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Madras HC quashes acquisition of Jaya's residence by previous AIADMK regime

Chennai: The Madras High Court today quashed the order issued by the previous AIADMK government acquiring late Chief Minister J Jayalalitha's Poes Garden residence 'Veda Nilayam' to convert it into a memorial. On the petitions filed by Jayalalitha's niece J Deepa and nephew J Deepak, challenging the acquisition, Mr Justice N.Seshasayee ordered the government to hand over the residence to them within three weeks. The Judge also allowed the Income Tax Department to proceed with the attachment proceedings as per law. The Judge concurred with the submissions made by Deepak's counsel S.L.Sudarsanam, that there was no need for another memorial when the government had already spent a considerable amount of tax payers money to construct a mausoleum for his aunt at the Marina Beach front in the city. The Judge also rejected AIADMK's argument that the acquisition was in public interest.

Congress appeasing anti-national forces: Chugh

Chandigarh: BJP national general secretary Tarun Chugh on Wednesday blasted the Congress government in Punjab for "appeasing anti-national and disruptive forces." Reacting strongly to the appointment of Balwant Singh Kitlabama as Chairman of Punjab Genco Ltd, the BJP leader said it was reprehensible the way Channi government has been buckling under pressure of anti-national forces. Kitlabama is the brother of US-based Avtar Singh Pannun, a key office-bearer of the banned pro-Khalistan organisation Sikhs For Justice (SFJ), and is also considered close to state cabinet minister Tript Rajinder Singh Bajwa. Chugh said it looked perfectly in tune with Punjab Congress president Navjot Sidhu heaping praise on Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan who has been sending drones, drugs and ISI agents to India.

Fadnavis, wife attend house warming party of Raj Thackeray

Mumbai: The Bharatiya Janata Party's Leader of Opposition Devendra Fadnavis, along with his wife Amruta, today afternoon attended the house warming party of Maharashtra Navnirman Sena President Raj Thackeray at new home, 'Shiv-tirth' in Dadar area of central Mumbai. MNS Spokesperson Sandeep Deshpande clarified that the Thackeray family had invited the Fadnavis couple for lunch Wednesday. However, he claimed he was not privy to what was actually discussed at this private 'house-warming' gathering among the high-profile leaders, particularly with talks about the BJP-MNS joining hands for the upcoming civic elections to various major municipalities in the state. Deshpande added that earlier, several celebs including cricketer Sachin Tendulkar and politicians like BJP leaders Ashish Shelar and Prasad Lad had dropped in at Raj Thackeray's new home.

Kejriwal playing tricks on Punjab: State BSP chief

Phagwara: Lashing out at Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's announcement to pay Rs 1,000 per month to every woman above 18 years of age, Punjab Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) president Jasveer Singh Garhi on Wednesday alleged that the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) national convener was playing tricks on Punjab and the Delhi Chief Minister has made a mockery of Punjabis by coming to the state and announcing to pay Rs 1,000. Garhi said Kejriwal had said on stage that housewives who had not bought a new suit for many years would be able to get a new suit with Rs 1,000, while mothers could give their children food and drink and the students will go to college with the Rs 1,000. Such nonsensical statements are a great insult to the people of Punjab. The BSP leader said that the Delhi Chief Minister should first show our Punjabi mothers, daughters and daughter-in-laws a single house in Delhi where the Delhi government was giving Rs 1,000 to women.

Every hand of our country should rise together for the progress of the country: President

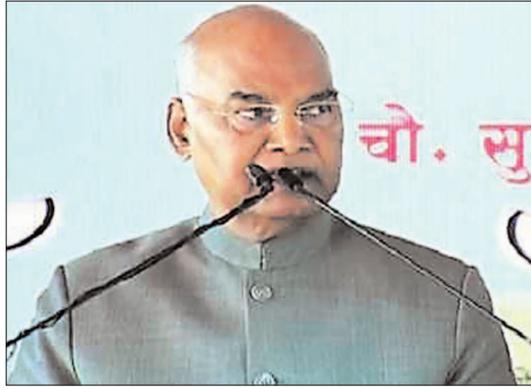
Kanpur (UNI)

President Ramnath Kovind on Wednesday said that the future of any nation is guided by the experience of the past and enriched by its heritage.

"We all should actively participate in building a strong, successful, developed and prosperous India. Every hand of our country should rise together for the progress of the country," he said.

The President was addressing the birth centenary celebrations of Chaudhary Harmohan Singh Yadav in Kanpur on Wednesday.

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that the life of Chaudhary Harmohan Singh Yadav is worthy of emulation for the posterity. He was a perfect example of simplicity and an inspiration for public service. He strove to bring happiness in the lives of the people particularly those living on the margins and the farmers. From the Gram Sabha to the Rajya Sabha, his views about agriculture were heard very seriously by policy makers.



The President said that the doors of Harmohan Singh Ji's house were always open for all. In the year 1984, he set an excellent example of communal harmony when he saved a large number of lives from a violent mob. In the year 1991, he

received Shaurya Chakra for his exceptional gallantry and fearlessness. The President noted that with Harmohan Singh Ji's efforts, many educational institutions were established to give fillip to the educational awareness in this area. He understood that education is the basis of progress of every family and society. And education is the best tool to improve the lives of people and make society and country better, he used to say, the President recalled going down the memory lane.

The President said that Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is being celebrated all over the country to mark the 75 years of our independence. During this two-year long Mahotsav, we will remember the contribution of unsung heroes of the freedom struggle who had laid down their lives.

Velankanni Church to be included under Delhi Govt's free pilgrimage scheme soon: Kejriwal

New Delhi (UNI)

Holy shrine of Velankanni in Tamil Nadu will soon be included under the Delhi government's free pilgrimage scheme while the first train for Ayodhya darshan organised by the state government will leave on December 3, Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal announced on Wednesday.

"Christian brothers demanded that a place of their pilgrimage be included in this list. Today I want to give some good news to them also. Many Christians wish to go to Velankanni Church. We are going to include Velankanni Church in the list of pilgrimage very soon and you will also be able to go on pilgrimage as per your wish," the minister said during a press briefing.

"I am pleased to inform everyone that the first train to Ayodhya under this scheme will leave on December 3. The registration for the same has been started and eligible people willing to visit Ayodhya can register by visiting our Delhi government e-district portal," he announced.

Ensuring that no one will be left out of visiting Ayodhya, Kejriwal asked people not to hesitate and submit applications without



worry. "You must not worry that if there are too many applications. I will ensure everyone gets to visit. If there are more people than the capacity of the train, then we will put another train on the route. If there are still more applicants, then we will put in a third train. The train may leave after a week, but will take everyone. Therefore, every-

one should apply for the darshan of Shri Ram Lalla. I genuinely want as many people as possible to visit Ayodhya Ji," he added.

The free pilgrimage is provided to the senior citizens of Delhi under Mukhyamantri Tirth Yatra Yojana since 2018 on 13 routes including Puri, Dwarka, Haridwar, Rishikesh, Rameshwaram, Shirdi and Ajmer Sharif etc.

Ayodhya is the latest addition to the list announced by Kejriwal last month.

"Senior citizens of Delhi can take benefit of this scheme. Additionally, every senior citizen can take along an attendant with them on the pilgrimage. Till now, over 36,000 people have been on pilgrimage thanks to this scheme," the CM informed.

Covid -19: India reports 9,283 new cases

New Delhi (UNI): India has recorded 9,283 new cases of Covid-19 and 437 deaths during the past 24 hours, addition of these new fatalities has taken the total death toll to 4,66,584, said the latest data by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare released on Wednesday.

Meanwhile, active cases of Covid-19 have declined to 1,11,481, which is lowest in 537 days. Presently, the active cases stand at 0.32 percent, lowest since March 2020, the Ministry's data said.

The recovery rate touched 98.33 per cent as 10,949 patients recovered from the virus during the past 24 hours taking the cumulative tally of recovered patients to 3,39,57,698.

"The daily positivity rate is 0.80 per cent, which is less than 2 per cent for the last 51 days, whereas the weekly positivity rate is 0.93 per cent which also remains less than 2 per cent for the last 61 days now," the Ministry said.

The testing capacity across the country continues to be expanded. India has so far conducted over 63.47 crore tests across the country.

Akhilesh meets AAP leader, fueling alliance speculations

Lucknow (UNI)

After striking a pre poll alliance deal with RLD yesterday, Samajwadi party president Akhilesh Yadav on Wednesday met Aam Admi Party (AAP) leader Sanjay Singh.

The SP president also held a meeting regarding seat sharing issue Apna Dal leader Krishna Patel today.

Ms Patel, heading the rival faction of the Apna Dal led by her elder daughter and union minister Anupriya Patel, will announce the number of seats they will be contesting later in the day.

Anupriya led Apna Dal (S) is the partner of BJP. Meanwhile, AAP MP Sanjay Singh met SP President Akhilesh Yadav in Lucknow today where they discussed the possibility of a pre poll alliance among other issues. During the meeting which was held at SP's Lohia Trust office, the two leaders held talks for about an hour.

However there is no official word either from SP or AAP on the outcome of this meeting.

It is worth noting that Akhilesh Yadav, who is preparing for 'Mission-2022', is emphasizing on alliances with smaller parties instead of big parties.

SP has reportedly finalized the alliance Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD) by giving it 36 seats. Apart from this, the Akhilesh led party has an alliance with the SBSP led by Omprakash Rajbhar.



Sadhvi Pragya asked to appear before court on Dec 1

Mumbai: A Special NIA Court in Mumbai hearing the 2008 Malegaon blast case on Wednesday directed BJP MP Sadhvi Pragya Thakur to appear before the court whenever she is summoned in the matter.

Special Court Judge PR Sitre directed the Bhopal MP for future appearances as well after she appeared before the court on Wednesday.

The BJP MP walked inside the court after last time she attended the hearing on a wheel chair.

During the proceeding she informed the court that she will undergo treatment at Kokilaben Hospital and she has a medical issue related to her veins.

Court record the information and allowed her to appear next when court summons her. She was directed to appear next on December 1. Victims were represented by Jamiat Ulma advocate Shahid Nadeem Ansari. Sadhvi's lawyer is JP Mishra. NIA Special Public Prosecutor Avinash Rasal, and others were also present in the court.

Air pollution: Beurecrats should talk to scientists and farmers to find a solution

New Delhi (UNI)

The Supreme Court on Wednesday questioned the way the state and central bureaucracy works to deal with the current crisis emanating due to pollution, and said that they should go to the fields and discuss the issue with farmers and others on how to deal with the situation.

"We are using common sense to discuss the issues. What is the central and state bureaucracy doing? Why can't they go to the fields, talk to farmers and scientists and devise a permanent solution to prevent stubble burning," a three-judge bench of the Apex Court, headed by the Chief Justice of India (CJI) Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana observed.

The Supreme Court also said that the Center should prepare a scientific model based on the last five years data to determine the average air pollution levels in different seasons every year and take steps prior to the anticipated days of severe air pollution' days to prevent worsening of ambient air quality.

It also observed that thousands of crores of Rupees collected as

Amid high tension, Tripura goes on civic poll today

Agartala (UNI)

Amid tension and controversy over security lapses followed by a series of directions from the Supreme Court and High Court for free and fair polls, 222 seats of 13 urban local bodies of Tripura go for the election tomorrow to decide the fate of over 500 candidates of different parties.

A couple of hours later on the directions from the apex court, West Tripura district magistrate last night clamped 144 of CrPC prohibiting the assembly of five or more persons in Agartala Municipal Area along with imposing several other restrictions to hold the civic poll peacefully.

The state police have also made elaborate security arrangements along with other measures to ensure the safety of the voters, polling staff, candidates and political parties on the day of the poll and afterwards. Immediately, after the direction from Supreme Court Director General of Police V S Yadav held a meeting with state election commissioner M L Dey last night and reviewed the law and order situation.

Based on the reports and ground



situation, police have identified as many as 370 polling stations as 'A' category while the rest 274 were identified as 'B' category considering the threat perception. All 'A' category polling stations will be provided with four Tripura State Rifles (TSR) jawans and each booth would get five additional jawans to maintain security during polling. Additional IGP (L&O) Subrata Chakraborty said.

All 'B' category polling booths will be provided with four armed policemen while two more layers of

security cover would be provided to each of the polling stations, area domination and round the clock patrolling to foil any criminal attempts in the city from this afternoon. However, as of now there is no deployment of CRPF in the polling station but they would guard strong rooms, he stated.

Altogether 97 police sector officers and an equal number of civil sector officers have been appointed for Agartala Municipal Corporation (AMC) area to oversee the situation during polling.

RSS leader murder: One more PFI office bearer held

Palakkad (UNI): Special Investigation Team (SIT), probing the murder of RSS local leader S Sanjith on Tuesday night arrested one more Popular Front of India (PFI) office bearer who was alleged to be directly involved in the murder.

He is the second PFI office bearer to be arrested in the case after PFI Area Secretary was arrested on November 22 and sent to 14-day Judicial custody.

However, the names of the arrested persons have not been revealed so far citing that identification parade of them need to be conducted.

The first arrested PFI leader was the driver of the car used by the criminal gang and the second arrested person hacked Sanjith first. The second arrested accused would be produced before the court on Wednesday after evidence collection at the incident spot.

Reports said that the parts of the car used by the five-member gang was recovered from a scrap shop at Pollachi in Tamil Nadu today.

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Center to conduct training for personal staff of Union Ministers for better use of social media

New Delhi (UNI)

The center has decided to train at least two members of the personal staff and social media team of all Union ministers for the effective usage of social media platforms to disseminate information regarding the government programme and policies to the general public at large, it was announced on Wednesday.

MyGov CEO Abhishek Singh has written to the offices of all union ministers to nominate two members

from their personal staff and social media teams to attend the training session. The workshop on December 4 will be a day-long affair of citizen engagement, wherein important dignitaries and industry partners will provide training to around 150 staff members of the ministers.

"We are still a large force on all digital platforms but parties like the Congress, Samajwadi Party and RJD have also gained ground on it.