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Rescue and relief work underway after a passenger bus carrying around 60 people on the 43-seater bus fell into a gorge in Kupi area of Almora at Uttarakhand on Monday.

36 die after overcrowded, dilapidated bus skids into a deep gorge in Almora

● PM Modi announces ex-gratia of ₹2 lakh for kin of each deceased in accident, ₹50,000 to injured ● CM announces compensation of ₹4 lakh for kin of each deceased; orders probe & suspends officers

First India Bureau
Almora

At least 36 people died after a bus carrying around 60 people on the 43-seater bus when it plunged into the 200-metre gorge and landed close to a rivulet in Almora's Marchula area in Uttarakhand.

According to officials, a 42-seater bus was on its

MURMU, MODI, BIRLA, RAHUL & OTHER LEADERS CONDOLE LOSS OF LIVES IN BUS ACCIDENT

President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, Amit Shah, JP Nadda, Rajnath Singh, Rahul Gandhi, Mallikarjun Kharge and others condoled the loss of lives in the bus accident in Uttarakhand's Almora and prayed for the speedy recovery of those injured.

way to Ramnagar from Kirath of Nainidanda when it went out of control and fell into the ditch near Marchula Band. According to initial reports, the accident was so severe that many people were

thrown out of the bus and fell on the other side.

Almora DDMO Vineet Pal, who confirmed the number of casualties, said rescue operations are ongoing and the death toll is likely to rise. CM Pushkar Singh Dhami announced some officials associated with the Assistant Regional Transport Officer were being suspended in Pauri and

Almora. Dhami visited hospitals to meet victims, he announced financial assistance of ₹4 lakh for deceased and ₹1 lakh for injured. He also directed Commissioner of Kumaon to initiate magisterial inquiry. PM Modi has announced ex-gratia of ₹2 lakh from the PMNRF for the next of kin of each deceased in the accident, ₹50,000 to injured.

PERSPECTIVE
AMERICA, LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!
P4
AMERICA GEARS UP FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION TODAY

Modi calls for Roti, Beti & Maati Ki Pukar 'Jharkhand Mein... Bhajpa, NDA Sarkar'

Every single vote you cast will guarantee development & ensure the protection and respect of our tribal heritage, stresses Modi

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Garhwa/Chaibasa

Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed massive election rallies in Garhwa and Chaibasa, Jharkhand on Monday. Addressing the gathering in Garhwa, the PM said, "This election in Jharkhand is taking place at a time when the entire country is moving forward with a resolution to become developed by 2047. The coming 25 years are important for both nation & Jharkhand. Today, there is a resounding call across Jharkhand... 'Roti, Beti, Maati Ki Pukar, Jharkhand Mein... Bhajpa, NDA Sarkar'."

Highlighting the JMM-Congress-RJD alliance's betrayal of Jharkhand's youth, Modi stated, "Over the past 5 years, they promised unemployment benefits but failed to deliver. Recruitment scams and paper leaks became routine, and due to JMM's negligence, police recruitment even turned tragic."

While addressing rally in Chaibasa, he prioritized importance of tribal rights and empowerment, highlighted BJP's commitment to tribals. P5



PM Narendra Modi arrives to address a public meeting in Garhwa district, Jharkhand on Monday.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi being felicitated by Champai Soren and others during a public meeting ahead of Jharkhand Assembly elections, in Garhwa district of Jharkhand on Monday.

Baba Saheb Ambedkar initiated tribal reservation to safeguard the rights of our tribal communities. However, even back then, Nehruji opposed this reservation.
NARENDRA MODI, PRIME MINISTER

Hindu temple attacked in Canada, 3 arrested

● PM Justin Trudeau calls violence at Hindu temple 'unacceptable' ● Cops punch Hindus for protesting against the Khalistani attack

First India Bureau
Ontario

Upholding the right to practice religion "freely and safely", Canada's PM Justin Trudeau on Monday called the violence at a Hindu temple near Toronto "unacceptable". Heavy police deployment was seen at the Hindu Sabha temple in Brampton after skirmishes blamed by some leaders on Sikh activists. In videos that went viral, some men were seen assaulting devotees inside the com-



Canadian police unleashed brutality against the Hindu devotees protesting against Khalistani attack on Brampton temple, Canada.

CANADIAN GOVT MUST ENSURE JUSTICE: PM MODI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday took to X, formerly known as Twitter and shared that, "I strongly condemn the deliberate attack on a Hindu temple in Canada. Equally appalling are the cowardly attempts to intimidate our diplomats. Such acts of violence will never weaken India's resolve. We expect the Canadian government to ensure justice and uphold the rule of law."

plex. Brampton Mayor Patrick Brown called for punishment to the "greatest extent of law" for those held accountable for the violence. Peel police arrested 3 individuals over the incident.

EC reschedules bypolls in UP, Kerala & Punjab

ECI orders immediate transfer of Maha DGP Shukla after complaints

First India Bureau
New Delhi

The ECI has rescheduled by-polls in UP, Kerala & Punjab, shifting polling date from Nov 13 to Nov 20. The decision comes after requests from national and state parties, including INC, BJP, BSP, and RLD, to avoid low voter turnout. Many parties had requested EC to shift dates due to various



Rashmi Shukla

festivities. New schedule will cover 1 seat in Kerala, 4 in Punjab, 9 in UP, vote counting on Nov 23. Meanwhile, ahead of the Maharashtra Assembly polls, EC ordered transfer of Maha DGP Rashmi Shukla on the complaints from Cong & Sena-UBT.

IN BRIEF

SC pulls up Delhi govt, top cop over pollution

New Delhi: Proposing a permanent prohibition on firecrackers in Delhi, SC said the restrictions were "hardly implemented" this Diwali and asked Delhi govt and police to explain what measures were taken to ensure the ban.

Jio IPO set for 2025, may be India's biggest

Mumbai: Billionaire Mukesh Ambani plans an IPO for his telecom business Jio in 2025, followed by another for Reliance Retail much later, sources said. This could potentially be India's biggest IPO ever, overtaking Hyundai India's record \$3.3 bn IPO.

Stormy 1st J&K Assembly session after 6 years

Srinagar: In a stormy opening to the first-ever session of the J&K Union Territory Assembly, the PDP Monday submitted a resolution seeking the restoration of Article 370, which previously granted special status to region. P5

MiG-29 jet crashes near Agra, pilot ejects safely

IAF has ordered Court of Inquiry for major mid-air system glitch

First India Bureau
Agra

Indian Air Force (IAF) pilot ejected himself safely from the MiG-29 fighter jet which crashed into a field and caught fire near Uttar Pradesh's Agra on Monday. The aircraft, which had taken off from Adampur in Punjab and was heading to Agra for a practice exercise, encountered system glitch, prompting the



Smoke billows after an IAF plane crashed and caught fire near Agra on Monday.

pilot to manoeuvre aircraft to ensure no damage to life or property on the ground before ejecting safely. A Court of Inquiry was ordered by in this matter, the IAF said.

Man sentenced to death for rape, murder of minor

Ravi Sharma
Udaipur

POCSO court in Udaipur on Monday sentenced a man to death for raping and killing a 9-year-old girl. Judge Sanjay Kumar Bhatnagar considered the crime committed by Kamlesh Singh serious and pronounced the death sentence to him. The court also sentenced four years of imprisonment to his parents — Ram Singh and Kishan Kanwar — for hiding son's crime, special public prosecutor Syed Hussain said.

CM REVIEWS PREPS OF RISING RAJASTHAN Global Investment Summit will enhance State's global reputation: CM Sharma

First India Bureau
Jaipur

CM Bhajan Lal Sharma said the Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit will enhance the state's global reputation.

He said that themes related to Rajasthan's folk culture & folk art should be included as much as possible in cultural programs and other activities to be organized during summit so that invest-



CM Bhajan Lal Sharma with (L-R) Ajitabh Sharma, Sudhansh Pant, Shikhar Agrawal and Alok Gupta during review meeting for preparations of Rising Rajasthan Investment Summit at CMO, Monday.

mentors from India & abroad participating in this global summit also get a glimpse of Rajasthan's rich and fascinating folk

culture. Sharma reviewed the preparations for organization of Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit in CMO on

Monday. CM also said maximum number of expatriate Rajasthanis should be connected to the summit.

Shocking! 25 tigers missing from R'bore

Nirmal Tiwari
Jaipur

About 25 tigers are missing in Ranthambore national park, a report of department has revealed shocking details. The number of tigers missing for over a year has reached 14, while 11 more have gone missing within past year. Chief Wildlife Warden Pawan Upadhyay has issued orders about missing tigers. Panel headed by Rajesh Gupta with T Mohanraj and Manas Singh has been formed. P2

PUSHKAR CATTLE FAIR

Cattle rearers start gathering



First India Bureau
Ajmer

The International Cattle Fair in Pushkar is being organised from Nov 2 to 17 with the religious fair to be held from Nov 12 to Nov 15.

This year, the religious bath will be of four days instead of five days. The Animal Husbandry Department has started preparations for the fair and released a detailed program. Cattle rearers have already

started reaching Pushkar. The tourism department has outlined various activities, competitions and cultural programs. With booking in full swing, tour and travel operators are having a hectic schedule ahead.



(Above) A herd of camels arrives for International Pushkar Fair on Monday. (inset) Herders having discussion about the fair on Monday. **NADEEM KHAN**

Forest Dept faces scrutiny over 25 missing tigers



Exclusive

Nirmal Tiwari
Jaipur

Following recent cases of tigers missing in Ranthambore, Chief Wildlife Warden Pawan Upadhyay has issued orders to investigate the case. Three member panel has been formed, headed by APCF (Wildlife) Rajesh Gupta, with CCF (Wildlife) Jaipur T Mohanraj & DCF (Wildlife) Bharatpur Manas Singh as members. Upadhyay has ordered an probe. The order states, info about the prolonged disappearance of tigers was obtained from Tiger Monitoring Report.

The number of tigers missing for over a year has reached 14, while 11 more have gone missing within the past year. The big question arises: On what basis does the Forest Department claim there are 135 tigers in the state and 75 in Ranthambore.



Many injury marks have been found on the body of T-86 tiger.

KILLING OF TIGER: CASE FILED AGAINST UNKNOWN ACCUSED

Jaipur: A case has been registered against unidentified individuals under the Forest Act following the brutal killing of tiger T-86 in Ranthambore. The incident escalated after tiger fatally attacked a local villager on October 2, prompting villagers to retaliate. A post-mortem revealed multiple injuries inflicted by sharp weapons, indicating a violent attack. CCF Anup K.R. stated that the tiger was likely beaten to death. Officials have yet to confirm the tiger's identity and are being tight-lipped about details.

JVNL XEn booked by ACB for seeking ₹1 L

CRIME ROUNDUP



Navin Sharma
Jaipur

The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) has filed a case against Manoj Kumar Verma, the Executive Engineer (XEN) of JVNL in Dausa, for allegedly demanding a bribe of Rs 1 lakh. The complaint stated that Verma sought the payment in exchange for not filling a VCR.

An agreement was later reached for Rs 30,000, but the accused did not accept the bribe upon learning of the impending investigation. ACB Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Nawal Kishore Meena confirmed the filing of the case. Alwar ACB

SBI FIELD OFFICER IN ACB NET WITH ₹20K IN BUNDI

Bundi: The ACB on Monday arrested a State Bank of India field officer in Bundi district for allegedly accepting a Rs 20,000 bribe, an official said. Lalit Kumar Parashar was allegedly demanding Rs 20,000 for approving a loan under the Kisan Samridhi scheme on an agricultural land in the name of the complainant's father, Anti-Corruption Bureau Director General Ravi Prakash Meharda said. After verifying the complaint, a bureau team nabbed Parashar red-handed while he was accepting the bribe.

DSP Parmeshwar Lal Yadav has been appointed as the investigating officer.

CATTLE SMUGGLING ATTEMPT FOILED IN BHARATPUR AFTER SHOOTOUT WITH QRT

Bharatpur: A tense encounter occurred between a Quick Response Team (QRT) and cattle smugglers in the forests near Khorha village, under the jurisdiction of the Bayana Sadar police station. The incident escalated when smugglers opened fire on the Quick Response Team and gau rakshak (cow protection) groups. In response, the QRT team fired two rounds but the smugglers managed to escape under the cover of darkness. Despite this, the QRT successfully apprehended a truck loaded with cattle, thwarting the smuggling attempt.



Ravi Katara

MAJOR FRAUD IN SIKAR: VICTIMS DUPED OF ₹20 LAKH IN CURRENCY EXCHANGE SCAM

Sikar: A major fraud has been reported in Sikar where victims were cheated out of Rs 20 lakhs under the pretense of exchanging Rs 2,000 notes for Rs 500 denominations. Rakesh Poddar from Fatehpur filed a complaint at Kotwali police station, alleging that a group of individuals lured him with promise of a 10% commission. The accused—identified as Banwari from Fatehpur & others named Sumar, Bhim, Shankar, Shailesh, and Ramesh—convincing Poddar by showing him a video. An investigation is underway.

SPA RAIDED IN SIROHI, 8 GIRLS, 1 BOY DETAINED

Sirohi: Acting on reports of illegal activities, Sirohi's Sadar police conducted a late-night raid on two spa centers in the Talhati area of Aburoad. Eight women and one man were detained by police and warned against participating in illegal operations. The crackdown has stirred anxiety among spa operators in the city, they have been told to not involve in illegal activities.

3 HELD FOR CHOPPING OFF MAN'S NOSE IN PHALODI

Phalodi: Police have arrested three accused of chopping off a young man's nose in Phalodi over a love affair in Bhavsagar Kalau. The incident happened a few days ago. Superintendent of Police Phalodi Pooja Awana had given instructions to nab the miscreants. The team of Dechu police arrested Tilokaram, Girdhari Ram and Rupana Jaitana in the case.

PAK YOUTH DETAINED FOR CROSSING BORDER IN SGNR

Sri Ganganagar: A Pakistani national, who entered the country after crossing the International Border in Rajasthan's Sriganganagar district, was arrested by the BSF, officials said on Monday. The youth was caught in Naggi area of the district when he crossed the zero line on November 1 following which the BSF informed the police, Superintendent of Police, Sriganganagar, Gaurav Yadav said. The man is being interrogated. Sri Ganganagar SP said that during the joint inquiry, medical examination of youth will also be conducted. **Sunil Sihag**

Rajasthan hikes urban land lease fees eightfold to boost civic revenues

Abhishek Shrivastava
Jaipur

In a significant policy shift, the Rajasthan government has announced an eightfold increase in the fees for obtaining land leases in old urban areas. According to a notification from the Department of Urban Development, applicants will now have to pay Rs 200 per square meter, a drastic rise from the previous fee of just Rs 25. For instance, securing a lease for a plot of 100 square meters will cost Rs 20,000, compared to the earlier Rs 2,500.

This increase is aimed at improving the financial conditions of various urban bodies, many of which are currently facing severe economic challenges. Previously, during the Congress government's "Prashasan Shehron Ke Sang" campaign, a nominal fee of Rs 501 was charged for leases, regardless of the plot size. This approach resulted in a significant



The Rajasthan government has raised land lease fees in urban areas from Rs 25 to Rs 200 per square meter to support struggling local urban bodies financially

loss of revenue for local authorities, as larger landowners benefited from the same low fee.

Under the new rules, the local authority can issue leases for up to 300 square meters at the authorized officer level, while plots up to 1,500 square meters require board approval. For any land over 1,500 square meters, state government approval is necessary.

IN BRIEF

Four-day long festival of Chhath puja will start from today

Jaipur: Chhath puja will start from Tuesday. The four-day festival will start with nahay-khay. The women will offer argya to Sun God and will start their fast with having light food. This is celebrated widely in Bihar along with Jharkhand, Bengal and Uttar Pradesh.

16-yr-old JEE aspirant found dead in rented room in Kota

Kota: A 16-yr-old JEE aspirant was found dead inside his paying guest accommodation in Talwandi area, police said on Monday. The student's family has denied a post-mortem claiming that the boy died of natural causes as he was suffering from intense migraine issues.

Statewide Bar Assn Polls on December 13

Jaipur: The polls for all Bar Associations across the state, including the Raj High Court Bar Association, will be held on Dec 13 in compliance with orders of the Supreme Court and the Raj HC. High Court Bar Assn Prez Prahlad Sharma & Gen Secy Sushil Pujari informed.

Rambagh Golf Club will hold its elections on November 9

Jaipur: The Rambagh Golf Club will hold its elections on Nov 9. The competition is primarily between incumbent captain Shirish Sancheti and Yogendra Shekhawat. The club has faced scrutiny in the state assembly, impacting its reputation, which is now a central issue in the polls.

RAC Commander dies while on duty for by-election in Chirawa

Jhunjhunu: RAC Company Commander Brijmohan Sharma died after falling from a terrace. Brijmohan, who was staying at a guest-house on Sehi Road, lost his balance while walking on the roof, leading to the accident. He died on the spot.

SAHAKAR UPHAAR DEEPTSAV FAIR CONCLUDES

Record purchases of ₹6 Cr by Jaipur

First India Bureau
Jaipur

Jaipur residents set a record by making purchases worth over Rs 6 crore at the Sahakar Uphaar Deepotsav Fair-2024. Confed had set up special arrangements at Navjeevan Cooperative Market on Bhawani Singh Road and the Uphaar Center in Vaishali Nagar to provide consumers with MMTC-PAMP pure gold and silver coins, fireworks, and other essential festive items. This information



Confed Administrator Manju Rajpal at a Diwali stall. **FILE**

was shared on Monday by Confed Administrator and Registrar of Cooperative Societies

Manju Rajpal. She said that approximately Rs 3 crore worth of MMTC-PAMP pure

gold and silver coins were sold during Diwali. The fair, held from October 21 to 30 October, offered Shivakashi's Cock brand fireworks to Jaipur residents at 50 to 65 percent discounts, resulting in over Rs1.50 crore in firework sales.

Additionally, over Rs 1.50 crore worth of daily grocery products, gift packs, dry fruits, and decorative items were sold at the fair. For the first time, a platform was provided for products crafted by women from Rajeevika, recognizing their skills.

CP Joshi's birthday celebrated in unique style at Gambhiri river

First India Bureau
Chittorgarh

BJP former state president and Chittorgarh MP CP Joshi celebrated his birthday on Monday. He started his day with darshan of Sanwalia Seth temple. Various events were held to celebrate his birthday. A large camp was organized at Shahid Major Natwar Singh R.U. Model School, where 1,304 persons with disabilities were provided with 2,072 assistive devices.

Supporters of Chittorgarh MP and former BJP state president CP Joshi

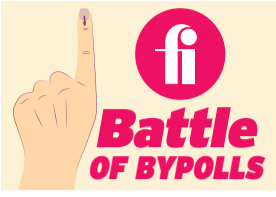


Chittorgarh MP CP Joshi celebrating his b'day by offering aarti at the bank of Gambhiri river in Chittorgarh on Monday.

left no stone unturned to make his birthday historic in Chittorgarh. For the first time, the birthday of Joshi was celebrated in a unique style. A grand aarti was organised on the Gambhiri River. The occasion

also featured a fireworks display. For first time, Joshi celebrated his birthday in grand manner, enthusiasm of his supporters was noteworthy. Celebrations have been ongoing for the past three days.

SEVERAL CONG LEADERS JUMP SHIP, JOIN BJP



First India Bureau
Jaipur

In a significant political shift, BJP State President Madan Rathore welcomed several senior Congress leaders from Nagaur and Sawai Madhopur into the BJP family on Monday at the party's state office. Notably, former Nagaur Congress District President Sukveer Singh Chaudhary, along with other local leaders, donned the BJP scarf in a show of allegiance.

Rathore emphasised that under PM Modi's leadership, the public is increasingly aligning with the BJP's vision, while Congress faces declining influence due to its policies and inability to maintain grassroots support, leading to disillusionment among its workers. Jyoti Mirdha, BJP State V-P, praised the political experience of newcomers, including Chaudhary, a former district council member. The BJP aims to create an inclusive environment, welcoming those feeling marginalized in their current parties, with senior leaders present to support the new members.



Former Nagaur Congress District President Sukhveer Singh Choudhary, former district council member Rajaram Choudhary, along with 14 leaders, join BJP in presence of Madan Rathore at BJP Headquarters in Jaipur on Monday. Also seen here is Jyoti Mirdha.

DIYA RALLIES FOR BJP'S RAJENDRA GURJAR IN DEOLI-UNIARA

Dooni/Tonk: Deputy CM Diya Kumari inaugurated the election office in Dooni on Monday, strongly endorsing BJP candidate Rajendra Gurjar for Deoli-Uniara. After leading a roadshow, she emphasized Gurjar's dedication despite his previous loss, urging voters to elect him with a solid margin for continuous regional development. Making a special appeal to women, she encouraged families to vote, adopting the "vote first, food later" approach.



Diya Kumari being felicitated during the public meeting held in support of BJP candidate Rajendra Gurjar at Dooni village in Deoli-Uniara. KL Chaudhary, Heeralal Nagar, Damodar Agrawal, Prabhulal Saini & others were present. Diya received warm welcomes en route and praised CM's team, calling for a strong majority in by-polls to further Raj's progress. **Wajahat Akhtar**

CEO MAHAJAN ANNOUNCES VOTER LIST UPDATE

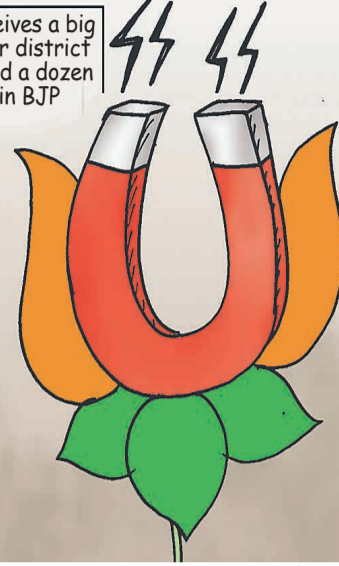
CEO Navveen Mahajan confirmed the revision of the ECI voters list, with 5.35 crore voters verified as of September 30. Draft lists will be read in gram sabhas on November

9 and 23, while Booth Level Officers (BLOs) will engage with political agents and the public. The published list includes 10,04,736 male, 9,32,742 female, 7 third-gender, and 5,464 service voters.

Meetings will also occur at polling centers on November 10 and 24. Citizens turning 18 by January 1, 2025, can register, with advance applications accepted for those turning 18 later in 2025.

FI TOON

Congress receives a big jolt as former district presidents and a dozen leaders join BJP



SHEKHAR

ALWAR: ARROGANCE AND BIASES EMBEDDED IN BJP'S VEINS, ASSERTS LoP TIKARAM JULY



Alwar: Leader of Opposition Tikaram July launched the Congress campaign for the Ramgarh assembly by-elections on Monday. He addressed public meetings at Kheda, Thand, and Dinar, and inaugurated the election office at Badoda Meo. Following this, he campaigned in Hadarheda and Ronpur. July criticized BJP State President Madan Rathore for his recent anti-democratic remarks, stating that his claim about candidates with an anti-development mindset hindering progress was unacceptable. She argued that the BJP is arrogant and biased, reflecting a disconnection from the actual needs of the people. **Ashvini Yadav**

Dausa election is ideological clash with BJP, asserts Pilot

Laxmikant Sharma
Dausa

Congress leader Sachin Pilot addressed a poll meeting in Kundal, supporting Congress candidate Deendayal Bairwa from Dausa seat. He inaugurated the block election office. In his address, Pilot emphasised that the by-election is not about caste but rather a fight of ideology. He stated, "This is a battle between Congress & BJP. BJP engages in caste & religion politics & needs to be taught a lesson. The eyes



Sachin Pilot waves to the crowd while riding a tractor during a public meeting held in support of congress candidate Deendayal Bairwa at Kundal village in Dausa district on Monday.

of the country are on Dausa's polls. Our candidate, born into a poor family, is challenging the political elites. Bairwa

has worked dedicatedly and risen from the grassroots. We should vote for a committed candidate like him."

Home Voting: 900 voters cast their votes on first day

First India Bureau

Jaipur

On the first day of home voting for the Rajasthan Assembly By-elections 2024, 900 voters participated. Out of 930 eligible voters, 21 were not found, and 9 had passed away since applying.

A total of 253 votes were cast, including 157 in Deoli-Uniara, 147 in Jhunjhunu, and 132 in Jhunjhunu.

Voting will continue in Deoli-Uniara from November 4 to 7, with follow-up visits on November 9 and 10.

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UNITED STATES TO VOTE FOR ITS 47TH PRESIDENT TODAY

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Avinash Kalla

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Today is election day in the United States of America, and the country gears to elect its 47th President. As people, pollsters and political pundits stand divided, in opinion, aspiration and anticipation, this has been viewed as one of the most important and challenging elections in recent history.

In an election that revolves around him for third time in a row, Former President Donald Trump's, record and rehired are well known and his pledges for a second term include broad tariffs, mass deportations of undocumented immigrants, and promises of retribution. A message to 'Make America Great Again' is what he has delivered to people in an intense, unapologetic, and provocative Trump style.

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In contrast, his opponent Vice President Kamala Harris is less familiar to some voters. Her policies align with those of the Biden administration, though she has introduced new proposals aimed at addressing economic concerns. Harris seeks a mandate to be the first female president riding on her message 'We The People' and hopes that women voters will rally behind her given her plea to stop the pain that results from abortion ban.

Harris has presented herself as a candidate for all Americans, winning endorsements from Republicans like former Congresswoman Liz Cheney who have broken with Trump. Meanwhile, Trump has focused on "enemies within," his supporters have gone over the board calling illegal immigrants names and he too has managed to get former Democrats like Tulsi Gabbard by his side.

With little middle ground left, Americans recognise the high stakes of this election, and the two vastly different directions Trump and Harris propose for the country. About half the nation supports one direc-



tion, while the other half backs the opposite, making this feel like an all-or-nothing decision.

Final predictions are filled with uncertainties. The results will hinge on seven crucial states: Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin in the North, along with Georgia, North Carolina, Nevada, and Arizona in the South and Southwest. Polling averages indicate extremely close races within the margin of error, suggesting that small margins could lead to narrow wins or a broader victory if one candidate sweeps more battlegrounds.

In 2020, three states—Arizona, Georgia, and Wisconsin—were decided by less than one percentage point. Here, a shift of roughly 43,000 votes would have handed Trump his second presidency. Whereas, in 2016, Trump breached the "Blue Wall" by winning Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin, all by less than one percent.

Both candidates have paths to the 270 electoral votes needed to win. Harris's primary strategy focuses on securing the northern states, which have historically voted as a bloc. Trump's plan is to disrupt this by targeting Pennsylvania, the largest bat-

This election also highlights the gender gap, with men favouring Republicans and women leaning Democratic, a divide amplified by Trump and Harris's messages. In 2020, women made up 52 percent of the national vote, reaching up to 56 percent in some battlegrounds

tleground with 19 electoral votes and Winning Michigan which has a sizeable Arab and Muslim Population, which aren't supportive of the Biden administration's actions in the Israel- Palestine war over Gaza.

Over 70 million Americans have already voted early and as the Election Day dawns, polling shows tighter-than-ever races in these battlegrounds, though past polling errors have made predictions more uncertain. In 2016, state polls overestimated Clinton's support in the Electoral College, and in 2020, they overstated Biden's

strength. Pollsters, mindful of these missteps, are cautious about potential errors that could influence the outcome.

High voter turnout will be critical in this close race. Harris with her over billion-dollar election funding aims at stronger 'get-out-the-vote' effort, while Trump is the biggest driving force for his own base. In past elections, Trump successfully increased turnout in red-leaning rural areas, but it remains to be seen if he can boost his numbers further this year. Harris will need strong voter turnout in key cities like Detroit, Philadelphia, and Mil-

waukee, along with solid support in the suburbs, where the election outcome could be decided.

This election also highlights the gender gap, with men favouring Republicans and women leaning Democratic, a divide amplified by Trump and Harris's messages. In 2020, women made up 52 percent of the national vote, reaching up to 56 percent in some battlegrounds.

If white women, overlooks race and vote solely on base of gender they will give Harris an unmatched advantage.

Harris's most passionate supporters are women, particularly those angered by recent changes to abortion rights and Trump's rhetoric. Whereas, Trump has gained support among younger male voters, especially among African American and Latino men and that might help him narrow the gender gap in some areas.

There is speculation of a possible "shy Harris" effect, with some women hesitant to reveal their support for Harris to pollsters. Conversely, some men may discreetly support Trump without openly

discussing it. Both candidates are working to expand beyond their traditional voter bases, with Harris aiming for a diverse coalition and Trump drawing increased support from working-class voters.

As early voting concluded, estimates indicate that approximately half of the total votes cast in 2020 has already been done. The outcome will depend on which candidate succeeds in energising new or infrequent voters.

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This election has seen little change in public opinion, with voters deeply divided. Today, America will decide who will prevail, and the nation will have to move forward with the result, whatever it may be.

THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY THE AUTHOR ARE PERSONAL

In an election that revolves around him for third time in a row, Former President Donald Trump's, record and rehired are well known and his pledges for a second term include broad tariffs, mass deportations of undocumented immigrants, and promises of retribution. A message to 'Make America Great Again' is what he has delivered to people in an intense, unapologetic, and provocative Trump style



Donald Trump



Kamala Harris

TOP TWEETS



X The bus accident in Almora, Uttarakhand is extremely sad. I express my condolences to the families of those who lost their lives in this accident. The local administration is providing immediate treatment to the injured. I pray to God for the speedy recovery of the injured.

Amit Shah @AmitShah



X Commendable! An initiative which is truly a testament to our government's sankalp of "Vikas Bhi, Virasat Bhi". Certain that #BhashaGauravSaprah will bring our communities together and play a critical role in preserving the cultural heritage of Assam.

Jyotiraditya M. Scindia @JM_Scindia

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Poll campaign PM slams JMM over 'insult' of Champai Soren at Jharkhand rally

Left no stone unturned in insulting tribal son: Modi

ANI

Garhwa (Jharkhand)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday attacked Jharkhand Mukti Morcha for insulting former Jharkhand Chief Minister Champai Soren and said that JMM left no stone unturned in insulting a tribal son.

"What did these people (JMM) do to Champai Soren ji... these people left no stone unturned in insulting a tribal son. Those for whom nothing is bigger than their family, how will they care for you people? Such selfish parties have to be taught a good lesson," PM Modi said, addressing a rally in Jharkhand's Garhwa.

Soren resigned from all positions and the primary membership of JMM on August 28. He became the chief minister of Jharkhand on February 2, shortly after Hemant Soren resigned as the CM before being arrested by the Directorate



Prime Minister Narendra Modi addresses during 'Vijay Sankalp Sabha' ahead of Jharkhand Assembly elections in Chaibasa of West Singhbhum district on Monday.

PTI

Government employees had to hold protests to get their DAS and salaries in Himachal Pradesh. The people of Telangana are suffering because of the false promises of Congress. I am shocked to see that even Congress Mallikarjun Kharge has also accepted that Congress' false promises will destroy states

NARENDRA MODI, PRIME MINISTER

of Enforcement (ED) in a money laundering case. In less than two months, Soren had to step down to al-

low the return of Hemant Soren to the chair following the latter's bail in the case. On August 30 this

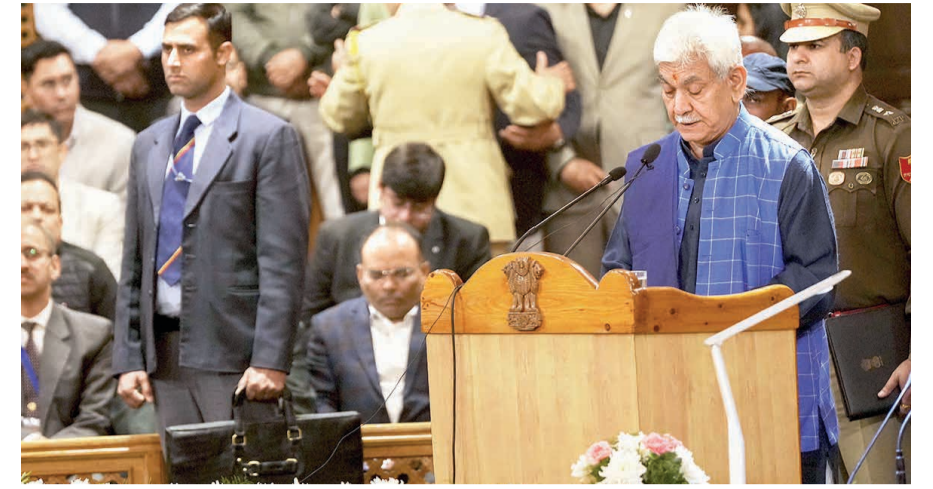
year, Champai Soren joined the BJP.

PM also launched a sharp attack on Congress, accusing it of failing to deliver on its promises and said that he was shocked to see that even Congress Mallikarjun Kharge has also accepted that Congress' false promises will destroy states.

DECLINING TRIBAL POPULATION A MATTER OF CONCERN: MARANDI

The president of the Jharkhand

unit of the Bharatiya Janata Party, Babul Marandi, backed the party's promise to implement the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in Jharkhand agreeing with the decision to exclude the tribal community from its scope. He stated that this is necessary because the declining population of the tribal community is a matter of concern. Speaking exclusively to ANI Marandi said, "The tribal community will be kept outside the scope of the UCC because their population in Jharkhand has been steadily declining, according to the census conducted up to 2011, there has been a 10% decline".



J&K Lt. Governor Manoj Sinha addresses the J&K Assembly session in Srinagar on Monday.

J&K govt will make efforts for statehood restoration

...says LG Sinha in Assembly address

PTI

Srinagar

Lt Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Manoj Sinha on Monday said that the newly elected government of the Union Territory "will make all efforts for the restoration of full statehood" and it would be a "befitting reciprocation" of the faith reposed by people in democratic institutions.

In his maiden address to the first-ever legislative assembly after the state was downgraded to a Union Territory, Sinha

The high voter turnout in assembly polls reflected the enduring faith of the people in the democratic process and added that the elections, the first since the abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019 and the reorganisation of J-K into a Union Territory, are "a critical milestone" in restoring democracy

MANOJ SINHA, LT GOVERNOR OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR

said the government is "fully geared up to realise" the hopes and expectations of people and "the aspiration for a return to the statehood remains strong".

Sinha recalled the commitment of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on several occasions on restoring statehood and said this has always been a source of rekindled hope and reassurance for

the people. "The Council of Ministers of Jammu and Kashmir has recently passed a unanimous resolution calling for the immediate restoration of statehood. This resolution reflects the collective will of the elected representatives, echoing the aspirations of the people for the reinstatement of full democratic governance.

Row over Odisha Guv campaign

EC must act against 'communal rhetoric of Sarma, demands Cong



Nine senior leaders including Jairam Ramesh have send a signed complaint letter to the Election Commission.

PTI

New Delhi

Congress leader Jairam Ramesh on Monday hit out at the Election Commission for the "tone and tenor" of its recent letter to his party while also urging the poll body to act against "communal and incendiary rhetoric" allegedly used by Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma during poll campaigns.

In an interview with PTI, the Congress general secretary in-charge communications also

urged the Election Commission (EC) to take action against Odisha Governor Raghubar Das for campaigning in Jamshepur.

His remarks come days after the Congress slammed the EC after it rejected the party's allegations over irregularities in the Haryana assembly polls.

Opposition party had said if the poll panel's goal was to "strip itself of the last vestiges of neutrality", then it was doing a "remarkable job" at creating that impression.

Special trains to cater Chhath Puja passengers

ANI

Jalandhar

Indian Railways will be operating several special trains to facilitate travellers during Chhath Puja from stations like Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra, Jammu Tawi, Amritsar and Ludhiana.

Railway Board Chairman Satish Kumar on Sunday inspected facilities and said Railways are operating 195 special trains in 13 days from the Delhi area this year to facilitate the passengers.

Chhath Puja express



People travel by an overcrowded train to reach their hometowns ahead of the Chhath Puja festival in Patna on Monday.

PTI

Old trick of BJP: Akhilesh on rescheduling of by-polls

PTI

Lucknow

As the Election Commission on Monday rescheduled from November 13 to November 20 the assembly bypolls to all nine seats in Uttar Pradesh, Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav alleged that this is an old trick of the BJP to avoid losing elections.

"First the Milkpur bye-election was postponed, now the date of bye-elections for the rest of the seats has been rescheduled. The BJP was



SP chief Akhilesh Yadav

never so weak," he said in a post in Hindi on X.

Yadav further said that if they (BJP) postpone it, they will lose even worse.

The Election Commission rescheduled assembly bye-elections to all nine and four seats in Uttar Pradesh and Punjab.

Let criticsers live: CM Stalin takes jibe at actor Vijay's attack on DMK

ANI

Chennai

In response to actor-turned-politician Vijay's allegations against the DMK, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin stated on Monday that his party has performed well over the past four years and does not find it necessary to address such trivial matters.



Actor-politician Vijay's party Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) on Sunday held its executive and district secretaries meeting and

passed resolutions condemning BJP-led Union Government and the DMK-led State Government over various issues. 26 resolutions were passed in the meeting. They include those condemning the Centre's proposal for a 'One Nation One Election' and the DMK government's "poor" handling of law and order and state finances.

LANDSLIDE JOB

Priyanka accuses BJP of 'politicising' disaster



Priyanka Gandhi Vadra holds a roadshow as part of her by-poll campaign at Pulpally in Wayanad on Monday.

PTI

Wayanad

Stepping up her attack against the BJP, Congress leader and UDF candidate for the Wayanad Lok Sabha by-polls Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Monday accused the saffron party of "politicising" the landslides that struck this hill district in July, killing hundreds and displacing many residents. Kicking off her sec-

Priyanka accused the BJP-led central government of 'failing' to distribute necessary funds to help families affected by the massive landslides

ond day of campaigning, she addressed a corner meeting at Kenichira in the Sulthan Bathery Assembly constituency.

"Even a disaster that caused immense pain to people was politicised

by the BJP. And this is where we start today. We stand in a place where you must think about your country, your own needs, and the kind of politics you want in our nation," the Congress general secretary remarked.

Taking a dig at the saffron party, Priyanka said the BJP's politics, "which is spreading across the country, is characterised by hatred, anger, divisiveness, and destruction."

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Volatile sensex sheds 941.88 pts with all eyes now on US elections

Agencies
Mumbai

Sensex shed more than 900 points on Monday, as both Sensex and Nifty saw a decline of more than 1 per cent each, amid uncertainty over the results of the US presidential election and the Federal Reserve's monetary policy meeting this week.

There was some recovery in the market at the end of trading after the Sensex tanked more than 1,300 points in the morning trade.

The BSE Sensex closed down 941.88 points or 1.18 per cent. On the other hand, the NSE Nifty closed at 23,995.35 after falling 309 points or 1.27 per cent.

Mid and small cap indices also fell by 2 per cent. Nifty Bank fell 458.65 points or 0.89 per cent to 51,215.25. The Nifty Midcap 100 index closed at 55,784.55 after falling 711.50 points or 1.26 per cent at the end of trading.

The Nifty Small cap 100 index closed at 18,424.65 after rising 370.25 points or 1.97 per cent.

There was heavy sell-



The market cap of BSE fell by nearly Rs 6 lakh crore to Rs 442 lakh crore due to the decline.

Heavy selling in the realty, energy, media, infra and commodities sectors

There was heavy selling in the realty, energy, media, infra and commodities sectors of Nifty. At the same time, auto, financial services, FMCG and metal sectors also remained in the red with a decline of 1 per cent. The market trend remained negative. On the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE), 1,357 stocks were trading in the green, 2,705 stocks in the red. At the same time, there was no change in 137 shares.

NTPC, ONGC TO FORM COMPANY, TO TAP INTO NEW ENERGY SPACE

Maharatna companies NTPC and ONGC have collaborated to form a joint venture company through their green energy subsidiaries NTPC Green Energy Ltd and ONGC Green Energy Ltd to further promote their interest in renewables and new energy arena, Ministry of Power said. After the signing of the joint venture agreement on February 7, 2024, during India Energy Week 2024, and obtaining the required statutory approvals from DIPAM and NITI Aayog, NGEL has submitted an application to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

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Reliance, Sun Pharma, Bajaj Finserv, NTPC, Tata Motors, Axis Bank, Titan, Power Grid, Tata Steel and Bharti Airtel were the top losers in the Sensex pack. On the other hand, M&M, Tech Mahindra, SBI,

HCL Tech, Infosys and IndusInd Bank were the top gainers.

The market cap of the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) fell by nearly Rs 6 lakh crore to Rs 442 lakh crore due to the decline.

According to market experts, the Nifty has corrected below 24,000 as the index slipped from its recent consolidation pattern. Sentiment will likely remain weak in the short term or until it decisively moves above 24,100.

In letter to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla...

Jagdambika 'bulldozing' Waqf JPC meets: Oppn

PTI
New Delhi

Opposition members of the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) on the Waqf (Amendment) Bill on Monday wrote to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla accusing the committee's chair, Jagdambika Pal, of "bulldozing" its proceedings.

They also threatened to disassociate themselves from the panel saying they "have been stonewalled".

The letter said "the Chairman of the Committee used to take unilateral decisions on fixing the dates of sittings even for consecutive three days, where persons/bodies to be called as witness, which is not practically possible for MPs to interact with preparation".

"We the Members of the JPC from opposition feel that the constitution of the JPC, i.e. a mini Parliament, should not be treated as a mere ventilating chamber to get the Bill passed as desired by the Government ignoring the Parliamentary process by using the so-called 'majority' undemocratically. Hence, it is our duty to bring to



Karnataka BJP workers stage a protest against Waqf Board properties in Chikkamagaluru on Monday.

BJP STAGES PROTEST AGAINST KARNATAKA CONG GOVT OVER WAQF PROPERTIES ROW

Upping the ante following allegations by a section of farmers in Karnataka that their lands were marked as Waqf properties, BJP on Monday held a state-wide protest in Bengaluru, accusing the state government of indulging in "land jihad". CM Siddaramaiah, who on Saturday directed officials that all notices issued to farmers be immediately revoked, and any unauthorised amendments in land records without due notice must also be nullified dismissed the BJP's action as nothing but politics.

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—THE LETTER READ

your notice with pain that bulldozing the proceedings of the JPC," read the letter.

The letter also said the Opposition members "believe that the legal ex-

ercise done by the Government through this Bill is nothing but a surreptitious attempt to mitigate the earlier legislations, made by Parliament with due care".

Kolkata doc rape & murder case Charges framed against lone accused Roy, trial to begin from November 11

Agencies
Kolkata

The SealDAH Court in West Bengal on Monday framed charges against Sanjay Roy in connection with the rape and murder case at RG Kar Medical College and Hospital.

The charges against the accused were framed under sections 64 (punishment for rape), 66 (punishment for causing death or resulting in a persistent vegetative state) and 103 (punishment for murder) of the Bharatiya Nyay Samhita, 87 days after the horrific crime. The body of the female doctor was recovered from the seminar room of the state run facility on September 9.

The trial is set to begin



Roy claimed innocence while being taken out of the court premises and said he had done nothing and being framed in the case

on November 11. This case has drawn significant attention due to its serious nature, and the court's decision marks a major step in the legal proceedings against the accused.

Roy, a civic police volunteer, was the only person charged by the CBI in the case.

Modi govt's tenure glorious period for Indian languages: Amit Shah

PTI
New Delhi

The Modi government's tenure is a glorious period for the preservation and promotion of Indian languages and it has taken several steps for their extensive use, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said on Monday.

Chairing the 32nd meeting of the Kendriya Hindi Samiti here, Shah said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, five more Indian languages were recently granted classical status. With this, India has become the only country to have recognised 11 languages as classical languages.

Modi has enhanced the importance of Hindi by expressing his views on every international forum in the language, an official statement



Union Home Minister Amit Shah along with JP Nadda, Dharmendra Pradhan and Arjun Ram Meghwal attend 32nd meeting of the Central Hindi Committee, in New Delhi.

cited Shah as saying.

The prime minister has undertaken several initiatives for the preservation, promotion and extensive use of Indian languages, making the period from 2014 to 2024 an era dedicated to the protection and promotion of Indian languages, Shah said.

The availability of engineering, medical, primary and secondary education in Indian languages has created a favourable environment for the development of all languages, he added.

This is an inspiring transformation in the direction of language development in India, with

the objective of fully harnessing the nation's potential, the home minister further said.

Shah said, "If we want to utilise the full potential of our children and youth for the country's development, it is essential that they study, analyse and make decisions in their mother tongue".

India, China complete LAC disengagement, focus on buffer zones

Agencies
New Delhi

As disengagement of Indian and Chinese troops has been completed in sensitive regions of Demchok and the Depsang plains in Eastern Ladakh, the Indian Army is now shifting its focus on defining patrolling protocols to ensure stable management of the Line of Actual Control (LAC).

Maintaining vigilance across the boundary remains a priority as both nations work through friction points and deliberate on establishing buffer zones in critical areas.

The recent disengagement agreement, formalised after multiple rounds of military and diplomatic negotiations, will allow a phased resumption of patrols in these areas,



Buffer zones established in areas such as the Galwan Valley, North and South Pangong Tso, Cogra, and Hot Springs were also a key focus of discussions

which had been highly restricted since 2020 due to heightened military presence and recurring confrontations.

The next round of corps commander-level talks is expected to advance these discussions.

ASSEMBLY OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOLAR ALLIANCE

Global solar investment to touch \$500 bn: Joshi

PTI
New Delhi

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi on Monday asserted that global solar investments will touch USD 500 billion this year from the USD 393 billion level in 2023 and said it is the most affordable energy source in many regions, surpassing coal and gas.

These investments are not only adding new capacity but also driving down the cost of energy from solar worldwide,

Joshi, the minister of new and renewable energy, said addressing the inaugural session of 7th General Assembly of the International Solar Alliance (ISA).

Joshi, who is also President of ISA, said, "This rapid growth is fuelled by record-breaking investments. Global solar investments have grown from USD 144 billion in 2018 to USD 393 billion in 2023 and are expected to reach USD 500 billion by the end of 2024."

Today, he stated, solar power has become the



We have approved 50 solar parks with a total capacity of nearly 37.5 GW and identified potential offshore wind energy sites to reach our 30 GW goal by 2030.
PRALHAD JOSHI, MINISTER OF NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY

most affordable source of electricity in many regions, surpassing coal and gas.

He also informed that ISA is guided by the "Towards 1000" strategy which aims to mobilise

USD 1,000 billion of investments in solar energy solutions by 2030.

"This is our strategy: to deliver energy access to 1,000 million people; installation of 1,000 GW

of solar energy capacity; and mitigate emissions to the tune of 1,000 MT of carbon dioxide every year," he added.

He stated that under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, India has set ambitious renewable energy targets, and achieved remarkable milestones.

Last month, he informed, India reached an impressive 90 GW of installed solar capacity, moving steadily forward towards its broader goal of 500 GW of renewable energy capacity by 2030.

Special puja for Harris victory



Priests perform rituals during special puja for the victory of Democratic presidential nominee Vice President Kamala Harris in the US elections at Palvancha in Telangana on Monday. The prayers were organised by an educational foundation named after Harris' late mother Shyamala Gopalan.

Latest polls show Donald Trump, Harris in final stretch deadlock

The polls continue to show Harris and Trump running neck-and-neck

Agencies
Washington

As all attention goes into the US elections, the world is watching with bated breath to find out who becomes the next US president. As per the latest poll Atlas Intel, former President Donald Trump is leading in all seven battleground states. Nearly 50 per cent respondents backed Trump, with 1.8 per cent lead of his Democrat rival. The survey, which included around 2,500 people, was conducted on Nov 1 & 2. The seven swing states or battleground states, which include Arizona, Georgia, Michigan, Nevada, North Carolina,



The US Congress passed a law in 1845 establishing that presidents and vice presidents must be elected on 'the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November' across the country.

Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, generally decide the fate of the candidates.

With 52.3 per cent, Trump has the broadest margin in Arizona with a lead of 6.5 pc while Harris is trailing with 45.8 per cent. In Nevada, the Republican has 51.2 pc against the Democrat's 46 per cent.

'I SHOULDN'T HAVE LEFT WHITE HOUSE'

As the countdown for election day began, Former President Trump raked up the bitter memories of the 2020 election as said he "shouldn't have left" the White House, triggering apprehensions that he was preparing the ground to not accept the outcome of the November 5 voting if he loses the contest. "I shouldn't have left. I mean, honestly, because...we did so well," the former President said.

NIKKI HALEY SAYS TRUMP IS 'CLEARLY BETTER CHOICE' OVER HARRIS

Donald Trump is 'clearly the better choice,' as compared to his Democratic rival Kamala Harris, former US ambassador to the UN Nikki Haley said. Haley urged undecided voters to look at both candidates' policy proposals, which she said clearly show Trump as the better option in a Wall Street Journal op-ed published two days before Election Day.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Over 78 mln people vote early in US presidential election
- Bengali Only Indian Language On New York's Ballot Papers
- "If Kamala Harris Wins, She Would Open Border, Allow Migrants": Trump



Rehan Vadra's political entry hinted in RaGa's Diwali video

Rehan Vadra, son of Priyanka Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi, may be poised to enter the political arena. Rahul Gandhi recently shared a Diwali video featuring a discussion with Rehan. Political experts have interpreted this as a "soft launch" for Rehan's future in politics. His presence at Priyanka Gandhi's nomination program further fuels speculation about his potential candidacy. Observers are closely watching this emerging political figure, anticipating his next steps.

Voter disparity: Transgender engagement lacking in Rajasthan by-elections

In the recent assembly by-elections across four constituencies—Khinvsar, Dausa, Ramgarh, and Salumbhar—not a single vote was cast by transgender individuals. In contrast, Jhunjhunu reported the highest number of transgender voters, totaling five. This stark discrepancy raises questions about voter engagement and inclusivity within these regions.

Sukhveer Singh aligns with BJP

The political landscape in Khinvsar is undergoing significant change as Sukhveer Singh, a prominent BJP figure, positions himself for electoral advantage. Having served as the Nagaur District President and a member of the PCC, Sukhveer hails from an influential family with deep political roots.

Raj: Supt openings at 6 medical colleges

The Medical Education Dept is once again seeking applications for the positions of superintendent at 30 hospitals associated with six medical colleges, including those in Jaipur, Kota, Udaipur, Jodhpur, Ajmer, and Bikaner. This move follows earlier indications reported by First India about the impending vacancies.

Hooda named captain; Deepak Chahar as VC

The team has been selected for the matches against Hyderabad and Uttarakhand. The Captain is Deepak Hooda, while Vice-Captain is Deepak Chahar. Other players include Mahipal Lomror, Bharat Sharma, Abhijeet Tomar, Ram Mohan Chauhan, Kanhaiya Lal Swami, Ajay Singh Kukna, Arafat Khan & others.

Jaishankar inaugurates new Indian consulate in Brisbane

ANI
Brisbane

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar who is on a five day visit to Australia on Monday paid homage to Mahatma Gandhi at Roma Street Parklands in Brisbane, reinforcing Gandhi's enduring message of peace and harmony. He took to X to share "Offered my tribute this morning to Mahatma Gandhi at Roma Street Parklands in Brisbane. His message of peace and harmony resonate through the world." This act of homage underscores Gandhi's global influence on principles of peace and unity. "Delighted to formally inaugurate new Consulate General of India in Brisbane today. It will contribute to strengthening India's ties with



EAM S Jaishankar pays tribute to Mahatma Gandhi at Roma Street Parklands in Brisbane, Monday.

Queensland state, promoting trade, fostering educational linkages and serving the diaspora. Thank H.E Dr. Jeannette Young, Governor of Queensland and Ministers @Ros_Bates_MP

and @FionaSimpsonMP for joining the inauguration ceremony," he posted on X. He also posted on meeting with Jeannette Young, Governor of Queensland, in Brisbane.

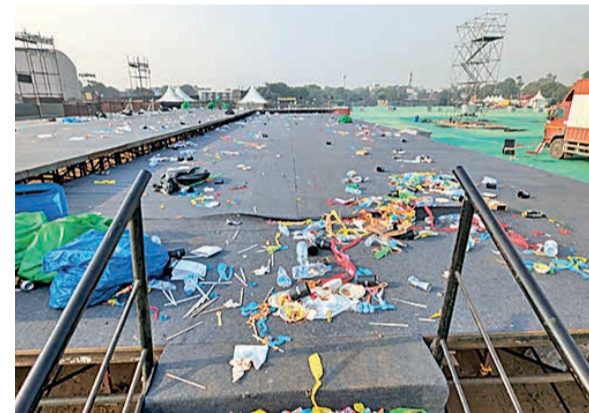
Jaipur's Diljit Dosanjh Concert Leaves Behind a Trail of Trash

The Aftermath Unfolds: Who's Accountable?

Gajraj Singh Bhati
Jaipur

The much-anticipated Jaipur leg of Diljit Dosanjh's tour brought fans together in a high-energy night of music and celebration in the Pink City. Thousands gathered to witness the show, which had been the talk of the town, with audiences enjoying a night of glitz and glamour as the singer and actor performed his popular hits. However, the next morning revealed an unpleasant aftermath: the concert venue was littered with trash, including liquor bottles, plastic water bottles, and wrappers, strewn across the grounds.

This unsightly scene sparked public criticism, particularly following a similar incident in Delhi,



Post concert visuals show trail of trash, including liquor bottles, food, wrappers, plastic bottles left unattended till Monday morning.



DAYANSH JAIN

where athlete Baent Singh brought to light the disarray left after Dosanjh's concert. First India News took a closer look, uncovering the lack of management and oversight surrounding post-event clean-up. As visuals of the littered venue surfaced, questions be-

gan to mount over who is accountable: the event organizers, the attendees, or the clean-up staff, who failed to address the situation promptly. The irony wasn't lost on the public, as Dosanjh had praised the rich cultural heritage of Rajasthan during the concert—a culture rooted in respect for public spaces and natural beauty. But with trash scattered across the grounds, the event left a mark far removed from the ethos of Rajasthan.

Following the online spread of these images, which First India exclusively highlighted, local authorities are reportedly mobilizing in response to the backlash. As Jaipur prepares to host significant events in the coming months, including the Rising Rajasthan summit this December, the incident underscores the need for better crowd and waste management to protect the city's reputation and its valued public spaces.

As Lahore's air pollution hits record high, Pakistan blames 'winds from India'



A teacher & students wear mask to protect themselves from poor air quality in Lahore on Monday.

PTI
Lahore

In view of the plummeting air quality in Lahore city, Pakistan's senior minister Marriyum Aurangzeb, in a press conference Sunday, said "the wind from India towards Lahore" is taking the smog to dangerous levels.

Pakistan's Punjab minister Aurangzeb who holds the environment portfolio in the Cabinet, said they would write to the Foreign Office on Monday to take

up the issue with New Delhi for talks on joint efforts to curb smog.

This comes after Pak's Punjab CM Maryam Nawaz last week hinted at approaching the Indian Punjab chief minister to put up a joint front against smog.

The (AQI) in Lahore hit a record high over the weekend, touching 1900 near the Pakistan-India border on Saturday, based on data released by the provincial govt and Swiss group IQAir.

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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Being open is critical in life, not just to give out compassion and love but also to be open to receive the same.

Dr Jagdeesh Chandra, CMD & Editor-in-Chief



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CHIEF MINISTER CHAIRS A REVIEW MEETING

Ensure timely implementation of Budget plans: CM to officials

First India Bureau
Jaipur

While chairing a review meeting at the Chief Minister's Office, Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma announced the state government's commitment to creating 10 lakh job opportunities over the next five years—6 lakh in the private sector and 4 lakh in the government sector. He emphasised the importance of the upcoming Chief Minister's Employment Festival, scheduled for December, in achieving this employment goal.

Sharma highlighted that previous employment festivals have successfully provided appointment letters to 28,200 youths, expressing optimism for more offers at the upcoming event. He emphasised the government's commitment to transparent, timely recruitment exams as per the Sankalp Patra. The CM directed the Local Bodies Department to expedite recruitment for cleanliness staff and announced plans to fill 48,593 Class IV positions and 3,170 driver vacancies soon, urging departments to prepare applications by March 2025.



Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma chairs a review meeting over execution of budgetary announcements including recruitment and others at the Chief Minister's Office in Jaipur on Monday. Sudhansh Pant and Shikhar Agrawal were also present.

CM's Diwali Gift: ₹183.22 crore to Dairy producers through DBT

First India Bureau
Jaipur

Dairy producers across the state are rejoicing as they receive a subsidy of ₹5 per liter under the Chief Minister's Dairy Producer Support Scheme, coinciding with the Diwali festival. Following instructions from Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma, a total of ₹183.22 crore has been disbursed to over 325,000

MD of RCDF, Shruti Bhardwaj, announced a Rs 600 cr budget for 2024-25. Timely state funding enables the federation to transfer this amount to dairy farmers via DBT

dairy farmers statewide.

In addition to the subsidy, various district milk unions affiliated with the federation have also distributed over ₹20 crore as dividends to dairy producers before the festival. Shruti Bhardwaj, Man-

aging Director of the Rajasthan Cooperative Dairy Federation, stated that a budget of ₹600 crore has been allocated for the scheme in the current financial year (2024-25). The timely release of funds from the state gov-

ernment has enabled the federation to transfer this amount to dairy farmers through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

Bhardwaj highlighted that the scheme plays a significant role in the continuous increase of milk collection in the co-operative dairies of Rajasthan, affirming the federation's commitment to enhancing the social and economic well-being of dairy producers.



Jogaram Patel addresses during an Investor Meet programme held under the 'Rising Rajasthan' initiative for Jodhpur and Jodhpur Rural at the Indiana Palace in Jodhpur on Monday. Rajendra Gehlot, Devendra Joshi, Atul Bhansali and others were present.

Rising Rajasthan will transform Jodhpur & entire state: Min Patel

289 MoUs worth ₹17,350 cr; 57,000 people to gain employment



Rajeev Gaur
Jodhpur

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Jogaram Patel announced on Monday that the 'Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit' will significantly transform Jodhpur and the entire state. He stated that enthusiastic participation from investors in district meetings has resulted in signing MoUs worth ₹17,350 crore, which are expected to create over 57,000 jobs. Patel emphasised that the Marwari

MINISTER VISHNOI INVITES SAUDI ARABIA AS 'COUNTRY PARTNER' FOR RISING RAJ

Minister of State for Industries and Commerce KK Vishnoi is visiting Saudi Arabia, where he met the Assistant Investment Minister and Deputy Investment Minister, inviting them to join as a "Country Partner" in the Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit. An MoU was signed with Swiss Hospitality Company and C Ventures from Saudi Arabia. The delegation also met with company heads and discussed potential investments in the renewable energy sector with Alfanar Projects.

community is known for its entrepreneurial spirit, which plays a crucial role in the economic development of both the state and the nation. He also mentioned that Rajasthan aims to become self-reliant in energy by 2027, ensuring a stable power supply for industries.

The summit highlighted key investments, including a Rs 2,300 cr ce-

ment plant by Marwar Cement in Ghodavet village, expected to create 400 jobs. Proposals also include a Rs1,500 cr rifle manufacturing unit and investments in real estate, agri processing, solar energy, handicrafts, hotels, and tourism. Patel assured govt's promise to promoting enterprises & simplifying land allotment rules for industrial growth.

After First India red flags, JDA razes illegal Katla Bazaar, Kanota Anand



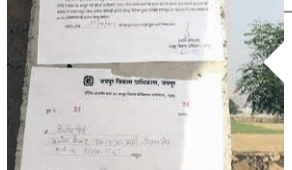
First India Bureau
Jaipur

The JDA's enforcement wing demolished the illegal Katla Bazaar, Kanota Anand on Agra Road on Monday, after First India highlighted the illegal constructions. The operation involved bulldozers taking down cemented roads and boundary walls in the market.

Notices have been issued for the removal of illegal buildings, and the enforcement team dismantled cemented infrastructure following reports of the illegal market, allegedly backed by two influential families.



A bulldozer demolishes illegal colony Kanota Anand near Kanota on Agra Highway in Jaipur.



A JDA notice at the site near Dayarampur Bus stand where illegal colony Kanota Anand was being planned to be constructed.

Despite challenges from these powerful individuals, the JDA Zone 13 Deputy Commissioner and enforcement wing

have taken action, demonstrating their commitment to addressing unauthorised developments in the area.

Single Patta: Raj govt challenges court ruling on ex-minister Dhariwal

First India Bureau
Jaipur

The Rajasthan government has approached the Supreme Court concerning former minister Shanti Dhariwal in the single lease deed case. A new affidavit has been submitted alongside a counter affidavit that challenges the cancellation of prosecution against him. Additional Advocate General Shivmangal Sharma represented the Rajasthan government in filing this affidavit. The government has requested the earlier order related to the case be set aside and is seeking a review of the matter in the trial court. Previously, an affidavit



Additional Advocate General Shivmangal Sharma filed an affidavit on behalf of the Rajasthan govt, seeking to overturn the previous order & requesting a trial court review

submitted by the state government to the Supreme Court had cleared Shanti Dhariwal of any wrongdoing.

Country will prosper only if the Annadatas prosper: Om Birla

Bhanwar S Charan
Kota

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Monday participated in the Muhurat Puja organized after Diwali by the Kota Grain and Seeds Merchant Association at the Bhamashah Krishi Upaj Mandi. Birla started the auction after worshipping Lord Ganesha and prayed for a good harvest, as well as the happiness and prosperity of the farmers. The Bhamashah Mandi complex is one of the largest grain markets in the country.

Birla said that society prospers due to the hard work of farmers. "The prosperity of our country lies in the prosperity of every farmer. The more self-reliant and strong



Om Birla worships Lord Ganesha during the Mahurat Puja ceremony held at Bhamashah Krishi Upaj Mandi in Kota on Monday.

Our society thrives on the hard work and dedication of farmers; the prosperity of every farmer reflects nation's prosperity. The more self-reliant & strong our farmers are, the stronger our country will be.

OM BIRLA, LOK SABHA SPEAKER

our farmers become, the stronger the country will be," he said.

Birla wished the farmers and traders a happy

Deepotsav. MLA Kalpana Devi, Mandi Association President Avinash Rathi, and others were present on the occasion.

DGP hosts memorable Diwali Sneh Milan Samaroh

Shivendra Parmar, Kamal Kant Vyas & Navin Sharma
Jaipur

DGP Utkal Ranjan Sahoo warmly hosted a lively Diwali Sneh Milan Samaroh at his residence on Monday evening, welcoming police officials, bureaucrats, and notable guests. CS Sudhansh Pant joined the celebration dedicating 2 hours to the festivities. DGP's residence was beautifully decorated and illuminated, creating a festive atmosphere that delighted all attendees. Guests particularly enjoyed the di-

The DGP's residence was festively decorated, delighting attendees. Guests enjoyed a variety of delicious delicacies, enhancing the celebration's charm

verse array of delicious delicacies, adding to the celebration's charm. DGP Sahoo made sure everyone felt at home, personally greeting attendees & fostering positivity between police & administration. Also present during the occasion were ACS Shikhar Agrawal,

Police Commissioner Biju George Joseph, Gayatri Rathore, Raghavendra Suhas, ML Lather, Laxman Gaur, Navdeep Singh, Hawa Singh Ghumaria, Anil Paliwal, Vinita Thakur, Anil Goyal, Ajay Pal Lamba, Hemant Priyadarshy, Yogesh Dadhich, Shankar Dutt Sharma, Devendra Bishnoi, Ajit Singh, Omendra Bhardwaj, Ashok Rathore, Sanjay Agarwal, Manoj Bhatt, Kuldeep Rana, Rashi Dogra, Amit Kumar Budhanian, Tejaswini Gautam, Preeti Chandra, Malini Agarwal, Shweta Dhanekar and others.



Utkal Ranjan Sahoo with Sudhansh Pant during the Diwali Sneh Milan Samaroh in Jaipur on Monday.



Utkal Ranjan Sahoo being greeted by Anand Kumar Srivastava during the gala evening.



Hawa Singh Ghumaria, UR Sahoo, Alok Tripathi & Rajeshwar Singh at DGP's residence on Monday.



UR Sahoo being warmly greeted by Anand Kumar during the mega event. Also seen is Vaibhav Galriya.



Jaswant Sampatram, Utkal Ranjan Sahoo, KS Bains & Kapil Garg enjoy a delightful evening.



UR Sahoo with Ravi Prakash Meharda & his wife during the programme. Also seen here is Sudhansh Pant.

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MAGICAL MUSICAL EVENING!

Diljit Dosanjh's electrifying Jaipur concert left an unforgettable impact on the Pink City, drawing a massive audience to the Jaipur Exhibition & Convention Centre.

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Diljit Dosanjh electrified Jaipur with an energetic performance

DILJIT DOSANJH'S ELECTRIFYING JAIPUR DEBUT



City First captured the glitz and glamour of Diljit Dosanjh's electrifying Jaipur concert, where the superstar's powerful performance and heartfelt cultural gestures lit up the Pink City in unforgettable style!

From Beats to Bonding!

As a young girl and budding journalist growing up, I watched the rise of Punjabi stars with admiration. I recall the infectious energy, the rhythms that made everyone dance, and the cultural pride that radiated through each song. When Diljit Dosanjh burst onto the scene, he redefined what it meant to be a Punjabi artist, transcending boundaries with his charismatic blend of music and culture. And here he was, an international superstar, performing in Jaipur—my very own Pink City.

The anticipation surrounding Diljit's arrival was palpable. The Dil-Luminati Tour had been taking the world by storm, and on Sunday night, Jaipur's very air seemed to thrum with excitement as fans gathered at the Jaipur Exhibition & Convention Centre (JECC) to witness this musical icon live. Produced by Saregama LIVE and Ripple Effect Studio, the tour was extended due to an overwhelming response from fans across India. After captivating audiences in Delhi, Diljit was ready to bring his magic to Jaipur, a city he hadn't visited before but immediately connected with.

As the lights dimmed and Diljit took the stage dressed in a chic white outfit, the crowd erupted and it was clear we were in for an unforgettable night. With his trademark blend of charisma and authenticity, Diljit launched into his first song, setting the night ablaze. Every note, every beat seemed to



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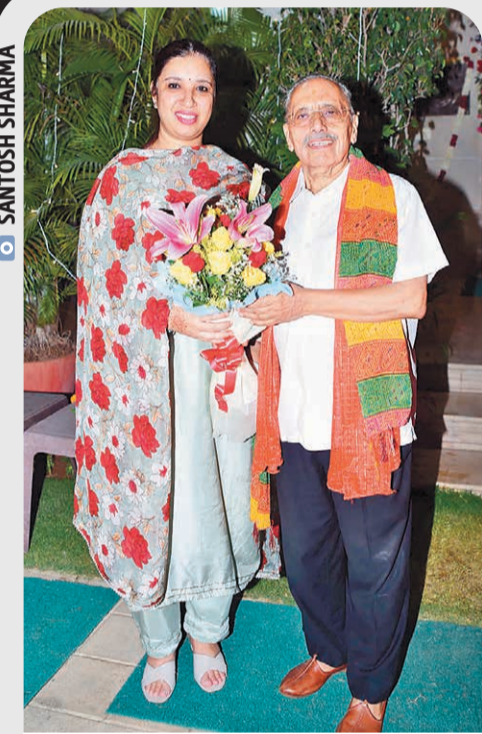
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resonate with the crowd, who sang along passionately, embodying the spirit of the Pink City and its warmth.

One of the evening's highlights was a touching moment when Diljit invited a local Marwari fan on stage. In a gesture of respect, he admired the fan's 'pagdi,' remarking, "Yeh pagdi humari shaan hai; yeh humare desh ki yahi khoobsurti hai." This heartfelt interaction not only bridged cultural differences but also underscored Diljit's profound respect for India's diverse heritage. It was a moment that left the audience in awe, forging a deeper connection between artist and fans.

Diljit's performance was a seamless journey through genres, from high-energy bhangra that had the audience dancing in unison to soulful ballads that touched hearts. His versatile setlist kept everyone on their toes, and he even playfully shouted, "Mera bhai Marwari aa gaya oye!" while performing "Main Hoon Punjab." The crowd responded with thunderous applause and cheers, fully immersed in this celebration of music and unity.

As the concert came to a close, Diljit thanked the Jaipur audience for their love and warmth. His words, filled with gratitude, lingered long after he left the stage, marking an extraordinary night for everyone present. Diljit Dosanjh's Jaipur concert wasn't merely a performance; it was a cultural convergence, a celebration of art, and a memory etched into the hearts of all who were there. With the Dil-Luminati Tour continuing to spread joy across India, Diljit's Jaipur chapter will remain a magical milestone—a night where the Pink City embraced a true star.



Dr Jagdeesh Chandra congratulates Kavita Chauhan

PROUD MOMENT!



Heartiest congratulations to the First India News team for an incredible achievement! Superstar Diljit Dosanjh recently shared on his social media, having more than 20 M followers, the exclusive interview conducted by Kavita Chauhan, bringing immense pride to the First India family. Kavita's dedication and passion truly shined through, capturing Diljit's admiration as he praised the charm of Jaipur and proudly flaunted his Jaipur sweatshirt. Dr Jagdeesh Chandra extended heartfelt congratulations to Kavita for her outstanding efforts, which have brought well-deserved recognition. This moment celebrates First India News's commitment to delivering exclusive, impactful stories.



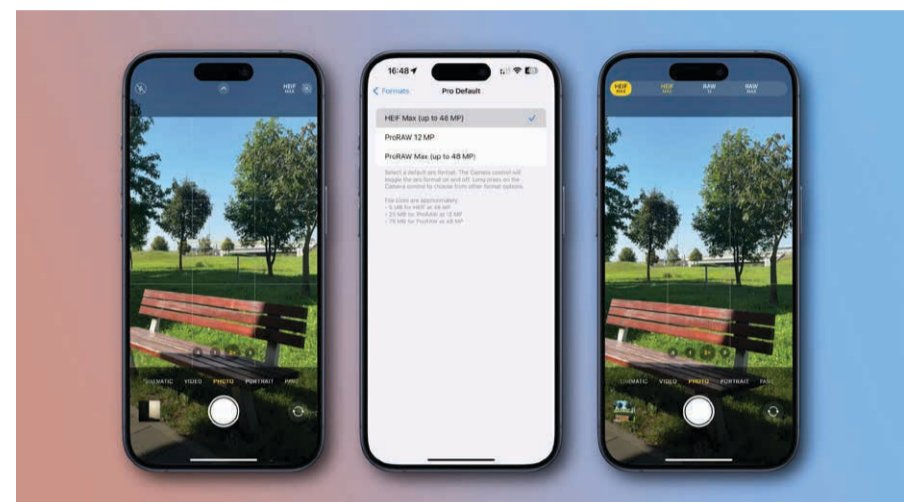
Thank You Jaipur



Preserve Memories Digitally



Big companies often change their policies about how photos are saved. For instance, depending on what phone and when it was bought, Google's cloud storage may have saved photos in a "storage saver" format that lowers the quality of images by sizing them down or compressing them differently. This affects your ability to make high-quality prints or view the photos on high-resolution screens down the road. Unless someone is astute enough to notice small text here and there that mentions it, most users won't even realize it's happening.



PRINTING PHOTOS

If cloud storage and hard drives seem too complicated, there's always the old-fashioned approach to printing. There's still something magical about seeing a photo on a wall or in an album, and thankfully there are ways to print professional-quality archival prints without having to go to a drugstore.



The easiest and most cost-efficient types of printers are dedicated 4x6 printers using a technology similar to professional labs called dye-sublimation. These yield high-quality, waterproof prints that cost about the same as what one would pay for drugstore development. HP makes its popular Sprocket line of printers, though those require a phone and an app to print from, which makes plugging in a memory card from a professional camera out of the question. However, Canon's Selphy lineup

includes many models with screens and a card slot to make that possible. The rabbit hole goes very deep, and many professional printers can print even larger sizes. Canon and Epson dominate this space, marketing a range of pigment- and dye-based printers that can emphasize archival needs or colour saturation, respectively. Another option is ordering a photo book, which, as the name suggests, is a physical bound book of your photos.

However, photo books are probably more appropriate for memorializing an event – trip, wedding, project – than general archiving, given the typical costs and number of photos involved. There's little reason to not make some sort of backup of photos in 2024, whether that's on printed media, hard drives or in the cloud. The important thing is not which method to use, but to do it at all.

<https://theconversation.com/how-to-archive-your-photos-in-the-digital-age-239175>



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Taking photographs used to be a careful, conscious act. Photos were selective, frozen moments in time carefully archived in albums and frames. Now, taking a photograph is almost as effortless and common as breathing – it's something that people do all the time in the age of smartphone cameras with seemingly endless digital film.

But the downside to capturing every moment is that it creates a mountain of those moments to save for the future. Those photos can be easily lost if they're not archived properly. All it can take is one accidental dip in the toilet for your phone, and all that data is lost forever.

So what's a practical backup strategy for the average person? Here are a few ways to make sure memories are never lost:

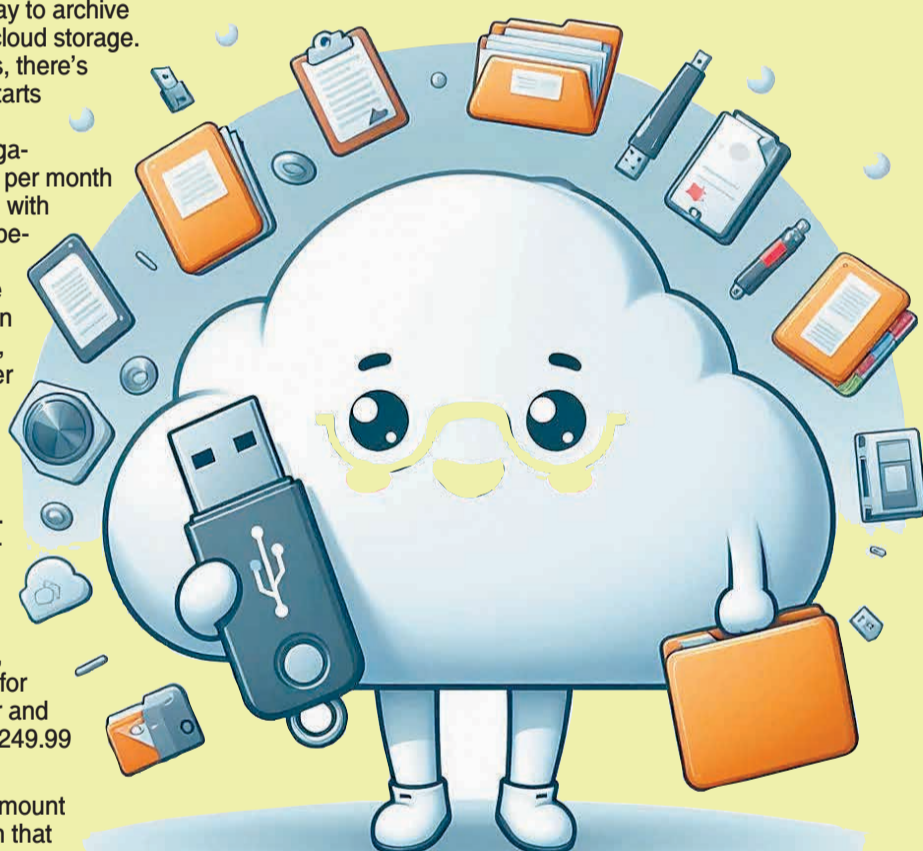
CLOUD STORAGE

The simplest way to archive your photos is cloud storage. For Apple users, there's iCloud, which starts at US\$0.99 per month for 50 gigabytes to \$59.99 per month for 12 terabytes with various tiers in between. With an average iPhone photo clocking in at 3 megabytes, that's a little over 16,000 photos for the cheap plan and 4 million or so for the largest plan. Google's Google One cloud storage is most cost-effective for yearly plans, with 2TB going for \$99.99 per year and 5TB going for \$249.99 per year.

The actual amount you can store in that space does vary greatly with how a file is shot. The video has larger file sizes than photos. HEIF files, a newer format on Apple phones, compress files into smaller packages, but long-term compatibility is unknown since the format hasn't been in use for as long as the standard JPG file, which has been around since 1992.

While cloud services from big providers generally provide the easiest way for most average folks to back up their photos, and operate with little to no intervention via apps that are already on the phone constantly uploading every photo taken, there are risks involved.

Big companies often change



their policies about how photos are saved. For instance, depending on what phone and when it was bought, Google's cloud storage may have saved photos in a "storage saver" format that lowers the quality of images by sizing them down or compressing them differently. This affects your ability to make high-quality prints or view the photos on high-resolution screens down the road. Unless someone is astute enough to notice small text here and there that mentions it, most users won't even realize it's happening.

And what happens to cloud services when things go badly wrong? Users of photo backup

service Digital Railroad found out the hard way. In 2008, the company abruptly shut down and gave its users 24 hours to download everything before the servers were shut down. Photographers rushed for the exits, trying to grab their photos on the way out, only to strain the servers to the point where few were able to recover anything at all. If this was the only way photos were backed up, it's a lost cause.

So while the cloud is easy, costs can add up and terms of service can change at a moment's notice. What are some ways for photographers to control their fate?

HARD DRIVES AND NETWORK-ATTACHED STORAGE

Manually taking photos off a phone may take some extra time, but the approach offers peace of mind that cloud services can't necessarily match.

Almost all phones can plug into a computer's USB port and use the built-in Photos app on both Windows and MacOS to download photos to a computer. Apple users can use a method called AirDrop to send photos wirelessly to other Apple devices as well, including laptop and desktop computers.

Now loading photos onto a local hard drive built into the machine can fill it up quickly, but there is a cost-effective way to get

around that – namely, external hard drives. These are storage devices that you can plug into your computer as needed. They can be of the older and less expensive type with spinning platters or more modern solid-state drives that can survive a drop and greater temperature changes than the older drives can. These are different than flash drives, more commonly known as thumb drives because of their small size, that are designed as temporary storage to shuffle photos from one place to another.

It's easy to buy more than one hard drive to have duplicate

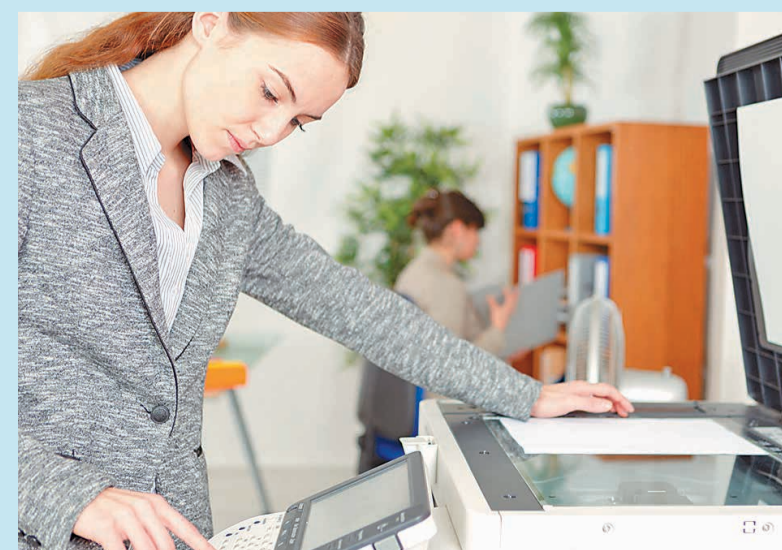
backups in case of failure or catastrophe, but the downside is that there's no easy access from the internet to your photos, and backup is generally a process that users must remember to do.

Network-attached storage is one way to solve the cloud storage problem while retaining the ability to access photos from the internet. These are essentially hard drives – sometimes multiple hard drives linked together for even greater or faster storage – that are connected to a router that allows for access to the internet through specialized software.

While not as easy as most



third-party cloud storage services, once it's set up, a network-attached storage unit is a flexible way to store your photos safely and accessibly. There are even companies that specialize in fireproof and waterproof units for extra insurance in case of disaster.

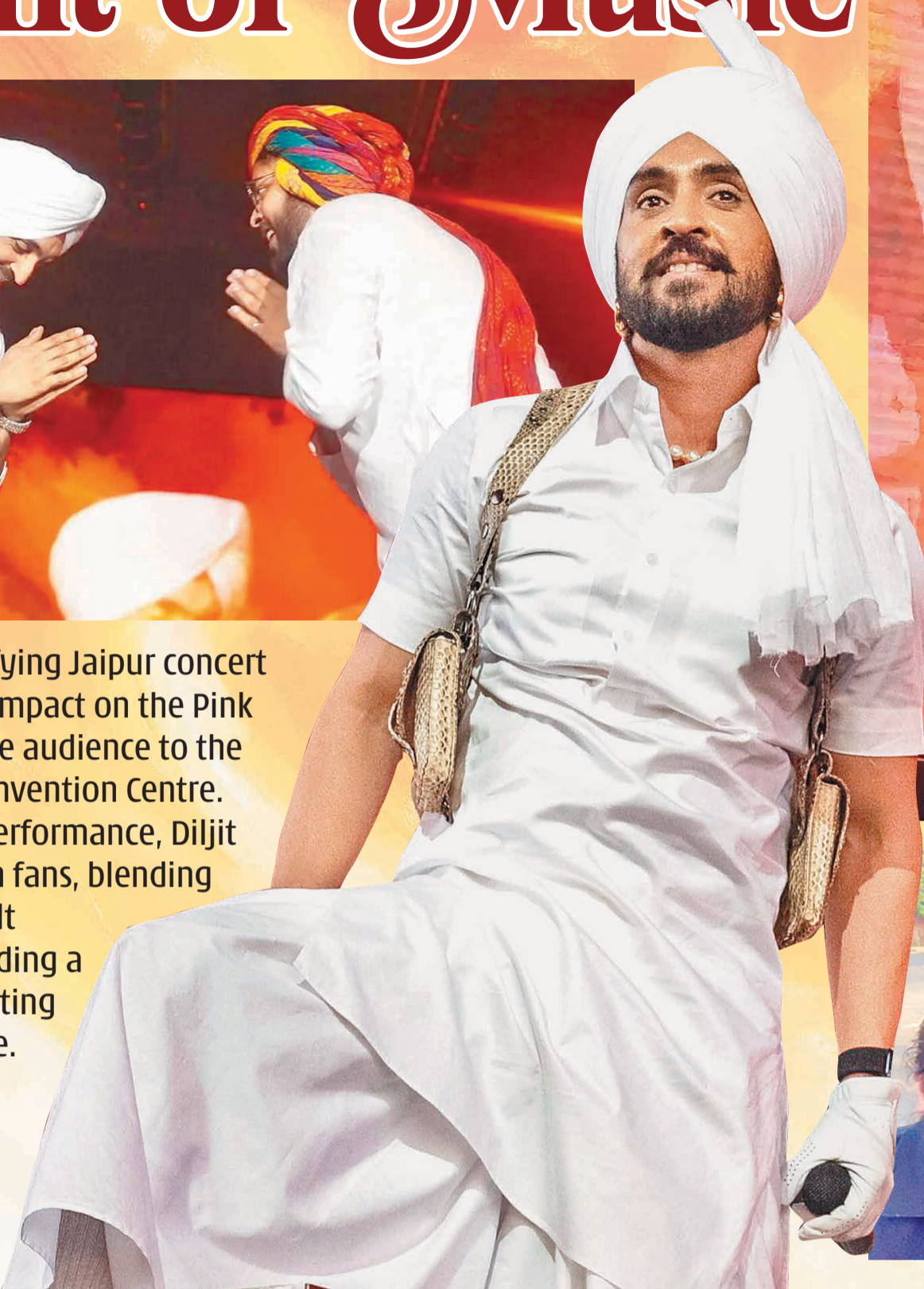


Enchanting Night of Music



A humble gesture of a Marwadi fan

Diljit Dosanji's electrifying Jaipur concert left an unforgettable impact on the Pink City, drawing a massive audience to the Jaipur Exhibition & Convention Centre. With his charismatic performance, Diljit connected deeply with fans, blending his music with heartfelt cultural tributes, including a touching moment inviting a Marwari fan on stage. City First captured the glitz and charm of the event, highlighting how Diljit's presence transformed Jaipur!



Mahak Pasrija, Parmeet Malhotra, Ravleen Mahotra, Boski Malhotra, Nitnam Malhotra, Bani Malhotra & Sonu Malhotra



Joyous chaos unfolds as Diljit ignites the stage



Abhishek, Dipti, Mohit, Chakardhar, Shubhanshu, Ashish & Dipali



Fans enjoy an unforgettable concert night



Diljit embraced by a fan with a warm hug

A kid dressed up as Diljit for the concert



Diljit enthralled the audience with an amazing performance

JOYOUS WEDDING BLISS!



Dr Jagdeesh Chandra with (L-R) Marc Loubier, Anurita Arora & Dr Mukta Arora



Marc Loubier & Anurita Arora

The grand wedding ceremony of Anurita Arora, daughter of Dr Mukta Arora and Capt PN Arora, with Marc Loubier, son of Sherri and Mark Loubier, unfolded beautifully at Utsav, Sapna Shakti Officer's Institute in Hasanpura, Jaipur on Sunday. Dr Jagdeesh Chandra graced the occasion, offering his heartfelt blessings to the newlyweds. Surrounded by close friends and family, the event radiated warmth and joy, with loved ones showering their best wishes on the couple. This enchanting celebration not only symbolized the union of two individuals but also marked the joyous merging of two families. Love, laughter, and cherished memories filled the air, setting the stage for the couple's exciting new journey together.

SUNIL SHARMA

MEET & GREET!



Dr Jagdeesh Chandra was greeted by Shweta Mishra Awasthi of the First India family, as she reached the former's residence, to seek blessings on the occasion of her birthday on Sunday.

Luxury Meets HERITAGE



The exquisite interior of the Rolex boutique

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Khimji Ramdas has inaugurated Rajasthan's first-ever Rolex boutique in Jaipur, located at the historic Shekhawat Haveli in C-Scheme. Spanning 701 sq. ft., this boutique combines the sophistication of Rolex with Jaipur's traditional craftsmanship, creating an exquisite space for luxury timepiece enthusiasts. Embracing local design elements, the boutique's interiors showcase rich ivory, maroon, and brown tones, complemented by teak wood and antique brass, echoing Jaipur's heritage with a modern twist.

Nailesh Khimji, Director of Khimji Ramdas, reflected on the brand's six-decade relationship



with Rolex, highlighting their mutual commitment to expanding Rolex's presence in India. "Our six-decade partnership with Rolex has allowed us to meet India's growing demand for luxury

timepieces. We aim to enhance experiences for discerning buyers with this unique offering," he stated.

The Shekhawat Haveli setting embodies Rolex's values of excellence and precision. Every aspect, from refined showcases lined in beige leather with bronze trims to thoughtfully designed lighting, enhances the beauty of Rolex timepieces. A striking emerald aqua wall, inspired by the iconic Oyster—the world's first waterproof wristwatch—serves as a focal point, with wave motifs symbolizing Rolex's heritage. The boutique's walls feature an elegant mix of walnut brown wood, beige stone, and handcrafted stucco, recalling the fluted bezel of the Oyster watch, creating a space that captures Rolex's Swiss watchmaking legacy.

Art Tour Extravaganza!

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A unique art tour featuring watercolour artists from India and abroad commenced on Sunday at Hotel Grand Uniarra in Jaipur. This five-day event, organised by "Travel Sketch Love," aims to showcase the art and culture of Jaipur through a series of workshops and cultural experiences, running until November 8. Artists from countries including Sweden, the USA, Australia, Taiwan

and Thailand were welcomed by organiser Shikha Garg. On November 6, participants will embark on a "cultural walk," immersing themselves in the city's heritage. Under the guidance of renowned watercolourist Andy Evanson, artists will refine their skills and create stunning representations of iconic sites like Jal Mahal and Amer-Nahargarh. Evansen expressed his excitement about this being his first trip to India, emphasizing the enriching experience of learning and teaching alongside global artists.



Dr Jagdeesh Chandra was greeted by Aditya Sharma, Advocate, Gopal Surolia, Jeweller and Rituraj Sharma during a courtesy visit at the former's residence on Monday. The meeting saw an exchange of heartfelt festive greetings and an offering of Diwali wishes, as they sought Dr Chandra's blessings for the festival of lights.

POLO CLUB!

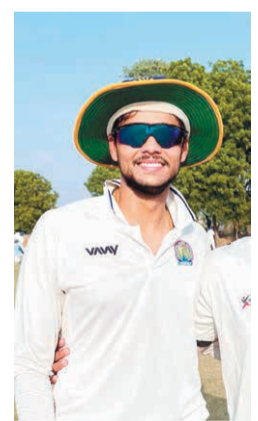


In the final match of Jaipur's September Polo Season 2024, Team RPC defeated Kanota Polo with a decisive 10-4 victory, winning the RPC Polo Cup (2 goals) at the Rajasthan Polo Club Ground on Monday. HH Maharaja Sawai Padmanabh Singh led the scoring for RPC with 5 goals, while teammates Siddhant Singh and Aryan Singh added 3 and 2 goals, respectively. Kanota Polo's Divyaman Singh Dujod and Anirudh Mavaji scored one goal each, with the team benefitting from a 2-goal handicap.

ACHIEVEMENT!



Manyata Suthar, an archer from Bikaner's Eklavya Archery Academy and a student of PM Shri Sadul Higher Secondary School, has secured her spot in the National School Archery Competition (under 17) on Monday, to be held from November 10 to 12 in Gujarat. Representing Rajasthan, Manyata earned her position by placing third in the trials. She previously won a bronze at the state level and has achieved accolades in various categories under coach Anil Joshi. Her selection brings pride to Bikaner's sports community.



In the 26th Naveen-Nafees Tournament pre-quarterfinal on Monday, NB Academy clinched victory over Vivek Yadav Memorial Cricket Academy at Aravali Cricket Ground, Jaipur. Vivek Yadav Academy batted first, scoring 134 runs in 19.4 overs, with Yuvraj Meena contributing 82 runs. Chirag Sharma and Pyare Singh excelled in bowling for NB Academy, each taking 4 wickets. In response, NB Academy reached 136 runs in 18.4 overs, with Chirag Sharma's outstanding 58-run innings securing the win for his team.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!



Sankat Mochan Hanuman Temple in Ambabari, Jaipur, recently celebrated Annakut by offering fresh grains, seasonal vegetables, and delicacies to Ram Darbar and Sankat Mochan Hanuman. Prasadi was distributed to around 2,500 devotees. Temple Trust President Surendra Kumar Gupta and Ram Darbar Secretary Suresh Agarwal highlighted the joint efforts of both temples. Trustees and committee members, including Mukesh Agarwal, Dr Pushkar Tiwari, and Councillor Mahesh Sanghi, were also present.

SANTOSH SHARMA



Dholi Meena with the Indian community in Europe

Dholi Meena recently celebrated the Deepawali festival with the Indian community in Malta, Organised by BAPS Swaminarayan Satsang Mandal Malta, the event took place at the Orpheum Theater due to the absence of a local temple. This event marked the biggest Annakut program in Europe. This vibrant festival, known for its grandeur in India, was joyfully observed abroad, where Meena participated alongside fellow community members. The celebration included group worship, heartfelt prayers for welfare, and melodious bhajans, culminating in a festive tribute to the Hindu New Year.

MUKESH KIRADOO



The "Kala Yatra" begins in Jaipur on November 3, featuring 14 artists from India and abroad. Under the guidance of renowned watercolour artist Andy Evans, the workshop will run until November 5 at Hotel Pride Amber Vilas. Artists will create live paintings at iconic sites like Amer Fort and Jaleb Chowk, showcasing Jaipur's beauty and cultural heritage to local and international art enthusiasts.