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Mithun receives Phalke Award
NEW DELHI: Veteran actor Mithun Chakraborty received the Dadasaheb Phalke Award, government's highest recognition in the field of cinema, on Tuesday. President Droupadi Murmu presented the prestigious award to Chakraborty, star of films such as Mrigayaa, Disco Dancer, and Prem Pratigya, during the 70th National Film Awards ceremony at Vigyan Bhawan here.
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NSC clears India's 5th lunar mission
NEW DELHI: After the success of the Chandrayaan-3 mission, the National Space Commission cleared the fifth lunar mission — the Lunar Polar Exploration Mission or Lupex. The Lupex mission will explore the Moon for water and other resources. It is a collaborative effort between the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA). IANS

Pioneers of AI bag Nobel in Physics
STOCKHOLM: Two pioneers of artificial intelligence — John Hopfield and Geoffrey Hinton — won the Nobel Prize in physics on Tuesday for helping create the building blocks of machine learning that is revolutionising the way we work and live but also creates new threats to humanity, one of the winners said. Hinton, who is known as the Godfather of AI, is a citizen of Canada.
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Amaravati works from Dec: Naidu
NEW DELHI: Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu said that the World Bank agreed to extend Rs 15,000 crore loan to the State for the construction of the capital Amaravati and its work will start from December. Naidu, thanking PM Narendra Modi, said, the Centre agreed to release Rs 12,500 crore towards construction works of Polavaram project.
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CHICKEN RATES IN HYDERABAD
Farm..... Rs. 114
Retail live..... Rs. 136
With skin..... Rs. 197
Skinless..... Rs. 224
Egg Rates (12 eggs)..... Rs. 72



Dad is my inspiration: Manushi
Actor credits Mitra Basu Chhillar for inspiring her to be a 'clinician'
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Hat-trick for BJP in Haryana, NC-Congress bags J&K

Alliance pulls off spectacular victory in maiden polls after abrogation of Art 370

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The BJP on Tuesday clinched a stunning hat-trick win in Haryana overcoming anti-incumbency and dashing Congress' hopes of a comeback while the National Conference-Congress combine pulled off a spectacular victory in maiden elections in Jammu and Kashmir after abrogation of Article 370 in 2019.

The BJP's decisive victory in the Haryana Assembly elections for which Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini gave credit to Prime Minister Narendra Modi came as a big boost for the saffron party ahead of the crucial polls in Maharashtra, where along with its two allies it is bracing for a tough battle, and also in Jharkhand and Delhi. The BJP as well as the NC-Congress alliance got a comfortable majority in Haryana and J&K respectively where the Assemblies had an identical strength of 90.

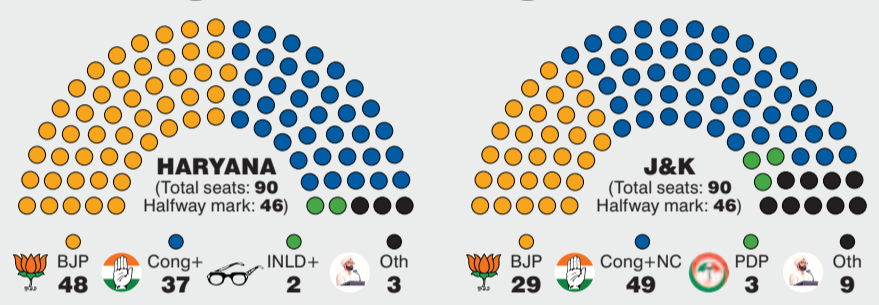
While Saini, the 54-year-old OBC leader who was made CM just six months ago to replace Manohar Lal Khattar in an unexpected appointment, is likely to retain his post, NC president Farooq Abdullah announced that his son and party leader Omar Abdullah will be the Chief Minister, a post he had held between 2009 and 2014.

In a series of posts, Prime Minister Modi hailed BJP's performance in Haryana as a 'grand victory', saying politics of development and good governance has won. He also complimented the NC for its 'commendable' showing in J&K, and said he was proud of BJP's showing



Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Minister and BJP national president JP Nadda at the party headquarters in New Delhi on Tuesday. — Photo:PTI

HOW PARTIES FARED



in the Union Territory. Modi later addressed BJP workers at the party headquarters in Delhi and said people of Haryana have stamped out falsehood and that polls in J&K were a victory for India's Constitution and democracy.

He wished NC on its win and noted that the BJP was the largest party in terms of vote share. As the poll results bucked exit poll projections for both Haryana and J&K, the first major direct contest between the BJP and the Congress after the Lok Sabha verdict in June saw the ruling party

emerge triumphant with its largest tally of 48 seats, up from 41 in 2019. The BJP also overcame the setback in the Lok Sabha polls when its tally dropped from 10 in 2019 to five seats. "I give full credit to Modi ji. With his blessings, under his guidance, people of Haryana have put a stamp on the government's policies," Saini told reporters. Despite the good showing of the BJP in Haryana, eight out of 10 ministers were defeated as per the Election Commission data. Assembly Speaker Gian Chand Gupta also lost. (SEE PAGES 2, 7)

Haryana poll verdict a slap on Cong face: KTR

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Hyderabad

BRS working president KT Rama Rao said the electorate in Haryana decisively rejected the Congress party's latest attempt to win votes through its seven guarantees.

He attributed the Congress defeat to its persistent failures in governance across States like Telangana, Karnataka, and Himachal Pradesh, emphasising that voters are no longer easily deceived by false promises.

The Congress has proven itself incapable of effectively opposing the BJP without the support of robust regional parties, he said, predicting a significant rise in the influence of regional parties in the 2029

Says the party faced backlash for attempting to entice Haryana voters with yet another set of unfulfilled assurances

elections. "Strong regional parties will be pivotal in shaping the next Central government," he asserted. Rama Rao said the results from Haryana served as a clear mandate against Congress misleading strategies. The Congress, which deceived voters in Karnataka with five guarantees and in Telangana with six, had faced a backlash for attempting to entice Haryana voters with yet another set

of unfulfilled assurances. "The people of Haryana gave the Congress a much-deserved slap in the face, indicating that people of this nation can see through the deception," he remarked. He criticised the Congress for its inability to deliver on promises, noting that this disillusionment was reflected in the recent electoral outcomes. "All the people cannot be fooled all the time. They will ultimately come to their senses and realise deceitful tactics," he stated. Suggesting that Rahul Gandhi had become a liability for the Congress, he said the BJP was winning elections in the State where it has a direct face off with the Congress, rather than a regional party. (SEE PAGES 2, 4)

'Brand Hyd' under threat

Bhatti's presentation on encroachments creates panic among public

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A day after Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka made a presentation on encroachments of water bodies in the capital region since 2014, social media has been abuzz with discussions and observations with many opining that the report cited in the presentation was creating panic among the public, apart from many expressing doubts over extortion attempts and the same impacting Hyderabad's brand image.

The discussions revolve around several major projects that purportedly fall under different lake FTL limits, and whether the government would initiate action against them, and also, what the impact of any such action would be on Hyderabad's real estate sector, which is already facing a slump.

Sharing details of a few high profile projects, an X handle that shares posts on the city's real estate sector, Hyderabad Real Estate and Infra, said: "Any serious action on these projects will push Hyderabad real estate to death bed. I request Chief Minister Revanth Reddy, Deputy Chief Minister and HYDRABAD Commissioner to spare these for now and focus solely on protecting further violations..."

The handle also said that if rules were strictly implemented and these projects were demolished, the loss would be of thousands of

HYDERABAD REAL ESTATE AND INFRA
IF PROJECTS WERE DEMOLISHED, THE LOSS WOULD BE OF THOUSANDS OF CRORES. MORE IMPORTANTLY, INVESTORS WOULD LOSE CONFIDENCE IN THE HYDERABAD MARKET ALTOGETHER
SAIKUMAR DESHAVATH
CMS MAIN IDEA OF THE BULLDOZER WAS TO "THREATEN THE BIG BUILDERS BY REMOVING SMALL HOUSES AND TO MAKE MONEY SETTLEMENT WITH THEM"
REALESTATE PATASHALA
THIS IS JUST TO CREATE PANIC IN PUBLIC. IT IS BETTER THAT THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT ADD MORE CONFUSION NOW. GOVERNMENT WONT TOUCH BIG GUYS AS EVERYONE KNOWS...

IN UNISON



IAF personnel during the 92nd Annual Day celebrations of IAF, at Air Force Station in Tambaram, Chennai on Tuesday. — Photo:PTI

50 sr doctors of RG Kar hospital resign

KOLKATA

Nearly 50 senior doctors of RG Kar hospital on Tuesday tendered their resignations in a mark of solidarity with medics who have been on fast-unto-death since October 5 demanding justice for the institutions rape and murder victim.

Shortly after the development, a section of senior doctors from other medical colleges in West Bengal said

they too could follow suit. The development came in the wake of the indefinite hunger strike being conducted by seven junior doctors in the heart of the city and a symbolic 12-hour fast being held in solidarity by their peers across medical colleges of West Bengal.

"We would be forced to give a state-wide call to all senior doctors in government hospitals to put in their papers if the govern-

ment keeps dragging its feet on the just and pertinent demands of the junior doctors who are sitting in protest. This would be a move in solidarity with our junior colleagues. We will discuss this threadbare within our organisation before the end of day today," said Dr Manas Gumta, a representative of the Association of Health Services Doctors, one of the organisations of doctors in state-run medical facilities.

The decision to resign en masse was taken at a meeting of the heads of various departments of the state-run institution on Tuesday morning, sources said. "This has been decided at meeting of the HoDs. All 50 senior doctors of our hospital have signed their resignation letters. This is to express our solidarity towards those young doctors who are fighting for a cause," a senior doctor said. PTI

Turncoats: Cong dilly-dallies

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The double standards of the Congress party are becoming all the more clear on the matter of dealing with defections, with the party national leadership, which took stringent action against defectors in various States dragging its feet on the same issue in Telangana.

No decision has been taken so far on the disqual-

ification of BRS MLAs who defected to the Congress in the State, even a month after the High Court set a four-week deadline to the Speaker for deciding on the disqualification petitions against the defected MLAs.

The High Court, on September 9, directed the State Legislative Assembly Secretary to place before the Speaker the file of disqualification petitions of

three MLAs — Tellam Venkat Rao, Kadiyam Srihari and Danam Nagender — who defected to the Congress and to decide on the action to be taken within four weeks. The court also said a status report with the schedule of action had to be communicated to the Registrar of the High Court, failing which the court would reopen the case suo moto for hearing. (SEE PAGE 2)