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PM Modi kicks off Bihar campaign

Vows to break all NDA records



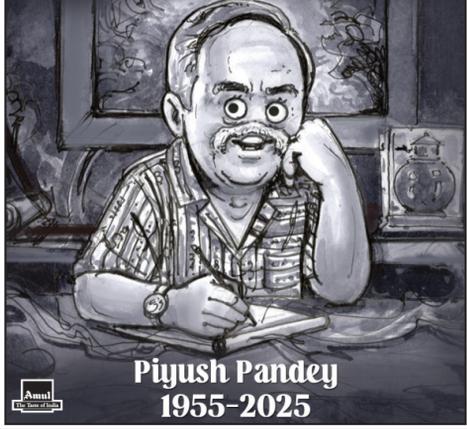
Focus on the 'Booth Win' Strategy
The Prime Minister strongly appealed to voters to support the NDA—a coalition including the BJP, JDU, HAM, LJP (Ram Vilas), and RLM—to accelerate development and bring Bihar into the category of

developed states. He issued a clear directive to party workers: "Monitor your booth, encourage voters to reach the polling center and cast their votes. We win the election only when we win the booth." He concluded by recalling the neglect shown to Karpoori Thakur by previous governments, proudly noting that it was his government that had the honour of bestowing the Bharat Ratna upon the great leader.

Seeks Blessing to Bring Prosperity to Bihar

Attacking the RJD's "Jungle Raj," PM Narendra Modi passionately asked voters to bless the NDA's mission. "The NDA government transformed lawlessness into good governance," he said, "and now the time has come to turn good governance into prosperity for all of Bihar." He urged citizens to recognize their vote's power in determining the state's wealthy future.

Inka sur sabse mila



Piyush Pandey 1955-2025

Gadchiroli villagers surrender 26 guns
Gadchiroli: In a significant step towards strengthening public trust and curbing illegal arms possession, residents from several villages in Maharashtra's Gadchiroli district voluntarily surrendered 26 loaded guns and 11 gun barrels to the police.

Samastipur: Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched his election campaign in Bihar with a powerful rally, predicting that the National Democratic Alliance (NDA), led by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, is poised to shatter all previous electoral records in the state.

Kicking off the campaign, the Prime Minister first paid tribute to social justice icon Jannayak Karpoori Thakur at his ancestral village, garlanding his statue and meeting his family members.

Record Crowd and Development Pledge

Addressing a massive rally in Samastipur, PM Modi was clearly overwhelmed by the turnout, saying he hadn't seen such a large crowd even in Gujarat just two days after Diwali.

He interpreted the extraordinary enthusiasm as a sign of a "landslide victory" for the NDA. Extending advance wishes for the Chhath festival, he noted that citizens were enjoying the benefits of GST rate reductions during the festive shopping season.

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New Delhi: Reliance Industries Ltd., India's largest private purchaser of Russian crude, announced it will adhere to new Western sanctions against Moscow. Billionaire Mukesh Ambani's firm, which operates the world's biggest refining complex, confirmed it is recalibrating its Russian oil supply strategy. The company holds a long-term agreement to buy nearly 500,000 barrels per day from Russia's sanctioned oil major, Rosneft. A Reliance spokesperson stated the company will fully comply with international regulations and any guidelines issued by the Indian government, ensuring its commitment to energy security remains intact.

Advertising legend Piyush Pandey no more



New Delhi: Advertising icon and creative legend Piyush Pandey is no more. He was 70. His voice, vision, and vernacular shaped the modern Indian advertising narrative. This is an end of an era he built from scratch, script by script. A Padma Shri awardee, Pandey was widely celebrated as the architect of Indian advertising's unique voice and identity. Spanning nearly four decades, his illustrious career featured iconic campaigns that still resonate deeply—from the catchy Fevicol jingles to the emotionally rich narratives of Cadbury and Asian Paints.

Centre begins CJI appointment process

New Delhi: The Union government, through the Ministry of Law and Justice, has initiated the formal process to appoint the next Chief Justice of India (CJI), with incumbent Justice BR Gavai scheduled to retire on November 23. As per procedure, the Law Ministry has sent a communication to Chief Justice Gavai, requesting him to recommend the name of his successor. The appointment of the CJI is guided by the Memorandum of Procedure (MoP), a document that outlines the process for the appointment, transfer, and elevation of judges to the Supreme Court and High Courts.

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NSE..... 25,795.15 (-96.25)

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'Citizen is God': PM Modi launches 17th Rozgar Mela

Hands Out 51K Appointment Letters

Bhopal: The Government of India on Friday energized the nation's youth through the 17th Rozgar Mela, a nationwide initiative that saw over 51,000 aspiring candidates receive appointment letters for various Central government departments. The mega-event, conducted simultaneously across 40 cities, was inaugurated via a message from Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

In Bhopal, 248 selected candidates received their letters for departments including the Postal Department, Railways, AIIMS, and Ministries of Home and Health. The Prime Minister congratulated the youths, emphasizing that this was not merely a job but an "opportunity to serve the nation."

Pledge to Honesty and Service
PM Modi urged the new recruits to work with integrity and adopt the mantra of 'Naagrik Devo Bhava:' (The Citizen is God) to realize the dream of a developed India.

He highlighted that India is the world's largest young nation and confirmed that through these job fairs, the government has provided employment to over 11 lakh youth across various ministries.

Bhopal MP Alok Sharma echoed the sentiment, praising the Mela as a result of the Prime Minister's vision and encouraging the employees to uphold their department's reputation.

Postmaster General Brajesh Kumar welcomed the guests, reminding the new recruits that their departments are directly linked to public service, urging them to serve the citizens wholeheartedly.

ISIS Module Busted: Diwali eve raid foils major blasts in Delhi and Bhopal

Two Suspected Terrorists Nabbed



Bhopal: A catastrophic wave of terror was narrowly averted after the Delhi Police Special Cell conducted a dramatic pre-Diwali raid in Madhya Pradesh, busting an ISIS-linked module. One suspected terrorist was apprehended in South Delhi, while a crucial operative, a 20-year-old CA aspirant, was arrested from the Karond area of Bhopal just one day before the festival.

Authorities revealed the duo was plotting major synchronized blasts, targeting public places in both cities, confirming the immediate threat to national security.

The Digital Conspiracy and ISI Link
The investigation has uncovered chilling evidence of international linkage, including contacts with Pakistan's intelligence agency, ISI, and a handler operating from Syria. The module operated a covert WhatsApp group named 'Muslim Brotherhood,' where they allegedly received instructions. Crucially, police recovered dangerous materials, including explosive acids, sulfur powder, ball bearings, and IED circuits, alongside ISIS flags and masks, indicating advanced preparation for a 'Khilafat' model attack intended for high-value targets.

Suspect Profile and Zero-Tolerance
The Bhopal suspect, identified as Adnan Khan, was already known to the MP ATS for his past involvement in extremist activity, including threatening a judge over the Gyanvapi verdict. This young, radicalized individual was attempting to orchestrate devastation across multiple cities.

20 passengers killed as private travel bus catches fire

Kurnool (UNI)
In a ghastly road accident, 20 passengers, travelling in a private travel bus, were charred alive when the bus caught fire after hitting a motorcycle at Chinnatekur village of Kallurumandal in the district in the wee hours on Friday.



Police said that 38 passengers were travelling in the Kaveritravels sleeper coach bus, which was going to Bangalore from Hyderabad. The bus hit a motorcycle, and the bike damaged the oil tank of the bus, resulting in flames erupting. As per the reports received so far, 20 passengers were charred alive, and 11 bodies have been identified. Most of the bodies were burnt beyond recognition.

However, 19 passengers escaped safely. The accident took place between 3:30 and 4 am. All the bodies were extricated from the bus and the officials were trying to identify the deceased. Some of the injured were admitted to the GGH in Kunrool. The bikerider was also among the dead.

Top officials, including district collector, IGP and SP rushed to the place and monitored the situation.

Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu expressed shock and grief over the incident and spoke to the district officials.

India-US Trade Deal 'Very Near': Sources Say Agreement is Imminent



New Delhi: India and the United States are on the cusp of finalizing a major bilateral trade agreement, with government sources confirming that the deal is "very near" to conclusion. After five rounds of intensive discussions, sources indicate that most sticking points have been resolved, and negotiations are proceeding smoothly with only a handful of minor differences remaining.

This positive update signals a potential breakthrough in enhancing economic ties between the two global powers.

No Rush, No Deadlines: Goyal on Geopolitics

While an agreement with the US appears imminent, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal confirmed that India is prioritizing a long-term approach to all trade pacts. Speaking at the Berlin Dialogue in Germany, he stated firmly: "We do not do deals in a hurry and we do not do deals with deadlines or with a gun to our head." Goyal emphasized that India's trade policy is rooted purely in national interest, refusing to let external geopolitical pressure dictate its partners. He stressed that New Delhi reserves the right to engage with any nation, from the European Union to Kenya, based solely on what benefits the country. This strong statement comes amid recent external claims regarding India's crude oil imports from Russia, which Indian officials have consistently denied. Initially, US President Donald Trump announced 25 per cent tariffs on Indian goods that came into effect on August 1, even as there were hopes of an interim India-US trade deal that would have otherwise helped avoid elevated tariffs. A few days later, he imposed another 25 per cent tariff, taking the total to 50 per cent, citing India's continued imports of Russian oil.

PM, Governor, CM express shock and grief

Vijayawada: Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Andhra Pradesh Governor S Abul Nazeer and Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu expressed shock and grief over the ghastly bus accident in which 20 passengers were charred in Kunool district in Andhra Pradesh.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said: "Extremely saddened by the loss of lives due to an accident in Kurnool district of Andhra Pradesh. My thoughts are with the affected people and their families during this difficult time. Praying for the speedy recovery of the injured. An ex gratia of Rs 2 lakh from PMNRF would be given to the next of kin of each deceased. The injured would be given Rs. 50,000."

Trump terminates trade negotiations with Canada over 'fake' Reagan ad on tariffs

Washington (UNI)
US President Donald Trump announced Thursday that he is terminating "all trade negotiations" with Canada following a dispute over a television advertisement protesting tariffs. The advertisement, produced by the government of Ontario, was described by Trump as "fake" and "egregious."



In a post on Truth Social, Trump accused Canada of using a fraudulent advertisement featuring former President Ronald Reagan criticizing tariffs. "The Ronald Reagan Foundation has just announced that Canada has fraudulently used an advertisement, which is FAKE, featuring Ronald Reagan speaking negatively about tariffs," Trump wrote. "The ad was for \$75 million. They only did this to interfere with the decision of the US Supreme Court, and other courts."

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"TARIFFS ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO THE NATIONAL SECURITY AND ECONOMY OF THE U.S.A. Based on their egregious behavior, ALL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WITH CANADA ARE HEREBY TERMINATED," he added. The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation & Institute earlier criticized the advertisement, saying it "misrepresents" Reagan's 1987 radio address on free and fair trade and that Ontario had not received permission to use or edit the remarks. The foundation said it was "reviewing legal options" and encouraged the public to view the unedited version of Reagan's speech. The ad, part of a USD75 million campaign launched by Ontario Premier Doug Ford, aired across several US television markets this week. Ford wrote on social media platform X that the campaign aimed to make the case against American tariffs on Canadian goods, saying: "Using every tool we have, we'll never stop making the case against American tariffs on Canada. The way to prosperity is by working together." The diplomatic flare-up comes amid heightened trade tensions.