



Supporters of EV Ramasamy (Periyar) stage a protest against Naam Tamilar Katchi leader Seeman over his remarks on Periyar, in Chennai



Polling officials check election material, on the eve of municipal elections, in Champawat district of Uttarakhand



A security official stands guard at the Attari-Wagah Border ahead of the Republic Day celebrations, in Amritsar district, Punjab



Bollywood actors Shabana Azmi and Rajit Kapur, right, during 'Coal India Kolkata Literary Meet', in Kolkata, West Bengal

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Sailors are silhouetted against the setting sun at the Hussain Sagar lake, in Hyderabad, Telangana

Labourer dies after falling off 7-storey building in Thane

**THANE:** A 40-year-old labourer died after falling from a seven-storey building in Maharashtra's Thane district while cleaning solar panels, police said on Wednesday. The incident took place on Monday evening at the building located at Vaylenagar in Shahapur area, they said. The victim, identified as Yeshwant Gawari, was cleaning the solar panels atop the building when he slipped and fell on the ground, an official from Khadakpada police station said. The labourer's colleagues rushed him to a nearby hospital where doctors declared him dead, the police said. The body was sent to a government hospital for post-mortem. The Khadakpada police registered a case of accidental death and were conducting a probe into it, the official said.

Army troops open fire on Pakistani drone along LoC in J&K's Poonch

**MENDHAR/JAMMU:** Army troops opened fire to bring down a Pakistani drone which entered into the Indian side from across the Line of Control (LoC) in Poonch district of Jammu and Kashmir early Wednesday, officials said. However, the drone returned to Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) after hovering briefly over an area near the border fence in Mendhar sector, they said. The troops picked up the movement of the drone around 1 am and fired nearly a dozen rounds. A search operation was launched with the first light of the day on Wednesday to ensure there was no airdropping of weapons or narcotics by the drone, the officials said.

Eight killed, ten injured as truck falls into valley in Karnataka

**YELLAPURA (KARNATAKA):** At least eight persons were killed and 10 others sustained injuries when the truck in which they were travelling fell into a 50-metre-deep valley near here in the wee hours of Wednesday, a police officer said. The victims, all fruit vendors, started from Savanur and were heading towards the Yellapura fair to sell fruits. They were traveling on the Savanur - Hubballi road when the accident occurred in a forested section, the Uttara Kannada Superintendent of Police M Narayana said. "Around 5.30 am, the truck driver in a bid to give side to another vehicle went to the extreme left and fell into an about 50 metre deep valley," Narayana told PTI.

Man stabbed to death over old enmity in Delhi, 3 minors held

**NEW DELHI:** A 23-year-old man was stabbed to death allegedly by three minors over old enmity in south Delhi, police said on Wednesday. The victim was identified as Mukul, a resident of Madangir area, police said. A senior police officer said that on Tuesday around 5 pm, they received information regarding a stabbing incident in Madangir area. Upon reaching the spot, they took Mukul to a hospital where he later died. A case was registered and three juveniles were apprehended, the officer said. The officer said that one of the accused in Mukul's neighbour and have some old enmity. Further investigation is underway.

Elaborate security arrangements for Coldplay concert in Ahmedabad

**AHMEDABAD:** A team from the National Security Guard and a special forces unit will be a part of the elaborate security apparatus set up for the upcoming Coldplay concert in Ahmedabad, a police official said on Wednesday. The British rock band will perform at the Narendra Modi stadium in the city's Motera area on January 25 and 26 as part of its India tour. The venue is the world's largest cricket stadium that can accommodate more than 1 lakh spectators. As many as 3,825 policemen will be deployed in and around the stadium, said Joint Commissioner of Police, Neeraj Badgajar. Dignitaries and VIPs from India and across the world are expected to attend the concert.

Two held with 700 grams of heroin in UP

**BALLIA (UP):** Two persons were arrested on Wednesday, and 700 grams of heroin worth more than Rs 1.4 crore was recovered from them, a senior police officer said. Superintendent of Police Omveer Singh told reporters that the arrests were made as part of an ongoing anti-narcotics operation. The suspects, Anil Singh and Ripunjay Tiwari were apprehended near the Hanuman Temple at Chakia's Bari Bandh in the Dubhar police station area, he said.

# Mirwaiz Umar Farooq-led delegation to meet Waqf Bill panel chief on Friday

**PTI, NEW DELHI:** Mirwaiz Umar Farooq, religious head of Kashmir, will lead a delegation on Friday to meet Jagdambika Pal, the chairman of joint committee of Parliament examining the Waqf (Amendment) Bill here. A brief statement issued by Muthahida Majlis-E-Ulema (MMU), headed by the Mirwaiz, said the delegation would highlight its strong reservations regarding certain provisions of the Bill that will have far-reaching implications for the management and autonomy of Waqf properties and the welfare of Muslim communities especially the underprivileged. This is for the first time the Mirwaiz, who also heads the virtually defunct separatist conglomerate Hurriyat Conference, has stepped out of the Kashmir valley

post abrogation of the special status of erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir. The MMU had written to Pal twice seeking time to meet him to convey its "serious" concerns about the proposed amendments to the Waqf Bill. In a reminder to his September letter, the Mirwaiz wrote to Pal and had sought an urgent meeting to discuss the proposed amendments. The Mirwaiz expressed significant concerns regarding the amendments, which the MMU believes can adversely affect religious, social and charitable institutions within the community. The organisation highlighted that the proposed changes might undermine the autonomy and fundamental purpose of Waqf properties. The MMU - a coalition

**DMK'S RAJA WRITES TO WAQF PANEL CHIEF TO DEFER JPC MEETINGS PROPOSED ON JAN 24, 25**  
**PTI, NEW DELHI:** DMK MP A Raja on Wednesday wrote to waqf panel chief Jagdambika Pal on behalf of the opposition to postpone the proposed sittings of the joint parliamentary committee proposed on January 24 and 25. In a letter to the waqf parliamentary panel chief, Raja said it is practically not possible for the members to recollect the evidence and materials essentially needed for the moving of the amendments and discussion on the waqf bill at such a short notice. He said during the tour programme to meet various stakeholders in Lucknow on Tuesday, the members had requested Pal to postpone the meeting of JPC proposed on January 24 and 25 for taking up the bill clause by clause. The panel is examining the waqf bill after it was introduced in Lok Sabha during the monsoon session of Parliament in August last year.

representing various Islamic organisations, Ulemas, and academic institutions in Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh - believes that the proposed amendments threaten the interests of the Muslim community and violates fundamental rights. "The proposed amendments, as outlined in our previous correspondence, pose serious challenges to the autonomy and purpose of Waqf properties. These proposed changes have created widespread distress and apprehensions among the Muslims in Jammu and Kashmir," the MMU letter had stated. "As a result, it is imperative that these concerns be addressed through meaningful dialogue rather than unilateral actions. We believe that a meeting with your good self will provide an opportunity for that," it added. The Mirwaiz had stressed that Jammu and Kashmir, "being a Muslim-majority state, requires its concerns to be heard and addressed thoughtfully". The Bill introduced in the Lok Sabha was referred to a joint committee of Parliament after a heated debate,

with the government asserting that the proposed law did not intend to interfere with the functioning of mosques and the positioning saying it targeted Muslims and calling it an attack on the Constitution.

FOLK FUSION



Artists of Haryana tableau during a press preview of tableaux that will participate in the Republic Day Parade 2025, at Rashtriya Rangshala Camp in New Delhi

18 students hospitalised in Chhattisgarh, locals blame nearby cement plants

**PTI, BALODABAZAR:** At least 18 students of a government school were hospitalised on Wednesday after they complained of uneasiness in Chhattisgarh's Balodabazar-Bhatapara district, with locals blaming nearby cement plants for causing pollution, officials said. While officials said the exact reason behind the situation was yet to be ascertained, the authorities shut down the Alternate Fuel Resources (AFR) centre at one cement plant in the area over the alleged violation of green norms. The company said it has launched an internal probe. At least 18 students of Government Higher Secondary Girls School at Khapradih village complained of uneasiness and drowsiness following which they were shifted to the Community Health Centre in nearby Suhela, Balodabazar-Bhatapara Collector Dipak Soni told PTI. Later, six of them were referred to different facilities, including the district hospital, he said. Their condition was reported to be stable, he said. Complaints were received about pollution at AFR centre of Shree Cement plant located near the school following which an inspection was carried out on the factory premises, the official said. Prima facie, violation of anti-pollution norms was found in its operation, which involved the use of chemicals for decomposition of materials for producing fuel.

Access to judiciary weaponised, institutions not working within doman: VP

**PTI, NEW DELHI:** Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar on Wednesday said access to judiciary has been "weaponised" and it poses a great challenge to India's governance and democratic values. He also said institutions are not working within their domain. In an apparent attack on the judiciary, he said every day one finds advisories being issued and executive functions being performed by bodies that have no jurisdiction or jurisprudential authority or competence to perform those actions. "To put it in a layman's language, a teshildar can never record an FIR. How so very strongly he may feel because our Constitution ordains institutions have to work within their own domain. Are they working? I'll answer for you, no," he said. He said "day in and day out you will find advisories emanating (and) executive functions being performed by bodies that have no jurisdictional or jurisprudential authority or competence to perform those actions". The vice president made these remarks while addressing students of the Indian Institute of Democratic Leadership here. "We have a fundamental right in the country, and the right is we can access judiciary. It's a fundamental right but in the last few decades access to judiciary has been weaponised... it is posing a great challenge to our governance, our democratic values," he said. Dhankhar was of the view that institutions are yielding ground to other institutions, "and that is being done out of expediency".

## India on track to meet SDG health targets well ahead of 2030: Govt

**PTI, NEW DELHI:** The Union Cabinet on Wednesday reviewed the progress under the National Health Mission (NHM) over the last three years and was informed that with significant progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), India is on track to meet its health targets well ahead of the 2030 deadline. The NHM has contributed to improving India's public health outcomes through its relentless efforts in expanding human resources, addressing critical health issues, and fostering an integrated response to health emergencies, the Cabinet was informed. Over the last three years, the NHM has driven substantial progress in multiple areas, including maternal and child health, disease elimination, and healthcare infrastructure, an official statement said. The Cabinet also gave its

nod to continue the mission for the next two years for achievements of the targets under SDG. "With significant progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), India is on track to meet its health targets well ahead of the 2030 deadline," the statement said, adding "The ongoing efforts of NHM have successfully led to a dramatic transformation in India's healthcare landscape." The mission's efforts have been integral to India's health improvements, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic, and have played a vital role in ensuring more accessible and quality healthcare services across the country, it stated. The Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, was apprised of the progress under NHM during 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 on Wednesday.

CHANGE IN NAME

I ASHABE USSEN BEG r/o H NO 57, MUSLIMWADA, BICHOLIM, GOA like to change my name from ASHABE HUSSAIN BAIG to ASHABE USSEN BEG. Hereafter in all my dealing and documents I will be known by the name ASHABE USSEN BEG.

CHANGE IN NAME

I JOAQUIM VICTOR MATHEW FERNANDES H. NO 619 Figueira Bhat Nerul Bardez Goa would like to correct my name from VICTOR FERNANDES to JOAQUIM VICTOR MATHEW FERNANDES herein after in all my dealings and documents I will be known by my new name JOAQUIM VICTOR MATHEW FERNANDES.

OFFICE OF THE MAMLATDAR TISWADI TALUKA, PANAJI, GOA  
Mutation Case No. COPM/Mutation/43116/Jua  
1. Avila Tania Marques, R/o H. No. 903, Mangualar Vaddo, St. Estevam, Jua Sant Estevam, Tiswadi, Goa ...Applicant

Vs  
1. Agostinho Marques 2. Sebastiana Fernandes 3. Jose Caetano Marques 4. Martha Lurdina Rodrigues 5. Anthony Xavier Marques 6. Eufenia G. Pereira 7. Ana Francisca Dsouza 8. Ida Marques e Fernandes 9. Rosario Fernandes 10. Domnick Jose Marques ...Opponents  
To The Opponents / Their Unknown Legal Heirs

PUBLIC NOTICE

Application made by Avila Tania Marques, R/o H. No. 903, Mangualar Vaddo, St. Estevam, Jua Sant Estevam, Tiswadi, Goa requesting to include name of Avila Tania Marques in the Occupant column of form I & XIV under survey No. 21/2 of Village Jua of Tiswadi Taluka as the applicant has acquired right on landed property for an area admeasuring of 486.50 sq. mts. as per Will bearing re. No. 204 dated 11.08.2005 registered before Sub Registrar Ilhas and also as per Deed of Partition reg under No. 151 dated 04.07.1980 registered before the Sub Registrar Ilhas and also as per Deed of Gift under No. 151 dated 03.07.1980 registered before the Sub Registrar Ilhas. And whereas, the notice in the Form X (under Rule 10) of the L.R.C. 1968 issued to the opponents at the last known address return unserved back with postal remark "Deceased" unserved as the applicant does not know the detail addresses of the legal heirs of the opponents and their further addresses. And whereas the applicant has prayed vide her application dated 18.12.2024 for substituted service by publication of public notice in any one daily newspaper as required under Order V Rule 20 (1A) of C.P.C. 1908 as the applicant does not know the legal heirs of the deceased and their addresses. Now therefore, if any person is having any objection to the above said mutation entry are called upon to submit their objection to me either orally or in writing within fifteen days from the date of publication of this notice. Please note that if No Objection is received by me within said period of fifteen days, it shall be presumed that they agree to the mutation entry and the mutation will be confirmed on any day after the above period is over. Panaji, Dated: 22/01/2025  
Sd/- Sanjivani J. Satardekar  
Joint Mamlatdar II of Tiswadi Taluka

**INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PROVEDORIA) MALA, PANAJI - GOA.**  
**TENDER FOR SUPPLY OF MEDICINE**  
Sealed tender are invited by the Director of IPA (Providoria) up to 11.00 a.m. on 30/01/2025 for supply of medicines to this office/institutions located in North Goa.  
The terms and conditions of the Tender for supply of medicines may be collected from the Head Office of IPA (Providoria), Mala, Panaji - Goa during office working hours between 10.30 am to 4.00 pm, which is available in the treasury of IPA (Providoria) on payment of Rs. 100/- which is not refundable.  
The last date to collect the Tender forms is 27/01/2025 up to 4.00 pm.  
The tender will be opened on the 30/01/2025 at 3.30 p.m.  
The Director reserve the right to reject or accept any or all the offers including the lowest without assigning any reasons thereof.  
DI/Adv/1804/2025

Form No. URC-2  
Advertisement giving notice about registration under Part I of Chapter XXI [Pursuant to Section 374(b) of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rule 4(1) of the Companies (Authorised to Register) Rules, 2014]  
1. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of Sub-Section (2) of Section 366 of the Companies Act, 2013, an application has been made to the Registrar of Companies at Goa, Daman and Diu, that BACTREAT ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS LLP, a Limited Liability Partnership may be registered under Part I of Chapter XXI of the Companies Act, 2013, as a company limited by shares.  
2. The principal objects of the Company are as follows:  
To carry on the business of providing bioremediation solutions for treating contaminated sites, having application in various fields and industries such as agriculture, bio energy, carbon dioxide sequestration using algae, waste water treatment etc., and to provide consultancy services as well as providing micro organisms/enzymes in bulk and such allied activities.  
3. A copy of the draft memorandum and articles of association of the proposed Company may be inspected at the office at D111 BITS Pilani Goa Campus NH-17b, North Goa, Zuarinagar, Goa, India, 403726.  
4. Notice is hereby given that any person objecting to this application may communicate their objection in writing to the Registrar at Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA), Central Registration Centre (CRC), Plot No. 6, 7, 8, Sector 5, IIT Mandargi, District Gurgaon (Haryana), Pin Code - 122050, within twenty one days from the date of publication of this notice, with a copy to the company at its registered office.  
Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2025  
Name(s) of Applicant  
BACTREAT ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS LLP  
Sd/- SRIKANTH MUTNURI Sd/- ANASUYA GANGULY Sd/- SUJAY SENGUPTA