

CM Vijay issues appointment orders to 401 persons in the energy sector

Chennai Chief Minister Vijay issued appointment orders to a total of 401 persons, including 383 Assistant Engineers and 18 Assistant Accounts Officers, selected by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission on behalf of the Energy Department. A government press release issued in this regard states: At a function held at Kalaivanar Arangam, Chennai, Chief Minister Vijay today (June 24) issued appointment orders to a total of



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selected by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission on behalf of the Energy Department. Earlier,



during a review meeting on the energy sector chaired by Chief Minister Vijay, it was reported that

one of the reasons for the problems prevailing in the Electricity Board was the vacancy of more than

70,000 posts at various levels. Following this, the Chief Minister, with the aim of creating employment opportunities for the youth, took the initiative to strengthen the human resources of the energy sector and ordered the necessary steps to be taken to immediately appoint at least 15,000 employees within one year to ensure uninterrupted and consistent electricity supply. He also ordered that the 401 persons selected by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission be im-

mediately appointed as per the board's rules. Accordingly, the Chief Minister today issued appointment orders to 383 Assistant Engineers (Electrical) and 18 Assistant Accounts Officers selected by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission (TNPSC) for the Tamil Nadu Power Distribution Corporation (TNPDC). These appointments, which are a continuation of the Tamil Nadu Government's transparent governance, will further improve the efficiency

of the energy sector and will be a key step in strengthening the human resource to provide quality and uninterrupted electricity services to the people of Tamil Nadu. The event was attended by Energy and Law Minister C.T.R. Nirmal Kumar, Chief Secretary Dr. M. Saikumar, Additional Chief Secretary/Chairman of the Electricity Board Dr. J. Radhadrishan, Principal Secretary, Energy Department Anil Meshram, and senior government officials.

The false image of the Thaweka government is crumbling among the youth" - Udhayanidhi

Chennai Opposition leader Udhayanidhi Stalin has condemned, saying, "If DMK youth speak out against the ruling party and the government, the police are sent, and if the attackers are Tevakavis, they are just watching... Is this the change?" In a statement issued on this, he said, "I strongly condemn the police's attempt to arrest Anbanandan Ariyappan, who was organizing meet-



ings to unite DMK's #GenZ youth, by trespassing into his house in Krishnagiri Rayakottai in the middle of the night. Similarly, recently, a man named Kani, who was speaking at a Gen Z meeting, was attacked by thugs in Saidapet.

The police, who have not yet registered any case against the perpetrators of Kani's attack, threatened to discharge Kani, who was admitted to the hospital for treatment. If DMK youth speak out against the ruling party and the government, they

send the police, and if the attackers are Thavegavins, they watch in amusement... Is this the change? "Unable to tolerate the false image of an incompetent sofa model government crumbling among the youth, these rulers have taken up repression. If the ruling government thinks that they can intimidate the DMK youth by inciting the police, I warn that the party will not stand by and watch," he said



In T. Nagar, Chennai, on the occasion of the 100th birth anniversary of Kaviarasu Kannadasan, the following dignitaries paid floral tributes to his portrait—which had been decorated and placed near his statue on behalf of the Government of Tamil Nadu: Hon'ble Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Thiru J.C.D. Prabhakar; Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development and Water Resources Thiru N. Anand; Hon'ble Minister for Food and Civil Supplies Thiru P. Venkataramanan; Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning, and Development Thiru N. Maria Wilson; Hon'ble Minister for Artificial Intelligence, Information Technology, and Digital Services Thiru R. Kumar; and Member of the Legislative Assembly Thiru S. Thiagarajan. Thiru V. Dakshinamoorthy, I.A.S., Secretary (In-charge) of the Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department / Tamil Development and Information Department; Dr. A. Arun Thamburaj, I.A.S., Director of Information and Public Relations; and senior government officials participated in the event.



At a ceremony held today (23.06.2026) at the Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium in Chennai to mark International Olympic Day, the Honorable Minister for Public Works and Sports Development, Thiru Aadav Arjuna; the Honorable Minister for School Education, Tamil Official Language & Tamil Culture, Information and Publicity, Thiru Rajmohan; the Honorable Minister for Industries, Selvi S. Keerthana; and the Honorable Minister for Higher Education, Thiru P. Viswanathan, presented prize money cheques to athletes from Tamil Nadu who had achieved success in international-level sports competitions.

'Thaimaman Gold Ring Scheme'

start on September 15: Annual allocation of Rs. 755.83 crore
Children born in government hospitals from June 22 will benefit

Chennai

The government has announced that Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Vijay will launch the 'Thaimaman Gold Ring Scheme' on September 15, Anna's birthday, to benefit children born in government hospitals from June 22. It has also been reported that an annual allocation of Rs. 755.83 crore will be made for this scheme. The Tamil Nadu government has issued a press release regarding this: Under the leadership of the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, the Tamil Nadu government has approved the Vetri Thamizhagam vision document. The most important project in this is the 'Thaimaman Gold Ring Project'. The 'Thaimaman Golden Ring Scheme' was designed to honor every child born in government hospitals and the mother



who gave birth, and a government order has been issued today to implement the scheme. The Government of Tamil Nadu has been giving high priority to improving maternal and child health. Various schemes including financial assistance to pregnant women, free delivery and newborn care services, emergency obstetric care, nutrition support, hospital scheduling for delivery and the Pregnancy and Child Integrated Monitoring and Evaluation (PIC-ME) software have been successfully implemented and these initiatives have significantly improved maternal and child health indicators in

the state. Children born in government hospitals and whose mothers belong to families permanently residing in Tamil Nadu will be giving a one-gram gold ring under the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Thaimaman Gold Ring Scheme. In Tamil tradition, as per the tradition of 'Thai Maman Seer', the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, the mother's brother, welcomes and congratulates the newborn child by presenting gifts including gold, and reflecting the Tamil cultural tradition, the government will be presenting each child with a one-gram gold ring as a symbol of love and care, ac-

cepting the role of the maternal uncle. The 'Thaimaman Gold Ring Scheme' is being implemented with the aim of strengthening people's trust in the healthcare services of the Tamil Nadu government, commemorating the birth of a child born in government hospitals, and celebrating the joy and importance of motherhood. The Tamil Nadu government allocates Rs. 755.83 crore annually for the implementation of this project in the state. The Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has ordered to immediately request for tenders for this project. Under this scheme, children born in government hospitals from 22 June 2026 will benefit. It is reported that Chief Minister Vijay will launch the 'Thaimaman Gold Ring Scheme' on Anna's birthday, September 15, 2026.



The Honorable Minister for Public Works and Sports Development, Thiru Aadav Arjuna, inaugurated a newly constructed athletics throwing arena—built at a cost of ₹2.49 crore—at the Nehru Indoor Stadium today (23.06.2026) during the International Olympic Day celebrations and posed for a group photograph with the athletes. He was accompanied by Thiru Sandeep Nanduri, I.A.S., Secretary of the Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department; Thiru J. Meghanatha Reddy, I.A.S., Member Secretary of the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu; and senior government officials.

Educational Aid & Free Meal Distribution Mark Vijay's 52nd Birthday in Coimbatore

Coimbatore

An event was held to distribute educational supplies and provide free meals to school students in honor of the 52nd birthday of Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Vijay. Party members and fans across Tamil Nadu are celebrating the 52nd birthday of C. Joseph Vijay—President of Tamizhaga Vettri Kazhagam and Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu—with great enthusiasm, following the instructions of the party's General Secretary, N. Anand. As part of these celebrations, an event was organized by M. Karthikeyan



(Secretary of Ward 5, Madukkarai Municipality, Coimbatore South Constituency) to distribute educational supplies and provide free meals to school students. The event took place under the leadership of Madukkarai Town Joint Secretary Vinoth, with guidance from Madukkarai Union Secretary Ranjith Kumar and Madukkarai Town Secretary Dimitro.

Attendees included Ward 5 Secretary M. Karthikeyan, Joint Secretary Kavin, Deputy Secretaries Dharani and Sukumar, Treasurer Sujith, Trade Union Deputy Organizers Vinothkumar and Aravindkumar, Executive Committee members Sakthivel and Vijayakumar, as well as the Ward 5 Youth Wing, Women's Wing, IT Wing, and other party functionaries.



Acting on the advice of the Transport Minister and following the instructions of Salem West District Secretary K. Selvam, Salem Central District Secretary Vijay Tamilan A. Parthiban led by Mecheri Town Secretary M. Surjith distributed study and writing materials and saplings to children attending the Panchayat Union Primary School within the Mecheri Town Panchayat limits, and also distributed sweets to the sanitation workers employed by the Mecheri Panchayat.

TVK Medical Wing Organizes Blood Donation Camp in Erode to Mark Chief Minister's Birthday

Erode, June 24

A blood donation camp was organized by the Medical Wing of the *Tamizhaga Vettri Kazhagam* (TVK) to commemorate the birthday of the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu. The camp took place at the Rotary City Hall in Old Palayapalayam, Erode, marking the Chief Minister's 52nd birthday. Dr. Tamilanban of the TVK Medical Wing presided over the event. Dr. Sukumar, former Erode President of the Indian Medical Association—who has donated blood 192



times—participated as the special guest and inaugurated the camp. He was honored by the TVK Medical Wing with a "Life Saver" certificate. Subsequently, Dr. Sukumar presented "TVK Life Saver" certificates to the 60 donors who contributed blood at the camp.

Lunch was provided to all participants. Organizers stated that all blood units collected at the camp would be supplied to government hospitals free of cost. Doctors Sukeswaran, Kannan, and Nishanth Balaji, along with many others from the medical wing, attended the event.

Thoothukudi Lawyers Celebrate Joseph Vijay's 52nd Birthday Cake Cutting and Biryani Distribution

Thoothukudi

In accordance with the guidance of party functionaries, and to mark the 52nd birthday of *Tamizhaga Vettri Kazhagam* leader Joseph Vijay, an event was held in front of the Thoothukudi court complex. Led by District Lawyers' Wing Organizers A. Jesudas and Sankaranarayanan, the event was attended by Central District Secretary S.T.R. Samuelraj, who cut the cake and distributed sweets. Subsequently, Thoothukudi lawyers distributed biryani to 502 members of the public, joyfully celebrating the leader's birthday.



The event was presided over by Thoothukudi District *Tamizhaga Vettri Kazhagam* Lawyers' Wing Organizers A. Jesudas and Sankaranarayanan. District Lawyers' Wing Deputy Organizers—S. Muneeswaramoorthy, N.S. Senthilkumar, M. Senthur Pandian, D. Pandi, A. Vince Raja, Mura. Nirman Singh, S.R. Minila, J. Sumitha, A. Soman Punitha, Pushpakala, Vinoth, S. Sivaraj, Nishanth, Raymond,

Manikanda Prabhu, A. Vinoth, R. Subramanian, and Ajay Robert—along with Thoothukudi Central District Joint Secretary Viju, took the lead roles. Many members of the lawyers' wing participated, including 'Thalapathy's' loyal cadres, former Government Pleader and Thoothukudi City Council Member Mandhiramoorthy, Lawyer S.P. Variyar, and lawyers A. Vijay Murugan, Ibrahim, Ayyappan, Durai, and Sathishkumar.

Erode Law College Sets World Record with Grand 'Goddess of Justice' Event Winners Honoured by Judicial Dignitaries

Erode, June 24

In collaboration with the Erode Rotaract Club, Erode Law College, Indus Arts and Science International College, and Sri Sai Sindhu Nursing College organized an event at the Erode Law College grounds to condemn violence against women and children and to raise legal awareness regarding the issue. Students set a new world record by forming a realistic human silhouette of the 'Goddess of Justice' using their own bodies in a continuous chain formation. Mr. Sindhu Ravichandran, the College President, presided over the event. Vice-President Gayathri Ravichandran and Joint Secretary Arun Balaji welcomed the gathering. Trust Vice-President Dr. Kishore Ravichandran and Joint Secretary Charu Rupa Kishore graced the occasion. Abinaya, a manager from the 'Indian Book of Records,' inspected the initiative in person and officially declared it a world record. A total of 1,545 stu-



dents participated in the event, representing Erode Government Model School, Richmond Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Geethanjali All India Senior Secondary School, Kongu Vellalar Matriculation Higher Secondary School, and Nandha Central School. Erode District Principal Judge Sameena, attending as the special guest, presented the official world record certificate and medal to Gayathri Ravichandran, Vice-President of the Sri Sai Sindhu Trust. She also delivered a special address highlighting the importance of the POC-SO Act in preventing crimes against children and the necessity of the '1098' emergency helpline number for students to contact during

times of distress. Following this, Senior Civil Judge Srividya presented special prizes and certificates of appreciation to Dr. C. Narayanan (Advisor, Erode Law College Rotaract Club), Student President Rohit, Secretary Govarthana Giri, and alumnus Vetri Mani Bharathi for their excellent coordination of this grand event. Additionally, Erode Revenue Divisional Officer Sindhuja honored the participating school and college students, as well as Rotaract representatives Selva Vignesh, Periyannayaki, and Karthikeyan, by presenting them with medals and certificates of participation. The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by College Principal Akbar Ali Baig.

152-Kg Birthday Cake Cut to Celebrate Chief Minister Joseph Vijay's Birthday

Thoothukudi

On June 24 in Thoothukudi, a cake-cutting ceremony for a 152 kg cake was organized in front of Annathai Wedding Hall in Muthukrishnaraja Puram to celebrate the 52nd birthday of Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Joseph Vijay. The event was arranged by Anandakumar (former City Council Member and Central-North Zone Secretary), with Headquarters Executive Michael Kishore and District Joint Secretary 'Golden' Anandakumar participating as special invitees. Subsequently, after distributing notebooks and cake at the TDTA School in Thiraviyapuram, another cake-cutting ceremony took place near the American Hospital. This event was held in the presence of District Executive Committee Member Lingavel and North-East Zone Secretary Meenakshisundaram.



Special guests—including Headquarters Executives Anthony Michael Kishore and Stephen, District Joint Secretary 'Golden' Anandakumar (former City Council Member), and Central-North Zone Secretary Anandakumar (former City Council Member)—participated by cutting the cake and distributing it to the public, enthusiastically celebrating Chief Minister Joseph Vijay's birthday. Many members of the Tamizhaga Vettri Ka-

zhagam attended the event, including Central-North Zone Secretary Anandakumar, District Executive Committee Member Lingavel, Zonal Joint Secretary Mari Rajan, Zonal Treasurer Sandhanaraj, Zonal Executive Committee members (Bharathkumar, Krishnakumar, Guru, Ponvel, Ajith Sandhanaraj, Rathinakumar), Central District Volunteer Wing Organizer Ramachandran, and Ward Secretaries (Gurusamy Raja, Maharaja, Edmond).



Madurai District Collector Mr. Nishanth Krishna, I.A.S., inspected the additional nursery established at a cost of ₹5 lakh in Kodikulam Panchayat (Madurai East Panchayat Union) today. He reviewed the varieties of saplings being cultivated and their sales. At this nursery, 5,000 saplings including Tamarind, Portia (Poovarasu), Almond, Arjun (Neer Marudhu), Siris (Vaagai), Indian Beech (Pungan), and Spanish Cherry (Magizham) have been planted in polythene bags filled with a mixture of soil and organic manure; numerous women are engaged in the daily maintenance of these saplings.

Yamaha 'Track Day' Event in Coimbatore 200 Riders Participate



Coimbatore, June 23

India Yamaha Motor organized an exciting 'Track Day' event for its customers at the CoASTT High-Performance Centre in Coimbatore. Held as part of Yamaha's 'The Call of the Blue' campaign, the event offered over 200 Yamaha customers the thrilling experience of riding on a racetrack. In total, more than 500 people participated in the event. Special training sessions were conducted for riders of the R15, MT-15, and XSR155 motorcycles. Experts provided guidance on track riding, body positioning, lean angles, throttle control, and safe braking techniques. The event also wel-

comed riders who had participated in Yamaha's 'Explore India on XSR' journey. Starting from Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir, they traveled approximately 6,000 kilometers—passing through major cities such as Delhi, Jaipur, Ahmedabad, Mumbai, Goa, and Kanyakumari—before arriving in Coimbatore. This 21-day journey was undertaken to connect India's diverse cultures and to foster a sense of unity and adventure among motorcycle enthusiasts. The company stated that it continues to organize such events to promote a sense of community and a culture of safe, responsible riding among motorcyclists.

GOLD, PETROL, DIESEL TODAY PRICE

23.06.2026

GOLD PRICE	
24K GOLD (10 GRAMS)	₹ 73,860
22K GOLD (10 GRAMS)	₹ 67,640
18K GOLD (10 GRAMS)	₹ 55,410
14K GOLD (10 GRAMS)	₹ 43,090

PETROL PRICE	
₹ 106.35	PER LITRE

DIESEL PRICE	
₹ 92.65	PER LITRE

Prices are indicative and subject to change based on market rates.

Anti-Rabies Vaccination for 714 Community Dogs in Ramanathapuram Town



Ramanathapuram and 76 underwent sterilization. Trained municipal staff captured three community dogs and sent them to the Sitharkottai Veterinary Dispensary. This operation was carried out under the leadership of Sanitary Inspector Srishesh Kumar, following the instructions of Municipal Commissioner Ajitha Parveen and the guidance of City Health Officer Rathinavel.

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Three Killed as Loaded Auto-Rickshaw Overtakes Near Rangampeta Following Tire Burst

Tirumala:

Three people lost their lives when a loaded auto-rickshaw overturned near Rangampeta. A group of over ten individuals—including Babu, Raju, and Kakada Raju—from Samarlakota in the Kakinada district of Andhra Pradesh had traveled in the vehicle to attend a temple festival in Kollur, Bapatla district, the day before yesterday. They were on their return journey to Kakinada. Early yesterday morning, while passing near Rangampeta in the East Godavari district, a



tire on the auto-rickshaw suddenly burst. The driver lost control, causing the vehicle to careen wildly and overturn. Babu, Raju, and Kakada Raju tragically died at the scene, while eight others sustained severe injuries. Upon receiving information, the Pithapuram police arrived at the location. With the as-

sistance of the public, they rescued the eight injured individuals and admitted them to the Pithapuram Government Hospital. The bodies of the three deceased were subsequently sent to Anaparthi Hospital for post-mortem examinations. The police have registered a case and are conducting an investigation.

MP BJP CM's Family Buys 168 Acres Worth ₹45 Crore in Areas Targeted for Government Projects: Controversy Erupts

Bhopal

A major controversy has erupted over the purchase of land worth ₹45 crore in Ujjain by the family of Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav. After the BJP government led by Chief Minister Mohan Yadav assumed office in Madhya Pradesh, massive infrastructure development projects centered on Ujjain were initiated. Key announcements were made regarding the construction of new roads and highways, as well as changes in land use to facilitate the expansion of residential and commercial zones. These developments transformed Ujjain into one of India's most valuable real estate markets. Amidst this backdrop, shocking details have emerged revealing that Chief Minister Mohan Yadav's family purchased large tracts of land in advance within areas designated for these government projects. An investigation by a prominent



English newspaper revealed that following Mohan Yadav's swearing-in on December 13, 2023, his family members and their associated real estate companies acquired land in Ujjain. Specifically, 137 plots—spanning a total area of 168 acres and valued at approximately ₹45 crore—were purchased in areas poised for high returns due to road projects and land-use reclassifications. The Chief Minister's close relatives and siblings are among the investors. Allegations have arisen that these large-scale land purchases were made by targeting specific locations where the government intended to implement its projects. According to land registration records, these trans-

actions took place within two years of the Chief Minister assuming office. This issue has sparked a major political stir in Madhya Pradesh. * Congress Demands Chief Minister's Resignation The Congress has demanded that Chief Minister Mohan Yadav resign, accepting responsibility for the alleged land scam in Ujjain, and has called for a judicial inquiry into these allegations. Speaking on the matter, Congress State President Jitu Patwari said, "This land scam case should be investigated by a sitting judge of the Supreme Court. The Chief Minister must explain how his family's landholdings increased from 100 acres to 335 acres after he assumed office."

No Entry Denied to Bangladesh PM's Advisor Ministry of External Affairs Clarifies

New Delhi

Bangladesh had registered its protest with India after immigration officials briefly detained the Bangladesh Prime Minister's advisor, Zahed Ur Rahman, upon his arrival in Delhi, as his name was suspected to be on a security-related blacklist. Addressing the weekly press briefing, Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said, "Bangladesh Prime Minister's advisor Zahed



Ur Rahman arrived in Delhi on the 14th with a SAARC visa and a personal passport. He was questioned by immigration officials at the Delhi airport. He stated that he had come to participate in the 28th meeting of the Senior Officials'

Committee of the Indian Ocean Rim Association. Once the purpose of his visit—participating in that meeting—was confirmed, he was granted entry. However, he decided to return to Dhaka of his own volition."

AAP MLA, 8 Others Get 7-Year Jail Term

Rajpipla

A court in Gujarat has sentenced nine individuals—including Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MLA Chaitar Vasava and his wife—to seven years in prison in a case involving the assault of forest department officials. Vasava is a tribal leader representing the Dediapada tribal-re-

served constituency in Gujarat. The incident stemmed from a confrontation that occurred after forest officials removed crops cultivated on government-owned land in 2023. The officials were summoned to Vasava's residence in Dediapada town. It is alleged that Vasava, his wife, and others present there threat-

ened the forest officials and fired a gun into the air. A case was subsequently registered regarding the incident. Following the conclusion of the trial in the local sessions court, the judge convicted Vasava, his wife Shakuntala, and the others, sentencing all nine of them to seven years of imprisonment.

Legal action against RSS

if registration and financial details are not disclosed: Karnataka Minister warns

Bengaluru

Karnataka Minister Priyank Kharge stated that legal action would be taken against the RSS if they failed to produce documents regarding their registration status and sources of funding. Speaking to reporters, he said, "I had raised a series of questions: When was the RSS founded? Is it a registered organization? Where do its funds come from? What are its income and expenditure accounts? There has been no response from them so far; it has been a week since I asked. They



are not martyrs in the context of India's century-long history. Therefore, the organization's office-bearers should bring the documents I requested—whether from Nagpur or from their Bengaluru headquarters, 'Keshav Krupa'. Should some time be allowed since it is a century-old organization? Very well, let us grant some time. After all, if the documents do

not exist, they would need to be created, wouldn't they? They cannot produce any documents. The reason is that they do not wish to be transparent. They operate the organization by applying a separate set of standards for themselves. If they possess the documents, let them fling them in my face. I will not allow the law to be violated. I am not asking merely to know the organization's registration date; I am asking to understand the true nature of the RSS. I am also prepared for a prolonged debate with them."

PM Modi to IAS Officers People First in Governance

New Delhi

Prime Minister Modi advised young IAS officers that "every file reflects the aspirations, concerns, and lives of countless people." Yesterday, the Prime Minister interacted with 183 trainee officers from the 2024 IAS batch who have been appointed as Assistant Secretaries across various Union government ministries and departments. Speaking on the occasion,



PM Modi stated that major challenges cannot be resolved in isolation. Strong inter-departmental coordination is essential to achieve meaningful and lasting outcomes. You, as young IAS officers, must dedicate yourselves to na-

tion-building through keen observation, innovation, and people-centric administration. Always keep in mind the human impact behind every file. Every file reflects the aspirations, concerns, and lives of countless people. Guided by the motto that "the people are divine," every decision must be centered on the people. Ensure that government administration is empathetic, responsive, and inclusive.

Tamil Nadu's Request to Order Release of 40 TMC Water Rejected

Authority Firm on Deciding at Next Meeting

New Delhi

The 50th meeting of the Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) was held yesterday in Delhi under the chairmanship of S.K. Haldar. Satyabrata Sahoo, Principal Secretary of Tamil Nadu's Water Resources Department, and Subramanian, Chairman of the Cauvery Technical Committee, participated in discussions regarding water sharing. Officials representing the Tamil Nadu government pointed out that against the 6.737 TMC of water due to Tamil Nadu at Bili-gundlu since June 22, only 2.662 TMC had been received, resulting in a deficit of 4.075 TMC. They ar-



gued that Karnataka's claim of low water levels in its reservoirs was unacceptable, attributing the situation instead to Karnataka utilizing more water than its allocated share during the summer period (February to May 2026). Consequently, they urged the Authority to direct the Karnataka government to release water from its reservoirs to ensure Tamil Nadu receives 9.19 TMC in June and 31.24 TMC in July. CWMA Chair-

man S.K. Haldar acknowledged Tamil Nadu's request and advised the basin states to use stored reservoir water prudently for drinking water needs, taking the current situation into account. He further stated that, anticipating good rainfall in the coming days, the Authority has decided to review the request made by the Tamil Nadu government—specifically regarding this situation—at the next meeting.



On the fourth day of the Jamabandi (revenue settlement) proceedings for the Fasli year 1435, currently underway at the Anaicut Taluk office, District Collector and Jamabandi Officer P.S. Leela Alex, IAS, immediately reviewed a petition submitted by a differently-abled person and provided them with a walking stick and spectacles. Officials present at the event included Deputy Collector (Social Security Scheme) C. Maran, District Adi-Dravidar Welfare Officer Saravanan, District Supply Officer Saravanan, Deputy Collector (Training) Ganesh, Differently-Abled Welfare Officer Mr. Babu, and Taluk Tahsildar Sukumaran, among others.



On the occasion of the 52nd birthday of the Honorable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru S. Joseph Vijay, and under the guidance of the Honorable Minister for Transport and Salem Central District Secretary, Thiru 'Tamilan Vijay' A. Parthiban, I (N. Surya) organized an event today at the Panchayat Primary School in Kollapatti. We distributed sweets and essential educational supplies—such as notebooks, pens, pencils, and geometry boxes—to all the students and provided them with a midday meal. It was a moment where we served the children and wholeheartedly wished the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru S. Joseph Vijay, a very happy birthday.



Madurai District Collector Mr. Nishant Krishna, I.A.S., inspected the construction work of a new community hall today at Pudhuthamaraipatti Panchayat in Madurai East Panchayat Union. The project is being executed at a cost of ₹14 lakh under the Member of Parliament Local Area Development (MPLAD) scheme. During the inspection, the District Collector reviewed details such as the current status of construction, the quality of work, and the progress made in accordance with the project estimates. He instructed that a ramp be constructed to ensure easy accessibility for persons with disabilities. Furthermore, he directed the concerned officials to complete the work with high quality and speed so that the facility could be made available for public use.

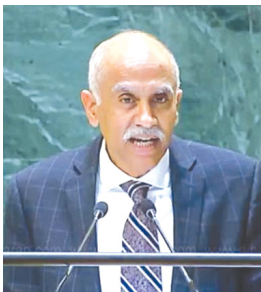


Jammu & Kashmir has always been, and will continue to be, a part of India: India's retort to Pakistan

New York

India has sharply criticized Pakistan for raising the issue of Jammu & Kashmir during a UN Security Council meeting. India reiterated that the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir is an integral part of the country and that the matter is entirely an internal affair of India. Ambassador Parvathaneni Harish,

India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, strongly reaffirmed this policy stance while speaking at the UN Security Council's Arria-formula meeting. India registered its strong objection to the remarks made by Pakistan regarding Jammu & Kashmir during the session. Earlier, Pakistan had argued that Jammu & Kashmir



is an internationally recognized dispute on the UN Security Council's agenda. Pakistan stated that it could not accept India's position that Kashmir is an in-

ternal matter. Condemning Pakistan's remarks, Ambassador Harish criticized the country for using an informal UN meeting for political gain and for making unwarranted comments about the Indian territory of Jammu & Kashmir. He particularly took issue with the fact that Pakistan was a 'co-chair' of the meeting; Harish slammed the

move to politicize the event and divert it from its intended purpose—actions he described as unbelievable given the expectation of neutrality. "Furthermore, the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir is entirely an internal matter of India. It has always been, is, and will continue to be a part of India," Ambassador Harish stated categorically.

Pentagon Seeks \$80 Billion (Rs 7.5 Lakh Crore) for Iran War Costs

Washington

Following the cessation of hostilities between the US and Iran, the US has suffered significant losses in terms of weaponry. To replenish these losses, the Pentagon—the US defense headquarters—has requested \$80 billion in funding. Initially, the Pentagon had estimated the cost of the war at \$200 billion. While \$80 billion may appear to be a lower figure by comparison, it is suspected that the total US losses resulting from the Iran conflict could be significantly higher. This suspicion arises because President Trump has insisted on a record-breaking Pentagon budget allocation of \$1.5 trillion (Rs 150 lakh crore) for the upcoming year—an amount 50 percent higher than the current year’s allocation.



Awami League Party Marks Founding Day in Bangladesh Despite Ban

Dhaka

The Awami League party was founded on June 23, 1949, when present-day Bangladesh was still East Pakistan. The party spearheaded the nation’s 1971 War of Independence. Former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina’s government was overthrown following student protests in 2024. Subsequently, the party was dissolved by the interim government led by Muhammad Yunus. Amidst this situation, police arrested party cadres who held rallies in various parts of Bangladesh to mark the Awami League’s 77th founding day, defying the ban. Legal action is being taken against those arrested.



UN inspectors not visiting attacked nuclear sites: Iran

Dubai

Iran has stated that no visit by UN inspectors has been scheduled to inspect the nuclear sites in Iran that were subjected to attacks. US Vice President JD Vance had previously claimed that an agreement was reached—through talks held in Switzerland—for International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) inspectors to visit Iran’s nuclear facilities. However, Iran has contradicted this statement. Speaking at a press conference in Tehran, Foreign Ministry spokesperson Esmail Baghaei said, “No visit has been planned for IAEA inspectors to visit the nuclear sites affected by US bombing attacks.” Following a 12-day conflict initiated by Israel against Iran in 2025, IAEA inspectors did visit the country; however, they were not granted permission to inspect the nuclear enrichment facilities that had been targeted by the US. Send feedback



Pakistan PM Optimistic That US-Iran MoU Will Evolve into a ‘Long-Term’ Agreement

Islamabad

Pakistan’s Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has expressed optimism that the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between the United States and Iran will evolve into a “long-term agreement.” The US and Iran signed this MoU to restore peace in West Asia and to advance negotiations regarding regional security and other contentious issues. Addressing the Pakistani parliament, Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif welcomed the successful implementation of the ceasefire between the US and Iran. He stated his expectation that negotiations would conclude fully within the next 60 days, transforming this interim arrangement into a permanent agreement. He further hailed Pakistan’s role in this diplomatic process as a historic success. Speaking in parliament, he expressed belief that the agreement would de-escalate tensions and pave the way for peace. Sharif noted that technical-level talks between the US and Iran would take place over the next two months, covering issues such as Iran’s nuclear assets, missiles, and frozen assets. He also highlighted that Pakistan had made its best efforts with complete sincerity to bridge the gap between the two sides. He expressed confidence that, following this agreement, Pakistan and Iran would enter a new phase characterized by comprehensive economic cooperation, strong bilateral ties, and broad regional prosperity.



To mark the birthday of Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Joseph Vijay, sweets were distributed at the Erode court complex under the leadership of lawyer Arun.

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London

England, a nation that once dominated the world, is now in a pitiful state. Due to a lack of administrative competence among leaders, seven Prime Ministers have stepped down over the last decade. Most recently, Keir Starmer has also announced his resignation. Starmer, who assumed power with high expectations following the general election just two years ago, has now become a figure of public loathing. England, once among the world’s wealthiest nations, has now become a failed state. It is bankrupt. The healthcare system has collapsed, and women lack safety. Experts warn that the situation is set to deteriorate further. Here are the reasons: 1. The UK government spends more on welfare schemes than it collects in income tax. While tax revenue stands at ₹41 lakh crore, expenditure on welfare schemes amounts to ₹41.5 lakh crore. Consequently, the entire economy is trapped in an irretrievable crisis. 2. England has become the sexual assault capital of the world. In England and Wales, 71,667 sexual assault crimes were recorded in the year leading up to March 2025—averaging nearly 200 crimes per day. 3. Mafia gangs operate in 149 cities with the knowledge of the government, police, and local councils. The government has turned a blind eye to thousands of young girls being sexually assaulted by these gangs, fearing they might be branded as racists if they intervened. 4. The healthcare system has completely collapsed; over 7 million people are currently waiting for medical treatment. Among them, one lakh people have been waiting for over a year. Due to the shortage of doctors and medical staff, four out of ten patients in emergency wards receive treatment only after a delay of four hours. 5. Freedom of speech on the internet has been completely stifled. More people are arrested in the UK for expressing opinions online than in any other country. In 2023, the police arrested 12,183 individuals under laws regarding offensive communications; this averages out to 33 people being arrested daily for social media posts. 6. In the name of “green energy,” the UK banned all new oil and gas exploration. Consequently, it has been forced to purchase gas from Norway, which is now the UK’s largest energy supplier. 7. In May alone, the UK borrowed approximately ₹30 lakh crore. This marks the second-highest amount of debt incurred in a single month. Government debt stands at 95% of the GDP. In May, ₹15 lakh crore was spent solely on interest payments—an increase of ₹50,000 crore compared to the previous year. Thus, the country is in a state of bankruptcy. 8. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, the UK has recorded a growth rate of only 6%. 9. Due to economic instability and a lack of security, the UK lost more millionaires in 2025 than any other country. They did not leave empty-handed; they took ₹8.5 lakh crore with them. It was not just the wealthy; in 2025, 2.46 lakh ordinary citizens also left the UK, believing they could lead a better life elsewhere. There is little likelihood of this situation changing under the next administration, as the incoming Prime Minister is set to be Andy Burnham. He is a staunch leftist. His main agenda revolves around greater public control and higher taxes. Consequently, Britain’s decline was not accidental; it has been ruined by a lack of proper leadership.



Heavy Rain Batters Mumbai Overnight Rainwater Surrounds Dadar Railway Station

Mumbai

Heavy rainfall that lashed Mumbai throughout the night turned the city’s roads into waterlogged stretches. With water pooling like ponds on major roads, traffic was disrupted, and normal life was brought to a standstill in many areas. Mumbai received 30 cm of rainfall in just the last 24 hours. Notably, more than 200 mm of rain was recorded in several parts of the city within an eight-hour window—from 10 PM yesterday to 6 AM today. The highest rainfall was recorded at Malwani in Malad (271 mm), followed by Powai (247 mm), Charkop in Kandivali (244 mm), and Borivali (234 mm). The Meteorological Department has forecast moderate to intense rainfall for Mumbai, Thane, Raigad, Palghar, and Sindhudurg. Train services have been affected as rainwater surrounded Dadar railway station; following the heavy downpour across the city, floodwaters have engulfed the station, and the railway tracks are completely submerged. Water accumulated in several low-lying areas of the city due to the heavy rain early this morning. Municipal officials reported waterlogging in key locations such as Hindmata, Andheri Subway, Malad Subway, and parts of Sion, noting that immediate measures were taken to drain the water.



Mukul Wasnik Appointed Chairperson of Parliamentary Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth Affairs, and Sports

New Delhi

Congress MP Mukul Wasnik has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education, Women, Children, Youth Affairs, and Sports, on the 21st of this month. Rajya Sabha Chairman C.P. Radhakrishnan has previously held this position but retired as a Rajya Sabha MP post.



Madurai District Collector Mr. Nishanth Krishna, I.A.S., inspected the ongoing construction work of the ‘Chief Minister’s Mini Sports Stadium’ in Sakkimangalam village, Madurai East Panchayat Union, today; the project is being executed at a cost of ₹3 crore. The stadium is being constructed at a cost of ₹3 crore and will feature sports facilities such as a 200-meter athletic track; courts for volleyball, kabaddi, basketball, badminton, and kho-kho; and a long jump pit. It will also include an entrance gate, an administrative office building, and restroom facilities.



Madurai District Collector Mr. Nishanth Krishna, I.A.S., inspected the Government Primary Health Centre at Sakkimangalam (Madurai East Panchayat Union) today. During his visit, he inspected various sections, including the fever ward, laboratory, pharmacy, registration unit, and the inpatient and outpatient departments. He also inquired with the doctors about the medical services provided to the public, fever prevention and treatment measures, medicine stock levels, and the facilities available to patients.

TODAY

RASI PALAN

ARIES

A good day to take initiative. Your efforts at work will be recognized. Avoid unnecessary arguments.

TAURUS

Financial conditions improve. You may receive good news from family. Stay calm and focused.

GEMINI

New opportunities may come your way. Communication will be the key to success today.

CANCER

Your confidence will boost productivity. Take care of your health. Avoid stress and overthinking.

LEO

A favorable day for career growth. Seniors will support you. Spend quality time with family.

VIRGO

Be practical in your approach. Financial gains are likely. Do not trust rumors.

LIBRA

Balance your personal and professional life. Good day for important decisions.

SCORPIO

You may achieve success in challenging tasks. Keep your emotions under control.

SAGITTARIUS

A day of learning and growth. Travel plans may materialize. Stay positive and energetic.

CAPRICORN

Hard work will bring good results. Financial stability improves. Avoid unnecessary expenses.

AQUARIUS

Your ideas will be appreciated. Good time for teamwork and planning for the future.

PISCES

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An event was held at Rangampalayam Meenakshi Sundaranar Sengunthar Higher Secondary School to honor students with academic incentive awards. During the ceremony, Governing Committee member Mr. M. Ramachandran honored students who secured the first rank in classes 6 through 12 during the previous academic year with a cash prize of ₹20,000. Additionally, Governing Committee member Mr. V.M. Elango honored the top three rankers of the March 2026 Class 12 public examination with a prize of ₹15,000. The Secretary and Correspondent also attended the event and graced the occasion.