



Three killed in latest US strike on "drugboat" in the Eastern Pacific Ocean.



GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thunderstorm • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	21	1	SNY	Los Angeles	20	12	SNY
Colombo	28	24	SNY	Melbourne	26	15	LC
Dhaka	31	19	SNY	Moscow	4	2	SNY
Dubai	26	21	SNY	New York	7	2	SNY
Houston	31	19	TDS	Singapore	28	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	1	-5	SNY
London	13	9	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

Iranian students rally for second day amid war fears

Protests held at 5 universities in Tehran to commemorate those killed in previous crackdown as country braces for possibility of US attack

DUBAI

NEW anti-government protests have begun in Iran, witnesses said Sunday, as university students in Tehran and another city demonstrated around memorials for thousands of people killed in a crackdown on previous nationwide demonstrations about six weeks ago.

Iran's state news agency said students protested at five universities in the capital, Tehran, and one in the city of Mashhad on Sunday. The scattered protests erupted Saturday at universities following 40-day memorials for people killed in January during anti-government rallies.

Iran's government has not commented on the latest protests. Many Iranians have held ceremonies marking the traditional 40-day mourning period in the past week. Most of the protesters are believed to have been killed around January 8 and 9, according to activists tracking the situation.

U.S. FIREPOWER IN WEST ASIA

MAJOR AMERICAN MILITARY ASSETS DEPLOYED IN OR NEAR WEST ASIA



1 aircraft carrier — the USS Abraham Lincoln



3 littoral combat ships



People take part in a protest near Iranian Embassy in London on Saturday | AP

AIRCRAFT & AIR DEFENCE

The United States has sent dozens of warplanes to the Middle East. These include F-22 Raptor and F-35 Lightning stealth fighter jets. The US has also boosted its land-based air defence in the region

Iranians across the country are still reeling with shock, grief and fear after the earlier protests were crushed by the deadliest crackdown ever seen under the rule of 86-year-old Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei. Thousands of people were killed and tens of thousands are believed to have been arrested.

Although the crackdown tamped down the largest pro-

tests, smaller ones are still occurring, according to protesters and to videos shared on social media.

During the 1979 Islamic Revolution that toppled the shah and brought the Islamic Republic to power, 40-day memorials for slain protesters often turned into rallies that security forces tried to crush, causing new deaths. Those were then marked 40 days later, with new protests.

Posts on social media Saturday and Sunday have alleged that security forces tried to restrict people from attending some 40-day ceremonies.

The new protests come while Iran braces for the possibility of a US attack.

EXPRESS READ

French govt to protest US remarks on activist's death

PARIS: France will summon US Ambassador Charles Kushner to protest comments by the Trump administration over the beating death of a far-right activist, the foreign affairs minister said. Jean-Noel Barrot was reacting to a statement by the State Department's Counterterrorism Bureau, which posted on X that "reports, corroborated by the French Minister of the Interior, that Quentin Deranque was killed by left-wing militants, should concern us all." Deranque, a far-right activist, died of brain injuries last week from a beating in the French city of Lyon. He was attacked during a fight on the margins of a student meeting where a far-left lawmaker, Rima Hassan, was a keynote speaker.

FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD. AUCTION NOTICE

This is to inform the public at large that FEDBANK FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD. has decided to conduct Auction of Gold ornaments belonging to accounts (mentioned below) which are NPA (Non-performing Asset) or margin breach account/s or any account/s falling into the loan recall clause as specified in the terms & condition of the Loan. The Auction would be held as per the schedule provided below:

Auction Dates	Branch Auction Date 05-03-2026	District Auction Date 09-03-2026
Loan A/c Number	Base Branch	District 1 Contact
FEDGL04620004245, 005064, 005360	HOSUR - 8973662534	Krishnagiri - 9751555817
FEDGL04160003496	TIRUPATTUR - 9080511094	Tirupattur - 9080511094

Change in Venue or Date, if any, will be displayed on our Website <https://www.fedfina.com/gold-loan/special-sections/auction-venue/>. Customer who want to release their ornaments shall visit any of the above branch/es or contact at the number mentioned above on or before auction Date subject to the terms and condition applicable. Auction will be conducted at respective branches. In case the auction does not get completed on the given date due to any reasons, the auction in respect thereto shall be conducted on subsequent working days at district level as per above schedule. This would continue till the auction process is over. On failure of the first offline auction at branch level, auction will also be initiated through the E-auction platforms of SAMIL <https://gold.samil.in> and/or e-Procurement Technologies Ltd. (AuctionTiger) - <https://egold.auctiontiger.net/>. All participating bidders will be intimated subsequently with respect to acceptance or rejection of bids submitted by them.

Dated : 23-02-2026
Place : KRISHNAGIRI
For, sd/- Authorised Signatory
Fedbank Financial Services Ltd.

EQUITAS SMALL FINANCE BANK LTD (FORMERLY KNOWN AS EQUITAS FINANCE LTD)

Registered Office: 4th Floor, Phase - II, Spencer Plaza, No.769, Mount Road, Anna Salai, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, Pincode-600 002, Ph: 044-42995000, 044-42995050

POSSESSION NOTICE (U/s. Rule 8 (1) - for immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with [Rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a Demand Notice calling upon the below mentioned Borrowers to repay the total outstanding amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. Since the below mentioned Borrowers having failed to repay the below stated amount within the stipulated time, notice is hereby given to the below mentioned borrowers and the public in general that, the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002. The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the schedule mentioned properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of M/s. Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited and further interest and other charges thereon. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SI.No.1 : Branch : Namakkal South, Loan No. SENMKLS0402168, Borrowers / Co-Borrowers: Mr. Sankar M, Mrs. Meena S, Demand Notice Date: 30.10.2025 & Outstanding Amount : Rs.2,78,902/-, Possession Date: 18.02.2026

Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property): All that piece and part of the land comprised in Natham Old S.No.41/2 As Per Patta No.367 in New 41/2-51 within an extent of 1292 Sq.ft situated at Mitta Aniyar Village, Namakkal Taluk, Sub Registration District Of Villagoundampatti, Namakkal Registration District. Within Following Boundaries. Of, North by : S.No.41/2/59J - Bharathi House, South by : S.No.41/2/59K - Balasubramaniam House, East by : S.No.41/2/60E - Rajendren House, West by : S.No.41/2/59A - Southnorth Road.

Date : 23.02.2026
Place: Dharmapuri
Authorized Officer,
Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd

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KUNDARAPALLI BRANCH

No. 1-11 C, Ramapattam, Kundarapalli-635115, Krishnagiri Dist
Phone: 04343 - 242427, E-mail: kundar@bankofbaroda.bank.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

"APPENDIX- IV-A (See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6))"
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below :-

NAME & ADDRESS OF BORROWER/S / GUARANTOR/ MORTGAGOR S : (1). Mr. Velkumar T M, S/o. Muniraj T, D.No.3/94, Samandhamalai Village, Kundarapalli group, Krishnagiri-635115. (2). Mr. Raj T M, S/o. Muniraj T, D.No.3/94, Samandhamalai Village, Kundarapalli group, Krishnagiri-635115.

Term Loans Ac No. 18170600010131, Rs. 10,83,011.05 plus interest and charges from 17-02-2026.
Ac No. 18170600010515, Rs. 3,00,197.51 plus interest and charges from 17-02-2026.
Total Dues as on 17-02-2026 Rs. 13,83,208.56/-

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES WITH KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES, IF ANY:
The Mortgaged property is in the Name of (Mortgaged by T.M. Velkumar, S/o. Muniraj)
Equitable Mortgage of land and Building situated at Krishnagiri Registration District, Joint I Sub Registration District of Krishnagiri, Krishnagiri Taluk, Kundarapalli Group, Samandhamalai Village, Kundarapalli revenue village, Old Natham Sy.No.326/2, Natham New Sub Division Sy.no.41/23 in this said land bounded as follows:

North : Mr. Muniraj T House; South : Mr. Munisamy house; East : Mr. Rajagopal House and Common Road; West : Samudi Amman Temple land. In the midst measuring: East to West : 33 1/2 feet, South to North : 33 1/2 feet. Total measuring an extent of 1139.06 sq feet. The property is in the name of Mr.Velkumar T.M. and comes under Village Panchayat limits of Samandhamalai and union council of Veppanapalli.

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.29,00,000/- | EMD : Rs.2,90,000/- | BID INCREASE : Rs.25,000/-
Last date for EMD payment : 26-03-2026

Date & time of E-AUCTION 27.03.2026, 2.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M.
with unlimited auto extension of 10 minutes each, till sale is concluded.
Possession Type : Constructive I Property Inspection date & Time : 25.02.2026, 10.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer visit to the website link <https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction> and online auction portal [Baanknet.com](https://www.baanknet.com). Also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Mobile: 9487451022 & 9515024578.
Date : 21.02.2026. Place : Kundarapalli.
Authorised Officer,
Bank of Baroda

A GATEWAY TO VIKSIT BHARAT

Transformative Boost to Infrastructure

Inauguration of and Foundation Stone Laying for VARIOUS PROJECTS worth over ₹1500 crore At V.O. Chidambaranar Port

by **Shri Sarbananda Sonowal**
Hon'ble Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways

23rd February 2026 | 10:00 AM onwards | V.O.Chidambaranar Port Tuticorin, Tamil Nadu

PROJECTS

Green Hydrogen, Wind and Solar Energy Projects

KEY BENEFITS:

- Establishment of sustainable and clean energy systems at the port
- Reduction in carbon footprint of port operations
- Advancement of green maritime infrastructure

Development of 250 Acres for Port-Led Industrialisation

KEY BENEFITS:

- Creation of industrial ecosystem within port vicinity
- Increased cargo handling and logistics capacity
- Employment generation and regional industrial growth

Construction of Indoor & Outdoor Stadiums, 9-Hole Golf Course and Harbour Beach Redevelopment

KEY BENEFITS:

- International standard sports infrastructure
- Promotion of tourism and public recreation
- Enhanced urban amenities in Tuticorin

Digital Twin Implementation and Road Widening for Urban-Port Connectivity

KEY BENEFITS:

- Real-time traffic and infrastructure optimisation
- Improved connectivity between city and port
- Safer and more efficient transport movement

Advanced Cancer Screening Facilities, E-Autos for Fishing Community and Digital Literacy Centres

KEY BENEFITS:

- Strengthened healthcare outreach
- Sustainable livelihood support for fishermen
- Digital empowerment of rural youth

India's ports are now counted among the most efficient in the developing world, and in many cases, are outperforming ports in the developed world.

Shri Narendra Modi
Hon'ble Prime Minister

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