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Iran’s new supreme leader...

Israel had earlier warned that it would target the area in central Tehran.

There were no immediate reports of casualties. But the decision to proceed with the mass demonstrations, and Israel’s threat to target the area, underscored the fierce determination on both sides nearly two weeks into a war that has rattled the global economy and shows no sign of letting up.

Iran has continued to launch widespread daily missile and drone attacks on Israel and neighbouring Gulf states, and has effectively closed the Strait of Hormuz, through which a fifth of the world’s traded oil passes, even as US and Israeli warplanes pummel military and other targets across Iran.

With growing global concerns about a possible energy crisis and no end to the war in sight, the price of Brent crude oil, the international standard, remained over USD 100 per barrel.

Brent prices have spiked as

‘Yes for friend India’...

ships safe transit through the Strait, which is one of the critical routes for global energy trade, Fathali said, “Yes. Because India and I are friends. You can see in the future and I think that after two or three hours. Because we believe that. We believe that Iran and India are friends. We have common interests; we have a common fate.”

He emphasised the mutual responsibility between the two nations, adding, “Suffering of the people of India is our suffering and vice versa. And for this reason, the government of

high as about USD 120 per barrel and are about 40 per cent higher than when Israel and the United States launched the war on February 28.

In a social media post hours earlier, US President Donald Trump had said “watch what happens to these deranged scumbags today,” while claiming that Iran’s military had been decimated and that its leaders had been “wiped from the face of the earth.”

The US military meanwhile said that four of six crew members of an American KC-135 refuelling plane that went down in Iraq had been found dead and that recovery efforts were ongoing to find the other two.

US Central Command said that the crash wasn’t related to friendly or hostile fire, and that two aircraft were involved, including one that landed safely. The KC-135 is the fourth publicly acknowledged aircraft to crash as part of the US military’s operations against Iran.

India help us, and we should help the government of India because we have a common fate and common interest.”

Fathali further stated that Tehran has instructed its embassy in India to facilitate the Indian Government, ensuring smooth operations amid the ongoing regional conflict.

“We believe as ambassadors in India that we have a common fate in the region and for this reason all the high-ranking officials from Iran instructed the embassy of Iran in India to pave the way for the Indian Government,” he added.

Centre says, no need for...

The narrow, 50-mile-long passage that connects the Gulf with the Arabian Sea carries about a fifth of the world’s oil and liquefied natural gas (LNG). India imports roughly 88 per cent of its crude oil, 50 per cent of its LNG needs and 60 per cent of its LPG requirement, most

of which transits through the strait. The widening conflict in West Asia, which began on February 28 when the United States and Israel carried out strikes on Iran, followed by retaliatory attacks from Tehran, has stopped energy flows through the strait.

Sensex sinks 1,470.5 pts...

during intra-day trade. The benchmark finally settled at 74,563.92, down 1,470.50 points, or 1.93 per cent.

A total of 3,348 stocks declined, while 941 advanced and 132 remained unchanged on the BSE.

The 50-share NSE Nifty tanked 488.05 points, or 2.06 per cent, to end at 23,151.10.

The sharp correction has largely been driven by the surge in crude oil prices and rising macroeconomic concerns for energy-importing economies like India, Hariprasad K, Research Analyst and Founder, Livelong Wealth, said.

The market capitalisation of BSE-listed firms slumped by Rs 10,24,181.74 crore to Rs 4,29,82,252.27 crore (USD 4.65 trillion) on Friday.

On the weekly front, the BSE benchmark tanked 4,354.98 points or 5.51 per cent, and the Nifty dropped 1,299.35 points or 5.31 per cent.

Since February 27, the 30-

share BSE Sensex has nose-dived 6,723.27 points, or 8.27 per cent. During this time, the market valuation of BSE-listed companies eroded by Rs 33,68,419 crore to Rs 4,29,82,252.27 crore (USD 4.65 trillion). “Sentiment remained fragile amid escalating geopolitical tensions in the Middle East, which have pushed crude oil prices close to the USD 100 per barrel mark and raised concerns over inflationary pressures and global economic stability. “The situation has also triggered persistent foreign institutional investor outflows and weakness in the rupee, which slipped to record lows during the session, further weighing on market sentiment,” Ajit Mishra, SVP, Research, Religare Broking Ltd, said. From the Sensex constituents, Larsen & Toubro plunged the most by 7.52 per cent, followed by Tata Steel, SBI, Bharat Electronics, Maruti, and UltraTech Cement.

PM unveils projects worth...

located in Dima Hasao and West Karbi Anglong districts of the state. Constructed at a cost of over Rs 2,300 crore, the project will enhance clean energy generation, improve grid stability in the region and ensure reliable power supply to households, farmers and industries.

The Capacity Enhancement Project of the Numaligarh-Siliguri Product Pipeline (NSPL) of Oil India Limited was also dedicated to the nation by the Prime Minister.

The project will facilitate the expansion of the Numaligarh Refinery Ltd (NRL) from 3 million metric tonnes per annum to 9 MTPA by enabling the evacuation of additional petroleum products.

He also unveiled projects worth over Rs 4,570 crore through video conference from Guwahati after his Kokrajhar visit was cancelled due to heavy rain. The PM flagged off three new trains, the Kamakhya-Charlapalli Amrit Bharat Express, the Guwahati-New Jalpaiguri Express, and the

Narangi-Agartala Express. He also laid the foundation stone of a Periodic Overhauling (POH) Workshop at Bashbari in the district to strengthen railway maintenance and enhance operational efficiency. BJP ENSURED LASTING PEACE IN NE, CONG SIGNED VARIOUS ACCORDS FOR ‘SELFISH INTERESTS’: PM: ASSERTING that sounds of bombs and gunfire are a thing of the past in the Northeast, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said the BJP ensured long-lasting peace in the region, while the Congress signed various accords for “selfish interests”. Addressing a public meeting in Assam’s Kokrajhar district virtually from Guwahati after rain disrupted his travel schedule, Modi said the State was writing a new chapter of peace and development under the “double-engine” Government. Modi alleged Congress endangered national security by handing over the land of indigenous people to infiltrators.

‘Economic Stabilisation Fund to help Govt respond to global challenges’



Nirmala Sitharaman

NEW DELHI, Mar 13 (PTI)

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday said the Rs 1 lakh crore Economic Stabilisation Fund will give fiscal headroom to allow India to respond to global headwinds.

Replying to the debate on the second batch of supplementary demands for grants in the Lok Sabha, she said the fund will act as a buffer to absorb shocks arising due to unforeseen global challenges like the current one in West Asia.

“The Rs 1 lakh crore Economic

Stabilisation Fund will give fiscal headroom to allow India to respond to global headwinds,” she said. Through the second batch of supplementary demands, the Government sought Lok Sabha approval for spending a gross Rs 2.81 lakh crore extra in the current fiscal year. With additional receipts of Rs 80,000 crore budgeted for the

current fiscal year, the net additional cash spending will be Rs 2.01 lakh crore. Sitharaman said the fiscal deficit for the current financial year (2025-26) will be within the Revised Estimates (RE). In RE 2025-26, the fiscal deficit has been estimated at par with Budget Estimates of 2025-26 at 4.4 per cent of GDP.

“There is no increase in expen-

diture beyond the BE of 2025-26 due to the second supplementary,” Sitharaman said, amid continuous sloganeering by Opposition members over LPG shortage concerns.

In the Revised Estimates for the current fiscal year, the Government had cut total expenditure to Rs 49.65 lakh crore, from Rs 50.65 lakh crore in BE.

Make counsellors mandatory in schools to help sexual assault victims: Murty

NEW DELHI, Mar 13 (PTI)

NOMINATED Rajya Sabha member Sudha Murty on Friday called for making counsellors mandatory in schools to help children who faced sexual offences. Participating in a discussion on private member bill ‘The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (Amendment) Bill, 2024’ moved by Fauzia Khan (NCP-SCP) on February 7, 2025, Murty also suggested cancellation of registration for schools which do not have such

counsellors.

She said survivors of childhood sexual offences want assurance that “it is not your fault...And that assurance can be given by mother at home, or a teacher or a counsellor.” Stressing on the role of a counsellor, Murty who supported the bill, said it is someone “who will have the confidence of the child. The child should have a someone who can listen to the child and tell the child it is not your fault”.



Security personnel conduct a mock drill on handling of radioactive items, outside Birsu Munda Airport in Ranchi on Friday.

IDFC First Bank ‘fraud’: ED freezes 90 bank a/cs after searches in five cities

NEW DELHI, Mar 13 (PTI)

THE Enforcement Directorate on Friday said it has frozen 90 bank accounts following recent searches in the IDFC First Bank-linked money laundering case where Rs 590 crore of Haryana Government funds are alleged to have been siphoned off.

The federal probe agency claimed that the alleged fraud’s modus operandi includes using multiple shell (dummy) companies and bogus billing for gold purchases. The Enforcement Directorate (ED) conducted searches in the Chandigarh Tricity (Chandigarh, Mohali in Punjab and Panchkula in Haryana), Gurugram (Haryana) and Bengaluru (Karnataka) covering a total of 19 premises on

March 11. It was found that the accused embezzled public money by routing and layering funds across multiple shell entities, the ED said in a statement.

Most of the funds have been channelled through the bank accounts of jewellers to create an illusion of gold purchase through bogus billing, it said.

It identified a shell company involved in the case as Swastik Desh Projects Pvt Ltd, whose partners are Swati Singla and Abhishek Singla.

The scam was perpetrated over the last year with assistance from former employees of the bank, including Ribhav Rishi, it said. The “proceeds of crime” were “dissipated” to the account of Rishi and his wife Divya Arora, as per the agency.

Rajnath praises UP CM for acting against criminal elements

LUCKNOW, Mar 13 (PTI)

DEFENCE Minister Rajnath Singh on Friday praised Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath for acting against criminal elements in the State, saying the Government has “cleaned the filth of the society”.

He also asserted that a “bull-

dozer also prepares land for development”.

Speaking at a programme in Lucknow for the inauguration and foundation-laying of projects worth Rs 1,519 crore under the Green Corridor initiative, Singh said the Chief Minister’s tough action against criminals has helped pave the way for devel-



opment. “People know Yogi ji by the name Bulldozer Baba. Indeed, people recognise Yogi ji as Bulldozer Baba - and Yogi ji has deployed bulldozers against the homes of mafias and goons, teaching them a fitting lesson. However, those people tend to view only one side of the bulldozer. A bulldozer does not mere-

ly demolish; rather, in the wake of demolition, it also paves the way for development,” Singh said, drawing applause from the audience. He said, “Our honourable Chief Minister has, simultaneously, undertaken the equally satisfying task of cleansing society of those elements that spread filth - the garbage of society itself.”

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CP/5(MP)2025

IN THE MATTER OF HEMLATA YADAV V/S REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES, GWALIOR
IN THE MATTER OF COMPANY CP/5(MP)2025 REGARDING RESTORATION OF NAME OF THE COMPANY U/S 252(3) OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013.
Notice is hereby issued that Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Indore Bench, vide order dated 06.03.2026 passed in CP/5(MP)2025 directed for restoration of company namely Bombay Colonisers and Consultants Private Limited having registered office at Senior MIG - 6, Shriram Kunj, Bharat Nagar, E-8 Shahpura, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh 462016 India in the Register of Companies maintained by Registrar of Companies, Madhya Pradesh. As per the said order of the Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Indore Bench, the name of the company namely Bombay Colonisers and Consultants Private Limited has been restored in the register of companies maintained in the office of Registrar of Companies, Madhya Pradesh, and Gwalior.

HEMLATA YADAV Director
DIN: 02310492
APPLICANT / APPELLANT

Place: Bhopal
Date: 14.03.2026

FORM NO.
[See Regulation 33(2)]
By Regd. A/D. Dasti failing which by Publication

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER - I/II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL JABALPUR
2nd & 3rd Floor, Sanchar Vikas Bhavan (BSNL Building), Near Head Post Office Residency Road, Jabalpur -482001, MP.

NOTICE FOR SETTLING A SALE PROCLAMATION UNDER RULE 53 OF THE SECOND SCHEDULE TO THE INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS & BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1993.

RC/61/2020 PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK 21-01-2026
Versus
SANJAY SONI

To,
(CD 1) SANJAY SONI
H.No. 56, CHHOLAROAD PHOOTAMAQWARA, BHOPAL-462001 (MP)
Also At:
C/O OM SAI MOBILE SHOPPEE SHOP
No.4, VISHAL MARRIAGE HALL, CHHOLAROAD, BHOPAL-462001 (M.P.)
Also At: FLAT No. G-2, SECOND FLOOR, ASHIYANA HOMES, PLOT No. 253, HEMA GRAH NIRMAN SOCIETY, HARI NAGAR, NEELBAD, TEHSIL-HUZUR, DISTT. BHOPAL-462030 (MP)

Whereas you the SANJAY SONI was ordered by the Presiding Officer of DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL JABALPUR who had issued the Recovery Certificate dated 13/01/2020 in OA/888/2018 to pay to the Applicant Bank(s)/Financial Institution(s) Name of applicant, the sum of Rs 1776612.00 (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Seventy Six Thousands Six Hundred Twelve only) along with pendente lite and future interest @ 10% Simple Interest Yearly w.e.f. 24/07/2018 till realization and costs of Rs 20000 (Rupees Twenty Thousands Only), and whereas the said has not been paid, the undersigned has ordered the sale of undermentioned immovable/Immoveable property.
2. You are hereby informed that the 20/03/2026 at 10.30 A.M. has been fixed for drawing up the proclamation of sale and settling the terms thereof. You are requested to bring to the notice of the undersigned any encumbrances, charges, claims or liabilities attached to the said properties or any portion thereof.

Specification of property
Residential Flat No. G-2, Second Floor, at Plot No. 253, P.H. No. 34/25 "Ashiyana Home-3" situated at Hari Nagar, Neelbad Hema Grah Nirman Society, Tehsil-Huzur, District-Bhopal (MP); area admeasuring 600 sqft. property in the name of Shri Sanjay Soni S/o Shri Shyam Soni.
Given under my hand and the seal of the Tribunal, on this date: 21/01/2026
Recovery Officer
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL JABALPUR

Hon. Balasaheb Thackeray Agribusiness and Rural Transformation (SMART) Project (www.smart-mh.org)

E-TENDER NOTICE NO: 2026 DOAWB 1286353
Fully Automatic Dal Mill Plant- 1 TPH

The Government of Maharashtra is implementing the World Bank-funded SMART Project. **Krushu Udyog Farmer Producer Company Ltd, Tq- Mangrulpir, Dist - Washim** is one of the beneficiaries under the project and inviting online bids on <https://mahatenders.gov.in> for above mentioned Machinery. The last date for submission of online bid is **13/04/2026 up to 14.00 PM**. Any updates or notices shall be published on aforementioned websites only.

District Implementation Unit, SMART Project Dist Washim.

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punjab national bank

Asset Recovery Management Branch
Arera Hills, Bhopal
Phone No. 0755-2550020

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 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) and Guarantor(s) that he below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Constructive/Symbolic(Which iis applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", As is what is " and " whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/Secured Creditor from the respective borrowers/guarantors. The reserve price and earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the below against the respective properties.

Date of E-Auction : 22-04-2026
(E-auction timings: 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. with an unlimited extension of 10 minutes each)
Last Date of EMD : 21-04-2026 upto 11.00 PM

Name of Borrower/Mortgagor Description of Secured Assets	Reserve Price EMD (₹)	Dt. Possession Dt. Amt. Due to Bank
THE BIDDER SHALL IMPROVE THE OFFER IN MULTIPLE OF RS.25000/- (RS.TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND ONLY)		
ARMB, Bhopal Auth. Officer : Shri Rajesh Gupta/Shri Binit Kumar Mob.No.9589076580/9557822211		
M/s The Kanha Castle Through its Partners Shri Pradeep Suri, Smt. Neelu Suri, Shri Mukesh Suri & Smt. Monika Suri		26-04-2022
Hotel Building on Lease Hold Plot No.223 A/1 & 223 A/2, Zone-1, MP Nagar, Near Multi-Level Parking, Behind Amer Palace Hotel, Ward No.43, Teh-Huzur, Dist- Bhopal (M.P.), Admeasuring 2247.45 Sq.ft., Boundaries: East-Plot No. 222, West-Remaining Part of 223-A, North- 30 Ft. Wide Road, South- 60 Ft. Wide Road	(₹) 5,64,00,000/- (₹) 56,40,000/- (Physical Possession)	(₹) 77261673.88 + interest & other charges
Terms & Conditions: (1) The sale shall be subject to the terms & conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. (2) The properties are being sold on " AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" AND " WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS". (3) The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule herein above have been stated to the best of the information of the Secured Creditor, but the Secured Creditor shall not be answerable for an error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. (4) The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website https://baanknet.com on 22.04.2026. Interested Bidders/Buyers will have to do registration on website https://baanknet.com of bank's authorized service provider PSB Alliance and have to transfer EMD Money in their Global EMD Wallet through online mode, well before time. If EMD amount is not available in Global EMD Wallet then, system will not allow to place bid. For detailed terms & conditions of the sale please refer https://baanknet.com & www.pnb.bank.in. Place: Bhopal, Date :13.03.2026		
Secured Creditor, Punjab National Bank		