



BSF DG Diljit Singh and other officers during the Bordermen Marathon 2025 event organized by the Border Security Force (BSF), in Amritsar



Rescue operation underway after a bus returning from Mata Vaishno Devi shrine skidded off the road and plunged into a 30-foot gorge, in Jammu



Students come out of an examination centre after appearing in the JKPSC KAS Prelims examination, in Jammu



Models wearing jewellery pose for photographs during a jewellery exhibition DJG Signature 2025, at Bharat Mandapam, in New Delhi



Former Vice President Kamala Harris accepts the chairman's award during the 56th NAACP Image Awards, in Pasadena, California



Houthi militants hold a picture of Lebanon's former Hezbollah leaders, Hassan Nasrallah, during an absent funeral prayer in Sanaa, Yemen



Japanese Emperor Naruhito, left, accompanied by Empress Masako (R), waves to well-wishers from the balcony of the Imperial Palace in Tokyo on his 65th birthday



A makeup artist works backstage prior to the start of the Agatha Ruiz de la Prada fashion show during Fashion Week in Madrid, Spain

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Manipur: Two militants arrested for threatening security forces in viral video

CS assures timely delivery of funds, assistance to displaced people in violence-hit Manipur

PTI, IMPHAL: Two members of the proscribed Kangleipak Communist Party (City Meitei) were arrested for making a video threatening the security forces for arresting some village volunteers, police said on Sunday.

Moirangthem Thoiba (36) was arrested from Thamnepokpi in Bishnu district, while Saikhom Lembur Singh was nabbed from Imphal East district, they said.

Singh was also involved in extortion, police said. In another operation, a combined team of Manipur Police and Assam Rifles arrested two cadres of the

banned United National Liberation Front (K). Those arrested were identified as Wangkhem Rohit Singh (18) and Thangiam Nongam Meetei (18). They were involved in extortion of money from shops and vehicles, police said.

Manipur Chief Secretary Prashant Kumar Singh on Sunday assured that internally displaced people in the violence-hit state would get funds and assistance in time. He also said all-out support from the administration would be provided to them.

Speaking at an event held

in Imphal East district, Singh acknowledged "the hardship faced by the displaced people, who have endured the ongoing conflict for nearly two years, with lack of basic amenities".

The chief secretary asserted that ongoing initiatives would be made more efficient and transparent to provide better support for the displaced people.

More than 250 people have been killed and thousands rendered homeless in ethnic violence between Imphal Valley-based Meiteis and adjoining hills-based Kuki-Zo groups since May 2023.

The chief secretary ex-

pressed admiration for the courage and resilience of those displaced from their homes in enduring the situation.

Noting that there was a delay in providing funds and assistance in the past, Singh assured "timely delivery henceforth and all-out support from the administration" and wished "a safer, free from fear and self-reliant future for the displaced people".

Imphal East Deputy Commissioner Khumanthem Diana Devi also provided 300 bicycles for displaced students and 150 looms with accessories for such women weavers of the district.

ed houses accommodating 1,394 from 359 families.

She mentioned that over 293 families have returned to their villages with the improvement of law and order situation.

During the event, a total of 146 looms with accessories, provided by the Weavers Service Centre under the National Handloom Development Programme, were distributed to internally displaced women weavers.

Powergrid Corporation of India Ltd also provided 300 bicycles for displaced students and 150 looms with accessories for such women weavers of the district.

Atishi becomes first woman to be LoP in Delhi assembly

PTI, NEW DELHI: Former Delhi chief minister and MLA from Kalkaji constituency Atishi was chosen as the Leader of Opposition in the Delhi Assembly at a meeting of AAP MLAs here on Sunday.

With this, Atishi becomes the first woman to hold the post. AAP supreme leader Arvind Kejriwal was also part of the meeting of the party's 22 MLAs where Atishi was picked.

In a press conference, AAP's Delhi unit convenor Gopal Rai said by consensus all AAP MLAs have chosen Atishi as the Leader of Opposition (LoP).

MLA from Burari, Sanjeev Jha, proposed Atishi's name as LoP and all MLAs supported the proposal, said Rai, who is also the MLA from Bahapur.

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A hummingbird stops at a flower in an outfield garden before a spring training baseball game between the Texas Rangers and the San Francisco Giants

Kremlin hails Putin-Trump dialogue as promising

MOSCOW: The Kremlin on Sunday hailed dialogue between Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin - two "extraordinary presidents - as promising, and vowed it would "never give up territory seized in eastern Ukraine. Trump broke with Western policy earlier this month by phoning Putin to discuss how to end the Ukraine conflict - a call hailed by Moscow as ending three years of isolation for the Kremlin leader since he launched his full-scale offensive in February 2022. Top Russian and US officials then met in Saudi Arabia last week to discuss a "restoration" of ties and start a discussion on a possible Ukraine ceasefire -- all without the involvement of Kyiv or Europe. "This is a dialogue between two extraordinary presidents," Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told state TV on Sunday. "That's promising," he added. "It is important that nothing prevents us from realising the political will of the two heads of state." Trump's overtures to Moscow have triggered alarm in Kyiv and across Europe. But it is unclear whether his moves will be able to bring Moscow and Kyiv closer to a truce.

States threaten fines, jail time for local officials who resist Trump's immigration crackdown

PTI, ATLANTA: Republican state lawmakers seeking to aid President Donald Trump's crackdown on illegal immigration are threatening local officials who resist with lawsuits, fines and even potential jail time.

Lawmakers in more than 20 states this year have filed legislation targeting so-called sanctuary policies that limit cooperation with federal immigration authorities, according to an Associated Press analysis using the bill-tracking software Plural.

Some of those states already ban sanctuary policies but are now proposing to punish mayors, council members and other government officials who violate the prohibition.

The goal is to provide teeth to those who are being aggrieved by local governments and local officials who are not abiding by Georgia immigration law, said Republican state Sen. Blake Tillery, whose legislation would allow lawsuits against anyone who implements sanctuary policies. His bill recently passed the Senate and is now in the House.

Opponents have raised concerns that the legislation could lead local police and sheriffs to detain immigrants for longer than they are supposed to under federal law out of fear of getting sued.

We're threatening our local law enforcement officials who are doing the best job

TRUMP DEFENDS MASS DEPORTATIONS, SAYS HE IS DRAINING SWAMP

PTI, WASHINGTON: US President Donald Trump has defended the mass deportation of undocumented foreign nationals, saying his administration draining the swamp by sending home fraudsters, cheaters, globalists and deep state bureaucrats. Trump has made the mass deportation of undocumented migrants a key policy. Addressing the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) outside Washington on Saturday, he said, "The fraudsters, liars, cheaters, globalists, and deep state bureaucrats are being sent packing." "Illegal alien criminals are being sent home. We're draining the swamp and restoring government by the people," he said. As of 2022, unauthorised immigrants represented 3.3 per cent of the total US population and 23 per cent of the foreign-born population, according to Pew Research Centre.

They can keep our communities safe, said Georgia state Sen Nikki Merritt, a Democrat.

The state proposals come

as the Trump administration also has begun taking legal action against governments, officials and employees for violating policies inhibiting arrests

and deportations by US Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The Department of Justice has sued Illinois, Chicago and Cook County, alleging they are violating federal law by not cooperating with immigration authorities.

Using lawsuits to enforce anti-sanctuary laws A Georgia law enacted last year already mandates that local law enforcement cooperate with federal authorities to identify and detain immigrants in the U.S. illegally, or else lose state funding and face misdemeanor charges. The legislation recently passed by the state Senate doubles down by letting people sue local governments, officials and employees for violating the ban.

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Sri Lankan Navy arrests 32 Indian fishermen

PTI, COLOMBO: Sri Lankan authorities on Sunday arrested 32 Indian fishermen and seized 5 fishing boats for allegedly venturing into the territorial waters of the island nation, the Navy said.

The Sri Lankan Navy in a statement said the arrests occurred during a special operation in the sea area north of Mannar.

"Five Indian fishing boats were seized and 32 Indian fishermen apprehended while they were poaching in Sri Lankan waters," the statement said.

The Navy continues to conduct regular patrols and operations in Sri Lankan waters to curb illegal fishing practices of foreign fishing boats, taking into account the impact of those practices on the livelihood of local fishermen,

No passengers, no planes, no benefits. Pakistan's newest airport is bit of a mystery

PTI, GWADAR: With no passengers and no planes, Pakistan's newest and most expensive airport is a bit of a mystery. Entirely financed by China to the tune of USD 240 million, it's anyone's guess when New Gwadar International Airport will open for business.

Located in the coastal city of Gwadar and completed in October 2024, the airport is a stark contrast to the impoverished, remote southwestern Balochistan province around it.

For the past decade, China has poured money into

Balochistan and Gwadar as part of a multibillion dollar project that connects its western Xinjiang province with the Arabian Sea, called the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor or CPEC.

Authorities have hailed it as transformational but there's scant evidence of change in Gwadar. The city isn't connected to the national grid electricity comes from neighboring Iran or solar panels and there isn't enough clean water.

An airport with a 400,000 passenger capacity isn't a priority for the city's 90,000 people.

This airport is not for Pakistan or Gwadar, said Azeem Khalid, an international relations expert who specializes in Pakistan-China ties. It is for China, so they can have secure access for their citizens to Gwadar and Balochistan.

Caught between militants and the military CPEC has catalysed a decadeslong insurgency in resource-rich and strategically located Balochistan. Separatists, aggrieved by what they say is state exploitation at the expense of locals, are fighting for independence targeting

both Pakistani troops and Chinese workers in the province and elsewhere.

Members of Pakistan's ethnic Baloch minority say they face discrimination by the government and are denied opportunities available elsewhere in the country, charges the government denies.

Pakistan, keen to protect China's investments, has stepped up its military footprint in Gwadar to combat dissent.

Intelligence officers monitor journalists visiting Gwadar. The city's fish market is deemed too sensitive for coverage.

Officer killed after gunman took hostages at Pennsylvania hospital

PTI, YORK: A man armed with a pistol and carrying zip ties entered a Pennsylvania hospital's intensive care unit on Saturday and took staff members hostage before he was killed by police in a shootout that also left an officer dead, authorities said.

Three staffers at UPMC Memorial Hospital, including a doctor, a nurse and a custodian, and two other officers were shot and wounded in the attack, York County District Attorney Tim Barker said. A fourth

staff member was injured during a fall, Barker said.

Gunfire erupted after officers from several different agencies went to engage the shooter, who Barker identified as Diogenes Archangel-Ortiz, 49. He said Archangel-Ortiz was holding at gunpoint a female staff member hostage who had her hands tied with zip ties when police opened fire.

"We all have broken hearts and are grieving at his loss," West York Borough Manager Shawn Mauck told The Associated Press.

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Live telecast of the programme on DD News and DD Kisan