

BRIEFS



A old woman farmer transplants paddy seedlings in a waterlogged field at Bundu in Ranchi, Jharkhand on Saturday. (PTI)

Asiatic lion rescued after getting trapped in spiked gate

JUNAGADH (Gujarat), Aug 1 (PTI)

IN A swift and timely operation, forest officials on Saturday rescued a young Asiatic lion after it got trapped and injured while trying to jump over a spiked iron gate in Gujarat's Junagadh city, officials said. State Forest Minister Arjun Modhwadia shared a video of the harrowing rescue on X, praising the forest department's prompt response. In the video, the big cat is seen hanging upside down from the spiked iron gate, with a bleeding hind leg.

Tribunal awards Rs 22.75 lakh aid to kin of 2017 road accident victim

THANE, Aug 1 (PTI)

THE Motor Accident Claims Tribunal (MACT) in Maharashtra's Thane has awarded a compensation of Rs 22.75 lakh to the family of 28-year-old man, who died in a road accident in 2017. In the order passed recently, the tribunal ordered vehicle owner Bharatbhai Mohanlal Trivedi and a private insurance company to pay the compensation.

HC rues people's 'litter here, cleanliness abroad' act; asks if we are living in civilised society

MUMBAI, Aug 1 (PTI)

THE Bombay High Court has expressed strong disapproval over people littering in India but adhering to the rules abroad and throwing garbage only in designated places, and questioned whether this was the price one pays for liberty and democracy.

A bench of Justices G S Kulkarni and Aarti Sathe on Friday called for sensitisation of citizens and municipal officers to ensure there is no garbage lying on public streets and spaces.



"If a person wants a clean environment, then he or she has a corresponding fundamental duty towards society to maintain cleanliness. We want the civic officials to be ruthless in taking action," the court said.

The court was hearing a bunch of petitions raising con-

cerns about pollution, persistent foul odour, gas emissions and health risks for residents in the vicinity of Kanjurmarg dumping ground in the eastern part of the metropolis.

"We have to sensitise our citizens. Here, a person will throw garbage on the road without

batting an eyelid, but these same people, when abroad, will strictly avoid such behaviour. Even a small chocolate wrapper they will throw in the dustbin," the HC said. Is this the price of liberty and democracy? the court remarked.

Referring to large amounts of plastic waste lying in public places, the court said even beaches in the city are flooded with plastic and questioned if "we are living in a civilised society". The court noted that the city faces tremendous hazards daily from garbage dumped on the main roads and bylanes, and

the serious health and hygiene issues arising from these.

Referring to the 'Swachh Mumbai, Sundar Mumbai, Aapli Mumbai, Sundar Mumbai' logo of Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, the bench said the intention is clear, but the same is being collectively defeated by citizens and by the civic machinery's inaction. "It is in these circumstances the role of MCGM's cleanliness machinery wardwise becomes significant, to take all effective steps so that public streets are not used by the citizens as dumping places," the court observed.

CJP founder Abhijeet Dipke falls sick

CHHATRAPATI SAMBHAJINAGAR, Aug 1 (PTI)

COCKROACH Janta Party (CJP) founder Abhijeet Dipke felt uneasy and vomited while meeting people in the parking area of his residence in Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar, Maharashtra, on Saturday morning.

Dipke came down to meet a group of individuals waiting for him in the parking area of his residence at 11.45 am. He felt restless and went to the rear area of his residence, where he vomited. Without speaking to media persons, he retired to his house upstairs.

Confirming the incident, his father, Bhagwan Dipke, said doctors have been called to examine his son. During the protests at Jantar Mantar in New Delhi, Dipke on July 25 said he had been diagnosed with typhoid.

PM showed a big heart by his gesture of forgiving youth: BJP

PATNA, Aug 1 (ANI/IANS)

PRaising Prime Minister Narendra Modi for showing "a big heart" despite inappropriate remarks made against him and his late mother, Bihar BJP president Sanjay Saraogi on Saturday asserted that the entire nation appreciates the PM's gesture of forgiveness, while accusing the Congress of attempting to exploit the student movement for political gains.

"The Prime Minister showed a big heart despite the inappropriate remarks that were made against him and his late mother. His gesture of forgiveness has been appreciated across the country," Saraogi told ANI.

Party leaders also contrasted his reaction with the Indira Gandhi-led Government's response to protests by political parties. The leaders said that while Indira Gandhi imposed the Emergency, PM Modi had chosen guidance over retaliation.

The remarks came a day after Prime Minister Modi released a video message on his official Instagram account, saying he simply wanted to speak directly to the country's youth.

Reacting to the Prime Minister's message, BJP spokesperson Pratul Shahdeo told IANS, "It is truly remarkable. Our Prime Minister has an extraordinary heart. No one becomes Narendra Modi just like that. At Jantar Mantar, a section of the youth used abusive language even against his mother. They used all kinds of derogatory and offensive words against him personally. "Yet, the Prime Minister released his video message and said, 'They are children. It is their immaturity. They should not have used such language, but they are our children.' The way he appealed to them, asking them to leave the path of abuse and contribute to nation-building, is something that no statesman can do."

Sule demands SIT probe into exam irregularities, all-party meet on reforms

MUMBAI, Aug 1 (PTI)

NCP (SP) leader Supriya Sule on Saturday demanded a time-bound SIT probe into irregularities in competitive examinations and the use of police force against protesting students, calling for an all-party meeting or a joint parliamentary committee (JPC) to discuss reforms in the education system.

Talking to reporters, Sule said that the growing unrest among students was a matter of serious concern and justice must be ensured for those affected by examination irregularities.

"Whenever the younger generation of a country is disturbed,

it is a matter of concern. We are not doing politics. We want justice for our children and transparent examinations," she said, adding that no one was satisfied with the new anti-paper leak bill passed in Parliament.

The Public Examination (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026 was passed by both houses of Parliament earlier this week. The Bill proposes stricter punishments, including jail terms for a minimum of five years and a maximum of 10 years, and a fine of up to Rs 50 lakh.

The Baramati MP stated that she has sought the constitution of an SIT to conduct a transpar-

ent, time-bound inquiry into the alleged examination scam and the injustice faced by students, particularly girl students, during the Cockroach Janta Party-led protests against the NEET paper leak. She urged the Centre to convene an all-party meeting or constitute a JPC to deliberate on reforms in the education system and the conduct of the NEET examination. Sule further stated that while the NEET exams have been marred by repeated paper leaks, the UPSC examination had not witnessed similar irregularities.

She alleged that education had become commercialised in the country.

Modi abuse video girl issues apology, says she was 'influenced'

NEW DELHI, Aug 1 (PTI)



A GIRL, purported to be the same one who appeared in a viral video abusing Prime Minister Narendra Modi, issued an apology

video on social media on Saturday saying she had been "influenced."

The girl, who said she is 15, said the viral clip was not posted by her and she was "extremely embarrassed and ashamed."

PTI could not independently verify the authenticity of the apology video.

Meanwhile, Modi, in a late-night video message, said it

pained him that not only he but also his late mother had been subjected to "filthy abuses" at the Jantar Mantar protest.

The "misguided children" should be forgiven and guided on the right path, he said.

In the video, the girl said, "I went to Connaught Place with my friends in July. We came across a group of people who were using abusive and objectionable language against the Prime Minister. They influenced me and encouraged me to repeat those words, and I did."

She added, "I am not able to look anyone in the eye. I appeal to the entire country and everyone to please forgive me. I am only 15 years old. This is my first and last mistake, and I will never repeat such an act again."

Andhra Deputy CM Pawan Kalyan's wife adopts elephant, tiger at Vizag Zoo

VISAKHAPATNAM, Aug 1 (PTI)

ANNA Konidala, wife of Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan, has adopted an Asiatic elephant and a Royal Bengal tiger at the Indira Gandhi Zoological Park (IGZP) here for one year under its Animal Adoption Programme.

G Mangamma, curator of IGZP or Vizag Zoo, said Anna Konidala adopted the two animals on her birthday by contributing a total of Rs 6.3 lakh towards their care and welfare for one year.

"IGZP welcomes Anna Konidala to the Zoo's Animal

Adoption Family and sincerely appreciates her valuable contribution towards animal welfare,



zoo management and wildlife conservation," said Mangamma in a press release late on Friday.

According to the curator, Anna Konidala contributed Rs 4.3 lakh

Adityanath hails Asmita Dey for first-ever judo win at CWG, calls her 'Maa Bharati'

LUCKNOW, Aug 1 (PTI)

GREETINGS pour in for Asmita Dey who won India its first-ever gold in judo at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games, with Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath paying tribute to "Maa Bharati".



In a post on X in Hindi late on Friday, Adityanath said, "Heartiest congratulations to Sub-Inspector Asmita Dey of @Uppolice for bringing glory to 'Maa Bharati' on the global stage by winning the gold medal in the women's 48kg judo event at #CWG2026!" The Chief Minister said every Indian takes pride in Dey's achievement, which stands as an inspiring symbol of indomitable courage, discipline, determination, and hard work of Indian women.

Deputy Chief Minister Keshav Prasad Maurya on X praised Dey for her hard work and "unwavering determination".

Brakesh Pathak, the other Deputy Chief Minister, wished her a bright future.

Director General of Police Rajeev Krishna hailed Dey for bringing glory to the Uttar Pradesh Police.

"By becoming the first Indian judoka to win a Commonwealth Games gold medal, she has scripted history through unwavering commitment, discipline and excellence," he wrote on X.

towards the adoption of the Asiatic elephant, India's National Heritage Animal, and Rs 2 lakh

towards the adoption of the Royal Bengal tiger, the country's National Animal.

She said the contribution would support the animals' care, nutrition, environmental enrichment and veterinary welfare while reinforcing the importance of wildlife conservation.

Mangamma said the gesture would inspire people to celebrate special occasions by supporting wildlife conservation initiatives.

Kejriwal demands choice between E20, pure petrol, announces march to PM's house on August 4



Bundles of signed petitions are seen outside the Constitution Club during the 'National Town Hall Against E20', in New Delhi on Saturday. (PTI)

NEW DELHI, Aug 1 (PTI)

AAM Aadmi Party (AAP) national convener Arvind Kejriwal on Saturday demanded the Government give the option to choose between pure petrol and E20 at fuel pumps and announced a march to the Prime Minister's residence on August 4 to submit petitions. Addressing a town hall style meeting on E20 fuel at the Constitution Club

of India here, Kejriwal said he would collect petitions at noon on Tuesday and lead a march to Narendra Modi's residence on Lok Kalyan Marg with around 100 people.

Kejriwal demanded that consumers be allowed to choose between E20 and regular petrol at fuel stations, and demanded lower prices for E20 mixed petrol, and a cut in petrol prices.

The former Delhi Chief Minister also

urged the Government to make public the report that it cited to claim that E20 does not damage vehicles. "The Centre says studies have been conducted and E20 does not harm vehicles. I want them to share that report," he said. People from across States attended the event and shared their experiences and concerns over the use of E20 and the issues they claimed to be facing with their vehicles.

 पंजाब नैशनल बैंक punjab national bank		Circle Office, Jharra Tikuriya 1st Floor Astha Plaza, Katni - 483501 Email: cktnsamd@pnb.bank.in		SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES	
E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE for sale of Immovable assets under the Securitisation and Reconstructions of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8(6) & 9(1) 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(ies) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic/physical (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorized officer of Punjab National Bank, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on the date as mentioned hereinbelow for recovery of amount, due to the Punjab National Bank secured Creditor from below Named borrower(s), mortgagor(s) and guarantor(s). The Reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned below against the respective properties. A short description of the immovable property(ies) with known encumbrances, if any, are mentioned as under.					
Date and Time of E-Auction – 24.08.2026 between 11:00 AM to 05:00 PM (with extensions of 10 minute duration after 05:30 p.m., if required). Last date of submission of EMD – 23.08.2026 till 11:00 PM					
THE BIDDER SHALL IMPROVE THE BID OFFER IN MULTIPLE OF Rs. 25,000/- (RUPEES TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND ONLY)					
Borrower/Mortgagor/ Guarantor Name		Description of Immoveable Properties/Secured Assets		A) Demand Notice date B) Possession date C) Nature of possession D) Amount due to bank (As per Demand Notice)	A) Reserve Price (Rs.) B) EMD (Rs.) C) Last Dat of Deposit of EMD D) Bid Increase Amount
1. Branch: Shahdol Road Katni, MP Borrower M/s Priya Sales Through its partners namely 1) Shri Shailendra Gour S/o Shri Shyam Sunder Gour (Partner, Mortgagor & Guarantor), 2) Shri Ankur Gour S/o Shri Shyam Sunder Gour (Partner, Mortgagor & Guarantor), 3) Shri Piyush Gour S/o Shri Shyam Sunder Gour (Guarantor & Mortgagor), Add- A. M/S Priya Sales, Near Hotel Celebration, Garg Chouraha, Hanuman Ganj, Katni -483501 (M.P.) B. Shyam Kunj, Hanuman Ganj, Katni -483501 (M.P.)		All that part & parcel of Immoveable property- Commercially diverted Land and Constructions thereon situated at Village- Murwara, Municipal H. No. 316, Kh. No. 1344/7 PH No 43/45/2 NB 493 Murwara, Near Garg Chouraha, Hanuman Ganj ward at present Raghunath Ganj, Katni. Total Area- 780 Sqft, Constructed area- GF area 590 Sq. Ft., FF area 780 Sq. Ft., SF area 780 Sq. Ft., TF area 780 Sq. Ft., Title deed No. 09 dated 03.04.2010: Boundaries: North: Shahdol Road, South: House of Ram Narayan alias Ram Tripathi, East: Property of Ram Narayan alias Ram Tripathi, West: Property of Santosh Singh Chauhan		A) 29.09.2025 B) 31.12.2025 C) Symbolic Possession D) Rs. 3,47,05,885.96 + interest and other charges	A) 1,94,00,000/- B) 19,40,000/- C) 24.08.2026 D) 25,000/-
2. Branch: Shahdol Road Katni, MP Borrower M/s Priya Sales Through its partners namely 1) Shri Shailendra Gour S/o Shri Shyam Sunder Gour (Partner, Mortgagor & Guarantor), 2) Shri Ankur Gour S/o Shri Shyam Sunder Gour (Partner, Mortgagor & Guarantor), 3) Shri Piyush Gour S/o Shri Shyam Sunder Gour (Guarantor & Mortgagor), Add- A. M/S Priya Sales, Near Hotel Celebration, Garg Chouraha, Hanuman Ganj, Katni -483501 (M.P.) B. Shyam Kunj, Hanuman Ganj, Katni -483501 (M.P.)		Mortgage of all that part and parcel of Immoveable property- Commercially diverted Land and constructions thereon situated at Village- Murwara, Municipal H No 316, Kh No 1344/7 PH No 43 N.B. 493 Murwara, Near Garg Chouraha, Hanuman Ganj Ward at present Raghunath Ganj, Katni , GF Shop area 190 Sq Ft., Title deed no. 190 Sq Ft., Boundaries: East: Vendor's Galiyara, West: Property of Santosh Singh, North: Shahdol Road, South: Property of Owner		A) 29.09.2025 B) 31.12.2025 C) Symbolic Possession D) Rs. 3,47,05,885.96 + interest and other charges	A) 60,56,000/- B) 6,05,800/- C) 24.08.2026 D) 25,000/-
3. Branch: Shahdol Road Katni, MP Borrower M/s Priya Sales Through its partners namely 1) Shri Ankur Gour S/o Shri Shyam Sunder Gour (Partner, Mortgagor & Guarantor), 2) Smt Shakuntala Gour alias Shakunt Gour W/o Shri Shyam Sunder Gour (Partner, Mortgagor & Guarantor) 3) Shri Shyam Sunder Gour S/o Shri Shiv Dayal Gour (Partner, Mortgagor & Guarantor) Add- A. M/S Priya Sales, Near Hotel Celebration, Garg Chouraha, Hanuman Ganj, Katni -483501 (M.P.) B. Shyam Kunj, Hanuman Ganj, Katni -483501 (M.P.)		1. All that part & parcel of Immoveable Property- Diverted Land at Village Khirhani, diversion Kh 1486, after mutation Kh no. 1486/6, NB No 407, PH no. 44, Mandal Murwara Katni, Area 0.04 Hectare, (480 Sqft), Title Deed No. 2742 registered on 29.09.1995, Boundaries: North: 20 Ft Wide Road, South: Property of Ganesh Badgaiyan, East: Property of Seller, West: Property of Santosh Tiwari 2. All that part & parcel of Immoveable Property- Diverted Land at Village Khirhani, Kh No 1484/2/2, diversion Kh 1484/2/kh, NB No 407, PH no. 44, Mandal Murwara Katni. Area 0.050 Hectare., Title deed no. 2281 dated 25.08.1995, Boundaries: North: Land of Smt Seetadevi Chaudaha, South: Land of Smt Kusumbai Badgaiyan, East: Land of Dhaniram Badgaiyan & Gopal Gupta, West: Land of Premal Pandey		A) 29.09.2025 B) 31.12.2025 C) Symbolic Possession D) Rs. 3,47,05,885.96 + interest and other charges	A) 37,74,000/- B) 3,77,400/- C) 24.08.2026 D) 25,000/-
Details of encumbrances known to the secured creditor: Not known					
STATUTORY SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6) & 9(1) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002 AND SARFAESI ACT, 2002					
TERMS AND CONDITIONS: (1) The sale shall be subject to the terms and conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 and to the following further conditions. (2) The properties as being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS" AND "AS IS 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 Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any 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 mentioned dates at the given time. (5) For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to www.pnbindia.in , https://baanknet.com .					
Date : 01.08.2026, Place : Katni					
Authorised Officer, Punjab National Bank					