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First state-level Sustainable Development Parishad to be held on Jun 25

Kolhapur: First state-level 'Shaswat Vikas Parishad' (Sustainable Development Parishad) will be held on June 25 (Tuesday) at a city hotel, in the presence of Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde, Deputy Chief Ministers, state chief secretary and elected representatives from the district. "The Parishad, which is first of its kind in the state, will be important for overall development of the district and with intention to exchange views on making sustainable development," Rajesh Kshirsagar, working chairman of State Planning Commission, said in a press release here.

Telangana CM congratulates TSRTC women staff for assisting with childbirth

Hyderabad: Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy congratulated the Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TSRTC) women staff for assisting a pregnant woman in giving birth at the Karimnagar bus station. Taking to X, the Chief Minister said, "My congratulations to the #TSRTC women staff who helped a pregnant woman give birth at the Karimnagar bus station and demonstrated true humanity. Mother and child are safe because of your timely response. I hope you continue to earn such recognition through your dedicated service." A pregnant woman, who had come to the Karimnagar bus station to travel to her native place, went into labour. The women staff of TSRTC assisted her in delivering the baby by creating a makeshift delivery area using their sarees.

BRS leader Harish Rao demands the filling up of 25,000 teacher posts in Telangana

Hyderabad: BRS leader and former Minister T Harish Rao demanded the state government to fill up 25,000 teacher posts. Speaking to the media at Telangana Bhavan here on Monday, Rao questioned why the Congress had promised to give a chance to the mains at the rate of 1:100 in Group I but reneged on that promise after coming to power. He demanded adding 2,000 more jobs to Group II and 3,000 more jobs to Group III and the prompt conduct of examinations. Rao criticized the government for not providing a job calendar for six months after coming to power and insisted on a gap of at least two months between examinations.

Reasi terror attack case: Home Ministry hands over probe to NIA

Jammu: Nearly a week after terrorists attacked a bus ferrying pilgrims in Reasi district, the Union Home Ministry has handed over the investigation to the National Investigation Agency (NIA). Official sources on Monday said that the investigation into the Reasi terrorist attack on the bus has been handed over to NIA. "The decision to hand over the probe to the NIA was taken after the high level meeting chaired by Home Minister Amit Shah in the National capital on June 15," the sources said. They said that the investigating agency has started a thorough probe to find out the conspiracy behind the attack.

Will not do any work of Muslims and Yadavas: JD(U) MP

Patna: Apparently fed up over not getting expected support from Muslims and Yadavas in recently held Lok Sabha election, Devesh Chandra Thakur, newly elected MP from Sitamarhi seat, said that he would not do any work of Muslims and Yadavas. Thakur who had recently won from Sitamarhi Lok seat, while addressing a meeting of locals in his constituency on Sunday, said that people supported him extensively in parliamentary election but Muslims and Yadavas did not support him at all. He had the great respect for all communities of his constituency, Thakur remarked. "If any person from Muslim and Yadav comes to my residence for some work, I will offer him good hospitality but not do his work", JD(U) MP said adding that he had in his long public life, served all sections of the society.

Brief power cut at Delhi airport hits operations

New Delhi (UNI) In a rare occurrence, the Delhi airport on Monday afternoon witnessed a brief power outage, which affected check-in and boarding operations. Many flyers took to micro-blogging site 'X' to air their frustrations over the power failure.



"Around 2 PM today, Delhi Airport's Main Receiving Sub-station (MRSS) detected a significant voltage spike at the grid, reportedly due to the tripping of a 765KV line. This voltage imbalance from the Delhi Transco Limited (DTL) Grid briefly impacted all IGI terminals, affecting baggage acceptance and e-gates," Delhi International Airport Ltd (DIAL) said in a statement.

DIAL said that in order to maintain essential services, the airport operator switched all terminals to

DG load. It further said that the power back-up system was operationalised 'within a few minutes', and all back-up procedures were initiated to facilitate passengers at all touch points. "By 3:00 PM, the grid voltage

had stabilized and was accepted at the MRSS breaker and all services were smoothly transitioned back from DG load to DTL grid load, and the DG supply was disconnected," a DIAL spokesperson said.

Congress announces candidates for Nalagarh & Hamirpur Assembly bye-election seats

Shimla (UNI) Ruling Congress party decided to nominate Dr Pushpendar Verma for Hamirpur and Hardeep Singh Bawa for the Nalagarh Assembly bye-election seats.



A press release issued by the AICC General Secretary Venu Gopal announced the names of Verma and Bawa.

The BJP former MLA, Narender Thakur, and Lakhvinder Singh Rana were keen to fight on Congress ticket but the party decided to go with its cadre

may help Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu to gain political ground following the rebel of six Congress MLAs who recently cross voted and later disqualified under the anti-defection law.

Bye-election is scheduled for Nalagarh, Dehra and Hamirpur seat on July 10 due to the resignation by Independent MLAs KL Thakur, Hoshiyar Singh Chambiyal, and Ashish Sharma. All three are now fighting on the BJP ticket. The victory of three candidates

Now number of Congress MLAs in the 68 members assembly is 38 and the BJP has 27 and three seats are vacant.

Eid prayers not allowed at Srinagar's Jamia Masjid, Mirwaiz placed 'under house arrest'

Srinagar (UNI) Authorities on Monday disallowed congregational Eid prayers at the historic Jamia Masjid in Srinagar and also placed Hurriyat leader Mirwaiz Umar Farooq "under house arrest".



Eid-ul-Adha is being celebrated with religious fervour and gaiety across Jammu and Kashmir and except Jamia Masjid in old Srinagar and Eidgah ground, worshippers thronged to mosques and Eidgahs on Monday to offer congregational prayers. In a statement, Anjuman Auqaf Jamia Masjid, the managing body of the mosque, said it was the sixth consecutive year that authorities disallowed Eid Prayers at Eidgah and Jamia Masjid Srinagar. They said after Fajr (morning) prayers on Monday, police personnel closed the gates of Jamia Masjid in Srinagar and informed the Auqaf that Eid prayers

scheduled for 9 AM would not be permitted at the mosque. The statement said Mirwaiz Umar was once again placed under house arrest. Mirwaiz Umar strongly condemned these actions, saying that this behaviour by the authorities represents a "distressing infringement on our religious freedoms and the rights of our Muslim community." "The consistent denial to hold congregational Eid prayers, especially during pivotal moments of spiritual reflection and communal worship, is not only deeply disrespectful but also exacerbates the sense of alienation and grievance among the people and exposes the tall claims of normalcy in Kashmir by the authorities highlighting the ongoing restrictions and the state of affairs in Kashmir," he said.

Ex K'taka CM Yediyurappa appears before CID in POCSO case

Bengaluru (UNI) Former Karnataka Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa appeared before the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) on Monday for an inquiry into a Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) case registered against him.



The Karnataka High Court had recently issued an order restraining the CID from arresting the veteran BJP leader in connection with the allegations, which date back to March 14.

son to those indulging in conspiracies."

The case involves accusations by the mother of a 17-year-old girl who claimed that Yediyurappa molested her daughter during a meeting at his residence in Dollars Colony on February 2 of this year.

The case has seen significant legal action, with the victim's brother filing a petition last week, criticising the slow pace of the investigation and demanding Yediyurappa's arrest and interrogation.

Yediyurappa has firmly denied the charges, labeling them as conspiracies against him and asserting that "people would teach a les-

Pune Railway Division officials out in the field to know the ground reality

Pune (UNI) Senior officials of Pune Division of Central Railway inspected 11077 Pune - JammuTawi Jhelum Express to monitor first hand the punctuality of the train as well as related services.

The officials listened to the experiences of the passengers on board the train during the inspection from Pune to Ahmednagar. A detailed report will be prepared and analysed based on the inspection and the feedback from the passengers for improving the services.

Complicating the case, the 54-year-old woman who filed the complaint succumbed to lung cancer at a private hospital last month. In a related development, the CID collected a voice sample from Yediyurappa in April, which formed part of the ongoing investigation. This case continues to unfold amidst a backdrop of political tension and scrutiny, with the former Chief Minister's supporters and critics closely watching the developments.

During the inspection, the officials checked the timely supply of linen to the passengers, sufficient linen availability, cleaning of the seating area, lavatories and wash basin. Mobile charging points and fans and lights were also checked to see whether they were functioning, said a Central Railway release.

Passengers were also informed about the availability of cleaning services on the train, the cleaning schedule, quick response number available in each compartment for passengers' assistance.

Onboard staff including pantry car staff were counselled about fire-fighting equipment to handle emergencies. RPF staff were instructed regarding the prevention of unauthorised passengers in the coach.

Officials of all departments would form teams to carry out surprise checks on trains and take direct feedback from the passengers.

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DVC championing Green Power through Innovative Exchange Strategies

Kolkata (UNI) The Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC), a power Utility is actively advancing its commitment to green energy practices and long-term carbon neutrality objectives.

A company release said it has executed e-reverse auctions, securing solar contracts totaling 500 MW with ReNew Solar Power Private Limited and Aavaada Energy Private Limited. These contracts were obtained under the Scheme for flexibility in the Generation and Scheduling of Thermal/Hydro Power Stations, as notified by the Ministry of Power in April 2022. DVC is engaged in collaborative efforts with West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (WBSEDCL) to develop a

CPM fumes over worst-ever water crisis in Shimla town

Shimla (UNI) Communist Party of India (Marxist) expresses serious concern over the severe drinking water crisis in the state capital Shimla, and demanded that immediate and effective steps should be taken to deal with the drinking water crisis.

In a statement issued here on Monday party district Secretary and former Mayor Sanjay Chauhan blamed the Shimla Jal Prabandhan Limited for its failure to augment the water supply scheme for the town despite having sufficient provision with the civic body.

He alleged that the 'pick-and-choose' policy was being adopted by the SJPNL in water supply. Less water supply was being made to public places and VIPs and Hotels were being served more amount of water.

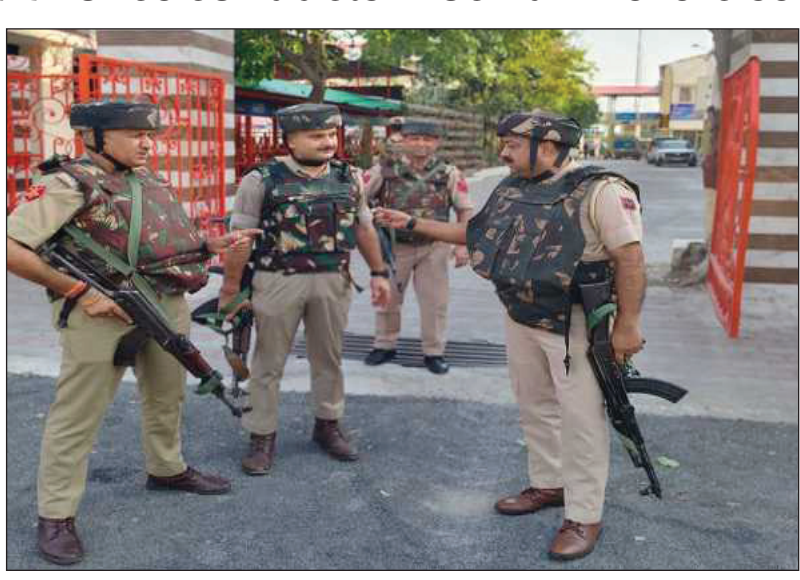
Chouhan demanded equitable distribution of water so that the general public had an adequate amount of drinking water.

The former Mayor urged the government to form a committee under the leadership of public representatives and responsible officials for monitoring at the lower level so that an adequate supply of drinking water could be available to the general public.

He claimed that most parts of the town have water supply after a gap of 4 to 6 days, due to which the city dwellers are facing problems. The CPI-M leader said the supply of water has been reduced

Amarnath Yatra: J&K Police conducts mock drill exercise

Jammu (UNI) Jammu and Kashmir Police on Monday carried out a comprehensive mock drill exercise at Yatri Niwas Bhagwati Nagar base camp here.



The exercise involved the first responder team of Sub Division Headquarters, including all territorial police officers from the Sub Divisions.

ing they are well-prepared to handle real-time operations in the event of any unforeseen incidents. The exercise concluded suc-

cessfully, demonstrating the readiness and coordination of the Jammu and Kashmir Police, the communique said.

Southwest Monsoon advances further: MeT

Amaravati (Andhra Pradesh) (UNI) Conditions are favourable for further advance of Southwest Monsoon into some more parts of Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Northwest Bay of Bengal, some parts of Gangetic West Bengal, remaining parts of Sub Himalayan West Bengal and some parts of Bihar during the next four days, Meteorological Centre said on Monday.

Thunderstorms accompanied by lightning and gusty winds with speeds of 40-50kmph is likely to occur at isolated places in North Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam, South Coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema during the next five days.

In a daily weather report here, it said that an east-west trough runs from Goa to south Coastal Andhra Pradesh at 3.1 km above mean sea level. The cyclonic circulation over Southwest & adjoining West Central Bay of Bengal between 3.1 km & 7.6 km above mean sea level has become less marked.

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers is likely to occur at a few places or at many places or at one or two places in North Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam, South Coastal Andhra Pradesh and Rayalaseema during the next one week.

Under its influence, heavy rain is likely to occur at isolated places in North Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam during the next three days and in South Coastal Andhra Pradesh on Tuesday.

Thunderstorms accompanied by lightning and gusty winds with speeds of 40-50kmph is likely to occur at isolated places in North Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam during the next 48 hours.

Heavy rainfall occurred at Palakonda (Parvatipuram Manyam Dist), Palakonda (Parvatipuram Manyam Dist) in North Coastal Andhra Pradesh during the last 24 hours.