ourney as a transition from "possibilities to results," Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath said this transformation reflected the vision of Viksit Bharat under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra

He stressed that Uttar Pradesh's economic growth is no longer just reflected in statistics, but has become a testament to real, on-ground change. The CM conducted a comprehen-

sive review of UP's economic landscape, development framework, and revenue sources during a high-level meeting held here on Monday late

According to the data presented in the meeting, Uttar Pradesh's Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) reached Rs 9.6 lakh crore in 2024-25, an impressive 80 per cent increase



from 2020-21. During the same period, the state's contribution to the national economy has risen from 8.4

per cent to 8.9 percent.

Terming this a significant milestone towards building a self-reliant Uttar Pradesh, the Chief Minister emphasized the need to devise a focused strategy to raise the state's share to 10 per cent by 2026.

Highlighting a structural shift in

contribution of the manufacturing ture sector's share is gradually declining. He described the 'Make in UP' model as the cornerstone of Uttar Pradesh's industrial strategy for the coming decade and directed officials to promote the establishment of new industrial units, particularly in rural and semi-urban areas.

During the agriculture sector review, it was reported that food grain production is expected to touch 722 lakh metric tonnes in 2024–25, an increase of 100 lakh metric tonnes compared to 2020-21.

However, productivity disparities remain across districts. For instance, wheat productivity has reached 46 quintals per hectare in some regions, while in others it lags around 30 quintals. Terming this gap as an imbalance, the Chief Minister instructas technical support and farmer awareness campaigns, be undertaken to bridge the divide.

In the animal husbandry sector, UP leads the nation in milk production, with egg production also showing notable improvement. However, the Chief Minister emphasized that overall output alone is not sufficient, there must be a focused effort to enhance per-animal productivity. He directed officials to regularly analyze data related to breed improvement, feed management, and the dairy industry to ensure sustained progress.

Reviewing the manufacturing sector, it was reported that the number of registered factories has surpassed 27,000 in 2024-25. The Chief Minister stressed the importance of equitable industrial growth across districts to generate local employment and

Pinarayi Vijayan returns to Kerala after getting medical treatment from US

Thiruvananthapuram (UNI)

Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, who had gone to the Mayo Clinic in the United States (US) for medical treatment, arrived here ear-

He landed at Thiruvananthapuram International Airport around 3 am, where he was received by the Chief Secretary, the Director General of Police, and other top officials.

The Chief Minister, accompanied by his wife Kamala Vijayan, returned

This was the fourth time the Chief Minister has traveled to the US for medical care. The recent visit was for follow-up consultations as part of ongoing treatment from his previous

He had left for the US on July 5 for treatment at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota. He underwent further evaluation and treatment, continuing the care he has received there in the

The state government is under



criticism for its alleged inept han dling of the health department. The health department has been facing severe criticism from various quarters, including from the opposition parties after a building collapse at Kottayam Medical College claimed a life.

SC to hear plea seeking stay on 'Udaipur Files' release by Kanhaiya Lal murder accused



The Supreme Court today agreed to list for hearing tomorrow a petition filed by an accused in the Kanhaiya Lal murder case seeking a stay on the release of the movie 'Udaipur Files: Kanhaiya Lal Tailor

The petition has been filed by Mohammed Javed, the eighth accused in the case, who contended that the film's release would prejudicially affect his right to a fair trial as the trial is still ongoing. Senior advocate Menaka Guruswamy mentioned the matter before a bench comprising justices Surya Kant and Joymalya Bagchi, which agreed to list it tomorrow

along with the petition filed by the movie's producer challenging the Delhi High Court's order staying its release. On July 10, the Delhi High Court had

stayed the release of the film, allowing petitioners before it to approach the Central Government in revision against the certification granted by the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC). The order was passed on a batch of pleas, including one filed by Jamiat Ulema-i-Hind president Maulana Arshad Madani, contending that the film was communally divisive.

Yesterday (July 14), Jani Firefox Media Pvt. Ltd, the producer of the film, had mentioned its plea before the Supreme Court challenging the High Court's stay order. Kanhaiya Lal Teli, a tailor based in Udaipur, was brutally murdered in June 2022, allegedly by Mohammad Riyaz and Mohammad Ghous, who later released a video stating that the murder was in retaliation for Kanhaiya Lal's social media post supporting former BJP spokesperson Nupur Sharma's controversial comments

Himachal HC slams Cong govt for harassing poor litigants

Shimla: The Himachal Pradesh High Court has cautioned the Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu government in the state against pursuing repetitive appeals in similar matters, leading to undue harassment of economically weaker citizens and wasting judicial re-

A division bench comprising Justice Vivek Singh Thakur and Justice Ranjan Sharma made these observations while dismissing a Letters Patent Appeal (LPA No. 229 of 2023) filed by the State against a daily wager seeking service regularisation.

The petitioner, Gejam Ram, had worked as a daily wage 'beldar' in the Horticulture Department since July 1971 and completed 240 days of service each year from 1994 onwards.

Although his services were regularised in 2006 under the applicable policy, he sought regularisation from the date of completing eight years of

Vigilance raids Majithia's office again; Amritsar property also under scanner

Chandigarh (UNI)
In a fresh crackdown under Pun-jab's anti-corruption campaign, the Vigilance Bureau today conducted another raid at the Majitha-based office of senior Akali leader Bikram Singh Majithia. The team carried out a detailed measurement of the entire office building. Simultaneously, vigilance teams

also inspected a property linked to Majithia and his family at Green Avportedly part of an ongoing probe into assets allegedly linked to the former minister, who is currently in judicial custody at Nabha jail till Ju-

Sources confirmed that the exercise focused on verifying property records and ownership details, believed to be associated with Majithia's family. During the nearly



three-hour-long search operation, phone and a DVR from the premises, but no incriminating material was reportedly found.

Advocate Amanveer Singh, rep-

resenting Majithia, confirmed that the raid was related to an ongoing investigation into a previously registered case against his client. He added that a bail application has al ready been filed in the Mohali court, with the hearing expected in the coming days.

The vigilance team was here since 11 am and completed measurement and verification of both movable and immovable assets. No covered," Singh clarified, stating the agency was simply completing procedural aspects of the investiga-

The vigilance actions mark continued scrutiny of high-profile political figures in Punjab amid the state government's aggressive push against alleged corruption and disproportionate assets.

Defence Ministry to host workshop on UAV & C-UAS indigenisation tomorrow

In a significant push towards achieving India's self-reliance in defence technologies, the Defence Ministry through Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff (HQ IDS) and in collaboration with the Centre for Joint Warfare Studies (CENJOWS), will host a workshop and exhibition on Indigenisation of Critical Components Currently Being Imported from For-eign OEMs in the Areas of UAV & C-UAS tomorrow at the Manekshaw The event comes in the backdrop

of recent India-Pakistan hostilities, including Operation Sindoor, which and operational effectiveness of Un-

manned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) and Counter-Unmanned Aerial Systems (C-UAS), a Defence Ministry state-

These systems played a vital role in enhancing situational awareness, enabling precision targeting, and reducstrating the maturity, dependability,

and value of India's indigenous defence technologies during real-time

Recognising the importance of reducing the dependency on OEMs for critical UAV and C-UAS components, the upcoming workshop-cum-exhibition aims to bring together all relevant stakeholders, including defence experts, policymakers, military leaders, scientists, and private industry to develop a strategic roadmap for indigenisation. The event is expected to serve as a catalyst for innovation, knowledge sharing, and long-term capability building in unmanned sys-

of of Defence Staff (CDS) eral Anil Chauhan will be the chief

guest while Chief of Integrated Defence Staff Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit will deliver the closing address, summarising the deliberations and presenting the expected outcome, a strategic policy document focused on the indigenisation of UAV and C-UAS systems and their critical subcomponents. The initiative aligns with India's vision of Aatmanirbhar Bharat, aiming to bolster national security, enhance defence preparedness and transform India into a global hub for advanced military technologies.

The workshop will feature talks by prominent experts, live demonstrations of indigenous technologies, and challenges in domestic production.

CM Stalin to launch 'Ungaludan Stalin' aimed at delivering govt services at doorstep government services and welfare

Aimed at directly addressing public grievances and delivering govern-ment services at the doorsteps of the people through 10,000 special camps across Tamil Nadu, Chief Minister M K Stalin, is launching the massive statewide programme, christened 'Ungaludan Stalin (Stalin with you), from the temple town Chidambaram in Cuddalore district on Tuesday (July 15).

He is reaching Chidambaram by train on Tuesday morning and this is the second time that he travels by train on an official engagement.

The camps will be held in both rural and urban areas from July 15 to November. This initiative aims to bring schemes directly to the people. While 3,768 camps will be conducted in urban centres, 6,232 will be held in the rural hinterland. A total of 43 services from 13 Departments will be provided in the urban areas, it will be 46 services from 15 departments in the rur al areas. All applications received will be processed and action taken within

Nearly one lakh trained volunteers have started visiting each household to create awareness about the massive initiative, which brings the administration closer to the people and inform about the nearest location of the camp in the respective areas.

Kerala's NQAS certified hospitals rise to 233

Thiruvananthapuram (UNI)

The total number of institutions with National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS) certification has risen to 233, with 7 more institutions receiving the certification in Kerala.

Out of the seven institutions, three have been newly accredited, while the remaining four have had their accreditation renewed after three years, Healthy Minister Veena George said.

The newly accredited institutions are Engandiyur Family Health Centre, Thrissur – 89.85%, Manalur Family Health Centre, Thrissur – 94.32%, Velamanur People's Health Centre, Kollam – 86.89%, and the Institutions that had their accreditation renewed include Kodakara Family Health Centre, Thrissur – 87.64%, Mundur Family Health Centre, Thrissur -96.63%, Kallunira Urban Family Health

Centre, Vadakara, Kozhikode – 86.37%, Payyanakkal Urban Family Health Centre, Kozhikode – 84.87%.

Currently, the NQAS-accredited institutions in the state comprise 7 District Hospitals, 5 Taluk Hospitals, 11 Community Health Centres, 46 Urban Family Health Centres, 154 Family Health Centres, 10 People's Health Centres. The NQAS accreditation is valid for a period of three years, after which a reassessment is conducted by a national team. Additionally, annual state-level inspections are also carried out. Accredited Family Health Centres (FHCs) and Urban Primary Health Centres (UPHCs) are eligible for an annual incentive of Rs 2 lakh each. People's Health Centres receive Rs 18,000 per package, while other hospitals are granted Rs 10,000 per bed

Odisha student succumbs to burns after self-immolation over sexual harassment

Bhubaneshwar: After battling for life for almost 55 hours, an undergraduate female student, who set herself ablaze after her complaint of pro-longed sexual harassment by a teacher was not addressed in a government-run autonomous college in Odisha's Balasore district, succumbed to burn injuries late on Monday night.

"Despite the best efforts of a team of doctors, we could not save her. She died at 11.47 pm. She had suffered over 90% burns, and there was multiple organ failure. The doctors tried their best to maintain organ function artificially as long as possi-

IndiGo, Jetstar sign codeshare agreement to boost connectivity across multiple Intl destinations

Hyderabad (UNI)

IndiGo, India's preferred airline, on Tuesday said it has signed a codeshare agreement with Jetstar enabling its customers to connect seamlessly to Australia and New Zealand.

The agreement, announced, will allow IndiGo to place its code on Jetstar operated routes to these countries, providing a convenient option for IndiGo customers connecting via Singapore, Bangkok and Phuket, the airlines said in a release. This agreement simplifies travel for the customers of IndiGo by allowing the airline to place its code on Jetstar operated routes and enable convenient connections through Jetstar flights departing Asia for onwards travel to cities



including Sydney, the Gold Coast and Auckland.

These bookings can be made on Indi-Go's website from July 21, 2025 for travel from September 1, 2025, subject to regulatory approvals. Through this cooperation, IndiGo will be able to strengthen its connectivity into two key markets as the marketing carrier on Jetstar operated flights, enabling its customers to create a single booking for journeys from India to Australia and New Zealand across the combined network of both airlines. This codeshare arrangement will allow Indi-Go to provide seamless connections to its customers, besides enabling them to enjoy an integrated travel itinerary and through check-in of baggage among

other benefits. Jetstar CEO, Stephanie Tully said, "The partnership between the two airlines will significantly boost inbound tourism from India. This new codeshare agreement will provide IndiGo customers with convenient access to our extensive network, allowing them to take off more for less down under."

SC seeks UP, Uttarakhand reply on plea against QR code mandate for food sellers during Kanwar Yatra

The Supreme Court today granted one week's time to the states of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand to file their responses on a plea challenging the government directive mandating food sellers along the Kanwar Yatra route to display QR code stickers revealing owners' details. A bench of Justice MM Sundresh and Justice N Kotiswar Singh posted the matter for next Tuesday after noting that the yatra will conclude within 10 to 12 days.

During the hearing, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand sought two weeks to file their replies. Deputy advocate general Jatinder Kumar Sethi appeared for the states. Senior advocate Shadan Farasat, representing the applicants, however, pressed for urgent hearing citing the time-sensitive nature of the issue. Senior advocates Chander Uday Singh and Huzefa Ahmadi appeared for other petitioners in the matter.

The application seeks a stay on all directives requiring or facilitating



public disclosure of ownership or employee identity of food vendors along the Kanwar Yatra routes in both states. It argues that the directions violate an interim order passed by the Supreme Court last year, which held that sellers cannot be forced to disclose their

Applicants Professor Apoorvanand and activist Aakar Patel have alleged

that this year's QR code mandate circumvents the earlier court order and results in the disclosure of owners' names and identities, leading to religious profiling. They contended that such directions have no backing of law and are aimed at creating religious polarisation and discrimination.

The bench has posted the matter for hearing next week.

UP govt awards Green Gold certificates to 18,348 newborns in one week as parents back eco-friendly initiative

Lucknow: In a unique initiative, the Uttar Pradesh government distributed Green Gold Certificates to as many as 18,348 newborns in government hospitals across the state between July 1 and 7.

Along with the certificate, parents were also gifted saplings of various plant species, symbolising a shared responsibility to nurture both the child and the environment.

The initiative has received widespread support from parents, many of whom pledged to care for the saplings with the same dedication as their newborns. Saplings distributed included a diverse range of species such as teak, guava, jamun, drumstick, neem, amla, mango, shee-sham, peepal, banyan, and tulsi. Officials here on Tuesday said the Lucknow division topped the list with 2,555 saplings, while Devipatan and Agra followed with 1854 and 1,406 saplings, respectively. In total, 18,348 newborns received Green Gold Certificates during the seven-day cam-

BJP leaders hopeful of a popular govt as Manipur longs for stability

Manipur BJP MLAs are optimistic that the party's central leadership will take a decision to form a popular government either immediately before or during the upcoming monsoon session of Parliament scheduled from July 21 to August 12.

All eyes are on the session as a crucial decision on the extension of President's rule must be taken by the central BJP leadership. The President's Rule, imposed on February 13, is nearing its six-month expiration and must be extended by both

Houses of Parliament. Former Chief Minister N Biren Singh said he had considered retirement after resigning from the post sponsibilities remained unfinished. He affirmed his commitment to continue serving the people of Manipur in any capacity and emphasized the importance of peaceful coexistence among all communi-

BJP leaders have been reminding

the public of past inter-community conflicts such as those between the Kukis and Nagas, Kukis and Paites, and Kukis and Hmars to reinforce their belief that the current crisis

Biren Singh stressed that certain issues such as illegal immigration, drug trafficking, and land encroachments are non-negotiable. He pointed out that a large number of fake Aadhaar cards have been seized in areas like Moreh, Jiribam, and Imphal. Some individuals, he said, falsely accuse the BJP government of acting against a particular

He further explained that a sig nificant number of people have fled Myanmar to Manipur and have since settled there. In response, the Manipur Cabinet constituted a committee led by Minister Letpao Haokip, a member of the Kuki com munity, to identify illegal immigrants. During an inspection of bor der areas, the committee discovered thousands of such individuals.