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Assembly will be stalled if Govt fails on job front: Harish



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Many Democrats want Biden to step down from race

However, the 81-year-old President and his campaign assert that he is not giving up



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New era begins for Team India in T20 internationals

In a nutshell

3 drown, 2 missing in Lonavala

PUNE: A woman and two children drowned in a waterfall close to the backwater of Bhushi Dam in Pune's Lonavala area on Sunday, while two children in the 4-9 age group are missing, a police official said. The incident happened at 12:30 pm when a family was out for a picnic at the scenic spot, after which search and rescue teams rushed there, Pune Rural Superintendent of Police Pankaj Deshmukh said. **PTI**

NEET row to rock Parliament

NEW DELHI: Parliament is set to witness heated debates on a range of issues such as the NEET paper leak row, the Agnipath initiative and inflation when both houses reconvene on Monday. The opposition is also likely to raise the issue of unemployment. In the Lok Sabha, BJP member and former union Minister Anurag Thakur is set to initiate the debate on the Motion of Thanks on the President's Address. **PTI**

40 killed in Israeli attacks

GAZA: At least 40 Palestinians were killed and 224 others injured in Israeli attacks across the besieged Gaza Strip over the past 24 hours, according to health authorities controlled by Hamas. The latest casualties bring the total Palestinian death toll to 37,834, with 86,858 injuries reported since the outbreak of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict in October 2023, the health authorities said. **WORLD D PAGE 9**

Pvt school owner held in NEET case

GODHRA: The CBI, probing the alleged malpractices in conducting the NEET-UG exam at a private school in Godhra of Gujarat in May, on Sunday arrested its owner. With the arrest of Dixit Patel, owner of Jay Jalaram School situated near Godhra in Panchmahal district, the number of persons arrested so far - five of them were held by Gujarat Police has gone up to six. **PTI**

CHICKEN RATES IN HYDERABAD

Farm.....	Rs. 112
Retail live.....	Rs. 134
With skin.....	Rs. 194
Skinless.....	Rs. 221
Egg Rates (12 eggs).....	Rs. 70



Kalki to play lawyer in Tamil film

Will play the role of Indira, a lawyer based in Portugal

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New criminal laws take effect today

To bring widespread changes in India's criminal justice system

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NEW DELHI

Three new criminal laws will come into effect across the country from Monday, bringing widespread changes in India's criminal justice system and ending colonial-era laws. The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam will replace the British-era Indian Penal Code, Code of Criminal Procedure and the Indian Evidence Act, respectively.

The new laws will bring in a modern justice system, incorporating provisions such as Zero FIR, online registration of police complaints, summonses through electronic modes such as SMS and mandatory videography of crime scenes for all heinous crimes. They have tried to address some of the current social realities and crimes and provide a mechanism to effectively deal with these, keeping in view the ideals enshrined in the Constitution, official sources said.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah, who piloted the laws, said the new laws

Know the changes

THE THREE NEW LAWS

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- Mandatory videography of crime scenes for all heinous crimes
- A person can now report incidents by electronic communication, without need to physically visit a police station
- Judgment in criminal cases has to come within **45 days** of completion of trial
- Charges must be framed within **60 days** of first hearing
- Buying and selling of any child made heinous crime
- Provision for death sentence or life imprisonment for gang rape of a minor

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would give priority to providing justice, unlike the British-era laws that gave primacy to penal action. “These laws are made by Indians, for Indians and by an Indian Parliament and marks the end of colonial criminal justice laws,” he said. Shah said the laws were not just about changing the nomenclature but bringing about a complete overhaul. “Soul, body and spirit” of the new laws is Indian, he said. Justice is an umbrella term that encom-

passes both the victim and the culprit, the Home Minister said and added these new laws would ensure political, economic and social justice with an Indian ethos. According to the new laws, judgment in criminal cases has to come within 45 days of completion of trial and charges must be framed within 60 days of first hearing. Statement of rape victims will be recorded by a female police officer in the presence of her guardian or relative and medical reports

have to come within seven days. Organised crimes and acts of terrorism have been defined, sedition has been replaced with treason and video recording of all search and seizure have been made mandatory. A new chapter on crimes against women and children have been added, buying and selling of any child has been made a heinous crime and there is a provision for a death sentence or life imprisonment for gang rape of a minor. **(SEE PAGES 2,3,5)**

Govt takes up teacher transfers

STATE BUREAU
Hyderabad

The State government has begun the official exercise of transfer of teachers by considering the number of students studying in every government school. The teacher transfers were being taken up with an aim to improve the quality of educational standards in the government schools, according to an official statement.

The previous government issued GOMs 17 on June 27, 2015, and GOMs 25 on August 21, 2021. As per the orders, one teacher was appointed for a school with an enrollment of 0 to 19 students, two teachers for a school with 20 to 60 students strength and three teachers for schools with 61 to 90 students.

However, the Congress government has allotted the teacher posts by taking into consideration the students' strengths and providing quality education in each

Exercise taken up with an aim to improve the quality of educational standards in the government schools

school. One teacher has been allotted for a school with a strength of 1 to 10 students. Two teachers have been sanctioned for a school with 11 to 40 students and three teachers with 41 to 60 students. Teacher posts have not been allotted to the schools with zero strength of students.

Web options are made available to fill all the sanctioned teacher posts in the schools where the students' strength is above 61. In case more students join a school than the current strength, then accordingly more teacher posts will be sanctioned to such schools, the statement said.

HEAVY RAIN ALERT FOR STATE



Dark clouds hover over the State Secretariat on Sunday. The Met Department issued a yellow alert predicting heavy rain in Mulugu, Bhadradi Kothagudem, Khammam, Nalgonda and other districts across the State on Monday. — Photo: M Gopi Krishna

Rs 125 crore BCCI bonanza for Team India

NEW DELHI

BCCI secretary Jay Shah hailed India's epochal title win in the T20 World Cup and announced a prize money of Rs 125 crore for the team for its monumental feat in the just-concluded ICC showpiece.

India defeated South Africa by seven runs in a tense final at Bridgetown, Barbados, to land their second world title in the T20 format.

“Under the exceptional leadership of Rohit Sharma, this team has shown remarkable resolve and resilience, becoming the first team in the history of the ICC T20 World Cup to win the tournament unbeaten,” said Shah in a statement. “I am pleased to announce prize money of INR 125 Crores for Team India for winning the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024,” Jay Shah wrote on X. **PTI**

Cost-effective e-DNA to track highly invasive catfish

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Hyderabad

Genetic scientists from Hyderabad have developed a cost-effective and easy-to-use test based on environmental DNA (e-DNA) that can quickly detect the highly invasive species of catfish, which, once introduced for its ornamental value, has now become a highly invasive species and a major threat to the native fish species of Telangana.

Scientifically known as Pterygoplichthys, the catfish species was introduced in India for its unique appearance and ability to manage tanks and aquariums from excess algae. However, due to their size and



Senior scientist from LaCONES-CCMB Dr Govindhaswamy Umapathy and researcher Neeldeep Ganguly.

resilience to survive, the species has now become highly invasive. Due to strong and razor-sharp fins,

the catfish is not vulnerable to predators and ends up damaging fishing nets. **(SEE PAGE 2)**

New Army chief assumes office

NEW DELHI

Gen Upendra Dwivedi, who has vast operational experience along the frontiers with China and Pakistan, on Sunday assumed charge as the 30th Chief of the Army Staff at a time India is facing myriad security challenges including along the LAC.

Gen Dwivedi succeeds Gen Manoj Pande who superannuated after more than four decades of service. “Gen Dwivedi brings with him, a wealth of experience and a proven track record, of effectively planning and executing for the unex-



Gen Upendra Dwivedi

pected,” the Army said. He has been serving as the Vice Chief of the Army since February 19. Before becoming the Vice Chief, he served as the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Northern Command from 2022 to 2024.

An alumnus of Sainik School, Rewa in Madhya Pradesh, Gen Dwivedi was commissioned into a regiment of Jammu and Kashmir Rifles in 1984. He has a unique distinction of balanced command as well as staff exposure across Northern, Eastern and Western theatres in varied operational environments. **PTI**