tested after it is drafted. The current criminal justice system is already under a lot of stress, and hence may initially struggle to adjust to these changes. New laws will take years to develop and mature. The same happened with the Indian Penal Code and other laws. The real test will begin how stakeholders use the laws and the courts interpret them.

According to the India Justice Report 2022, the strength of India's police force is 20.94 lakh. There are only 211 training institutes for these officers. Accordingly, each institution is expected to train an average of 12,744 persons. However, the number of officers and institutions is not equally distributed among the States. The report also states that only 1.3 per cent of the police budget goes to training, and only 84 per cent of it is being utilised. Apart from the low budget allocation for police training, another problem is the ability of the States to spare their personnel for training.

It is well known that the country's criminal justice system is understaffed and overworked. The report shows a gap of 22 per cent between sanctioned posts and actual numbers. The problem could have been solved through the use of technology and modernisation of the police force. However, only Gujarat, Arunachal Pradesh and Puducherry have fully utilised their budgets for modernisation. There are also questions about the State's ability to train prison staff. There is a severe shortage of prison staff in India. The report states that while 2,770 posts are needed to achieve the ideal ratio of 1 officer for 200 inmates, only 1,391 posts have been sanctioned across the country. Out of these, only 886 posts have been filled. Even if we had an ideal number of correctional officers, it would have been difficult to save prison officers for training. But in the current situation, this task seems impossible.

In terms of the judiciary, the report states that compared to the sanctioned number of judges - 24,631 for the lower courts, 1,108 for the high courts and 34 for the Supreme Court, the actual number of judges in the lower courts is 19,286, the high court is 778, and for the Supreme Court it is 27 (Currently, the Supreme Court has 33 judges). At the end of 2022, more than 4.9 crore cases were pending before the judiciary. Moreover, the report states that the workload of each judge is increasing over time. The new laws emphasise the use of forensics. According to the Forensic Science India report by Project 39A at NLU Delhi, out of 2,357 posts of scientists in State and central forensic agencies, 901 are vacant. The report suggests that not only do we need to create 900 more posts, but lack of regulatory bodies and low pay scales have led to irregular training patterns and reduced occupancy of these scientific posts.

Effective implementation of the new criminal laws in India requires a proactive approach towards enhancing the training needs of criminal justice officers. The existing police officers should be trained to deal with the necessary forensic work. Also, young forensic researchers and postgraduates in forensics need to be trained as para-forensic workers to assist the local police.

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P Chidambaram @PChidambaram_IN

The three criminal laws to replace the IPC, CrPC and Indian Evidence Act come into force today. 90-99 per cent of the so-called new laws are a cut, copy and paste job. A task that could have been completed with a few amendments to the existing three laws has been turned into a wasteful exercise. Yes, there are a few improvements in the new laws and we have welcomed them.

Tavleen Singh @tavleen_singh

I find myself obliged to defend Rahul Gandhi which is unusual. He did not attack Hinduism. He said that the BJP, RSS and Narendra Modi cannot and do not represent the whole of Hinduism.

Rishi Sunak @RishiSunak
This year, we cut national insurance tax not once, but twice. If I'm re-elected on Thursday, I'll cut it again. People across Britain know that Labour will only take more of your own money.

comment



SIDDHARTH DESAI

The University Grants Commission has approved a bi-annual admission system for higher education in India, starting from the 2024-25 academic session. This will allow universities to offer admissions twice a year, in July-August and January-February, similar to the process followed by many foreign universities.



July-August, with the academic session lasting until May or June. With the addition of the January-February cycle, there will be significant benefits for students.

In May 2024, the University Grants Commission explored ways to encourage educational institutions to increase their intake and decided to allow a second admissions cycle in January and February. This decision followed the successful implementation of a biannual admissions cycle in online and Open and Distance Learning (ODL) programs last year. In July 2023, about 1.9 million students joined ODL and online programs in around 80 universities. Additionally, nearly 450,000 students joined in the

India, the worthy champions

Apropos the edit "Resilience makes India T20 champs" (July 1), India's long drought in ICC tournaments finally wound to a close on a glorious note in Barbados. Since their triumph at the 2013 Champions Trophy, India had reached the knockouts of eight global ICC events, across formats.

There was never a doubt about Team India's talent, but sport is as much about skill as it is about strength. India demonstrated that missing quality and emerged champions with Virat Kohli scoring timely 76 off 59 balls, Jasprit Bumrah's superb spell, Suryakumar Yadav's marvelous catch at the long-off boundary and of course Rohit Sharma's unflinching belief in his instincts.

For Rohit and Virat, there could be no better time to call it a day. Likewise, Rahul Dravid too, will retire as India's Coach with his head high. The team worked really hard to achieve this stunning victory; they deserve all the credit for lifting the glittering trophy. Now India is deservedly World No. 1.

Gregory Fernandes, Mumbai

Transport fish in reusable containers

It is learnt that tonnes of thermocol waste has found its way on to the banks of River Sal. The waste was also found strewn in low lying fields at Seralim during flooding. Lots of thermocol waste is seen ly-

UGC approves Biannual Admission Cycle in India

Indian universities and higher education institutions can now admit students twice a year, similar to the admission process followed by foreign universities. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has approved a biannual admission system for higher education in India. The two admission cycles will commence from the 2024-25 academic session, one in July-August and the other in January-February.

Currently, students are admitted only once a year, starting in July-August. Adopting a biannual system in Indian institutions can enhance international collaboration and student exchanges. However, universities are not required to adopt the new system. Those that choose to do so will need to make suitable arrangements to facilitate biannual admissions.

The key objective of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is to achieve a Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) of 50% in higher educational institutions by 2035. Two other important aspects of NEP 2020 are providing better access and equity. Institutions can achieve this by becoming centres of excellence and increasing their intake to boost the GER.

One way to increase intake is to permit educational institutions to offer admissions in the second cycle. Currently, students are admitted only once in

January 2024 session.

Whenever new reforms are introduced, there are always questions about implementation. Therefore, it has been decided to start on a small scale. For example, the UGC NET exam is currently conducted twice a year. Similarly, by admitting PhD students twice a year in July-August and January-February, and conducting audits of infrastructure, classrooms, research labs, teaching labs, and available supporting systems, the necessary groundwork can be done. Additional faculty members can be hired for the second cycle of admissions if needed.

In our country, IITs have been admitting students in two cycles for the past decade, in July and January. This is not a new global process; it is already present in our IIT system. However, this system has never been adopted in universities and colleges because UGC rules did not permit it. Now, this change facilitates more opportunities for educational institutions.

Recently, institutional development plan guidelines were announced, and universities can use these guidelines to plan how to adopt the biannual admission process. It may take a couple of years to plan properly because we cannot compromise on the quality of education. We also need to provide education on a mass scale because millions of students want to be admitted to higher educational institutions. Those who cannot get admission to universities and colleges need an opportunity to come back, and the second cycle of admission will provide that opportunity.

Most international universities have a biannual admission process, and students studying in those countries are accustomed to it. Currently, about 50,000 foreign students study in India. Introducing a biannual admission process could increase the intake of international students in both cycles, benefiting our institutions.

Currently, placements in educational institutions take place only once because admissions occur only once. With biannual admissions, placements can also take place twice, benefiting both students and recruiters.

Regarding entrance exams, the CUET is compulsory for admission into UG and PG programs in central universities, but optional for other universities. Many universities conduct their entrance examinations or use a combination of CUET scores, their entrance exams, or board marks. Therefore, many universities can conduct the bi-

annual admission process using their existing procedures.

Many initiatives are in the process of implementation, such as the National Credit Framework, providing multidisciplinary education, strengthening the research ecosystem, and improving the quality of education.

Another initiative is encouraging educational institutions to undergo assessment and accreditation, which will benchmark education quality. Increasing the use of digital technology in academic governance is also crucial. Every student will now get a unique ABC (Academic Bank of Credits) ID, called the APAAR (Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry) ID, from class one to the PhD level. This ID will make every student's educational journey digitally available on the ABC platform, enabling employers to verify certificates and learning outcomes using digital technology. This is one of the largest Digital Public Infrastructures (DPIs) in education being built in India.

Teacher capacity building is essential as they must adjust to changes in higher education, such as improved pedagogical approaches, technology absorption, and better assessment methods. Teachers need to understand that students can learn through various modes, such as classroom learning, online learning, or a combination of both.

Many changes are coming, and teachers must be prepared to understand and adopt these processes and their consequences. Many such initiatives are currently being implemented.

Many of our universities and institutions, such as the IITs, are now ranked among the top universities in the world. Recently, world university rankings were announced, and several of our universities were placed in top-ranked brackets, indicating improved research quality in our universities and higher education institutions.

The UGC has also established R&D cells in each university. These cells train faculty members to write successful projects and proposals, manage these projects, and turn basic research into prototypes and possibly startups.

Many positive developments are happening, and we will start seeing the impact of these initiatives in the coming years in terms of global recognition for our universities and contributions from our students as they graduate. Small but significant steps are being taken now, with results to be reflected in the future.

(The author is an advocate by profession)

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Assagao controversy getting murkier

The demolition of the house at Assagao has created political controversy to police involvement in the unauthorised partial demolition of a house have sent shockwaves.

The entire state wants to know who is behind the illegal act. The question of vandalism of property or criminal trespass by miscreants herewith arise. Now it has become a fashion across the country to go and demolish people's homes without any sanctity of law. No demolition of properties should be carried out without following the due process. Moreover it is not the job of the police to meddle with civil disputes and police officials cannot be given licence to meddle with the civil disputes. It's disturbing that there is no positive action taken by the State to prevent such intervention by the senior-most police officer. The evolving narrative of the Agarwadekar family's plight reveals the multifaceted dynamics at play in this high-profile case.

While the family's unexpected reversal has left many in disbelief. The investigators need to unearth the truth right from kidnapping, demolition, interference by senior police officer, political involvement and the final U-turn.

It seems this is the first time in Goa that state DGP has been accused by his own PI of involvement in this matter. Several HCs and Apex Court have given ruling that, property disputes come within the domain of the civil courts and the parties should approach those courts for their redressal. Police do not have the power and authority to recover money or act as a civil court for recovery of money. The police is to investigate the allegations which discloses a criminal act.

K G Vilop, Choroa

Inspirational story on mother's love

This has reference to the report 'A Journey into the Heart of Goa; a Mother's love sewn with strength' (Herald July 1, 2024).

Kudos to O Herald for this weekly series, 'A Journey into the Heart of Goa'. Great effort of collecting real life stories of the how passion and love and resilience drives individuals to give off their best under extremely difficult conditions. The story of the 53-year old mother, Sabina particularly, who single-handedly successfully raised two special-needs children, was inspiring and encouraging. We all have our own burdens and sometimes throw up our hands in despair. I think this woman could be a model to imitate. Life is certain-

people's edit

FLOODING OF SMART CITY IMMINENT

STEPHEN DIAS

With the onset of South West monsoon, flooding in Goa with greater force is expected just like last year, right through July. Last year, June witnessed almost 90 inches of rainfall. All eyes must be focused on how Smart City of Panjim is prepared to tackle flooding with new drains being constructed along with the setting up of the new sewerage system along the many streets in the city. The flooding on June 23, reported at Patto, is a grim reminder of the shape of things to come.

On Sunday morning, despite a dry spell, the Patto area where most frequented offices and other commercial establishments are located, at high tide due to the ingress of water from the Ourem Creek through the storm water drains was flooded, which receded after four hours.

If such an occurrence can take place at the Nariman Point of Panjim, one can gauge what the situation will be in July as the month records 4 to 5 inches of rainfall.

Imagine a situation when there is a downpour exactly at the time of high tide during the day at which the water from River Mandovi is flushed back along the banks, flooding will definitely be a major issue.

Each year, people not only from Panjim, but across Goa, come for work as the offices are located in the city and expect the preparedness to tackle flooding to be better. However, year after year, the situation seems to be the same.

This year, thousands of crores of rupees were spent on the Smart City works, if there is a heavy downpour, Panjim will definitely be under the grip of large-scale flooding. Can any engineer suggest ways to reduce flooding for certain or are we on the brink of a dilemma that cannot be solved and that will remain a perennial hurdle to normal life in Panjim during rain?

It is high time that the authorities call the spade a spade and reveal to the people that the situation in the city will not get better. Amidst the occurrence of such a situation, it could be suggested that the daily weather bulletin that predicts the maximum and minimum temperature, rainfall in last 24 hours, high tide and low tide timings, humidity percentage along with the wind velocities as well as precise alerts be published in all the newspapers everyday so as to a certain extent make the people aware of the likelihood timings when flooding might be high in the city and thus at least they can get an alert as to when can stay away from the roads.

In the unlikely event that there will be no days on which 4 to 5 inches of rain daily, normal life may be possible. Elaborate daily weather bulletin could be a way of signalling the extent of flooding and thus guide people as to when to venture into the city for their work. It seems as if the newly laid drainage system in the city will not be much of a relief to Panjimites at least. In hindsight, flooding can only be prevented if the drainage system can drain all the rainwater simultaneously. This is a very remote possibility.

ly not a bed of roses. Even roses fight their way through the thorns and come out smiling with their full blown fragrance.

Melville X D'Souza, Mumbai

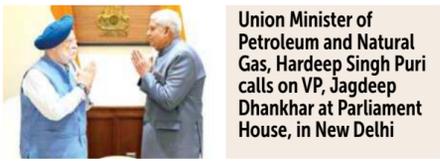
Saligao road going from bad to worse

The main road stretch of Arrarim-ward, Saligao which was dug up by the labourers of the PWD for laying some underground pipeline network has still not been restored and due to which its condition is seen slowly going from bad to worse.

If the PWD officials wanted to casually leave this road in such a horrible condition after damaging the same and make the locals from the same area to suffer for the last two months, then why they had allowed their labourers to mercilessly vandalise this entire road stretch?

In contrast, the CHOGM road stretch too was also similarly damaged whilst laying some underground sewerage pipeline network a couple of months back but the same was somehow hot-mixed and restored fully just before the monsoons. Now, why has the same thing still not been done for the above Arrarim-ward road stretch of Saligao? Don't the people of Arrarim ward and surrounding areas pay their road taxes to the government? Or is it because our politicians don't use this particular road stretch of Saligao daily whilst traveling in their official vehicles to reach different destinations in Goa?

Jerry Fernandes, Saligao



Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri calls on VP, Jagdeep Dhankhar at Parliament House, in New Delhi



Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Samrat Chaudhary visits 'Jeevika Rasoi' during GST Diwas function, in Patna

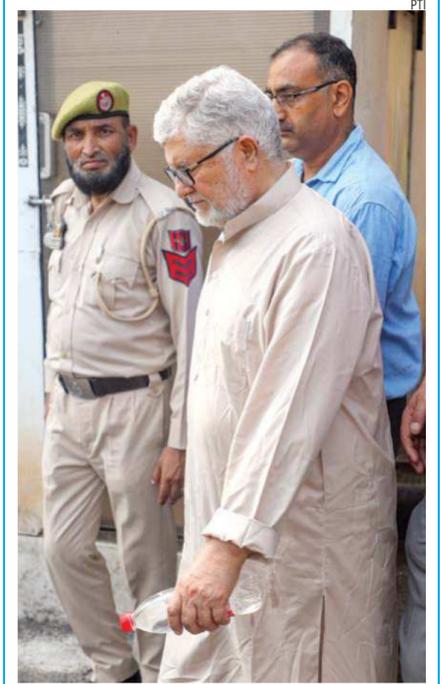


Director (Projects and Planning) of the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) Rajiv Dhankher assumes office



Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah during the National Doctor's Day event, at Vidhan Soudha in Bengaluru

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Former president of J&K High Court Bar Association, Srinagar wing, Mian Abdul Qayoom escorted out of the court after his police remand was extended to July 6. Qayoom, a separatist leader, was arrested for his alleged involvement in the murder conspiracy of a fellow advocate on June 25

First case under new criminal laws filed in Gwalior

Home Minister says primacy to justice over punishment

PTI, NEW DELHI: The first case under the new criminal justice laws that came into effect on Monday was registered for a motorcycle theft in Gwalior, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said, as he asserted that the new laws will give primacy to justice over punishment.

As he appealed to opposition parties not to do politics over the new code that replaces the British-era penal statutes, Shah said India would now have the most modern criminal justice system in the world. Justice would be delivered up to the level of the Supreme Court in all cases within

Justice can be received up to the level of the Supreme Court within three years of the registration of the FIR

— Amit Shah, Union Home Minister

three years of registering the First Information Report (FIR), he added.

The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) and the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam (BSA) that replaced the Indian Penal Code (IPC), Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) and the Indian Evidence Act respectively brought far-reaching

changes in the criminal justice system taking into account some of the current social realities and modern-day crimes.

While the BJP dubbed the new criminal laws as a symbol of India's progress and resilience, positioning the country for a more just and secure future, senior Congress leader P Chidambaram said it was another case of "bulldozing" existing laws and replacing them with three new bills without adequate discussion and debate.

"Justice can be received up to the level of the Supreme Court within three years of the registration of the FIR,"

Shah told a news conference, as he expressed hope of a reduction of crime in future as 90% conviction was expected under the new laws.

Shah said the new laws would give priority to providing justice, unlike the colonial-era laws that gave primacy to penal action, and made reporting of crimes even easier by recognising e-FIR, Zero FIR and electronic or digital evidence.

CHANGE IN NAME	CHANGE IN NAME
1. NIRANJAN BANAU LIKAR Resident of H No 381, Simvaddo Arpora Bardez Goa has changed my name from NIRANJAN GURUDAS BANAU LIKAR to NIRANJAN BANAU LIKAR. Hereinafter in all my dealings and documents I will be known by new name of as NIRANJAN BANAU LIKAR.	1. SANTANA FRANCISCO FERRAO R/o H.No. 92/40, Omarkar Colony, North Goa have changed my name from SANTANA FRANCIS FERRAO to SANTANA FRANCISCO FERRAO. Hereafter, in all my dealings and documents I will be known by the name SANTANA FRANCISCO FERRAO.

ALTESS MANOR CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING SOCIETY LTD.
Survey No. 71/3, New Caranzalem Taleigao Road, Kerant, Caranzalem, Taleigao (Village)-GOA 403002
Regn.No. ARCS/CZ/HSG/500(b)GOA email : manoraltess@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

For Issuance of Duplicate Share Certificate.

This is to inform all members and the public that Altess Manor Co-operative Housing Society Ltd., has received a request for the issuance of a duplicate share certificate, as per the details given below

Name of the Member: Shri THOMAS BOTELHO, Share Certificate Number: AMCHS/032 Register Folio Number: 062, Number of Shares: Five (156 to 160), Date of Issue: Second April Two Thousand and Three.

It has been reported by the member Shri Thomas Botelho that the above-mentioned original share certificate has been lost/misplaced. As per the bylaws of the Society and the relevant provisions of the Goa Cooperative Societies Act, 2001 as amended, a duplicate share certificate will be issued unless an objection is raised.

Any objections to the issuance of the duplicate share certificate should be made in writing, clearly stating reasons for the objection, and sent to the Secretary at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice. If no valid objections are received within the stipulated period, the Society will proceed with issuing the duplicate share certificate.

This notice serves as a formal announcement to all concerned parties.

For & On behalf of Altess Manor Co-operative Housing Society Ltd.
Place: Caranzalem Sd/-
Date: 2nd July 2024 Secretary

CHANGE OF NAME

1. Sabrina Esprey Fernandes r/o 403, Clement Residency, Chane Bori, Near T.B COLLEGE, PAPERI VASAI WEST, PALGHAR, Maharashtra-401207. Hereby change my name from Sabrina Anthony D Souza to Sabrina Esprey Fernandes. Hereafter in all my dealings and documents I will be known as Sabrina Esprey Fernandes.

Sd/-
Sabrina Esprey Fernandes

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform and notify the public in general that my client Mrs. Bernabata Avita Dias Almeida, resident of House No. 323/A, Velim, Zaino, Salcete - Goa is one of the Co-Owners of the Property known as "Zaina" situated at Velim and surveyed under survey no. 205/12 of the Velim Village of Salcete Taluka, South - Goa.

My client has notified that the Form I&XIV of Survey No. 205/12 of the Velim Village shows that after deleting the name of her deceased father, names of only few other co-owners are included and her name is not entered in the records of 205/12 of the Velim Village.

Therefore it is hereby informed and notified the public in general at large that any dealing, any transaction without the Consent and knowledge of my Client in respect of the Property known as "Zaina" situated at Velim along with Residential House bearing No. 315, surveyed under survey no. 205/12 of the Velim Village of Salcete Taluka, South-Goa shall be null and void and shall not be binding on my Client and the person dealing with co-owners, whose names are on the Form I&XIV of Survey No. 205/12 of the Velim Village shall be at their own risks and consequences Please note.

Date: 01/07/2024 Sd/-
Place: Margao Adv. Savita G. Kurlaker
Shop - B SH 40, L & L Correira's Pride, Opp. New Collectorate Office, Margao Goa

PAPER PROCLAMATION
IN THE IIND ADDL DIST AND SESSIONS COURT AT BIDAR, SIT AT BASAVAKALYAN DIST BIDAR.
RA.No.5005/2023

PETITIONER: Sangeeta /o Laxmi W/o Mahonar Shinde, age 45 yrs, Occu Agril and Household, R/o Terandi tq Basavakalyan Dist Bidar, now at Hatyavad neru behind naik bar Room No, 1 Bardez Goa.

-Vs-

RESPONDENT: Shobha D/o Mapanna W/o Vishwnath Age 58 yrs, Occu Household, R/o Triparanth Basavakalyan Dist Bidar.

Claim: Appeal U/o 43 rule 1 of CPC.

To,

R-3) Radha /o Dulsen W/o Chakravarty, age 58 yrs, Occu Household, R/o Yerandi Tq Basavakalyan Dist Bidar, now at Goa State

Whereas the appellant has instituted a regular appeal No 5005/2023 before the Hon'ble Adl. Dist and Sessions Judge at Basavakalyan, Dist Bidar, Karnataka state, as such the hon'ble court has issued court summons as well as RPAD to the above said person One or other reason they are avoiding the same, now the appellant has taken step against above said person that is R-3 by way of paper proclamation, so hereby required to show cause within 30 days of the service of the summons through paper proclamation on or before 14-08-2024 at 11:00 am in person or by a pleader/ advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in the event of default suit will be heard and determined in your absences.

Given under my hand and seal of the court, this the 26-06-2024.

"BY ORDER OF THE COURT"
Chief Ministerial officer
2nd Adl Dist and Sessions court
Basavakalyan Dist Bidar

NTA announces retest result, revised rank list for NEET-UG

PTI, NEW DELHI: The number of candidates sharing the top rank in medical entrance test NEET-UG reduced to 61 from 67 as the National Testing Agency (NTA) announced revised results on Monday.

The revised result was announced after a retest was conducted for 1,563 candidates who were earlier awarded grace marks to compensate for loss of time as exam started late at six centres on May 5.

Six of the candidates who scored perfect 720 were those with grace marks. Five of them opted for a retest while one for scores without grace marks. None of the five candidates could score 720 in the retest.

The NTA, however, did not divulge the fresh scores of these candidates.

Forty-eight per cent of the 1,563 candidates for the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (Undergraduate) retest conducted on June 23 at seven centres didn't appear.

NTA officials reported that 813 out of the 1,563 candidates appeared for a retest, while others opted for scores without the grace mark. The retest took place at seven centres following a SC order.

Guv seeks report, to meet victims

NHRC issues notice to Bengal govt

The BJP alleged that Tajmul had ties to Chopra MLA Hamidul Islam, who reportedly defended him despite the TMC's condemnation of the incident

Additional Human Rights Commission (NHRC) said it has issued a notice to the West Bengal government and the state's police chief over the incident. Police registered a case on Sunday after a video clip of the incident, which occurred on Friday, went viral on social media. PTI could not independently verify the video.

The BJP alleged that Tajmul had ties to Chopra MLA Hamidul Islam, who reportedly defended him despite the TMC's condemnation of the incident.

A new video has also emerged, showing Tajmul beating up another couple a few days ago.

Governor Bose, who has had strained relations with the state government over various issues, expressed shock at the incident and described it as "barbarous," according to a Raj Bhavan official.

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Bose, who is in New Delhi now, will visit Chopra on Tuesday and meet the victims of the attack. He is likely to return to the national capital from there and file a report to the central government on the incident, a Raj Bhavan official said.

The man seen in a viral video beating up the couple with a bamboo stick was identified as Tajmul alias 'JCB', purportedly a TMC leader of Chopra area. He was arrested last night.

Tajmul was produced before a local court and was remanded to five days of police custody.

The inspector in charge of Chopra police station has been show-caused over the incident, the state police said.

In New Delhi, the Na-

Lonavala waterfall tragedy: All five bodies found, search op called off

PUNE: The bodies of all five people swept away in a waterfall near Bhushi Dam in Pune's Lonavala area were found on Monday with that of the last missing person, a 4-year-old boy, being fished out in the evening, an official said. The five, comprising a woman and four children, drowned at around 12:30pm on Sunday and bodies of three of them were recovered some hours later, while that of a girl was fished out earlier on Monday morning, he said.

"The body of Adnan Ansari was recovered this evening, after which the search operation was called off," said Suhas Jagtap, senior inspector of Lonavala police station. The bodies of Shahista Liaqat Ansari (36), Amina Adil Ansari (13) and Umera Adil Ansari (8) were found by rescuers some hours after search-and-rescue operations started at the site on Sunday afternoon.

Andhra Pradesh govt disburses enhanced social security pension to beneficiaries

AMARAVATI: Fulfilling a major poll promise, the TDP-led coalition government in Andhra Pradesh on Monday launched the distribution of enhanced welfare pension of Rs 4,000 per month to lakhs of beneficiaries across the state. Renamed as 'NTR Bharosa Samajika' pensions, the government hiked it from Rs 3,000 per month provided during the previous YSRCP government to Rs 4,000 per month. Under the YSRCP government it was known as YSR Pension Kanuka. Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu participated in the first welfare pensions disbursal programme at Penumaka in Guntur district.

Man dies after tree falls on him in Mumbai

MUMBAI: A 45-year-old man died when a roadside tree fell on him while he was walking in Mumbai's Worli area on Monday morning, a civic official said.

The incident took place at around 9.30 am in Jambori Maidan lane near a 'chawl' (row tenement), he said.

Police reported that 813 out of the 1,563 candidates appeared for a retest, while others opted for scores without the grace mark. The retest took place at seven centres following a SC order.

2 TMC MLAs resume sit-in on Bengal Assembly premises

PTI, KOLKATA: The dharna by two newly elected Trinamool Congress MLAs on the West Bengal Assembly premises demanding that they be administered the oath in the House rather than in Raj Bhavan as per Governor C V Ananda Bose's invite entered its third day on Monday.

Baranagar MLA Sayantika Bandyopadhyay and Bhagabangola legislator Rayat Hossain Sarkar, who were elected in by-polls held simultaneously with the LS elections, have refused to take oath in the Raj Bhavan and staged a dharna on the West Bengal assembly premises on Thursday and Friday.

On Monday, they resumed their sit-in in front of BR Ambedkar's statue in the assembly complex, demanding that Bose facilitate the oath-taking ceremony in the House, enabling them to perform their duties as legislators.

The guv had invited the



Newly elected TMC MLAs Rayat Hossain Sarkar and Sayantika Banerjee proceed for a sit-in protest for their swearing-in ceremony in Kolkata, on Monday

two MLAs to take oath at the Raj Bhavan last Wednesday. They declined the invitation, claiming that convention dictates that in the case of bypoll winners, the governor assigns the speaker or the deputy speaker to administer the oath.

On Monday, holding placards which read 'We are still waiting for the Governor, Please enable us to take oath', both Bandyopadhyay and Sarkar sat before

NIA agrees to let Engineer Rashid take oath as MP

PTI, NEW DELHI: Jailed Kashmiri leader and newly elected MP Sheikh Abdul Rashid, popularly known as Engineer Rashid, is likely to take oath on July 5 after the National Investigation Agency on Monday gave its consent before a special court. Additional Sessions Judge Chander Jit Singh will pass an order on the matter on Tuesday.

The NIA's counsel said Rashid's oath taking should be subject to some conditions like not speaking to the media. He also said Rashid, who is in Tihar jail, must complete the process within a day, everything within a day.

Rashid, an Independent MP from Baramulla who has been arrested in a 2017 Jammu and Kashmir terror funding case, had moved the court seeking interim bail, or custody parole in the alternative, to take oath and perform his parliamentary functions.

VILLAGE PANCHAYAT PENHA DE FRANCA BRITONA BARDEZ - GOA

Ref. No. VP/PDF/015/24-25/ 567
Dated: 01/07/2024

GRAM SABHA MEETING NOTICE

The Ordinary Gram Sabha Meeting of this Village Panchayat of Penha de Franca for the year 2024-25 will be held on Sunday 14th July, 2024 at 10.00 a.m. at Cyclone Shelter, Opposite GCA Ground, Alto Belim, Penha de Franca, Britona, Bardez - Goa.

AGENDA

1. To read and confirm the proceedings of the previous Gram Sabha meeting.
2. To approve beneficiaries under Government Scheme if any.
3. To Approve Administrative report for the year 2023-24.
4. To Approve Annual Statement of Accounts for the year 2023-24.
5. To Approval of proposed Budget for the year 2024-25.
6. To discuss on the Proposals & Suggestions if any received from the public on developmental works.

NOTE :- ANY GRAM SABHA MEMBER WHOSE NAME IS ENROLL IN THE ELECTORAL ROLL OF VP, PENHA DE FRANCA & WHO DESIRES TO PLACE ANY DEVELOPMENTAL SUGGESTIONS BEFORE THE GRAM SABHA MEETING MAY BE SENT BY HIM/HER IN WRITING ADDRESSED TO THE SARPANCH ON OR BEFORE, 10TH July, 2024 UPTO, 5.00PM.

All the Gram Sabha Members are therefore kindly requested to make it convenient to attend the above said Gram Sabha Meeting in time.

N.B.: If the required quorum is not found within the stipulated time the Meeting will be adjourned and the same will be held after half an hour on the same day and same place.

Sd/-
(Sapnil R. Chodankar)
Sarpanch
V.P. Penha De Franca

सेंट्रल बैंक ऑफ इंडिया
Central Bank of India
CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA

REGIONAL OFFICE PANAJI, Nizari Bhavan, 1st Floor, Near Cine National Menzies Braganza Road, PANAJI (Goa) -403001.
Phone No. 0832-2224385, 2425105
e-mail: recoverypanaro@centralbank.co.in

RO/RECV /2024-25/ (By Registered Post A.D/ Hand Delivery) Date:- 01/07/2024

To,

- 1). Mr. Raman Sangappa Jaggal (Borrower) S/O Sangappa Rajappa Jaggal, H No 181/ CL 9 , Near Ganpati Temple Shanti Nagar , Mangoor , Vasco Da Gama 403802. Contact No. 7719978696/7719988008.
- 2). Mr. Damodar Govind Narvekar (Guarantor), Block No 4 , Second Floor, Vailankani Residency Katem Baina Vasco Da Gama South Goa 403802. Contact No. 9822588970. (A/c. No. 3957215441)

Dear Madam / Sir,

Notice U/S 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) herein called as "Act".

We have, at your request, granted to you various credit facilities through our Vasco Da Gama Branch from time to time by way of financial assistance, against various assets creating security interest in favour of the Bank. The relevant particulars of the said credit facilities are stated in Schedule 'A'. You have availed the financial assistance with an undertaking for repayment of the said financial assistance in terms of the said agreement(s)/ document(s) executed by you in favour of the bank.

You have also created Mortgage creating security interest in favour of the Bank. The relevant particulars of the secured assets are specifically stated in Schedule 'B'.

The operation of and conduct of the above said financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular and the debt has been classified as non performing asset as on 29/06/2024 in accordance with the directives/ guidelines relating to asset classifications issued by the Reserve Bank Of India consequent to the default committed by you in repayment of principal debt and interest thereon.

Despite repeated requests, you have failed and neglected to repay the said dues/ outstanding liabilities. Therefore, CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA hereby calls upon you u/s, 13(2) of the said Act by issuing this notice to discharge in full your liabilities stated hereunder to the Bank, within Sixty (60) days from the date of this notice. Your outstanding liabilities (in aggregate) due and owing to the Bank is the Sum of **Rs. 38,04,842.22/- (Rupees Thirty eight lakhs four thousand eight hundred forty two and paise twenty two)** as on the date of NPA which is 29/06/2024. You are also liable to pay future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount from the date of NPA together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc.

If you fail to repay to the bank the aforesaid sum of **Rs. 38,04,842.22/- (Rupees Thirty eight lakhs four thousand eight hundred forty two and paise twenty two)** with further interest and incidental expenses costs as stated above in terms of this notice u/s, 13(2) of the Act, the Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of Section 13 and under other applicable provisions of the said Act. The amount realized so by exercising the powers mentioned above, will first be applied for recovering all Costs, Charges & Expenses incidental thereto incurred by us and secondly would be applied in discharge of our dues as mentioned above with contractual rate of interest till the actual date of realization. Residual amount, if any, shall be paid to the person entitled thereto in accordance with his/ her right and interest.

You are also put on notice that in terms of Sub-Section (13) of SECTION 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule 'B' of this notice without obtaining written consent of the Bank & further as per SECTION 29 of the act, if any person contravenes / abets or attempts to contravene provisions of the act, the punishment shall be upto one year imprisonment or fine or with both.

Further, notwithstanding our action or proceeding under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, we also reserve our right either

(i) To simultaneously file, proceed and pursue Suits / Applications / Cases against you and guarantor/s before the D.R.T / Court, as the case may be, to realize the outstanding dues and or

(ii) To proceed against you & the Guarantor/s before Debt Recovery Tribunal / Court, for recovery of the balance amount due to our Bank, if the entire outstanding amount together with the contractual rate of interest are not fully satisfied with the sale proceeds of the secured assets and or

(iii) To proceed against you and Guarantor/s for initiating Criminal action for the acts or omission committed by you under the provisions of Law.

Your attention is invited to provisions of sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the act in respect of time available to you to redeem the secured assets.

This notice is without prejudice to the Bank's right to initiate such other actions or legal proceedings, as it deems necessary under any other applicable provisions of Law.

Details of Credit Facility Granted

Schedule 'A'		Schedule 'B'	
Nature of Facility	Account No.	Sanction Amt.	Outstanding Amt
Cent Home	3957215441	40,00,000/-	Rs. 38,04,842.22/-
			9.70%

All that one flat identified under No 108, admeasuring 119.77 sq. mtrs of super built ip area including the incidence of staircase etc on the 1st floor in the building known as 'ELEMENTS BY SHANTILAL' along with corresponding proportionate floor area / undivided share in the plot no 7A (admeasuring an area of 4141 sq. mtrs which is independently surveyed under No 91-A of Chicalim village and situated next to Regina Mundi High School, Chicalim, Sub District Murrugao, District -South Goa) with the right to exclusive use of Parking identified under no 108 which is bounded as under : EAST : By Setback of the building, WEST :By lobby/passage and Apartment No 109, NORTH :By service duct of the building, SOUTH :By Setback of the building.

Sd/-
AUTHORISED OFFICER

Yours faithfully



French newly-elected Member of Parliament with the 'Nouveau Front Populaire' left wing coalition Clementine Autain at the National Assembly in Paris



US Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene, Republican of Georgia, at a press meet outside the federal correctional institution, in Danbury, Connecticut



US Secretary of State Antony Blinken speaks during a foreign policy discussion at the Brookings Institute in Washington, DC



Peruvian former prez candidate and Congresswoman Keiko Fujimori at the specialised corruption court at the opening of the trial for money laundering in the Odebrecht scandal, in Lima

China deploys aircraft carrier off Philippine coast

PTI, BEIJING: China has deployed its second aircraft carrier 'Shandong' which was spotted patrolling waters off the Philippine coast as Manila stepped up efforts to assert its claims over a shoal in the disputed South China Sea firmly opposing Beijing's counterclaims.

Shandong, an aircraft carrier with a displacement of about 70,000 tonnes, was seen patrolling the waters off the Philippines which serves as a deterrent against "continuous Philippine provocations" on Chinese islands and reefs in the South China Sea,

state-run Global Times media reported on Monday.

The aircraft carrier is likely on a scheduled exercise that could also prepare it for a potential far sea voyage into the West Pacific, it quoted Chinese experts as saying.

Shandong's deployment comes after the People's Liberation Army (PLA) deployed major surface combat ships, including large and medium destroyers as well as the main amphibious landing ship in the South China Sea as the maritime territorial conflict with Manila escalated.

Ni Lexiong, a defence professor in the Department of Political Science at Shanghai University of

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— Ni Lexiong, Defence Professor, Department of Political Science, Shanghai University of Political Science and Law

Political Science and Law, was quoted by the Hong Kong-based South China Morning Post as saying that the Shandong's passage was meant to be a deterrent to Manila and Washington and underline "China's determination to protect territorial sea sovereignty" amid tensions over the Second Thomas Shoal.

Chester Cabalza, president and founder of International Development and Security Cooperation, a

Manila-based think-tank, said the carrier's patrol was an example of "performative politics" by Beijing that could become a frequent event.

If so, it "would mean that there is a red flag on their national security", he said, adding that "once we see massive military force, that means that Beijing is preparing for a war", the Post reported.

In the midst of tensions, a Chinese Coast Guard ship has res-

cued two Philippine fishermen after their fishing vessel suffered damage after an explosion on board near Huangyan Dao, widely known as Scarborough Shoal in the South China Sea.

After the incident, the Philippine side expressed gratitude for the humanitarian rescue by the China Coast Guard, it was reported.

The China-Philippines confrontation to assert their claims in the disputed South China Sea took a violent turn last month as their naval ships collided in the first such incident after Beijing issued new rules to act against foreign vessels and detain foreigners suspected of violating regulations in

China's rocket crashes into hills after 'accidental launch'

PTI, BEIJING: A powerful Chinese rocket crashed after an "accidental launch" during a ground test on Sunday due to a structural failure, a private company responsible for the rocket said.

Space Pioneer, also known as Beijing Tianbing Technology, said in a statement that the Tianlong-3 rocket was unexpectedly launched during a static-fire test at a facility in Gongyi county in Henan province.

Luckily it landed in a hilly area of the city of Gongyi and the company said there were no injuries as people in the area were evacuated in advance of the rocket test.

The nine engines of the rocket, stated to be the most powerful in the country, fired in the afternoon

on Sunday were lifted off because of a "structural failure at the connection between the rocket body and the test platform", the company said.

Space Pioneer is one of several private aerospace companies that are developing medium-lift, reusable rockets to help China assemble its satellite constellations comparable to SpaceX's Starlink.

Residents in flats in the county-level city of Gongyi posted footage online showing the rocket climbing into the sky, leaving a trail of thick smoke before falling back to the ground on its side, the Hong Kong-based South China Morning Post reported Sunday.

The crash of the kerosene-liquid oxygen-propelled rocket caused a huge explosion.

SCS TENSIONS

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A gallery assistant looks at the Neon ensemble from the 'Barbie' film during the 'Barbie: The Exhibition' photocall at The Design Museum in London, on Monday

RBI's Rs 2,000 note withdrawal reaches 97.87%

NEW DELHI: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Monday, July 1, said the withdrawal of Rs 2,000 denomination banknotes reached 97.87% as of June 28. On May 19, 2023, the central bank announced the withdrawal of the Rs 2,000 currency note denomination. According to a central bank release, the total amount floating in the said denomination in the country at that time was Rs 3.56 lakh crore. At present, an amount of Rs 7,581 crore in the said denomination is remaining in circulation, as per the June data updated by the RBI on its website on Monday. The total amount remaining to be withdrawn from the system was reduced by 2.29% compared to last month's data release. In May 2024, the total amount remaining for withdrawal was Rs 7,755 crore. The remaining notes floating in the system continue to be legal tender.

CIL's Q1 production surges 8% to 189.3 million tonne in FY25

KOLKATA: Coal India Limited achieved an 8% growth in coal production, reaching 189.3 million tonnes in the first quarter of the current fiscal, surpassing its target of 189.2 million tonnes, the company said in a statement on Monday. The company's production increased by 13.8 million tonnes compared to the corresponding quarter of FY'24, with all seven producing subsidiaries registering positive growth, it said. CIL's supplies also rose by 6% to 198.4 million tonnes during April-June 2024, with a significant increase in supplies to both power and non-power sectors, it added. The company's coal loading witnessed healthy growth, with an average of 367.2 rakes per day, a 10.3% year-on-year increase, it said. Higher production and loading resulted in a substantial increase in coal inventory at CIL's pitheads, reaching 81.5 million tonnes, providing a sufficient buffer to meet any sudden surge in demand, it said. At a time when power demand in the country is surging, the miner stepped up its supplies to coal-fired plants, registering a 4% growth to 160 million tonnes in Q1 FY'25, a Y-o-Y increase of 6 million tonnes.

currency		bullion	
US Dollar	83.44	Silver (Rs/Kg)	87,150
British Pound	105.51	Gold (Rs/10gm)	71,532
Euro	89.53		
Russian Ruble	00.95		
Kuwaiti Dinar	272.10		
Bahraini Dinar	221.91		
Qatari Riyal	22.92		
Emirati Dirham	22.72	Sensex	79476.19
Omani Rial	216.74	Nifty	24141.95

ATF price hiked 1.2%, commercial LPG cut by Rs 30

PTI, NEW DELHI: Jet fuel or ATF price on Monday was hiked by 1.2% while that of commercial LPG used by hotels and restaurants cut by Rs 30 per 19-kg cylinder in line with international oil price trends.

Aviation turbine fuel (ATF) price was hiked by Rs 1,179.37 per kilolitre, or 1.2%, to Rs 96,148.38 per kl in the national capital, according to a price notification of state-owned fuel retailers.

The increase followed a steep 6.5% (Rs 6,673.87 per kl) reduction effected on June 1.

The ATF rate in Mumbai was increased to Rs 89,908.30 per kl from Rs 88,834.27.

Prices differ from state to state depending on the incidence of local taxes.

Alongside, oil firms cut the price of commercial LPG by Rs 30 to Rs 1,646 per 19-kg cylinder.

This is the fourth straight monthly reduction in rates.

voice of business

India's manufacturing sector growth ticks higher in June

PTI, NEW DELHI: India's manufacturing sector output increased at a sharp pace in June as new business continued to flow in amid favourable demand conditions and resulted in record upturn in employment, a monthly survey said on Monday.

DEMAND TAILWIND

The seasonally adjusted HSBC India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) increased from 57.5 in May to 58.3 in June, indicating a sharper improvement in business conditions.

In PMI parlance, a print above 50 means expansion, while a score below 50 denotes contraction. June data showed that the stronger expansion in sales

at manufacturers in India was largely due to buoyant underlying demand, higher export volumes and successful advertising.

As a consequence of ongoing increases in new order intakes, firms stepped up recruitment. The rate of job creation was sharp and the strongest seen since data collection started in March 2005.

"... Firms increased their hiring at the fastest pace in over 19 years. Input buying activity also rose during the month," said Maitreyi Das, Global Economist at HSBC.

Staff expenses reportedly intensified in June, which coupled with rising material and transportation costs caused another overall increase in operating expenses, the survey said.

Manufacturers in India were able to share addi-



tional cost burdens with their clients amid conducive demand conditions. Selling charges were raised to the greatest extent in over two years.

"On the price front, input costs moderated slightly in June, but re-

mained at elevated levels. Manufacturers were able to pass on higher costs to customers, as demand remained robust, resulting in improved margin," Das said.

Meanwhile, new export orders increased sub-

stantially in June. Companies attributed higher inflows of new work from overseas to better demand from Asia, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Europe and the US.

The survey noted that the outlook for the manufacturing sector remained positive, with nearly 29 per cent of panellists expecting output growth over the coming year.

Firms forecast further improvements in demand and order book volumes in the year ahead, with advertising and greater client enquiries also underpinning optimism, the survey said.

The HSBC India Manufacturing PMI is compiled by S&P Global from responses to questionnaires sent to purchasing managers in a panel of around 400 manufacturers.

GST collection rises 8% to Rs 1.74 lakh cr in June

PTI, NEW DELHI: The gross GST collection increased 8% to Rs 1.74 lakh crore in June, sources said on Monday.

The govt, however, has discontinued the official release of monthly GST collection data, they added.

TAX MOP-UP

Sources said the gross Goods and Services Tax (GST) collection so far this fiscal (April-June) stood at Rs 5.57 lakh crore.

The collection in June is higher than the Rs 1.73 lakh crore collected in May 2024. It is 8% higher than Rs 1.61 lakh crore mopped up in June 2023.

The Integrated GST

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— Saurabh Agarwal, EY India Tax Partner

worth Rs 39,586 crore was settled towards Central GST and Rs 33,548 crore towards State GST (SGST).

The GST mop-up had touched a record high of Rs 2.10 lakh crore in April.

The govt, sources said, would not be releasing any statement with regard to tax collection going ahead.

EY India Tax Partner Saurabh Agarwal said this robust performance reflects a buoyant economy, with businesses demonstrating commendable self-compli-

ance. Timely audits, scrutiny measures, and effective enforcement by the department have all contributed to this success.

"The significant surge in collections also raises expectations for the next wave of GST reforms. These reforms could potentially address working capital blockages, streamline tax rates, ease ITC restrictions, and implement sector-specific solutions to tackle existing challenges," Agarwal added.

SAY CHEESE



Actor Kriti Sanon poses for photos during the launch of Instax Fujifilm camera in Mumbai, on Monday

M-cap of BSE-listed firms hit lifetime high of ₹443 L cr

PTI, NEW DELHI: The market capitalisation of BSE-listed firms hit a lifetime high of Rs 4,43,05,344.36 crore on Monday, driven by a rebound in equities, where the benchmark Sensex ended at a new all-time peak.

The 30-share BSE Sensex jumped 443.46 points or 0.56% to settle at a new closing peak of 79,476.19. During the day, it climbed 528.27 points or 0.66% to 79,561.

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(USD 5.31 trillion) amid an optimistic trend in equities.

"The domestic market sustained its upward momentum, with a reduction in the US PCE inflation raising hopes for a rate cut by the FED in September. This optimism contributed to the strong performance of IT stocks," Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services, said.

Among the Sensex pack, Tech Mahindra, Bajaj Finance, UltraTech Cement, Tata Consultancy Services, Infosys, JSW Steel, HDFC Bank, Tata Motors, Hin-

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dustan Unilever and ICICI Bank were the biggest gainers.

NTPC, State Bank of India,

Larsen & Toubro, IndusInd Bank and Bajaj Finserv were among the laggards.

In the broader market, the BSE smallcap gauge jumped 1.58% and the midcap index climbed 1.11%. Both the smallcap and midcap indices hit their lifetime highs.

Among the indices, IT soared 1.84%, teck jumped 1.46%, commodities (1.21%), telecommunication 1.03%, industrials (0.95%) and metal (0.73%). Utilities, power and realty were the laggards.

A total of 2,656 stocks advanced while 1,346 declined and 144 remained unchanged on the BSE.

Last week, the BSE benchmark jumped 1,822.83 points or 2.36%, and the Nifty climbed 509.5 points or 2.16%.

The Sensex recorded the best monthly gain in June by climbing 7.14%.

The Sensex breached the historic 79,000 mark on Thursday, and the Nifty hit the 24,000 level for the first time in intra-day trade.

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AROMATIC AND COMFORTING CINNAMON

The radiant wildflowers of Goa during the monsoon

Wildflowers are nature's temporary masterpieces, painting landscapes with bursts of vibrant colours and delicate beauty. These resilient blooms thrive in the most unexpected places, adding splashes of charm to fields and mountainsides. In Goa, some of these wildflowers also have medicinal value

Meliston Fernandes

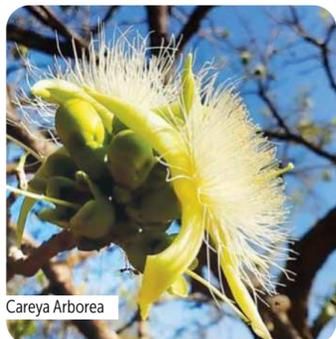
Goa, with its rich biodiversity and lush landscapes, transforms into a vibrant paradise during the rainy season. The monsoon showers breathe life into the flora, making the region a hotspot for a variety of wildflowers that add splashes of color to the surroundings. These wildflowers not only enhance the biodiversity and ecological balance of the region. The blooming of these flowers during the monsoon also attracts tourists, nature photographers, and botanists, highlighting Goa's natural heritage.

Wildflowers are good for pollinators like bees, wasps and butterflies. Goa being a part of the Western Ghats are blessed with a variety of small, mini and some large wild flowers. Goa is home to a rare flower *Dipcadi goensis*, discovered by Dr Ashish Prabhugaonkar, a Goan botanist. The once in 7 years flower, Karvi flowered the last year and the year before. The entire hill gets covered in a blanket of purple. There are insectivorous flowers like *Drosera indica* and *Utricularia* that control insect population on the plateaus and grasslands and when the season is over they add to the biochemistry of the soil. Certain wild flowers find their place in ethno botanic practices," says Dr Maryanne Lobo, an Ayurvedic physician and nature lover who conducts plant trails teaching people about plants and ethnobotany of the region.

The Football Lily, scientifically known as *Globba marantina*, is a captivating wildflower found in the lush landscapes of Goa. With its distinctive spherical blooms resembling miniature footballs,

this unique flower adds a touch of oddness to the lush surroundings. Nestled among the rich greenery of Goa's forests and riverbanks, the Football Lily stands out with its vibrant hues of red, orange, and yellow, creating a striking contrast against the greenery. "It is known as dancing ladies ginger as it produces beautiful flowers resembling dancing ladies. In traditional herbal medicine practices, various parts of the plant are sometimes used to treat ailments such as inflammation, pain and digestive issues. Ethno medicinally roots and leaves of *Globba Marantina* are claimed to be used in management of asthma, rheumatoid arthritis, cough, snake bite and conjunctivitis," says Nidhi Raut Desai, from Assolda in Chandor.

Balsamina, commonly known as the Touch-me-not or *Impatiens balsamina*, is a charming wildflower species found scattered throughout



Careya Arborea

the vibrant ecosystems of Goa. With its delicate, trumpet-shaped blooms in shades of pink, purple, and white, *Balsamina* adds a touch of elegance to the verdant landscapes of the region. This dainty flower earned its nickname "Touch-me-not" due to its unique seed pods that burst open at the slightest touch, dispersing seeds and captivating observers with its interactive nature. Found along riverbanks, forest edges, and garden borders, *Balsamina* thrives in Goa's tropical climate, attracting pollinators and delighting nature enthusiasts with its ephemeral beauty. Various parts of this plant find their applications in traditional medicine, especially for treating skin disorders and ailments such as rheumatism, fractures. Juice extracted from plant leaves was used to cure warts and snake bite. Flower is used in treating burns. The seed is expectorant and has been used in treatment of cancer," adds Nidhi Raut.



Drosera Indica

Wild til, also known as wild sesame, is a species of flowering plant that grows abundantly in the wild habitats of Goa. Scientifically known as *Sesamum mulayanum*, this plant is closely related to the cultivated sesame plant (*Sesamum indicum*) but grows in more natural, uncultivated environments. Wild til is characterized by its small white or pink flowers and slender, elongated seed pods containing tiny edible seeds. In Goa, it can be found in fields, along roadsides, and in other open areas with well-drained soil and sufficient sunlight.

The Glory Lily, or Tiger Claws (*Gloriosa superba*), is a striking wildflower found in Goa, notable for its vibrant, flame-like flowers with recurved petals resembling tiger claws. This climbing plant, reaching up to 3-6 feet, thrives in Goa's warm, humid climate, preferring well-drained, sandy or loamy soil and full sun to partial shade. It's a distinctive part of Goa's natural flora, admired for its beauty and occasionally used in traditional medicine, though caution is advised due to its toxicity. The Glory Lily enhances the region's landscapes with its unique and dramatic appearance.

Commelina, also known as the Dayflower, is a fascinating wildflower species that graces the diverse landscapes of Goa with its unique blooms. Sporting delicate blue petals and distinctive arrow-shaped leaves, *Commelina* adds a splash of color to the lush vegetation of the region. Often found along forest edges, riverbanks, and open fields, this resilient flower thrives in Goa's tropical climate, showcasing its beauty throughout the year. Named after the Dutch botanists Johan and Caspar Commelin, *Commelina* is not only admired for its aesthetic appeal but also for its ecological significance.

Hill Turmeric, also known as *Curcuma aromatica*,

is a remarkable wild plant species that thrives in the hills of Goa, adding both beauty and medicinal value to its surroundings. Growing amidst the lush foliage of the Western Ghats, this herbaceous perennial plant is cherished for its vibrant yellow flowers and aromatic rhizomes. As a close relative of the commonly known turmeric (*Curcuma longa*), Hill Turmeric shares similar properties, often used in traditional medicine for its anti-inflammatory and antioxidant benefits. Beyond its medicinal uses, the plant contributes to the ecological diversity of the region, attracting pollinators and enriching the soil with its organic matter.

Silver Cockscomb (*Celosia argentea*), while widely recognized as an ornamental garden plant, also grows as a wildflower in its native habitats, primarily in tropical and subtropical regions. In the wild, it often thrives in open fields, grasslands, and along roadsides, where it can take advantage of sunny, well-drained areas. This resilience and adaptability allow the cockscomb to flourish without human cultivation, showcasing its beauty and hardiness in various natural settings.



Karvi Flower

"*Celosia argentea* plant shows different physiological effects because of different bioactive compounds present in it and therefore is widely used to cure several disorders such as fever, diarrhea, piles, bleeding nose, mouth sores, itching, wounds, jaundice and gonorrhoea. It has different pharmacological activity such as immunological activity, cytoprotective, inflammation, antioxidant, haematological, anti-diarrheal, anticancer, antimutagenic activity, hepatoprotective, anti-metastatic, antioxidant, antibacterial, antifungal, anti-diarrheal activity, gynecologic disorders, anti-urolithiatic, growth activity and also as disinfectant," says Apurva Kankonkar, who has done a masters in Pharmacognosy.

Shampoo Ginger (*Zingiber zerumbet*), also known as Awapuhi or Bitter Ginger, is a tropical plant found in Goa, renowned for its pinecone-shaped, fragrant inflorescences that exude a sudsy liquid used as a natural shampoo and conditioner. Thriving in humid, shaded environments with well-drained soil, Shampoo Ginger is not only valued for its practical uses in hair care but also for its medicinal properties and aesthetic appeal in gardens. "Rhizome of *Z zerumbet* has been broadly applied with significant remedial effects for the remedy of stomach pains, diarrhea, inflammation, flatulence, fever, poisoning, allergies, and bacterial infections. The powder form of rhizome could be applied for treatment of toothache, infections of ear and additionally in form of herbal tea for treating stomach disease. The cooked rhizome juice is an effective material for preventing worms in children" says Apurva.

The pagoda flower (*Clerodendrum paniculatum*), known for its stunning pyramid-shaped clusters of bright red or orange blooms, thrives in Goa's tropical climate. It is also called bishops crown because of its unique appearance. Reaching heights of 3-8 feet, this plant with large, heart-shaped leaves is popular in local gardens and landscaping due to its vibrant and exotic appearance. It flourishes in well-drained, fertile soil with partial shade to full sunlight and requires regular watering without waterlogging. While generally resistant to pests, occasional care against aphids or spider mites is beneficial, making the pagoda flower a striking and manageable addition to Goa's horticultural scenery.

The rainy season in Goa is a time of renewal and vibrant growth. The wildflowers that bloom during this period are a testament to nature's resilience and beauty. Each flower adds its unique charm to the Goan landscape, making the monsoon an enchanting time to explore and appreciate the region's natural splendor.



Shampoo Ginger

Compassion is an attribute of a successful doctor

Pio Esteves

TIATR: 'Sonvsar Sorg Ifern'
CAST: Roseferns, Vishal Gawas, Santano, Dola, Baptist, Jennifer, Carmin, Elvis, Prince Jacob, Ben Evangelisto, Ambe, Lino, Mario, Risma, Raymond
DIRECTOR: Constantino Crasto
STAGE/LIGHTS: Pedro Santano, Romeo



The curtains unfold to a scene where a new hospital, 'St Anthony Hospital' which is set up by Dr Simon Viegas (Roseferns) is being inaugurated. Though uneducated, but carrying a lot of knowledge and experience about herbal medicine, Dr Minglu (Santano Crasto) is invited by Dr Viegas to inaugurate the new hospital. In attendance are Dr Viegas' wife, Sylvia (Dola) and his only son, Dr Shane (Vishal Gawas). Mother and son are upset as the hospital was inaugurated by a local illiterate practitioner, instead of a politician or a renowned physician. But Dr Viegas' main focus is to serve the poor and the downtrodden, while Dr Shane's intention is only to amass wealth at the cost of the patients.

Although Dr Shane is following in the footsteps of his father, Dr Viegas appoints Dr Sharmine (Carmin) as the CMO (Chief Medical Officer) of the hospital. Dr Shane is furious at his father's decision. Meanwhile, Muriel (Jennifer), who serves as a nurse in the hospital, gets friendly with Dr Shane. She also has Nash (Baptist) as her close friend. When Nash shares about his ailing mother with Muriel, she assures him of good treatment in the hospital. But Dr Shane's plans are different. What follows next is worth the watch



during the second half. Constantino Crasto's 13th production 'Sonvsar Sorg Ifern' focuses on the medical practice and the malpractices that are rampant in private hospitals today. It throws light on the bills that keep soaring after the patient is admitted to the hospital, irrespective whether the ailing is rich or poor.

'Sonvsar Sorg Ifern'

TIATR REVIEW

Although the subject is not new, it has been well executed with a good flow. It also carries a small dose of suspense that keeps the viewers glued to their seats. Roseferns has played the role of a doctor with ease and command. Dola as his spouse on stage is



equally good, with non-fluent English over the phone. Baptist, Carmin, Jennifer and Evola have extended good support to the main cast. Vishal Gawas enacts his negative role with gusto. Elvis plays double roles and he excels in both.

For some lighter moments, there's Prince Jacob, Ben Evangelisto, Ambe, Lino, Mario, Raymond and Risma coming together to provide laughter pills, but unfortunately they carry none. It appears that a bunch of comedians on stage have nothing much to tickle the funny bone of the audience.

In the presentation, there are some good scenes to be enjoyed by the viewers, which include the Garden

of Eden and statue of St Anthony. In the section of songs, there's Risma, Evola and Jennifer rendering the opening song, followed by solos from Marcus Vaz and Roseferns. There are songs from Tony de Ribandar and Jennifer, Prince Jacob and Evola, Risma and Delina, Constantino and Santano, Baptist and Santano, Dola, Jennifer, Risma and Delina. A political solo by Francis de Tuem and a song by Tony de Ribandar, Marcus Vaz and Francis de Tuem receive encore. The musicians offstage have provided good music to the songs rendered on stage.

The stage sets are by Pedro Santano and light effects are by Romeo.

The best fish to eat for weight loss

Fish is an excellent source of dietary protein. Eating enough protein can help you feel fuller and more satisfied after a meal and may also help prevent overeating during the day. When you reach for fish as your protein source at lunch or dinner, you can feel confident that choice will support your weight-loss goals. One review found that eating fish regularly may help people maintain a healthy body weight and is connected to a reduced waist circumference and a lower risk of metabolic syndrome.

The protein in fish contains anti-inflammatory compounds, plus you also get anti-inflammatory omega-3 fatty acids when you eat fish. Both of these have been associated with less abdominal fat and a lower body weight. In general, consuming omega-3s is a boon for your health.

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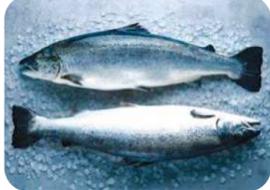
Mackerel is another oily, bold-flavored fish that's packed full of omega-3 fatty acids—plus 16 grams of protein in a 3-ounce serving. In addition, one serving of mackerel contains more than 2,000 mg of omega-3 fatty acids.

TROUT



Trout provides 18 grams of protein per 3 ounces and plenty of vitamins and minerals, and it has more omega-3s than most fish. Trout tend to contain the highest naturally present amounts of omega-3 fatty acids. Trout is also a good source of vitamin D, and there's evidence that this essential vitamin may play a role in a healthy metabolism. Trout can be grilled or pan-seared.

SALMON



Salmon is famous for its heart-health benefits. The famously pink or red fish contains 17 grams of protein in 3 ounces, plus a long list of vitamins and minerals, including omega-3 fatty acids. Scientists are starting to study salmon for a hormone it contains called calcitonin. Early research shows that it can slow stomach emptying and increase calorie burn, possibly making it easier to lose weight. Bake or air-fry your salmon—or turn it into salmon patties atop a bed of greens.

SARDINE

One 3.75-ounce can of sardines provides 23 grams of protein, plus these small swimmers are rich in omega-3s. Sardines are higher in essential fatty acids due to a higher fat



content. In addition, canned sardines also provide an excellent source of calcium because you eat the bones in the fish.

TUNA



Canned tuna is a classic lunch, and it's full of protein and essential fatty acids, too. Tuna is great for weight loss because it's packed with protein—22 grams per 3-ounce can—but is a lean fish, meaning one can contains fewer than 100 calories.

COD



Cod is a mild-tasting fish, which is great for people who aren't big fans of that fishy flavor. Cod also provides more iodine than many other types of fish. Iodine is a mineral that is naturally present in some foods, and it's necessary for our bodies to make thyroid hormones. Cod is an excellent source of selenium, another mineral that is needed for healthy thyroid and metabolic function.

Mini's Food Fundas Aromatic and Comforting Cinnamon



Mini Ribeiro

An independent food critic and columnist, will be acquainting readers with the latest food and beverage trends based on personal insights and experiences

Desserts, mulled wines and perhaps chocolates, come to our mind at the mention of the spice, cinnamon. But clearly, this magical spice lends itself to savoury dishes too

Creamy butternut squash soup, Spiced apple cider and Moroccan orange salad. Sounds delicious, don't they? The common factor in these dishes is cinnamon. Yes, desserts and sweets are not all that cinnamon elevates. Available as powder or as a whole, as pieces of bark, cinnamon is a versatile spice with very distinct earthy, sweet and pungent notes. Cinnamon's distinctively sweet, yet smoky flavour comes from the aromatic oil that makes up to 1 percent of its composition.

Endowed with innumerable health benefits, cinnamon, works as a prebiotic promoting 'good' gut bacteria and reducing

'bad' gut bacteria, apart from lowering blood sugar, and having anti-inflammatory properties. It occupies a pride of place in every spice rack in kitchens, Indian kitchens, included. We all love to use it, albeit with caution, as it is an expensive spice.

The name cinnamon, comes from the Ancient Greek, kinnamōmon, meaning sweet wood. Cinnamon has been harvested for thousands of years. It has been used medicinally in China since 2,500 BCE, and its antibacterial and anti-fungal properties made cinnamon a popular embalming agent in Ancient Egypt. It was also used as a seasoning for meat in the days before refrigeration. In the seventeenth century, cinnamon became the most profitable spice for the Dutch East India Company, thus allowing it to dominate kitchens across the world.

Ceylon Cinnamon, also known as 'true cinnamon', is a coveted variety that originates from Sri Lanka. It is known for its delicate and complex flavour profile, which is subtly sweet with hints of citrus and floral notes. The thin and fragile bark of Ceylon Cinnamon is easily rolled into quills, making it a popular choice for garnishing and infusing flavours in food and even drinks.

The multipurpose cinnamon is used in dishes from all around the world. Whether you're a trained chef or a home cook, learning how to include cinnamon in cooking, can elevate your culinary creations to unparalleled heights.

In sweets and desserts, it adds a warmth and depth that is unmatched. Who can resist an Apple Pie with the fragrance of cinnamon or perhaps a Cinnamon Babka? Cinnamon and apples

are a match made in heaven and thus, find themselves together in several desserts and sweet breads.

Ground cinnamon is the easiest to work with and gives an even flavour in marinades and cakes, but sticks are ideal for one-pot dishes, like curries, where they impart flavour and can easily be left in the dish while serving. I love using cinnamon sugar in my cakes and desserts and always keep it handy.

Sweets aside, the savoury Vietnamese pho and the Moroccan tagine, also get enhanced owing to the distinct flavours of cinnamon. One can also use cinnamon in chicken, lamb and vegetables, as well as, spice up homemade pickles with it.

It is an important and must-added spice when making a pulao or biryani. Just as one lifts the lid of a dish infused with cinnamon, the waft fills the nostrils and entices the diner. The spice depth it adds, without the quintessential spice-heat of other spices, makes cinnamon a natural choice for many, while cooking.

Not just food, but cinnamon has been used to enrich spiced wine since the Middle Ages and is still popular in flavoured teas. In winters, or even during monsoons, there's nothing like a hot beverage. Sipping a green tea infused with apples and cinnamon can be a healthy choice and also comforting.

From aromatic curries to hearty sweet bakes, one can use cinnamon in a host of dishes while cooking and baking. Try it.



Young students to be messengers of hope



The Young Students Movement began with its first annual meet at Pastoral Institute-Old Goa, with a participation of around 280

representative students and animators from across Goa. The Young Christian Students/Young Students Movement (YCS/YSM),

coordinated by the Diocesan Youth Centre- Goa (DYC), took up the theme 'Be messengers of hope, to build a society of harmony and peace' which was carried forward by the Diocesan Centre for Ecology (DCE).

The young minds had a wonderful opportunity to interact and be inspired by the input session given by young resource persons, Alisha Pereira and Yannah Marchon, under the guidance of Fr Bolmax Pereira, the Director of the DCE. Fr Blaise Lobo, director of the DYC instructed the students on the functioning and mission of the YCS/YSM, where each and every person is respected in dignity hence valuing peace, love, truth, justice and equality.

There are 22 schools which are part of this movement with around 400 students as its members. The high schools that participated were St Anni's HS-Tivim, St Theresa HS-St Estevam, St Andrew's Institute-Vasco, Holy Cross HS-Sioliem, Infant Jesus HS-Colva, Bethany Convent HS-Areal, Little Flower of Jesus HS-Calangute, Our Lady of Candelaria HS-Vasco,

St Xavier's HS-Moira, Presentation Convent HS, Ambaji-Margao, St Bartholomeo's HS-Chorao, St. Clara's HS-Assanora, St Michael's Convent HS-Vagator-Anjuna, Our Lady of Desterro HS-Vasco, St Lawrence HS-Agassaim, Our Lady of The Rosary HS -Dona Paula, St John of The Cross HS-Sanquelim, Holy Cross HS-Bastora, Holy Spirit Institute-Margao, St Sebastian's HS -Loliem-Canacona, Perpetual Convent HS-Navelim and Lourdes Convent HS-Saligao.

The DYC organising team, Kallis, Jaff, Sweeny and Fransvia, animated the students with lively action songs and coordinated the smooth flow of the entire program. The program ended with planting of the saplings by each school to remind the students to be 'messengers of hope in the society, along with the photography session of all the students and teachers along with the animators of the DYC and DCE.

Bringing youngsters back to farming



PI. INACIO NORONHA

Monsoon season starts in the month of June and once it starts raining the farmers are very happy as they can work in their paddy fields and sow the seeds and transplant them. Fr Michael Pereira along with Chotanagpur youth and also SVD Seminarians are back in the paddy field, cleaning, sowing the seeds, transplanting the paddy saplings and instilling in the minds and hearts of the youth the importance of working in the field and cultivating their own food.

Fr Michael makes time to teach the youngsters the essence of farming amongst the youth of Goa. Teemon, one of the young SVD Seminarian from Marcela said, "This is the first time that I worked in the paddy field. It's a joy to stand in this muddy water and plant this paddy saplings." "I would love to work in the paddy field every year if given a chance" said Jonathan Carvalho, a

seminarian. Sabina, an enthusiastic youth and the student of Carmel College Nuvem, exclaimed, "Working in the field in this rain gives entirely different feeling altogether."

"My sole aim of bringing youth to the paddy field is to help them get back to agriculture, which once had played a vital role in the lives of Goans," said Fr Michael. He also thanked Santan Mozis and her mother-in-law for generously leasing their field for the youth to cultivate.

As the youth and the seminarians were working in the fields, many people who passed by that way were surprised to see so many young people working in the field. There were also some people who came and started helping the youth to plant the paddy saplings. "If we instill in the heart and minds of the youngsters the joy and importance of farming, we could bring a tremendous change in them," said Fr Michael.

Sacred music concert to honour Auxiliary Bishop Msgr Simao Fernandes

To honour Auxiliary Bishop Msgr Simao Fernandes, Chandor Parish will be organising a sacred music concert. Vakhann'ni, a liturgical choir from Margao, South Goa, led by Goa diocesan priest, Fr Simon D' Cunha, will be thanking and praising the Lord for the gift of the new bishop. Fr Simon is also the President of the Diocesan Commission for Sacred Music of the Archdiocese of Goa and Daman.

The choir and ensemble is conducted by Fr Simon, Chaplain of St Joaquim Chapel, Borda-Margao. It consists of 80 singers, 63 musicians, children's choir of 52 members and St Joseph Educational Institute, Chandor consisting of a total of 55 members which includes children and teachers. The total count comes to 250 members. 'Gloria' from Coronation Mass (K-317) by Mozart and Works of Fr Camillo Xavier, Fr Bernardo Cota, Fr Jean Da Cruz Fernandes and Joynus Noronha will be presented.

Venue: Our Lady of Bethlehem Church, Chandor
Date: July 4 | Time: 7 pm

Mango Lassi tops list for Best Rated Indian Food; Jal Jeera ranks first in Worst Rated List

In the newly released list of the Best and Worst Rated Indian Foods by travel guide Taste Atlas, the beverages - mango lassi and jal jeera ranked first respectively. The social media post, which displayed a visual ranking on both lists included chai masala, butter garlic naan, Amrisari kulcha and butter chicken within the consecutive top five; whereas dishes like the gajak, South Indian thengai sadam, Odisha's panta bhat and also baingan featured in the worst rated five.

Conversely, dishes like the Hyderabad biryani, shahi paneer, chhole-bhatore, tandoori chicken and korma completed the list for the best rated top 10. On the other hand, the milk-based thandai,



Kerala's aachappam, mirchi ka salan, malpua and upma concluded the worst rated 10. Upon the release of the list of these dishes, netizens expressed disappointment for the dishes that made it to the worst rated list - strongly disagreeing with the rankings. While some questioned the authenticity of the ranking, a significant majority also felt like the lists did not represent the diversity of Indian cuisine accurately.

Netizens also demanded that the list of featured dishes be ranked by Indians, who would understand the diversity of the cuisines much better than

Healing and Deliverance through Holy Eucharist at Velim

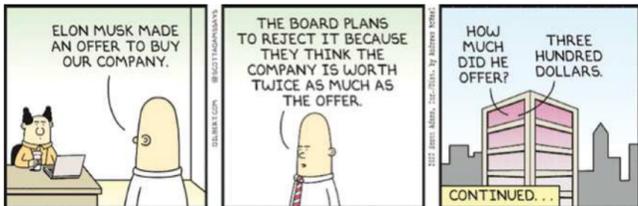
Healing and Deliverance Service through Holy Eucharist led by Fr Anthony Lopez and team is being held every first Wednesday of the Month at Velim. The service begins with Rosary, Mass, Praise and Worship, Word of God and Eucharistic Adoration.

Venue: St Rock Church, Tollecanto, Velim
Date: July 3 | Time: 5pm to 8pm

'Westerners'. Humorous comments asking to fire the person who ranked dishes like the aachappam and mirchi ka salan in the worst rated became some of the opinions that most users related to. Most importantly, given that taste is a matter of preference and subjectivity, most Indians felt that the list failed to capture the regionality of each of the dishes.

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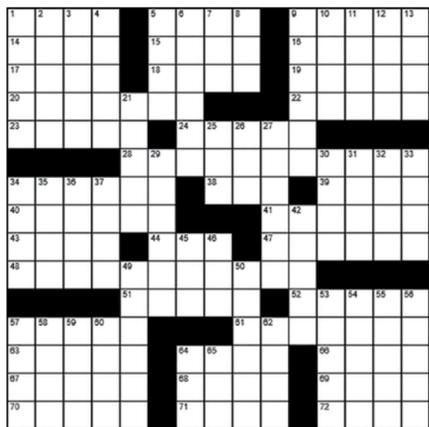
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- Sharon of "Boston Public"; 5- Leave in, to an editor; 9- Titles; 14- In ___ land; 15- A Great Lake; 16- Author Zola; 17- Diary of ___ Housewife; 18- Price tag; 19- Alabama city; 20- Souvenir; 22- Lock of hair; 23- For ___ (cheap); 24- Deputised group; 28- An organization; 34- Although; 38- Filled pastry crust; 39- Madras dress; 40- Reflecting surface; 41- Borough island; 45- Morales of "La Bamba"; 44- Ich bin ___ Berliner; 47- Mother of Calcutta; 48- Impressive; 51- ___ man with seven wives; 52- Dreadlocks wearer; 57- Snob; 61- Put in the ground for growth; 63- Pertaining to punishment; 64- ___ noire; 66- Spanish appetizer; 67- Mountain ridge; 68- Classic cars; 69- Shake ___ (hurry); 70- ___ Ark; 71- Swiss peaks; 72- Gen. Robert ___;

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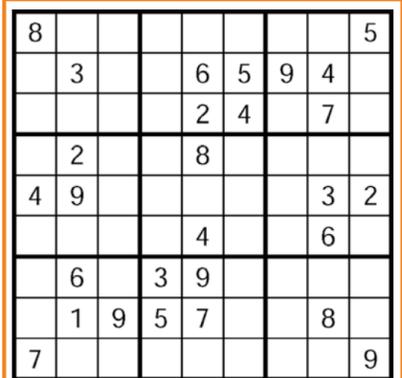
- Camel's cousin; 2- Chair designer Charles; 3- San Antonio landmark; 4- Burdened; 5- Religious offshoot; 6- Soldiers; 7- Sue Grafton's ___ for Evidence; 8- Lunar New Year; 9- Lipton competitor; 10- From the U.S.; 11- Eight furlongs; 12- Shade trees; 13- Oceans; 21- Marsh of mystery; 25- Alley- ___; 26- Chem. or biol.; 27- Middy nap; 29- Flowing water; 30- Nicholas II was the last Russian one; 31-



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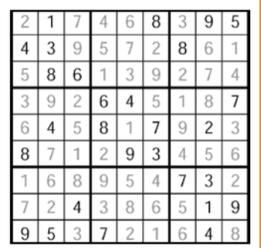
sudoku 4573



Instructions for Sudoku

9 x 9 letter: To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every number from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes

solution 4572



allovertheworld



Dutch outgoing Prime Minister Mark Rutte (left) attends the Dutch national commemoration of the abolition of slavery at the slavery monument in the Oosterpark in Amsterdam, on Monday. The commemoration is organised by the National Institute for the Dutch Slavery History and Legacy (NiNsee)

Indian woman dies on Qantas flight from Melbourne to Delhi

MELBOURNE: A 24-year-old Indian woman who was travelling from Melbourne to New Delhi in a Qantas flight died on the spot when she developed a medical condition while the aircraft was still on the ground, according to a media report on Monday. Manpreet Kaur, who had dreams of becoming a chef, boarded the aircraft ready to fly from Melbourne to Delhi on June 20 and died onboard after the student reportedly "felt unwell" hours before arriving at the airport but managed to board the flight without any issues. According to a friend, Kaur was travelling to India to see her parents for the first time since she moved to Australia in March 2020. The friend said Kaur fell on the floor and "died on the spot" when she went to put on her seatbelt. The plane was still attached to the gate in Melbourne when cabin crew and emergency services rushed to help her.

A car hits pedestrians in central Seoul, killing 9 and injuring 4

SEOUL: A car hit pedestrians waiting at a traffic light in central Seoul on Monday evening, killing nine people and injuring four, South Korea's emergency officials said. The passenger car drove in the wrong direction and collided with two other cars just before hitting the pedestrians, South Korean media reports said. The reports say the driver in his late 60s spoke of a sudden, unintended acceleration. He was detained, media reported. Seoul police did not immediately confirm the reports. Emergency officer Kim Chun-su told a briefing that one of the four injured was in serious condition. President Yoon Suk Yeol ordered his safety minister and emergency agency chief to make best efforts to aid the victims.

Pak ATC issues non-bailable warrants against Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa CM

ISLAMABAD: A Pakistan anti-terrorism court on Monday issued non-bailable arrest warrants against Ali Amin Gandapur, the chief minister of Pakistan's Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province. Gandapur is nominated in two cases of violence registered at the Sangjani and I-9 police stations of the capital Islamabad. Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) founder Imran Khan and other leaders are also named in the cases. Judge Tahir Abbas Supra of the Islamabad-based court conducted hearings of the two cases where Gandapur and another leader Amir Mughal were absent. The court rejected Gandapur's exemption plea, expressed dissatisfaction with his repeated absences, and issued arrest warrants. It also issued similar non-bailable arrest warrants against Mughal.

Australia doubles visa fees for international students; Indians to be hit

MELBOURNE: Australia has more than doubled the cost of student visa fees for international students from USD 710 to USD 1,600, a move which will impact lakhs of Indians planning to study in this country. The move has triggered outrage from student representatives who say that the price hike will drive potential students to competitors, ABC News reported on Monday. From July 1, the international student visa fee has risen to USD 1,600 from USD 710. The federal government said the additional revenue will help fund initiatives in education including cuts to graduate debt, financial support for apprentices, and the ongoing implementation of its migration strategy, the report said.

EU accuses Facebook owner Meta of breaking digital rules with paid ad-free option

LONDON: European Union regulators accused social media company Meta Platforms on Monday of breaching the bloc's new digital competition rulebook by forcing Facebook and Instagram users to choose between seeing ads or paying to avoid them. Meta began giving European users the option in November of paying for ad-free versions of Facebook and Instagram as a way to comply with the continent's strict data privacy rules. Users can pay at least 10 euros a month to avoid being targeted by ads based on their personal data. The US tech giant rolled out the option after the European Union's top court ruled Meta must first get consent before showing ads to users, in a decision that threatened its business model of tailoring ads based on individual users' online interests and digital activity. The European Commission, the EU's executive arm, said preliminary findings of its investigation show that Meta's pay or consent advertising model was in breach of the 27-nation bloc's Digital Markets Act.

Beryl makes landfall as Category 4 hurricane on island near Grenada

AP, SAN JUAN (PUERTO RICO): A dangerous and extremely powerful Hurricane Beryl made landfall on Monday on the Caribbean island of Carriacou after becoming the earliest storm of Category 4 strength to form in the Atlantic, fuelled by record warm waters. The hurricane had winds up to 240 kph, just shy of a Category 5 storm, as it blew off roofs, uprooted trees and caused other damage on Carriacou, one of the islands of Grenada, and elsewhere in the southeast Caribbean.

NBC Radio in St Vincent and the Grenadines said it received reports of roofs being torn off churches and schools as communications began collapsing across the southeast Caribbean. "Jesus Christ!" one woman could be heard yelling in a video that shows tin roofs flying through the air.

Late Monday morning, Beryl was located about 50 kilometers northeast of the island of Grenada, with maximum sustained winds of 240 kilometers per hour, and was moving west-northwest at 31 kph.

Officials in Barbados received more than a dozen reports of roof damage, fallen trees and downed electric posts across the island, said Kerry Hinds, emergency management director.

Once Beryl passes, drones will assess damage and speed up response, said Wilfred Abrahams, minister of home affairs and information. Before, it used to take



People walk through flooding from seawater after hurricane Beryl passes in the parish of Saint James, Barbados, on Monday

two hours to receive information as crews fanned out across the island, versus seven minutes with drones, he noted.

A tropical storm warning was in effect for St. Lucia, Martinique and Trinidad. A tropical storm

watch was issued for Haiti's entire southern coast, and from Punta Palenque in the Dominican Republic west to the border with Haiti. A hurricane watch was issued for Jamaica. Forecasters warned of a

life-threatening storm surge of up to 9 feet in areas where Beryl made landfall, with 3 to 6 inches of rain for Barbados and nearby islands and possibly 10 inches in some areas, especially in Grenada and the Grenadines.

The storm was expected to weaken slightly over the Caribbean Sea on a path that would take it just south of Jamaica and later toward Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula as a Category 1.

"It should be emphasised that Beryl is forecast to remain a significant hurricane during its entire trek across the Caribbean region," the National Hurricane Centre said.

Officials in some southeast Caribbean islands announced controlled shutdowns of electricity and warned of water outages ahead of the storm, urging people to seek shelter. They warned of landslides and flash flooding as they shuttered schools, airports and government offices.

Army fully capable, ready to face all challenges: Gen Dwivedi

PTI, NEW DELHI: The Indian Army is ready and capable to face all current and future security challenges facing India, Army Chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi said on Monday amid the lingering border row with China in eastern Ladakh.

A day after he assumed charge of the 1.3 million-strong force, Gen Dwivedi said working towards ensuring synergy among the Army, Air Force and the Navy would be one of his priorities.

In remarks to the media after inspecting a guard of

honour at the South Block in Raisina hills, he said the Army is facing "unique operational challenges" and to remain prepared for such threats, it is crucial to continue equipping the soldiers with latest weapons.

"I am fully conscious of the responsibility assigned to me and I assure the country and fellow citizens that the Indian Army is fully capable and ready to face all current and future challenges," he said.

The newly-appointed Army Chief also said that he will encourage induction of

indigenously-built military hardware into the force to boost self-reliance in defence.

"The geo-political landscape is changing rapidly and technology is evolving at a very fast pace," he said.

"The Indian Army faces unique operational challenges and to remain prepared for such threats and distinctive requirements, it is crucial that we continuously equip our soldiers with state-of-the-art weapons and technology

and continue to evolve our war-fighting strategies," he added.

US military heightens security alert at European bases

AP, WASHINGTON: The US military has raised the security protection measures it is taking at its bases throughout Europe, asking service members to be more vigilant and keep a lower profile due to a combination of threats it is seeing across the region. US European Command said in a statement Sunday that a "variety of factors play into the safety of US military community abroad".

At 28, Bardella could become youngest French PM

AP, NICE (FRANCE): At just 28 years old, Jordan Bardella has helped make the far-right National Rally the strongest political force in France. And now he could become the country's youngest prime minister.

After voters propelled Marine Le Pen's National Rally to a strong lead in Sunday's first round of snap legislative elections, Bardella turned to rallying supporters to hand

their party an absolute majority in the decisive round on July 7.

That would allow the anti-immigration, nationalist party to run the govt, with Bardella at the helm.

When Bardella replaced his mentor, Marine Le Pen, in 2022 at the helm of France's leading far-right party, he became the first person without the Le Pen name to lead it since its founding a half-century ago.

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IN PLACE OF THE PROMISED 48 E-BUSES, KTCL LAUNCHES JUST 6

The payment was likely to be made from the Rs 300 crore sanctioned by the Government of India for the celebration of 60 years of Goa's liberation.

As per a government notification, the Smart buses introduced by KTCL on these routes will be colour coded as per the route.

The KTCL will offer services such as QR code ticket, public announcement system (PAS), line tracking of buses at home and bus stop to plan the personal schedule etc.

Standard fare rates of Rs 10 and Rs 20 will be charged to the passengers. The proposed service will be operating stage carriages by buses and mini buses. The stage carriages will comprise of luxury and semi-luxury stage carriages (electric vehicles), electric buggies in non-motorised roads with limited stops or direct from one stop to another. The maximum number of vehicles which will ply at any one time under the scheme is 60 while the minimum number of vehicles which will operate at one time under the scheme is 44, the notification had said.

However, in April this year, the government had deferred its decision to run a fleet of 60 buses owned by Kadamba Transport Corporation Limited (KTCL) in and around the capital city of Panjim under the Smart City project for two months in view of the Lok Sabha elections. The decision was kept on hold till May 9.

The Advocate General, Devidas Pangam, had submitted in the High Court last week that the e-buses will start plying in the city from July 1, 2024.

The High Court is hearing a suo motu public interest petition on the traffic problems in the capital city.

PROPOSED NEW BORIM BRIDGE INSPECTION SLATED FOR TODAY

Maria Fernandes, a villager said, "We have told the PWD officers to visit the village again and do not make assumptions. We requested the officials to come and see for themselves. They have assured us that they will make a visit to the village."

"The place is very eco-sensitive and any form of development will harm it. They tried to explain in detail but we said that no proper study has been done. We asked the officials to carry out inspection again," she said.

Valerian Fernandes said, "They were trying to convince us that they will remove the mud and boulder and clear the place. We told them whatever is there you clear them first and show us, then we will see. They were trying to demarcate the place with police force."

Another villager Luciana Fernandes said, "They are saying that road width will be of 45 metres but in reality it will be 70-80 metres. What they showed today is the same which they had showed earlier. There is no much difference."

The delegation members said that those who are planning alignment for the bridge have no knowledge of Goa. However, they said that the PWD officials assured them that they will visit the proposed new Borim bridge access road site on Tuesday, July 2, to check the possibility of alternative alignment.

Environment Minister Aleixo Sequeira refused to comment on the issue.

CM DUCKS QUESTION ON DGP'S TRANSFER, SAYS HE WILL BRIEF MEDIA

The DGP is in the eye of a storm after Anjuna Police Inspector Prashal Dessai reportedly disclosed that he was told to facilitate the demolition of the Agarwadekars' house at Assagao. The Anjuna PI also alleged that when he tried to stop the demolition, he received a phone call from the DGP saying that action would be taken against him and

he would be trapped in a false narcotic case.

Though it has been some days since the social media was abuzz with the news of the report, neither the State government nor the Chief Secretary has clarified about the unsigned report, copies of which were available on social media.

However, during a press conference SP (Crime Branch) Rahul Gupta, IPS had said that the unsigned report was 'being verified and investigated.'

But the Chief Secretary Puneet Goel in his reply to O Heraldo had said "Everything is in the papers. I have nothing to add"

The Crime Branch has constituted a four-member SIT to investigate the Assagao house demolition case which was initially investigated by the Anjuna Police Station.

BJP PAID HEAVY PRICE FOR THROTTLING VOICE OF ONE MP: MOITRA IN LOK SABHA

Referring to the President's speech, Moitra criticised the omission of critical issues.

"There are six themes in the President's address. The budget for the North-East has increased four times, yet the word 'Manipur' is nowhere in the speech.

"The Prime Minister mentioned 'Muslim', 'madrasa', 'mutton', 'machhli' and 'mujra' but not 'Manipur' once during the campaigning. We don't need you to look East or act East. We need you to work East and, most importantly, embrace East," she said.

Moitra challenged the govt's claims of women empowerment. "This is a complete untruth. You delayed reservation in Parliament because you fear 'naari shakti'," she said. There are just 74 women MPs this time, with the BJP having only 30 out of 240.

In contrast, the TMC had 37 per cent women MPs last time and 38 per cent this time, she noted.

"While we have empowered three lakh 'lakhpati didis', the BJP seems focused on creating 'arabpati dadas'," Moitra said.

On Kashmir, the TMC MP questioned the abrogation of Article 370.

"If abrogating it was such a good idea, why did the BJP not field candidates in Baramulla, Srinagar and Anantnag-Rajouri? You downgraded Ladakh, and five years later, they are still waiting for inclusion in the Sixth Schedule. As a result, the Ladakhis relegated you to the third place" she said. Moitra also took aim at the Election Commission, accusing it of bias.

"We won in spite of the EC, not because of it. Commissioners turned a deaf ear to the most egregious violations of the Model Code of Conduct by the ruling party and the prime minister.

"This election will be remembered for an eager and compliant EC turning a blind eye and a deaf ear towards the ruling party. Ultimately, the voters took charge and said 'bahut ho gaya'," she said.

Criticising the government's infrastructure projects, Moitra said, "You are sanctioning Rs 1.08 lakh crore for Vande Bharat Bullet Train Project. In Balasore last year, three trains collided as there was no 'kavach'; last week, in the train accident there was no 'kavach'. With the current level of funding, it will take 50 years for 'kavach' to be installed on all trains."

'Kavach' is a Train Collision Avoidance System (TCAS) that provides automated train protection as well as collision prevention capabilities for the trains.

"Our aviation sector has become a domestic hazard hub, with newly constructed airports having canopies falling and the Pragati Maidan tunnel flooding. This is what happens when infrastructure is poorly planned and rushed for photo opportunities by the supreme leader," she said.

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CONDOLENCES
THE CONFRARIA DE S. FRANCISCO XAVIER DA CAPELA DE PORTAIS DE PAIJM & ST FRANCIS XAVIER SPORTS CLUB PORTAIS PANJIM.
 Deeply mourn the sad demise of their Ex President/Member.
HENRIQUE DIONISIO FERNANDES
 and convey deepest sympathy to his bereaved family.
MAY HIS SOUL REST IN ETERNAL PEACE

ADEUS MOGACHE MAIM
MARIANA BRAGANZA
 28 JANUARY 1921 - 01 JULY 2024 (103 Years)
 Shimepaind - Mardol
 "You may be gone now, but your Spirit will always live in our hearts"
 Wife of Late Minguel Braganza, Mother/Mother-in-law of Seby/Lina, Jerome/Late Beatrice, Grandmother of Jenevito/Molly, Braz/Glenys, Late Silson, Maclean/Laiza, Maryann/Blaise, Great-grandmother of Malcolm, Muriel, Emily & Skylar
 Funeral cortege will leave her residence on Wednesday 3rd July 2024 at 3:45 pm for the Eucharistic Celebration at Our Lady of Piety Church, Mardol followed by burial.
 Relatives, friends and neighbors kindly accept this as the only intimation.

A TEARFUL FAREWELL
 We deeply mourn the sad demise of our loving brother/ brother-in-law & uncle
ANTONIO BRITO FERNANDES (BRITTO)
 :- Chadvaddo, Varca :-
 and convey our heartfelt Condolences to his bereaved wife: Roma, children and grandchildren.
 "We will miss you a lot."
 A Tribute of love from his loving sister/ brother-in-law:
FATIMA / CHURCHILL ALEMAO, Neices & Nephew. (Varca).
 Confidant Advtg. & Funeral Service, Margao 9823022194

DEATH



Born: 06-10-1967 Died: 30-06-2024

JOSE D'SOUZA (GERMON)
Non Mon Vasco

Son of Late Lawrence D'Souza & Late Santana Pires
Husband of Late Angelina Rodrigues
Loving Father of Joao Caetano D'souza (UK)
Funeral cortege will leave his residence Today Tuesday 2nd July 2024 at 3.45 pm to St. Andrews Church Vasco for Eucharistic Celebration followed by burial.

RELATIVES AND FRIENDS KINDLY ACCEPT THIS AS THE ONLY INTIMATION

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FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY

In Loving Memory Of

JOAQUIM ANTONIO GONCALO GONSALVES (KOSU)



Pilem Morod, Caranzalem - Goa
Born: 27-10-1960
Died: 03-07-2023

There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of Joaquim on Wednesday (Tomorrow) 03rd July 2024 at 7.30 a.m. at St. Michael Church Taleigao Goa followed by prayers at the grave offered by his wife Lidia Dias, Son Anniston Gonsalves & Family. Relatives & Friends Kindly Accept this as the Only Intimation.

MONTH'S MIND
In Everloving Memory of



Francisco Fernandes

There will be a Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Francisco Fernandes on Wednesday, 03rd July 2024 at 9.00 a.m. at Holy Spirit Church, Margao followed by prayers at the grave. Offered by his sorrowful wife Elvira D'Souza Raimundo and daughter Analita Fernandes. Brother in law of Ayres (Caritas Christi), Carmina/Rony, Juliana/Edison, John/Piedade, Joyce/Aureliano and Nephews/Nieces Adonus, Daryl, Anysia, Aliston and Joshton.

Born: 11/08/1961
Died: 26/06/2024

Relatives & Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

MONTH'S MIND
In our loving memory of



AGNELO FERNANDES
(SORPAKAR)
Malwara, Agassaim Goa

Born: 02-04-1953
Died: 07-06-2024

There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Agnelo on Wednesday 03rd July at 7.45am, (Tomorrow) at St. Lawrence Church Agassaim Goa, followed by prayers and blessing of the grave. Mass offered by his sorrowful family.

DEATH



ANTHONY D'SOUZA (CHRIS/ANTONIO)

-: Zaino/ Velim, Navelim :-
DOB: 27.01.1951 - DOD: 1.07.2024

Son of late Mariano D'Souza / late Gabrelina Rego.
Husband of Mydil D'Souza.
Father of late Brendon and Adrian D'Souza.
Brother of Armando Martinho D'Souza, Antonetta Fernandes, late Ciana Pereira and late Roque D'Souza.
Brother-in-law of Midna / late Felix D'Souza, Melyfd / Sara D'Souza.
Passed away peacefully.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence from Odyssey, Navelim on Tuesday, 2nd July 2024 (Today) to Our Lady of Rosary Church, Navelim, for Eucharistic Celebration at 10.00 a.m., followed by burial.

Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation

CONDOLENCE

XAVIER (Zael) CAIADO

Ex-Sarpanch VP Goa Velha
Ex President of Goa Velha Sports Club
Ex President Casa Do Povo Hall Goa Velha
ZUARI, GOA VELHA

We deeply mourn the sad demise of our dear XAVIER and Express our heartfelt condolences to his family & near and dear ones.

MAY GOD GRANT HIM ETERNAL REST.
A tribute of love:
ANDREW PEREIRA/EVON & FAMILY
GOA VELHA

CONDOLENCE

XAVIER (Zael) CAIADO

Ex-Sarpanch VP Goa Velha
Ex President of Goa Velha Sports Club
Ex President Casa Do Povo Hall Goa Velha
ZUARI, GOA VELHA

We deeply mourn the sad demise of our loving Xavier (Zael) Caiado who passed away peacefully on June 29th 2024. He will always be remembered in our hearts.

MAY GOD GRANT HIM ETERNAL REST.
Fondly remembered by:
SAVIO MONTEIRO & FAMILY,
GOA VELHA

LORD I AM COMING HOME



Sr. Serene A. C.
(HOLY ROSARY CONVENT)

Passed away on 1st July 2024

Funeral cortege will leave from Holy Rosary Convent, Nuvem,
on 2nd July 2024 at 3.30pm to Jesus Mary Joseph Church, Nuvem, for Eucharistic Celebration followed by burial.

Relatives & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

RETURNED TO THE LORD



Born: 25 July 1939 Died: 01 July 2024

CAETANO JACOB SILVEIRA (CORTALIM)

"And the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns to God who gave it."
— Ecclesiastes 12:7

Son of Late Joaquim Santana Silveira/ Late Visitacao Pereira.
Brother/ Brother-in-law of Thomas/ Late Matilda Silveira, Late Ana Maria/ Late Gregorio Barretto. Loving Uncle of Suzan/Larsen, Annie/Acurcio, Reena/Joe, Agnelo/Annie and Connie/Kennedy.
Doting uncle papa to Gavin/Crystal, Jonas, Johan, Alonza, Nathan and Nahshon. Great papa uncle to Karsten and Kiara.
Passed away peacefully
Funeral will be held at Sts. Philip & James Church, Cortalim on 2nd July 2024 at 10.00 am.

Relatives, Friends and Neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation.

CONDOLENCE



XAVIER (Zael) CAIADO

Ex-Sarpanch VP Goa Velha
Ex President of Goa Velha Sports Club
Ex President Casa Do Povo Hall Goa Velha
ZUARI, GOA VELHA

We deeply mourn the death of our beloved Xavier and Convey our deepest sympathies to the bereaved family.

Tribute of love from:
ANTHONY DE-SOUSA, PINKY DESOUSA, BERTA DESOUSA.
ZUARI, GOA VELHA

RETURNED TO THE LORD

In loving memory of



BENEDICT CARMO FERNANDES
Arrady-Guirim

Born: 16.07.1950 Died: 01.07.2024

Son of late Salvador and late Catarina Fernandes.
Beloved husband of Guilhermina Lobo. Most affectionate father / father-in-law of Gladys / Anthony, Selwyn, Glenda / Savio.
Loving grandfather of Aamara, Graylin, Eleanor.
Brother/Brother-in-law of Martha / late Rafael, Sr.Blaise (SFN), Dorothy / late John, Ambrose / Rosy, Lumen / late Patrick.
Brother-in-law of John / Albertina, Cecilia / late Peter, Basil / Wilma, late Joseph.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence Arrady Guirim at 4:00 pm on 2nd July 2024 to St. Diogo's Church, Guirim - Sangolda, for Eucharistic Celebration followed by burial.

Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation

THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY

In Loving Memory Of



MARIA AUGUSTA FERNANDES
(Per-Seraulim)

There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Maria Augusta Fernandes on Wednesday, 3rd July 2024 at 8:00 am at Our Lady of Pilar Church, Seraulim, offered by her sorrowful husband Shri. Benedicto Fernandes (Ex. Secretariat, Law and Judiciary Department Government of Goa, Porvorim), son Jason D. Fernandes, daughter-in-law Alona Fernandes, granddaughter Vivian Fernandes & family members.

Relatives, neighbours & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation

A TEARFUL ADEUS



Joao De Souza (Mechanic)
(Caranzalem)

Born: 25th Oct 1958
Returned: 27th June 2024

"A Golden heart stopped beating, A smiling face vanished, hardworking hands put to rest, for it is time, for him to rest"

Loving Husband of Ditosa Trindade, Father/Father-in-law of Quentin / Francisca, Querida, Bernadina/ Glen, Queenie / Peter
Affectionate Grandfather of Blaise, Alicia, Kiara & Keon.
Son of Late Jose De Souza / Late Adelina Fernandes,
Brother/Brother-in-law of Aida / Late Francis Vaz, Antonio / Martha, Late Conceicao / Vijay Jannu and Late Jorge DeSouza.
Son-in-law of Late Agostinho F.X.Trindade / Late Bernardina Souto Brother-in-law of Late Pascoal / Albertina, Salvador / Concy, Agnelo / Perpetua, Dionisio / Placeta.
Darling Uncle to all his Nieces & Nephews
Funeral cortege will leave his residence on 3rd July 2024 at 3:30pm for Eucharistic celebration at Our Lady of Rosary Church Caranzalem, Followed by burial at Taleigao Cemetery.
<https://www.youtube.com/live/lbXVRakPyYdQ?si=aCpYHKXHGMPgyN5>

Relatives & Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation

CONDOLENCE



XAVIER (Zael) CAIADO

Ex-Sarpanch VP Goa Velha
Ex President of Goa Velha Sports Club
Ex President Casa Do Povo Hall Goa Velha
ZUARI, GOA VELHA

We deeply mourn the sad demise of our dear XAVIER and Express our heartfelt condolences to his family.

MAY GOD GRANT HIM ETERNAL REST.
A tribute of love:
BABIT DSOUSA & ESPY FAMILY
ZUARI, GOA VELHA

RETURNED TO THE LORD



SANTIAGO A. LUIS
(Ex Staff of CMM Mercas)
Fondvem, Ribandar

Born: 28.11.1961 Died: 01.07.2024

"It breaks our heart to see you go, Your helpful, caring and friendly nature will never be forgotten. To many memories we shared, you will live forever in our hearts"

Son of Late Jose Ricardo Luis & Late Josephina J. Luis. Loving husband of Lourdes S. Luis, Brother/Brother-in-law of Jacinta J. Rosario/John Rosario (Mumbai), Francisco F. Luis/Goretti Luis (Mumbai), Late Lucas Luis. Brother-in-law of Angelina/John Afonso, Agnelo/Late Catherine Vicente. Uncle of Elvis Luis, Elric Luis, Jennifer J. Rosario/Fredrick Shekar, Janicia F. Shekar, Janelia F. Shekar, Alistair/Kimberley, Alroy & Angel.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence on Tuesday, 2nd July 2024 (TODAY) at 4:00 pm to Our Lady of Ajuda Church, Ribandar.

Relatives, Friends and Neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation.

CONDOLENCE



XAVIER CAIADO

Ex-Sarpanch of St. Andre Village Panchayat
Ex-President of Goa Velha Sports Club
Ex-President Casa Do Povo, Goa Velha
ZUARI, GOA VELHA

The Managing Committee and Members of Casa do Povo

deeply mourn the sad demise of Ex-President Mr. Xavier Caiado and convey our deepest sympathies to the bereaved family

President: **Welvin Menezes**, Vice President: **Joao D'Silva**, General Secretary: **Agnelo G. Fernandes**, Assistant General Secretary: **Anant (Sunny) Naik**, Treasurer: **Anthony Gonsalves**, Assistant Treasurer: **L. V. Palekar**, Members: **Lesly Fernandes, Hemant Salkar, Remy Coutinho**

The Life Members of Casa do Povo also convey their deepest sympathies to the bereaved family.

A Tribute of Love & Affection



Maria Francisca Coelho
23/08/1933 - 27/06/2024

God saw you getting tired, And a cure was not to be; So he put his arms around you, And whispered, "Come to me". With tearful eyes we watched you, And saw you pass away; Although we loved you dearly, We could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, Hard working hands to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

Daughter of late Pascoal Tome Ferrao/ late Angelina Leonor Ferrao.
Sister of late Louis, late Martha, late Roque & Satiro.
Wife of late Peter Leo Coelho.
Mother/mother-in-law of Sabina/late Roque Fernandes, late Lawrence/Belinda Coelho, Violet / Agnelo D'sa, Molly/Joseph Fernandes, Muriel/Jason D'souza.
Loving grandmother of Randolf, Bernetta, Lennon, Nicole, Stephanie, Kevin, Karen, Carol & Jonan.
Great Grandmother of Lionel, Lauren, Makayla, McKenzie & Kaleb.

The Funeral service will be held on Wednesday, 3rd July 2024 at 4pm, at Mother of God Church Pomburpa, followed by burial.

DEATH



MARIA PIA AFONSO
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Mama you were loving, humble, compassionate, understanding and a family oriented woman. We are going to miss you so much To the world, you were one person, but to us you were the world.

Wife of late Miguel Afonso (Ex-MPT). Beloved mother / mother-in-law of Joyce / Francis (Vasco) & Joel / Anita. Grandmother of Aaron. Sister-in-law of late Rosario / Adelaide, Maria / late Thomas, late Jack Rosario / Antonette & Dina / Paul (Australia). Sister of late Romano / Boavina (Margao). Passed away peacefully on 1/7/2024. Funeral cortege will leave her residence Borda Today 2nd July 2024 at 4.00 p.m. to Holy Spirit Church, Margao for Eucharistic celebration and burial.

Relatives & Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

CONDOLENCE



XAVIER CAIADO

Ex-Sarpanch of St. Andre Village Panchayat
Ex-President of Goa Velha Sports Club
Ex-President Casa Do Povo, Goa Velha
ZUARI, GOA VELHA

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The Players as well as the Life/Benefactor Members of Goa Velha Sports Club also convey their deepest sympathies to the bereaved family.

RETURNED TO THE LORD



ROMANO F. B. FERNANDES
(Former Employee of Chevron USA & Johnsons & Johnsons)

(CHANDLEAVADDO, ASSOLNA)
BORN: 06/10/1938 DIED: 25/06/2024

"Your presence brought joy to our lives, and your memory brings us comfort. We hold you close in our hearts." "Your life has left a legacy of love that will shine forever in our hearts."

Beloved Husband of Mrs. Maria Elizabeth (Isabel). Father/Father-in-law of Rima/Filipe Dias, Reshwin/Greta, Royston/Asvina.
Doting grandfather of Franzil, Roselle, Gavin, Ronan, Aiken & Baby Neriah.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence on 3rd July 2024 (TOMORROW) at 3.15 PM to Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church, Assolna for Eucharistic celebration followed by burial.

RELATIVES, FRIENDS & NEIGHBOURS KINDLY ACCEPT THIS AS THE ONLY INTIMATION

CONDOLENCE



XAVIER (Zael) CAIADO

Ex-Sarpanch VP Goa Velha
Ex-President of Goa Velha Sports Club
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ZUARI, GOA VELHA

We deeply mourn the sad demise of our dear XAVIER (1st Sarpanch of Goa Velha) and Express our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved family.

Remembered with love and gratitude by:
SARPANCH, DY. SARPANCH, PANCH MEMBERS & STAFF OF ST ANDRE VILLAGE PANCHAYAT
GOA VELHA

RETURNED TO THE LORD



BORN 27/10/1941 DIED 01/07/2024

FRANCIS XAVIER D'SOUZA
(EX- P. T. TEACHER HOLY SPIRIT INSTITUTE, MARGAO)
MAINA, CURTORIM

Beloved Husband of Maria Barneto D'Souza
Loving Father/Father-in-law of Ralph/Beverly, Fr. Russel SFX., Raymond/Valencia
Brother/Brother-in-law of Alfred/Cecilia, Ruth/late Simon, late Edward/Dorothy, Philomena/Mathew, Luiza/late Franky, Dr. Santan/Anna
Brother-in-law of Olencio/Crossy, Orlando/Ana, late Viriato, Celia/Edgar, Lourdes/Vincy
Grandfather of Dion, Maryanne, Wynellia, Wayne & Wendell.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence on 3rd July 2024 (Tomorrow) at 3.45 pm to St. Rita's Church, Maina, for Eucharistic celebration followed by burial.

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Arunesh, Ritika emerge men's and women's singles winners

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RAIA: Arunesh Hari and Ritika Chelluri won the men and women singles titles, at the State Badminton Ranking Tournament for seniors (men and women) organised by the Goa Badminton Association and co-hosted by the Goa Sports Club and Chicalim Badminton Club, which served as one of the crucial selection tournaments for the West Zone and Nationals, at the Manohar Parrikar Indoor Stadium, Navelim, recently.

In a thrilling display of skill and determination, Arunesh secured the men's Singles title by outsmarting Rahul Deswal with scores of 21-17, 21-15. Ritika Chelluri triumphed in the women's singles category, overcoming Shreya Mehta in a straight-set victory of 21-16, 21-16.

The men's doubles title was claimed by the formidable top seed duo of Arjun Fallary and Tejan Fallary, who dominated second seeds Floyd Araujo and Fredrick Fernandes with a scoreline of 21-9, 21-13. In



The winners along with the Goa Badminton Association President Manoj Patil, Secretary Praveen Shenoy and Treasurer Sanjay Bhohe at the Manohar Parrikar Indoor Stadium, Navelim

STATE SENIOR BADMINTON RANKING TOURNAMENT

the women's doubles, the top-seeded pair of Lydia Barreto and Yasmin Sayed emerged victorious against Sufiya Shaikh and Tabassum Shaikh, securing their win at 21-13, 21-9.

The mixed doubles category saw an exceptional performance by Arunesh Hari and Sufiya Shaikh, who clinched the title by defeating top seeds Tejan Fallary and Lydia Barreto

in a closely contested match, ending with scores of 22-20, 21-14. Arunesh's stellar performance throughout the tournament earned him the distinction of being double

crown winner.

The tournament carried a total prize purse of Rs 1.35 lakh besides trophies. The GBA office bearers Manoj Patil (president), Praveen Shenoy (secretary) and Sanjay Bhohe (treasurer) graced the closing function.

Pradnya, Chandan bag triple crowns; Anshuman wins men's title



The winners along with officials of the YMCA, Goa Table Tennis Association and SAG at the SAG indoor stadium, Campal-Panjim

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RAIA: The 8th YMCA All-Goa Major Ranking Table Tennis Tournament concluded in thrilling fashion at the SAG indoor stadium, Campal-Panjim, with Anshuman Agarwal and Pradnya Caro emerging men's and women's singles winners, thereby

Major Ranking Tournament which had more than 200 entries saw a series of impressive victories across various age groups.

In the girls U-11 category, Sachi Dessai triumphed over Inara D'Souza with a clean sweep of 3-0 (11-8, 11-7, 11-1); while Yug Prabhu dominated Kavish Dalvi 3-0 (11-3, 11-4, 11-6)

3-1 (5-11, 11-8, 11-4, 11-3) respectively. Neeza Kamat won the girls U-15 title by overcoming Ishita Colaso 3-0 (11-8, 11-6, 11-2).

In the higher age groups, Pradnya Caro excelled by winning both the girls U-17 and girls U-19 titles, defeating Ishita Colaso 3-1 (11-4, 11-7, 5-11, 11-5) and Anushri Naik 3-0 (11-7, 11-3, 11-6) respectively.

Aaron Farias took the boys U-17 title by beating Chandan Caro 3-1 (9-11, 11-5, 12-10, 11-7); while Chandan reversed the result, securing victory in the boys U-19 final against Aaron with a close 3-2 win (13-11, 7-11, 6-11, 11-6, 11-8).

Anshuman Agarwal claimed the men's title, defeating Rishan Shaikh 4-1 (9-11, 11-9, 11-7, 11-8, 12-10), and Pradnya Caro won the women's title in a thrilling

match against Urvi Surlakar 3-2 (10-12, 10-12, 12-10, 11-7, 11-9). The veterans doubles title was secured by the duo of Deepak Gopani and Prashant Kaisare, who edged out Shawn Soares and Ratnadeep Shivani 3-2.

The tournament was organised by YMCA Panjim under the aegis with Goa Table Tennis Association and SAG. In a special ceremony, Lloyd Fernandes, a national and international medal winner in para table tennis, was felicitated for his contributions and achievements in the sport, his presence adding a layer of inspiration. The YMCA dignitaries namely Adv Joseph Vaz, Elvis Gomes, Clyde Lobo, Roy Gaspar, Errol Pires, Samil Da Costa, Alvaro D'Silva and GTTA Secretary Christopher Menezes were among those who graced the closing function.

YMCA 8TH ALL-GO A MAJOR RANKING TOURNAMENT

securing the Late Baptista Vaz Rolling Trophies.

Pradnya had a great run in the tournament, adding two more titles in U-17 and U-19 girls to bag a triple crown. Chandan Caro too secured a triple - winning titles in the U-13, U-15 and U-19 boys to join his sister in achieving this unique feat. The YMCA

in the boys U-11 final.

Ishita Colaso showcased her skill in the girls U-13 category by defeating Aarna Lotlikar 3-0 (11-8, 11-1, 11-5).

Chandan Caro emerged victorious in the boys U-13 and boys U-15 categories, defeating Dhruva Kamat 3-0 (11-7, 11-3, 11-6) and Rishan Shaikh

SC Virabhat win

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RAIA: Sporting Club of Virabhat scored a 2-0 win over Jolly Boys of Sinaibhag to march ahead in the 1st Caniza Peixoto memorial 9-a-side inter-ward football tournament organised by Agxem Sports Club, at St Alex Church ground, Curtorim, on Monday.

Match started on the attacking note with both



Joban Carvalho (left) of Jolly Boys of Sinaibhag receives the man-of-the-match award from former Agxem SC player Sebastiao Castanha

teams dominating with their strikers. Jolly Boys could have taken the lead through the efforts of Joban

Carvalho in the 10th minute but it was well saved by goalkeeper of Sporting Club of Virabhat.

In the 15th minute of the match, Jolly Boys Jurick Carvalho's shoot hit the post and went out. On the other hand, Sporting Club of Virabhat also missed an opportunity.

At half time, both teams settled for a draw. In the second half, Sporting Club of Virabhat broke the deadlock through Venson Paes with clear finish in 30th minute. Jolly Boys tried hard to draw level but couldn't find the much-needed equaliser.

Lourdes Fernandes of Sporting Club of Virabhat made it 2-0 in the 37th minute of the match. Jurick of Jolly Boys was sent off. Joban Carvalho of Jolly Boys awarded the man-of-the-match award by former Agxem Sports Club player Sebastiao Castanha.

UC Verna pip Betalbatim SC

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RAIA: United Club of Verna pipped Betalbatim SC 2-1 to move into the quarter-finals of 51st Custodio memorial inter-village football tournament organised by Raia Sporting Club at Raia panchayat ground, on Monday.

Both teams gave their best in front of nearly 500 spectators. Keith Rodrigues of Betalbatim SC missed a chance to score in the 15th



Punit Mehta presents the man-of-the-match award to Antush Moniz of UC Verna

minute. Soon, Clifton Rebelo of UC Verna also missed the target by whisksers in 16th minute.

Antush Moniz of UC Verna opened the scoreline in the 40th minute but the joy was short-lived as Dickson Rogtao of Betalbatim SC equalised. Then UC Verna further inflated the lead through Antush Moniz in the 48th minute.

Punit Mehta presented the man-of-the-match award to Antush Moniz of UC Verna.

Navelim Villagers Union in semis

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RAIA: In a thrilling encounter at the 33rd Super Soccer tournament in memory of Joao Francis Fernandes organised by United Boys of Dando, Colva, Navelim Villagers Union secured a thrilling win over St Anthony's SC, Assolda, 6-5 in a nerve-wracking tie-breaker to secure a spot in the semi-finals.

Alton Vaz of St Anthony's SC was rightly awarded the man-of-the-match by Rony Diniz, vice president and organising secretary of United Club of Benaulim.

FC Goa secure Rowllin

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RAIA: FC Goa secured permanent signing of Rowllin Borges, following his successful loan stint with the club during the 2023-24 season. The accomplished midfielder has signed a new multi-year contract with the Gaurs, committing his future to the Gaurs for the 2024-25

season and beyond. Rowllin Borges, a native of Nuvem, has been a stalwart in Indian football, amassing over 200 appearances in the nation's top-flight leagues. His journey began with Sporting Clube de Goa and East Bengal FC in the I-League, where he made significant contributions when the league was India's premier division.

TODAY'S SPORTS

51st Custodio memorial football: Sao Jose de Areal vs Candolim SC, at Raia Panchayat ground, 4.30 pm
1st Caniza Peixoto memorial 9-a-side football: Youth of Corjem SC vs Batora United SC, at St Alex Church ground, Curtorim, 4.40 pm
33rd Super Soccer: Fr Agnel YSC, Paroda, vs Maina SC, Curtorim, at St John the Baptist ground, Dando-Benaulim, 4.30 pm
Founders Cup late Joel Meny (quarter-final): Rosary HS, Navelim, vs St Xavier HS, Velim, at 3.30 pm; Bethany Convent HS, Sao Jose de Areal vs The King's School, Sao Jose de Areal, 4.30 pm. Both matches to be played at Chinchinim ground

Manovikas School to face Perpetual Convent HS in semi-final

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RAIA: Manovikas School, Gogol, edged past Regina Martyrum High School, Assolda, 2-1 in the quarter-final to book semi-finals berth of the Founder's Cup 2024 U-17 boys 9-a-side inter-school football tournament organised by Union of Chinchinim Villagers at Chinchinim church ground, on Monday.

Both the teams started on a cautious note and the play was mostly confined in the midfield. In the run of play, Regina Martyrum HS scored through the efforts of Sheffield Dias in the dying minutes of the first half to make it 1-0.

In the second half, Manovikas School started on an attacking note and started raiding Regina Martyrum HS defence time and again and were successful as Reuben Barreto got the much-needed equaliser in the 20th minute.

In the dying minute of the match, substitute Ethan Mascarenhas scored the winning goal for Manovikas School. The player-of-the-match award was bagged by Ethan Mascarenhas. In the second quarter-final, Perpetual Convent HS thrashed St Jude High School, Betalbatim 5-0. Tawfique Gundar

opened the account for Perpetual Convent in the 10th minute with a neat finish. Veron Cardozo scored the second just before the halftime.

In the second half, Tawfique scored twice to complete his hat-trick. In the last minute Tawfique scored again to make it 5-0. Tawfique Gundar of Perpetual Convent HS was awarded the player-of-the match. Perpetual Convent will meet Manovikas School in the semi-final on Wednesday.

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BENDHAR

Spain come from behind to thrash Georgia, march into quarters

AFP, COLOGNE: Rodri, Fabian Ruiz, Nico Williams and Dani Olmo all scored as Spain came from behind to beat surprise packages Georgia 4-1 at Euro 2024 on Sunday and set up a blockbuster quarter-final against hosts Germany.

Robin Le Normand's own goal gave Georgia a shock lead in the 18th minute of this last-16 tie to send their noisy supporters wild in Cologne.

It was the first goal Spain had conceded at the competition but they came back to equalise six minutes before the interval courtesy of Manchester City midfielder Rodri.

Ruiz then headed home in the 51st minute and Williams ran through for the third before substitute Olmo made sure of the win as La Roja stay on track to become European champions for the fourth time.

Spain now take on Germany in the last eight in Stuttgart on Friday in a repeat of the Euro 2008 final, which they won 1-0 to begin their golden era of dominance in international football.

Luis de la Fuente's team are looking to bring back the glory days and they were expected to brush Georgia aside here.

They would have ulti-



Spain's midfielder #17 Nico Williams scores his team's third goal during the UEFA Euro 2024 Round of 16 match against Georgia at the Cologne Stadium in Cologne

mately won by a far greater margin had they converted more of their chances, with 16-year-old winger Lamine Yamal squandering several opportunities in his attempt to become the

youngest ever goal-scorer at the Euros.

Georgia are ranked 74th in the world, 66 places below Spain. Willy Sagnol's team lost twice to Spain in qualifying, going down 7-1

at home and 3-1 away.

Yet they still qualified for a first major tournament and then made it to the knockout stages with a stunning 2-0 win over Portugal. They now go home with their heads held high despite eventually crumbling here.

RESULT
Spain 4 (Rodri 39, Fabian Ruiz 51, Williams 75, Olmo 83) Georgia 1 (Le Normand 18-og)

LAST-16 FIXTURES

TUESDAY

Romania vs Netherlands, at the Allianz Arena, 9.30 pm

WEDNESDAY

Austria vs Turkey, at the Red Bull Arena, Leipzig, 12.30 am

Belgium's own goal sends France into quarters

AFP, DÜSSELDORF: Jan Vertonghen's late own goal took France into the quarter-finals of Euro 2024 on Monday as they edged Belgium 1-0 in a tense tie in Dusseldorf.

France had dominated the last-16 clash but their profligate finishing looked set to force extra time until they finally found a way through with five minutes left.

Substitute Randal Kolo Muani collected the ball inside the Belgian penalty area and hit a shot that was going wide until a deflection off the unfortunate Vertonghen took it past goalkeeper Koen Casteels.

The lucky break sent the 2022 World Cup runners-up into a last-eight tie in Hamburg on Friday as they remain on course to become European champions for the third time.

"We are so proud to once again be in the quarter-finals. We are expected to get there but we must appreciate it and not think that is something that is just normal," said France coach Didier Deschamps. France are yet to score from open

play in four matches at the tournament -- captain Kylian Mbappe netted once from a penalty against Poland, while their other two goals have come from opposition defenders.

Crucially, however, they are rock solid in defence, having conceded only one goal, from a penalty, so far.

Their back line was outstanding against Romelu Lukaku and his fellow attackers, and Belgium bow out after what will go down as a disappointing tournament for them.

Both of these sides were looking for revenge, in Belgium's case for their 1-0 defeat against France in the semi-finals of the 2018 World Cup, a result that still hurts six years on.

France, meanwhile, had a point to prove at the Euros after going out in the last 16 three years ago on penalties to Switzerland, a deeply disappointing result in between runs to consecutive World Cup finals.

RESULT
France 1 (Vertonghen 85-og) Belgium 0

India win one-off Test

PTI, CHENNAI: India were made to wait a tad longer for the winning moment by centurion Laura Wolvaardt, but they eventually went past the line convincingly by 10 wickets on the fourth and final day of the one-off women's Test against South Africa here on Monday.

India were required to chase a modest 37 after bowling out South Africa for 373 in their second innings and the hosts accomplished the task in 9.2 overs without losing a wicket.

India had declared their first innings closed at 603 for six. The opening duo of Shubha Sathesh (13 not out) and Shafali Verma (24 not out) steered their side home comfortably.

This is India's second

10-wicket triumph in Tests after a scoring a similar win over the Proteas at Paarl in 2002.

After getting bundled out 266 in their first innings, South Africa fought well through hundred-makers Wolvaardt (122, 314b, 16x4) and Sune Luus (109, 203b, 18x4) in the second innings.

However, SA could only delay the inevitable.

Resuming at the overnight 232 for two, and trailing India by 105 runs, Wolvaardt and Marizanne Kapp appeared to be in good touch.

The former brought up her maiden Test century, also becoming the first woman batter to score a Test, ODI and T20I ton in the same year.

Alcaraz opens Wimbledon with straight-set win; Sabalenka, Azarenka pull out

AP, LONDON: Defending champion Carlos Alcaraz had goosebumps walking onto Centre Court before his opening match at Wimbledon on Monday, a 7-6 (3), 7-5, 6-2 win over qualifier Mark Lajal.

Lajal proved to be something of a speedbump for Alcaraz, who acknowledged that his 269th-ranked Estonian opponent "surprised me a little bit" on Day 1 at the All England Club.

Alcaraz, who won his third major championship at the French Open three weeks ago, defeated Novak Djokovic in last year's final on the grass at Wimbledon but said he was still nervous before Monday's match.

Earlier, Aryna Sabalenka and Victoria Azarenka both pulled out of the tournament because of respective shoulder injuries.

Sabalenka, a two-time Australian Open champion, said she was "heartbroken" to announce her withdrawal after it became clear in a practice session that she wasn't ready.

The No. 3 seed was seen as top contender at the All England Club, which has had seven different women win the title in the last seven years. Azarenka is also a two-time champion at Melbourne Park.

Ninth-seeded Maria Sakkari was among the

early winners on Monday, and said after beating McCartney Kessler 6-3, 6-1 that the women's draw is wide open. Seventh-seeded Jasmine Paolini, the French

Open runner-up last month, got past the first round at Wimbledon for the first time on her fourth try. The Italian beat Sara Sorribes Tormo 7-5, 6-3.

On the men's side, fifth-seeded Daniil Medvedev beat Aleksander Kovacevic 6-3, 6-4, 6-2, and eighth-seeded Casper Ruud defeated Alex Bolt 7-6 (2), 6-4, 6-4. Unseeded Canadian Denis Shapovalov eliminated No. 19 Nicolas Jarry

6-1, 7-5, 6-4. Coco Gauff breezed into second round with a straight-sets victory over US compatriot Caroline Dolehide after seeing two potential semi-final rivals exit the tournament.

Second seed and US Open champion Gauff came through 6-1, 6-2 in just 64 minutes on Centre Court, avoiding a repeat of 12 months ago, when she was dumped out in the first round by fellow American Sofia Kenin.

Japanese star Osaka, a four-time Grand Slam winner, recovered from a break down in the final set to defeat Diane Parry of France 6-1, 1-6, 6-4 on the back of 34 winners.

It was God's plan: Suryakumar on his stunning catch in T20WC final

PTI, NEW DELHI: "It was god's plan," Suryakumar Yadav said on Monday as he reminisced his incredible match-defining catch in the T20 World Cup final against South Africa, which is being lauded across the board as the perfect execution of athleticism, balance and game awareness.

In a brief telephonic conversation with PTI, the Mumbaier was modest about his role in India's title triumph. Rohit Sharma's men defeated a dangerous South Africa by seven runs in the summit clash in Bridgetown, Barbados on Saturday.

"I am just grateful to be in that moment to do something special for the country...god's plan it was," Suryakumar said when asked about the catch that has become a standout moment from the game.

Needing 16 runs from the final over, South Africa had the big-hitting David Miller on strike.

He hit a wide full toss from Hardik Pandya but Suryakumar steadied himself on the ropes, caught the ball, released it just as he went over the boundary ropes and then came back in to complete an astonishing catch.

For many old-time fans, it brought back memories of the brilliant catch that Kapil Dev took in the 1983 World Cup final against the mighty West Indies. Kapil had run sideways from mid-on to grab a top edge from the great Viv Richards off

Madan Lal's bowling in a fine display of sound judgement.

On Saturday, the 33-year-old Suryakumar ensured that his name too will be remembered fondly every time an Indian fan recalls the see-saw finale in Bridgetown.

Before that, the equation was 30 runs from as many balls but South Africa bungled in a typical fashion with Hardik Pandya triggering the collapse, dismissing a well-set Heinrich Klaassen for 52. The Proteas went on to lose four wickets for 17 runs to be restrict-

ed to 169/8 in pursuit of 177. Suryakumar's decision-making and awareness was also applauded by India's fielding coach T Dilip.

"When the moment comes, it's his decision and awareness of rope, that's very important, and knowing with confidence that he can throw and come back, it's a decision-making at that time, and he got on to that," Dilip had said. "We fielded like a pack of wolves, as Rahul bhai and Rohit keep saying... Everybody knew their roles but together we hunted every opportunity which came our way leaving no stone unturned," he added.

The title conquest ended an 11-year wait for an ICC title for India.



New head coach to take charge from Lanka series: BCCI

Says seniors will be there in CT & WTC; next T20 captain to be decided by selectors

PTI, BRIDGETOWN: The Indian cricket team will have a new head coach from the limited-overs series in Sri Lanka starting later this month, BCCI secretary Jay Shah said on Monday but did not reveal who has been finalised to succeed the outgoing Rahul Dravid.

Former opener Gautam Gambhir is expected to succeed Dravid as the India head coach. The Cricket Advisory Committee has also conducted the interviews for the high-profile job and short-listed Gambhir and former India women's coach W V Raman.

The appointment of a selector will also be made soon, said Shah, who is in the Caribbean with the India squad that won the T20 World Cup title on Saturday, beating South Africa by seven runs in the final.

"Both coach and selector appointment will be made shortly. CAC has interviewed and shortlisted two names and after reaching Mumbai whatever they have decided

we will go by that. VVS Laxman is going to Zimbabwe and new coach will join from Sri Lanka series," Shah told select media, referring to the Zimbabwe tour beginning July 6. The Indian team is due to tour Sri Lanka for three T20Is and as many ODIs starting July 27.

Shah asserted that "seniors will be there" in next year's Champions Trophy and the World Test Championship final if India qualifies for it, while a decision on whether Hardik Pandya succeeds Rohit Sharma as the next T20 captain will be taken solely by the selectors.

Talking to select media here, Shah lauded the contribution of senior players in the side's T20 World Cup triumph at the end of which skipper Rohit, senior batting star Virat Kohli and all-rounder Ravindra Jadeja announced their retirement from the shortest format's international assignments.

"Transition has already happened with three greats retiring," Shah said.

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Indian cricket team remains stranded in Barbados due to hurricane

BRIDGETOWN (Barbados): The victorious Indian cricket team remains stranded in Barbados after a Category 4 hurricane hit the Caribbean Islands, here, in the wee hours of Monday, delaying its departure back home by at least another day. The Rohit Sharma-led side has stayed put in a five-star hotel since its triumph over South Africa in the T20 World Cup final, here, on Saturday. As per the forecast, life-threatening winds and storm lashed Barbados and nearby islands on Monday. The country, with a population of close to three lakh, has been in a lockdown since Sunday evening. "Like you people, we are also stuck here. First we need to see how to get the players and everyone out of here safely and then we will think about the felicitation upon arrival in India," said BCCI Secretary Jay Shah, who got here ahead of the big final.

Praggnanandhaa misses against Wesley So on another day of draws

BUCHAREST (Romania): Grandmaster R Praggnanandhaa yet again squandered promising position to settle for a draw against American Wesley So in the fifth round of Superbet Classic tournament as none of the five boards produced any decisive result, here. The lead positions remained unchanged with Fabiano Caruana of United States still ahead on 3.5 points, enjoying a high point lead over world championship challenger D Gukesh and Praggnanandhaa. Results round 3: D Gukesh (Ind, 3) drew with Nodirbek Abdusattorov (Uzb, 2.5); Wesley So (USA, 2.5) drew with R Praggnanandhaa (Ind, 3); Maxime Vachier-Lagrave (Fra, 2.5) drew with Fabiano Caruana (USA, 3.5); Anish Giri (Ned, 2) drew with Firouz Alireza (Fra, 2.5); Deac Bogdan-Daniel (Rou, 1.5) drew with Ian Nepomniachtchi (FID, 2.5).

Anand wins Leon Masters for the 10th time

LEON (Spain): Five-time world champion Viswanathan Anand proved his mettle once again and defeated Spaniard Jaime Santos Latasa 3-1 in the finals to win the Leon Masters for a 10th time here. The 54-year-old Anand, who lived in Spain for many years before shifting his base back to Chennai, proved yet again that this was one of his favourite hunting grounds. It was in 1996, or 28 years back, that Anand won his first title here. The format featured four players with his compatriot Arjun Erigaise, the world number four, as the fourth seed and Bulgarian Veselin Topalov being the other two players in the tournament. Results: Semi-finals: V Anand beat Veselin Topalov 2.5-1.5; Arjun Erigaise lost to Jaime Santos Latasa 1.5-2.5. Final: V Anand beat Jaime Santos Latasa 3-1.

Afghanistan women cricketers urge ICC to set up refugee team in Australia

MELBOURNE: With the dream of once again donning the Afghanistan jersey at the international level, 17 women cricketers from the country living in self-imposed exile in Australia have written to the ICC to help set up a team, which was disbanded after the Taliban takeover in 2021. While the Afghanistan men's team has set new benchmarks and recently made it to the T20 World Cup semi-finals for the first time, the women players, who were contracted to the Afghanistan Cricket Board before the Taliban takeover, sought refuge in Australia, where they hope to set up a refugee team and play international cricket.

Raza to lead young Zimbabwe team against India in T20I series

HARARE: Experienced batter Sikandar Raza was on Monday named as captain of a young Zimbabwe team for the five-match T20I series against world champions India, which begins here from July 6. Aiming to rebuild under new head coach Justin Sammons after failing to qualify for the just-concluded T20 World Cup, Zimbabwe have picked a young squad under Raza. Zimbabwe squad: Sikandar Raza (captain), Akram Faraz, Bennett Brian, Campbell Johnathan, Chatara Tendai, Jongwe Luke, Kaia Innocent, Madande Clive, Madhevere Wesley, Marumani Tadiwanashe, Masakadza Wellington, Mavuta Brandon, Muzarabani Blessing, Myers Dion, Naqvi Antum, Ngarava Richard, Shumba Milton.

Wolvaardt to lead SA Women in T20I series against India; Tyron returns

JOHANNESBURG: Opener Laura Wolvaardt will lead the 15-member South Africa women's team in the upcoming three-match T20I International series against India to be played at Chennai from July 5. Chloe Tryon, who missed the ODIs and one-off Test, is the only addition to the squad as she marks her return from a back injury. The first T20I will be played on July 5, followed by matches on July 7 and 9 at the MA Chidambaram Stadium in Chennai. South Africa Women T20I Squad: Laura Wolvaardt (c), Anneke Bosch, Tazmin Brits, Nadine de Klerk, Annerie Dercksen, Mieke de Ridder, Sinalo Jaffa, Marizanne Kapp, Ayabonga Khaka, Masabata Klaas, Sune Luus, Eliz-Mari Marx, Nonkululeko Mlaba, Tumi Sekhukhune, Chloe Tryon.

Neeraj Chopra opts out of Paris Diamond League: Report

NEW DELHI: Olympic and world champion javelin throw star Neeraj Chopra has opted out of this Sunday's Paris Diamond League, citing the adductor niggle that has been troubling him for the past couple of months, according to a report. Speaking to 'ESPN', Chopra said he is focussing on training and strengthening his blocking leg. "I need to strengthen my blocking leg when I throw because that's when my groin gets pulled. We're working on that to see how we can reduce the impact on the groin and control the pressure on it," he said, explaining the issue for which he will consult "different doctors" after the Paris Games.

Gukesh won't challenge Liren on home turf; Singapore wins bid for World C'ships match

NEW DELHI: India's efforts to secure a home World Championships match for D Gukesh came to nought with Singapore pipping Delhi and Chennai to claim hosting rights for the premier chess contest which will pit the youngest Challenger in the history against defending champion Ding Liren from China. The Tamil Nadu government and All India Chess Federation (AICF) had submitted separate bids to FIDE, the world chess body. The match, which will offer a prize money of USD 2.5 million, will be held between November 20 and December 15 this year.