10,000 prisoners,
including foreigners to be released from jails in Vietnam, to mark its recent parliamentary elections

GLOBAL WEATHER

Beijing	25	17	SNY	Los Angeles	20	12	SNY
Colombo	31	26	SNY	Melbourne	26	15	LC
Dhaka	31	19	SNY	Moscow	14	13	SNY
Dubai	26	21	SNY	New York	22	17	SNY
Houston	31	19	TDS	Singapore	28	25	TDS
Istanbul	26	19	SNY	Toronto	21	12	SNY
London	30	19	SNY	Washington	23	18	SNY

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

US changes tune, says not all have to apply for green card from their country of origin

WASHINGTON

The US has clarified that not all immigrants seeking green cards will be required to return to their home country to make such applications.

The statement from the US Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on Friday appeared to be a partial walk-back on the announcement by the US Citizenship and Immigration Services stating the individuals seeking permanent residency would have to return to their home countries to await their green cards.

"This was just a reminder to officers of their discretionary authority, which has always existed on a case-by-case basis," a DHS spokesperson said in a statement to *The New York Times*. The DHS said the USCIS memo of May 22 was not a blanket change and that it would be up to individual immigration officers to decide whether someone should be forced to go abroad to gain a green card.

The spokesperson pointed to people who overstay visas or come from countries whose citizens are heavy users of public assistance as groups that could be affected. Despite the assurances, immigration lawyers have been counselling a wait and watch approach to see how the changes actually unfold as fewer details were immediately available. Though announced with a news release, a senior White House official said this week that the effort was meant to be a housekeeping matter, not a change of strategy, the *New York Times* reported. About 14 lakh green cards were granted in 2024, with more than 8.2 lakh approved for people inside the country through a process called "adjustment of status", according to Department of Homeland Security data. *PTI*

Iran Supreme Leader's adviser accuses US president of betraying democracy

White House indicates Trump is close to deciding on a deal; final pact yet to be reached, says Iran

DUBAI

AN adviser to Iran's Supreme Leader on Saturday accused US President Donald Trump of "betraying diplomacy", as uncertainty persisted over a possible agreement between Washington and Tehran to end their conflict. Mohsen Rezaei, a former commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, said Trump was "betraying diplomacy for the third time" by maintaining a naval blockade and imposing conditions on negotiations.

"By continuing the naval blockade and making excessive demands in negotiations, he has once again proven that he is not inclined toward negotiation and is pursuing other objectives," Rezaei wrote on X.

His remarks came as the United States reiterated that it was prepared to resume military action if necessary. Speaking at a defence summit in Singapore, US Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth said Washington was "more than capable" of restarting the war, while US Central Command said American forces remained "present and vigilant" across the region.

WAR WATCH

The White House has signalled that Trump is close to deciding on a proposed framework for a deal. However, Tehran denied that a final agreement had been reached. US sources told AFP that the framework was awaiting Trump's approval following a White House Situation Room meeting on Friday. Trump has said any agreement must meet his key conditions, including a commitment by Iran never to develop nuclear weapons and the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz.

Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Esmaeil Baqaei rejected Washington's demands, saying the Islamic Republic had "said goodbye to the language of 'must' 47 years ago". While exchanges of messages between the two sides were continuing, "no final agreement has been reached", he said.

Trump has claimed that Tehran would remove mines from the Strait of Hormuz and reopen the vital shipping route without imposing tolls, while the United States would lift its blockade. However, Iranian media reports disputed those assertions, saying no such provisions were included in the proposed agreement and rejecting claims regarding the destruction of Iran's enriched uranium stockpiles. The negotiations follow US strikes on Iran's Bandar Abbas port and retaliatory attacks this week. Iran's state media said air defences had shot down a drone allegedly belonging to the "US-Zionist aggressor enemy". *Agencies*

(Top) Screen grab shows two men being hugged after they were rescued; (inset) a rescue team freeing a man trapped inside a semi-submerged cave in central Xaysomboun province, northeast of the capital Vientiane | AFP

10 DAYS ON, FIVE RESCUED FROM LAOS CAVE

VIENTIANE

FOUR more men trapped in a semi-submerged Laos cave for 10 days were freed on Saturday, rescuers said, after one was successfully brought to the surface a day earlier, but two remained missing.

Lee Kian Lie, a Malaysian rescue diver, told AFP via Messenger that the four were freed after water was pumped out of the cavern.

A video he took from the scene showed teams under a makeshift tent attending to four people lying on stretchers and covered with thermal blankets. "Important they already out," Lee said. He declined to speculate on the condition of the two who remained unaccounted for. The Thailand Rescue Diver Facebook page said in a post that "rescue officials were able to bring out four more people trapped".

Seven men had been trapped in the cavern in a remote mountainous area of central Xaysomboun province since May 20, when flash floods stranded them as they searched for gold, early state media reports said. They were trapped after rains triggered flooding. *AFP*

UK Sikhs denounce calls for kirpan ban

LONDON

SOME calls to ban the kirpan in the UK after the murder conviction of a man using a knife he claimed to carry for religious reasons "unfairly" targeted an entire community for the actions of a criminal, British Sikh groups have cautioned.

Vickrum Digwa, 23, was found guilty of fatally stabbing Henry Nowak, 18, with a 21-cm dagger last December and his mother, 53-year-old Kiran Kaur, was convicted of assisting an offender at Southampton Crown Court on Thursday.

"Calls to ban the kirpan in response to this murder risk unfairly targeting an entire community for the actions of a single criminal individual," the City Sikhs Foundation said in a statement. "The actions of one individual can never and should never be used to define an entire faith community.

"The kirpan is a symbolic article of faith for Sikhs initiated into the Khalsa tradition. It is a constant reminder to Sikhs of the need to defend the most vulnerable in society, and it has been worn responsibly in Britain for generations," it said.

The charity reiterated that it "utterly condemns" murder of Nowak and the individual responsible for "appalling act".

"We urge unity, calm and responsible public discourse at this very difficult time," it added. The trial highlighted legal limits on Sikhs carrying kirpans. *PTI*

22 refugees dead in afghanistan truck accident

KABUL

A truck carrying Afghan refugees returning from neighbouring Pakistan overturned on a highway in eastern Afghanistan on Saturday, killing at least 22 people and injuring about 36 others, most of them women and children, officials said.

The accident occurred in Laghman province on the main highway linking Kabul, the Afghan capital, with Nangarhar province, said Abdul Malik Niazai, the spokesperson for the provincial governor. He said among the dead were 10 children and five women.

The provincial director of public health. Aminullah Sharif, said 22 people were killed and about 36 injured. *AP*

A man carries an injured girl to a hospital in Jalalabad | AFP

Israel pounds southern Lebanon, issues evacuation alerts despite talks

ADLOUN

ISRAEL's air force and artillery struck areas close to a strategic mountain housing a Crusader-built castle in southern Lebanon on Saturday as fighting raged in villages close to the southern city of Nabatieh.

Israel's military issued evacuation warnings for more than a dozen villages in southern Lebanon, a day after Lebanese and Israeli military officials held their first direct talks in decades at the Pentagon.

Smoke rising after an Israeli air strike on the village of Maifadoun | AFP

The situation in southern Lebanon was discussed during a meeting Saturday between Lebanon's president and prime minister who said in a statement later that they will intensify their contacts to make Israel stop demolition and bulldosing of homes and historical sites as well as its evacuation warnings.

Lebanon's state-run National News Agency reported Israeli airstrikes and artillery shelling near the Crusader-built Beaufort castle that is about 15 kilometers (9 miles) from the Israeli border. *AP*

Breast cancer gene test could cut chemo use

LONDON

A DNA-based test could help thousands of breast cancer patients avoid chemotherapy each year by identifying those unlikely to benefit from the treatment, according to findings from an international study reported by the *BBC*.

Researchers led by University College London (UCL) found that more than two-thirds of patients enrolled in the trial could be safely treated without chemotherapy, while maintaining survival rates comparable to those who underwent the treatment. The study involved more than 4,000 newly diagnosed breast cancer patients aged over 40 from the UK, Norway, Sweden, Australia, New Zealand and Thailand. Scientists used a genomic test known as Prosigna, which analyses the activity of 50 genes linked to breast cancer.

Patients classified as low risk did not receive chemotherapy. After five years, their survival rate stood at 93.7%, compared with 94.9% among patients who received chemotherapy.

Breast cancer is typically treated with surgery, followed by chemotherapy to reduce the chances of recurrence. However, clinicians have increasingly questioned whether the treatment offers meaningful benefits to many patients with the most common form of the disease, UCL said.

Chemotherapy can cause a range of side effects, including fatigue, nausea, hair loss, weakened immunity and fertility problems. According to the university, the findings could allow more than 5,000 National Health Service patients in the UK to avoid chemotherapy annually. Professor David Miles, a cancer specialist involved in the study, described the results as "practice-changing", saying doctors could now confidently identify patients who would gain little or no benefit from the treatment.

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, RURAL WORKS CIRCLE: SUNDARGARH
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No. Tender Online - RWCCESNG - 09 of 2026-27, Letter No.3071 /Dtd. 25.05.2026
25001/273/2627 *e-Procurement NOTICE*

1. Type of the work: Roads (MMSY)
2. Class of Contractor: As specified in the column-6 of the Annexure
3. Time of completion: As specified in the column-5 of the Annexure
4. Detail Projects: As per Annexure attached
5. Estimated cost: As specified in the column-4 of the Annexure
6. Other details:

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender on-line for bidding		Last Date & Time of Seeking Tender Clarification	Date & Time of opening of tender	
		From	To		Technical Bid	Financial Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Sundargarh	RWC-CESNG- 09 of 2026-27	03.06.2026 11:00 AM	23.06.2026 5:00 PM	22.06.2026 5:00 PM	24.06.2026 11:00 AM	Will be intimated separately

Further details can be seen from the website **www.tendersodisha.gov.in**

OIPR-25001/25133/1/26-27/0011 **Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer , Rural Works Circle, Sundargarh**

WHO chief visits Ebola epicentre in DR Congo

BUNIA

THE head of the World Health Organisation on Saturday visited eastern Congo's Bunia, a city at the heart of an outbreak of a rare type of Ebola, where the virus is spreading faster than the response despite better-organised health facilities and new aid arrivals.

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus is expected to visit a treatment centre and meet the local authorities, the health workers and affected families in Bunia. *AP*

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
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Office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, No.4 BRLBC Division, Bhadravathi.

No:EE/ KNNL/BDN-4/TA/PB-1/4701 Bhadra / Tender Notification No: 05/ 2026-27: Dated: 27.05.2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through E-Procurement Portal only)

Percentage Tenders by e-procurement portal in the prescribed form is invited by the undersigned on behalf of Managing Director, KNNL, Bangalore from the eligible Contractor under the Head of Account 4701 Bhadra. The No. of work is 01. The approximate cost of amount put to tender is varies from **Rs.2033.84 Lakhs**. The amount of EMD is varies from **Rs.20.33 Lakhs (Rs. 1.00 lakhs e-cash balance amt e-BG Rs.19.33 lakhs)** (by kpp portal) contactors can access and submission of completed e-tendering documents from **30.05.2026 to 18.06.2026 upto 17.30 hours** in the website **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Technical Bid will be opened on **20.06.2026 at 17.30 hours** and after obtaining approval of technical bid from competent authority Financial bid will be opened. Pre-Bid Meeting on Dtd: **15.06.2026 @ 11.00 Hrs** at O/o Executive Engineer, No.4 BRLBC Division, Bhadravathi. Stipulated period for the completion of work is **12 Months (Including monsoon).**For more conditions and details visit website **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** OR at undersigned in all working days during office hours on telephone No. 8660573513.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer. KNNL, No.4, BRLBC Division, Bhadravathi.

DIPR/SMG/No-131-05/ zenkar/2026-27

BENGALURU NORTH CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer, Byatarayanapura Division, Zone-1 No. 2152/20, Defence Colony, 9th Main, D Block, Sahakarnagara, BNCC Office, Bangalore-560092.

No: BNCC-Z1/EE/BTP/KPPP/PR/03/2026-27 Date: 30.05.2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
TWO COVER TENDER

(Through GOK KPP Portal https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in only)
Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the undersigned for the works mentioned below from the registered contractors of Bengaluru North City Corporation, or equivalent registration with CPWD/ KPWD/ Railways/ MES or any State Government Organizations.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1.	Annual Maintenance of SWD in Byatarayanapura Division for the year 2026-27/Call-2. **Approximate value of work : Rs.175.00 Lakhs. EMD : Rs.2,62,500.00 Category : Others**

Calendar of Events : (1) Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **06.06.2026 at 15:00 Hrs** noon in the office of the Executive Engineer Byatarayanapura Division, No. 2152/20, Defence colony, BWSSB Tank Road, Sahakarnagara office, Bangalore-560092 **(2)** Last Date for uploading the Filled proposals is on **10.06.2026 up to 16:00 hours. (3)** Date of Opening of Technical Bid is **11.06.2026 after 16:00 hours. (4)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid after Approval of Technical BID.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, BNCC

MATRIMONIALS

brides

BRIDE WANTED
Alliance invited for a 37-year-old groom from Vellalapilla, Pooram Nakshatram, 170 cm, B.Tech Software Engineer. Seeking same community proposals. Preference for brides working in IT, Banking, Government sectors or Doctors. No bureau. Contact 9048569041

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Professionally qualified working Brahmin girl invited for 32/5'11", Teetotaller, Cultured, BE (Mechanical), MS (Ship Designing–Sweden), working in Mumbai. Family Saryuparin, MP based, Hyderabad settled. Father Retd. GM Electrical from CPSU.
Contact: A Shukla 9490491735

grooms

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1997, 5'6", beautiful, fair, Stanford Master's. Multi-talented/compassionate, Seeks well-qualified groom from Top 15 US schools or Top 15 schools in India.
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E - AUCTION SALE NOTICE
SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) (SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS CHARGED TO THE BANK UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002).

The undersigned as Authorized Officer of **State Bank of India** has taken over **physical Possession** of the following property u/s 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act 2002. Public at large is informed that e-Auction (under SARFAESI Act, 2002) of the charged property mentioned below for realisation of Bank's dues will be held on **"AS IS WHERE IS" and "AS IS WHAT IS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS" BASIS** and on the terms and conditions specified hereunder.

Borrower: Mr. Koyilada Suresh, S/o Samba Murthy, D.No.6-91/16, Port Colony, Nr Venkateswar Temple, Lakshmipuram, Visakhapatnam Dist- 530047. **Demand Notice Date: 19-12-2025**

Outstanding Amount as per Demand Notice: Rs.28,00,508/- as on **19.12.2025** + future interest and other expenses thereon from **20.12.2025**.

Present Outstanding Amount: Rs.29,05,674/- as on 26-05-2026 + future interest and other expenses thereon from **27.05.2026.**

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

All that site measuring 34.44 sq.yds. or 28.796 sq.mts. being an undivided and unspecified share out of total extent 103.33 sq.yds. together with 850 Sft. Entire First Floor (including common areas) R.C.C. Slab House, Covered by S.No. 75/1part of Lakshmipuram village within the limits of Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, Pendurthi S.R.O. Limits, Visakhapatnam District Vide Reg sale deed No: 185/2019, Dt.18.01.2019 standing in the name of Mr. Koyilada Suresh and total property bounded by: **Boundaries: East :** Site belongs to Others, **South :** Site of Pulamarasetti China Apparao, **West :** Road, **North :** 30' Feet Road. **Measurements: East:** 31'.0" Feet or 9.44 Mts, **South :** 30'.0" Feet or 9.14 Mts, **West :** 31'.0" Feet or 9.44 Mts, **North :** 30'.0" Feet or 9.14 Mts. **Boundaries of 850 Sft. Entire First Floor (including common areas): East :** Open to Sky, **South:** Open to Sky, **West :** Open to Sky, **North :** Common Staircase & Corridor.

Reserve Price:Rs.23,71,000/- EMD: Rs.2,37,100/- Bid Multiplier Amount: Rs.10,000/-

Date of E-auction: 09-07-2026 Time: 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM

Date & Time of Inspection of properties: 01-06-2026 to 08-07-2026 From 10.00 A.M to 04.00 P.M.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE E-AUCTION ARE AS UNDER:

1) For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **State Bank of India**, the Secured Creditor's website **www.sbi.co.in/web/sbi-in-the-news/auction-notices** . **For Registration, EMD, Auction Details etc., visit https://baanknet.com/eauction-psb/x-login** of the service provider : **M/s PSB Alliance and M/s. Baanknet, e-Auction Portal: https://baanknet.com & Toll free Number : + 91 - 8291220220, Mail ID : support.baanknet@psballiance.com.**
2) The purchaser shall bear the applicable stamp duties/ additional stamp duty/ transfer charges, fee etc. and also all the statutory / non-statutory dues, taxes, rates, assessment charges, fees etc.
Note: Interested bidder may deposit Pre-Bid EMD with PSB Alliance before the close of e-Auction. Credit of Pre-bid EMD shall be given to the bidder only after receipt of payment in PSB Alliance's Bank acount and updation of such information in the e-auction website. This may take some time as per banking process and hence bidders, in their own interest, are advised to submit the pre-bid EMD amount well in advance to avoid any last minute problem.
Note -2: As per Section 194-IA of the Income Tax Act 1961, **TDS @ 1%** will be applicable on the sale proceeds where the sale consideration is **Rs.50,00,000/-** (Rupees fifty lakhs) and above. The successful bidder/purchaser shall deduct the TDS from the sale price / Government guideline value, whichever is higher and deposit the same with the Income Tax Department in Form No. 16-B and submit the original receipt of the TDS Certificate to the Bank. (Applicable for immovable property, other than Agricultural land).

Date: 26-05-2026, Place: VISAKHAPATNAM **Sd/-Authorised Officer, STATE BANK OF INDIA**