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MiG-29 jet crashes in UP, pilot safe

AGRA: A MiG-29 fighter jet of the Indian Air Force crashed in a field near Uttar Pradesh's Agra during a routine training sortie after it encountered a "system malfunction", officials said. The pilot manoeuvered the aircraft to ensure no damage to life or property on the ground before ejecting safely, the IAF said, adding, a Court of Inquiry has been ordered to ascertain the cause of the crash. A MiG-29 fighter aircraft crashed in Rajasthan's Barmer on September 2 due to a 'critical' technical snag. PTI

Sidda summoned in MUDA case

MYSURU: The Lokayukta police have summoned Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah for questioning in the MUDA site allotment case on November 6, official sources said on Monday. They had on October 25 questioned his wife Parvathi B M, who is also an accused in the case. "We asked him to appear on Wednesday morning," a senior Lokayukta official said. The Chief Minister is facing allegations of illegalities in the allotment of 14 sites to his wife by the Mysuru Urban Devel-

opment Authority. NATION PAGE 8

Music titan Quincy Jones passes away

LOS ANGELES: Quincy Jones, the multi-talented music titan whose vast legacy ranged from producing Michael Jackson's historic Thriller album to writing prizewinning film and television scores and collabo-Sinatra, Ray Charles and hundreds of other recording artists, died at 91. Jones' publicist, Arnold Robinson, said he died at his home, surrounded by his family. "Tonight, with full but broken hearts, we must share news of our father and brother Quincy Jones' passing," the family said.

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CHICKEN RATES IN HYDERABAD

Farm Retail live With skin Skinless	Rs. 150 Rs. 218
Skinless	Rs. 248
Egg Rates (12 eggs)	Rs. 74

'Congress derailed TG growth within a year'

KTR demands Rahul to apologise to people for deceiving them

HYDERABAD

BRS working president KT Rama Rao on Monday held the Congress government responsible for derailing Telangana's decade-long progress within a year of its rule, pushing the State into a crisis with hollow electoral promises and failed policies.

Reprimanding the Congress for its anti-people actions, he demanded Congress leader Rahul Gandhi to apologise to the people of Telangana for deceiving them with Six Guarantees and '420 promises'.

"Rahul Gandhi, who promised to respond to Telangana's call within seconds, has been silent for an entire year, while the Congress' rule has halted the State's prosperity and became responsible for peo-ple's woes," he said in an open letter addressed to Rahul Gandhi ahead of the latter's visit to Telangana.

The BRS working president criticised the Congress government for deceiving the people of Telangana, promising to deliver its Six Guarantees and '420 prom-

CONGRESS GOVT SHOULD BE **CREDITED FOR ACHIEVING THE UNTHINKABLE BY GETTING POLICE PERSONNEL AND** THEIR FAMILIES BEATEN **UP BY THEIR FELLOW POLICEMEN FOR STAGING PROTESTS**

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- KT RAMA RAO, BRS WORKING PRESIDENT

ises' within 100 days. "But even after 300 days in power, the Congress delivered nothing but disappointment," he said, pointing out that only the single promise of free bus for women had been implemented out of all the promises made.

Suicides

Rama Rao pointed out that farmers, job aspirants, students, police, government employees, handloom workers and auto drivers, as well as HYDRAA and Musi river project victims, have all been forced to hit the streets and protest under the Congress regime. Citing an alarming rise in suicides

among struggling farmers and artisans, he said the Congress government's policies had thrown the poor and the middle class onto the streets.

"The Congress government should be credited for achieving the unthinkable by getting the police personnel and their families beaten up by their fellow policemen for staging protests seeking better work environment," he said.

The BRS working president lambasted Telangana Congress leaders, including Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, for evading responsibility and misleading the public. He stated that the Congress exploited the people's trust, with no loan waivers for farmers, no promised bonuses, and no progress in agriculture or public welfare. He criticised the Congress for abandoning its responsibility of ensuring the welfare of all communities in the State, after coming to power.

"Your Chief Minister imposed an unending 'RR tax' on people, creating a breeding ground for corruption. The Congress leaders are drawing psychotic pleasure by harassing people of Telangana," he wrote, further charging the Congress with turning Telangana into a hub for scams. (SEE PAGE 2)

Protestors carrying Khalistani flags attack people, **Trudeau says**

'unacceptable'

Protestors carrying Khalistani flags clashed with people at a Hindu temple in Brampton, triggering con-demnation by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau who said every Canadian has the right to practise their faith freely and safely.

On Sunday, Peel Regional Police said that a protest oc-curred at the Hindu Sabha temple in Brampton and unverified videos circulating on social media appeared to show demonstrators holding banners in support of Khalistan, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation reported.

The videos showed fist fights and people striking each other with poles on what appears to be the grounds surrounding the Hindu Sabha Mandir temple, the report added. Taking to X, Trudeau thanked the

ENSURE JUSTICE AND UPHOLD RULE OF LAW, SAYS MODI

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi slammed the attack on a temple by a pro-Khalistani mob in Canada and asked the government there to ensure justice and uphold

In a post on X, Modi also flayed the "cowardly attempts" to intimidate Indian diplomats. He said, "I strongly condemn the deliberate attack on a Hindu temple in Canada. Equally appalling are the cowardly attempts to intimidate our diplomats.

the rule of law.

Such acts of violence will never weaken India's resolve." He added. "We expect the Canadian government to ensure justice and uphold the rule of law." Official sources noted that this is the first statement by Modi since the recent slump in India-Canada ties over the North American country's alleged support to Khalistani separatists and its accusation of India's involvement in the killing of Hardeep Singh Nijjar, a Khalistani separatist. PTI

local authorities for the swift response to protect the community and probe this incident. "The acts of violence at the Hindu Sabha Mandir in Brampton today are unacceptable. Every Canadian has the right to practice their faith freely and safely. Thank you to the Peel Regional Police for swiftly responding to protect the community and investigate this incident," Trudeau said in a post on X on Monday.

Meanwhile, the High Commission of India in Ottawa also issued a strong

statement on Monday condemning the recent attack on Brampton's Hindu Sabha temple by "anti-India" elements. This incident disrupted a consular event coorganised by the Hindu Sabha Mandir and the Indian consulate. In its statement, the High Commission remarked, "We have seen violent disruption, orchestrated by anti-India elements outside the consular camp co-organised with the Hindu Sabha Mandir in Brampton, near Toronto."

US poll heads for photo finish



Kamala Harris

WASHINGTON

Election Day is nearly upon us. The final votes in the 2024 presidential election will be cast on Tuesday. In a deeply divided nation, the election is a true toss-up between Democrat Kamala Harris and Republican Donald Trump.

The electoral battle between Kamala Harris and Donald Trump appears to have gone to the wire, according to latest opinion polls. Harris, 60, is the nom-



Donald Trump

inee of the Democratic Party and Trump, 78, is the Republican nominee. Their party members and support bases are united with their respective parties, and independent votes might decide who would be the next occupant of the White House. To win the elections, a candidate needs 270 of the electoral college votes. Latest opinion polls indicate that the elections will be decided by the results in

Seven battle ground States.

Ex-sarpanches stage protest, held

STATE BUREAU

After farmers, job aspirants, teachers, students, home guards, police constables and their families, now former sarpanches from across the State are staging protests yet again demanding the government to clear pending bills.

Many former sarpanches had assembled at a hotel in Banjara Hills here on Sunday and wanted to submit a representation to Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy. However, the police reached the hotel on Monday morning and prevented them from heading towards the Chief Minister's residence. The police also took many former sarpanches into custody. Not just in Hyderabad, former sarpanches in different areas across the State were arrested and prevented from staging protests.

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BRS MLA T Harish Rao along with party leaders staging a protest at a police station demanding the release of arrested

Technical glitch disrupts Hyd Metro services

CITY BUREAU

Metro rail services on the Blue Line route between Nagole and Hitec City-Raidurg via Begumpet were hit by delays ranging from 13-15 minutes due to technical issues on Monday. However, the Hyderabad Metro Rail authorities maintained that they were able to renormal services quickly after the brief delay.

Several daily commuters on the Blue Line route took to X and posted images and videos alerting metro authorities about the delays. Many posted pictures of stalled metro coaches with doors not closing for 13-15 minutes at Begumpet metro

"Dear commuters, thank you for your patience and

Services on Blue Line between Nagole and **Hitec City-Raidurg via** Begumpet were hit by delays ranging from **13-15 minutes**

understanding. We experienced a brief delay on the Blue Line this morning due to a technical issue. We're pleased to inform you that normal operations have resumed. Thank you for your patience and cooperation and we regret any inconvenience caused. Safe travels!," the Hyderabad Metro Rail said.

Highest per day ridership Meanwhile, the Hyderabad Metro achieved its highest-ever daily ridership

of 5.60 lakh passengers on August 14. In its latest financial results for Q2FY2025, the metro saw an improvement in average ridership, rising to 4.68 lakh passengers per day, up from 4.32 lakh in Q1FY2025. During the earnings call, P Ramakrishnan, Head of Investor Relations at L&T, highlighted that this growth in ridership also surpassed Q2FY2024's daily average of 4.62 lakh.

Despite the record ridership, Larsen & Toubro Limited (L&T), reported a consolidated loss at the Profit After Tax (PAT) level of Rs 2.07 billion for the quarter ending September, a reduction from the Rs 2.14 billion loss recorded in Q1FY2025 and a marked improvement compared to the 3.35 billion loss in Q1FY2024.

TG TET-II to be held in Jan

CITY BUREAU

The School Education Department will conduct another round of the Telan-State Teacher Eligibility Test (TG TET-2024-II) examination in January 2025.

The Director of School Education, Telangana, EV Narasimha Reddy, in a notification on Monday, said that interested and eligible candidates can start accessing online applications from the School Education Department website (https://scholedu.telangana.gov.in) and apply for TG-TET-2024-II between

The notification said that TG TET-2024-II will be

November 5 and November

conducted across the State in online mode as a Computer-Based Test between January 1, 2025 and January 20, 2025 In the first phase, the

School Education Department conducted TET examinations between May 20 and June 2 of this year. The results of the TET exams of May were already

36 killed as bus falls into gorge in U'khand

MARCHULA: A packed beyond-capacity bus carrying passengers returning to work after Diwali fell into a deep gorge in Uttarakhand's Almora district on Monday, killing at least 36 of the over 60 people on board. Twenty-six people were injured, four of them critically, when the 43-seater bus, operated by the private Garhwal Motor Owners Union, was on its way from Pauri in Garhwal region to Ramnagar in Kumaon about 250 km away. The bus plunged into a 200metre gorge in Almora's Marchula area 35 km before its destination Ramnagar, District Magistrate Alok Kumar

Jilted lover attacks woman with knife in Medak

STATE BUREAU

A 21-year-old woman was attacked by a youngster, allegedly after she rejected his proposal, at a government degree college in Medak on Monday. The victim, Divya Kripa (21), a resident of Avusulapally in Medak town, had arrived at the examination centre in the college at around 8 am to take an open university first-year examination.

The accused, Chaitanya, who reportedly arrived from Hyderabad, talked with her for a while and suddenly attacked her with a knife. She sustained deep wounds on her hand in the incident

Divya Kripa reached the government hospital with the help of some locals. Later, she was shifted to Hyderabad for better treatment. Since Chaitanya was carrying a knife with him, the police believed that he had come pre-planned to attack her. The accused fled the spot after attacking her. Divya Kripa resided in Hy-

derabad until a few years ago with her parents - Krishnaveni and Kumar. However, they returned to their native place while Kumar shuttled between Hyderabad and Medak. Divya Kripa reportedly came in touch with Chaitanya when they were in Hyderabad.

In her statement, Divya Kripa said Chaitanya at-

tacked her when she refused his proposal. However, police say she had reached the college centre at 8 am, though her examination was scheduled for 1 pm, and met Chaitanya. The police were probing into the incident to find out what exactly happened. The incident triggered panic on the