11 injured in Colombia bombing days before presidential inauguration

GLOBAL WEATHER

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

COUNTRY	Max	Min		COUNTRY	Max	Min	
Australia (Canberra)	13	0	SNY	Singapore	32	28	TDS
Indonesia (Bali)	26	19	LR	South Korea (Seoul)	35	27	LC
Italy (Rome)	37	24	SNY	Switzerland (Bern)	28	17	LC
Japan (Tokyo)	37	26	LC	Thailand (Bangkok)	32	27	LR
Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur)	31	25	TDS	Türkiye (Ankara)	28	15	SNY
Maldives (Male)	29	28	LC	UAE (Dubai)	39	34	SNY
Mauritius (Port Louis)	27	21	SNY	Vietnam (Hanoi)	31	26	TDS

US embassies tell citizens to prepare to leave West Asia

Iran blames US of escalating conflict, warns nations against siding with it

DUBAI

US embassies in capitals across the West Asia on Saturday warned American citizens to beware of an "unforeseen escalation" in the regional conflict and urged them to be ready to leave.

The warning, posted online by US embassies in Bahrain, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates came a day after US President Donald Trump threatened to hit Iran "very hard".

Iran and the US have been at war since February 28. After a brief ceasefire, fighting resumed with no end in sight. "Americans in the region should consider departing, or be prepared to depart should there be escalation," said the security alert. The messages urged citizens to check flight details and to follow safety advice from local authorities.

WAR WATCH

"Americans currently in the West Asia should exercise caution and heightened vigilance and should be prepared for flight cancellations, periodic airspace closures, and potential travel disruptions," it said. Americans in Jordan were told not to visit US military bases there, which have recently come under Iranian missile attack, and in Israel they were urged to seek the location of the nearest bomb shelter.

"The Iranian regime is unpredictable, as seen by its recent decisions to attack areas in the region without warning or provocations as well as to expand attacks to areas not previously targeted (such as Egypt)," said a post on the US Embassy Jerusalem site. The US embassy in Beirut said it remained on ordered departure status, with non-essential staff relocated outside Lebanon.

Defensive shield

Iran's military on Saturday accused the US of "escalating tensions" in the region and warned countries against cooperating with Washington. "Any country serving as a defensive shield for criminal and aggressive America will be engulfed by the flames of war," Ali Abdollahi, head of Iran's military central command, said on state television. *AFP*

Four killed in Gaza as Hamas agrees to disarm

GAZA CITY: Israeli airstrikes overnight killed at least four people and wounded dozens in central and northern Gaza, local health officials said on Saturday. The military said it struck Hamas targets and destroyed five storage facilities. The strikes came a day after Hamas confirmed it would disarm under a proposed US-brokered ceasefire. Israel has not officially commented. Egypt welcomed Hamas' response, but Israel's Itamar Ben-Gvir rejected the deal.

Burnham shifts power from London to Manchester

LONDON

BRITAIN has a new hub of power: a bland modern office block about 260 km from the prime minister's official London office and residence at 10 Downing St.

The Manchester low-rise is home to "No. 10 North," the flagship of new Prime Minister Andy Burnham's pledge to be a different kind of UK leader.

Burnham was mayor of Greater Manchester before vaulting back into national politics, and one of his first acts was to set up a branch office in the city. It's both symbol of and engine for his pledge to give local leaders more powers and spread economic growth around the country.

Burnham calls it "a North Pole that balances the South Pole" of Westminster politics in London. Critics have called it a gimmick.

It's certainly a novelty. While past British leaders have spent weekends in their local constituencies, or at the prime minister's official Chequers country retreat, none in living memory has had a large-scale office outside London. Burnham plans to work there at least one day a week, alongside a full-time staff of aides, experts and civil servants. "It's not another office," Burnham said Friday. "It is a fundamental change to the way the country thinks about growth and investment." *AP*

PRIDE FLOATS

Thousands gathered for Amsterdam's annual Pride Canal Parade, held a week after a deadly attack on a Pride event in Berlin. Security was stepped up, while organisers and leaders highlighted the need to defend LGBTQ+ rights amid growing concerns over discrimination and violence. One parade boat featured giant caricatures of US President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin kissing, symbolising a call for love over division | AP

Nirmal Purja's journey from Gurkha soldier to global climbing icon

KATHMANDU

"Broad Peak, I ask for nothing but safe passage up and back down. I take zero mountains for granted. Not one," Nirmal Purja posted on his X account three days before he went missing on the 8,051-metre peak in the Karakoram Range. But it was not to be for Purja, the Nepali-British climber, popularly known as Nims or Nimsdai.

Purja, 43, was among 10 climbers swept away by an avalanche that struck Broad Peak, located in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir's Gilgit-Baltistan, at an altitude of around 7,000 metres on Thursday. Purja's death was confirmed on Saturday in a statement issued by Elite Exped, the expedition company he founded. It further said that no member of the expedition survived the avalanche. The Broad Peak expedition marked the end of Purja's illustrious mountaineering career. Broad Peak is the world's 12th-highest mountain and is considered one of the most challenging peaks to climb.

Purja had successfully climbed all 14 peaks above 8,000 metres around the world in just six months and six days, setting a new record in 2019. He was about to complete his mission of climbing all 14 eight-thousanders twice after completing the Broad Peak. Ang Tshering Sherpa, former president of Nepal Mountaineering Association, termed Purja as "one of the best climbers" in the world. "He has climbed eight thousanders for most of the time," he added.

The list of Purja's achievements, apart from the fastest ascent of the world's 14 tallest mountains using supplemental oxygen, includes the fastest summits of the world's three highest mountains - Everest, K2 and Kanchenjunga - and being among the first mountaineers to summit K2 during winter in January 2021.

However, for the highly skilled mountaineer that he was, Purja didn't grow up in the shadow of the Himalayas. He was born on July 25, 1983, in Myagdi district of Gandaki Province but raised in Chitwan in the country's flatlands.

Nirmal Purja

According to his own website, although he performed well at school, there was no yearning to climb mountains, instead he wanted to become a Gurkha in the British military like his father and brothers before him. Beginning in 2003, Purja had a distinguished 16-year military career, of which he spent six years as a Gurkha and 10 years with the UK Special Forces (SBS). *PTI*

Spain fortifies Ceuta sea border after 67 die in migrant influx from Morocco

CEUTA

SPAIN on Saturday installed a 500-meter-long (1,600-foot) barrier on the sea border between its North African territory of Ceuta and neighboring Morocco after tens of thousands of migrants breached the frontier earlier in the week.

At least 67 migrants died, including some who drowned and others who were killed in a stampede to cross a breakwater barrier, the Spanish government said Saturday.

Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez slammed the reaction of some other European Union leaders to the events in Ceuta, saying calls for Spain to be suspended from the EU's borderless Schengen zone were "driven by prejudice, fake news, ignorance, or political interest." A handful of exhausted migrants who swam to Ceuta's urban Tarajal beach on Saturday morning were met by soldiers who escorted them across the border. Most of the 50,000 to 60,000 migrants who entered the territory between Thursday and Friday soon went back.

"We are relentless against those who break the law," Spanish Interior Minister Fernando Grande-Marlaska told journalists Saturday. Questioned how the massive border breach could have happened given the heavy security on both sides of the border and whether Morocco posed a threat to Ceuta, Marlaska defended the government in Rabat. "The events require an evaluation by Spain and Morocco," he said. But it was the cooperation with its neighbours that allowed Spain "to revert the situation in 24 hours."

Migrants run from Spanish police officers after crossing from Morocco into the Spanish enclave of Ceuta | AP

Inside the Ceuta migrant surge

KEY FIGURES

- 50,000–60,000 migrants entered Ceuta in under 3 days
- 84,000 – Population of Ceuta
- 67 deaths reported while attempting the crossing
- Nearly 12,000 migrants crossed during the previous major surge in May 2021

MASS INFLUX INTO SPAIN'S NORTH AFRICAN ENCLAVE FUELS POLITICAL ROW OVER EU BORDER SECURITY

WHAT IS HAPPENING?

- Most migrants had left Ceuta by Saturday
- Moroccan security forces accused of allowing crossings
- Spain says irregular entry into Ceuta does not grant access to mainland Spain or the rest of the EU
- No access to mainland Spain or the EU via Ceuta
- Border checks remain in place for all departures by air and sea

INTERNATIONAL RESPONSE

- Italy temporarily suspended border-free travel with Spain (move disputed)
- France increased police deployment at the Spain border five-fold
- Portugal tightened land and maritime border checks
- Britain expressed solidarity with Spain
- Donald Trump called the influx a "catastrophe" and an "invasion"

EU leaders call for response

Leaders of 22 EU countries called for a coordinated response, urging the EU's Irish presidency to convene an urgent meeting of interior ministers. In a letter, they warned against creating the perception that illegal entry into the bloc could lead to legal stay, saying it would encourage more crossings and undermine confidence in the EU's migration policy. *AP*

Russia hits Ukrainian capital with ballistic missiles and drones, 9 dead

KYIV

RUSSIA launched an intense barrage of ballistic missiles and drones overnight into Saturday, killing at least nine people and wounding 33 civilians in the Ukrainian capital, Kyiv, authorities said.

The strikes follow a major Russian attack two days earlier that killed at least 10 people and wounded more than 50 others across Ukraine, as Moscow apparently looks to exploit Kyiv's critical shortage of Western-supplied anti-ballistic missile defences. The relentless cycle of attacks dims the potential of reaching a diplomatic end to Russia's more than four-year-old invasion of its neighbour. A five-story residential building in the city's Solomianskyi District was damaged by falling debris and a fire broke out. Rescue workers evacuated 35 people from the upper floors of the building and two people died, with eight reported injured, including two children, according to Ukraine's state emergency service.

Emergency services personnel work to extinguish a fire following Russian missile attacks in Kyiv, Ukraine | AP

In the Darnytskyi District of Kyiv, seven people were killed and another 14 injured after the attack caused fires and damage to houses, vehicles, an administrative and non-residential building, the emergency services said. Elsewhere, emergency workers extinguished a fire in a non-residential building in the capital's Shevchenkivskyi district. *AP*

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DEMAND NOTICE

We, **CFM Asset Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd. (CFM-ARC)** (Assignee of Indian Overseas Bank) having its Corporate Office at 1st Floor, Wakefield House, Sprott Road, Ballard East, Mumbai - 400038, do hereby give the Notice once again under Section 13(2) of the aforesaid Act in its capacity as Secured Creditor. CFM ARC has acquired the entire financial assets alongwith underlying security interest of the borrowers vide Assignment Agreement date 02.02.2026.

Whereas the Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/Mortgagors mentioned hereunder had availed the financial assistance from **Indian Overseas Bank.** We state that despite having availed the financial assistance, the Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/ Mortgagors have committed defaults in repayment of interest and principal amounts as per due dates. The account has been classified as **Non Performing Asset on the dates mentioned hereunder in accordance** with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, consequent to the Authorised Officer of **CFM-ARC** under Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notices to Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/Mortgagors on the dates mentioned herein below under section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002 to pay the amount mentioned in the said notice together with further interest at the contractual rate, costs, charges and incidental expenses etc however the notices were returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

The Assignor had earlier issued a Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act dated 13.09.2013 and had thereafter taken measures under Section 13(4) of the Act, including taking symbolic possession of the secured assets and effecting recoveries. This Fresh Demand Notice under Section 13(2) is issued by CFMARC after assignment of the financial asset and after giving due credit to all recoveries and adjustments effected by the Assignor prior to the assignment.

All the Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors named hereunder are hereby called upon to pay the entire outstanding amount mentioned below, together with further interest, costs, charges and incidental expenses until realization, within sixty (60) days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which CFMARC shall be entitled to exercise all or any of the rights and remedies available under Section 13(4) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, and such other rights and remedies as may be available under any other applicable law.

You are also put on notice that in terms of sub-Section (13) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, you shall not transfer the secured assets described hereunder by way of sale, lease or otherwise without obtaining the prior written consent of CFMARC.

Name and Address of the Borrower/Director/ Mortgagor / Guarantor / Loan Account No.	Date of Demand Notice / Date of NPA	Outstanding Amount as per Demand Notice
1. M/s Oceanic Edibles International Ltd. Represented by its Managing Director (Borrower), 2. Mr. A. Joseb Raj Managing Director, M/s Oceanic Edibles International Ltd (Guarantor/Mortgagor) 3. Mrs. Vimala Joseph, Director, M/s Oceanic Edibles International Ltd (Guarantor/Mortgagor) 4. M/s. Object Frontier Software P. Ltd. Represented by its Managing Director (Corporate Guarantor) Loan A/c No. 153503841400002	28.07.2026 / 30.06.2013	Rs. 2,71,86,74,998.03/- (Rupees Two Hundred Seventy-One Crore Eighty-Six Lakh Seventy-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Eight and Paise Three Only) as on 24.07.2026

Description of the Mortgaged Property/ Secured Assets

Item No 1 — Secured Asset

All that piece and parcel of Land situated at Soorai Village, Maduranthakam Taluk, Chengai MGR District, comprised in
Survey No. 191 / 1 A measuring an extent of 2 Acres and 95 Cents
Survey No. 191 / 1 B measuring an extent of 0 Acres and 03 Cents
Bounded by :

	S. No.191/1A	S. No.191 /1B
North by	Land in S. No.131, 132, 133	Land in S. No.131, 132, 133
South by	Land in S. No.191 / 2A	Land in S. No.191/2A
East by	Land in S. No.191/ 1B	Land in S. No.192
West by	Land in S. No.190	Land in S. No.191 / 1A

in all total measuring an extent of 2 Acres 98 Cents and lying within the Registration Sub - District of Maduranthakam owned by Mr. Joseb Raj.

Item No 2 — Secured Asset

All that piece and parcel of Vacant Building at Sarvodaya New Town, duly approved layout as per DTCP No.1355 / 91 at Panambakkam Village, Thiruvallur District, comprised in
Plot No. 97 – Survey No. 157 / 13 & 160 / 1 measuring an extent of 1800 Sq.ft
Plot No.104 – Survey No. 157 / 13 measuring an extent of 1800 Sq.ft
Bounded by

	Plot No. 97	Plot No.104
North by	Plot No.104	60 Feet Road
South by	23 Feet Road	Plot No.97
East by	Plot No.96	Plot No.105
West by	Plot No.98	Plot No.103

and lying within the Registration District of Kancheepuram and Sub - Registration District of Perambakkam and within the limits of Senji Panchayat Board of Kadambattur Panchayat Union owned by Mr. Joseb Raj.

Item No 3 — Secured Asset

Property owned by Mrs. Vimala Joseph

Sl. NO	Survey No	Extent in Acres	Situated at
1.	787/5, 787/6 (New S.No: 787/5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 5F, 6A, 6B, 6C2, 6F,)	0.48	Marakannam Village, Thindivanam Taluk, Villupuram District,
2.	787/5, 787/6 (New S.No: 787/5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 5F, 6A, 6B, 6C2, 6F,)	1.17 1/4	
3.	787/3 (New No. 787/3B)	0.07 1/4	
4.	787/5, 787/6 (New No: 787/5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 5F, 6A, 6B, 6C2, 6F,)	0.48	
5.	787/5, 787/6 (New S.No: 787/5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 5F, 6A, 6B, 6C2, 6F,)	0.96	
6.	787/5, 787/6 (New S.No: 787/5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 5F, 6A, 6B, 6C2, 6F,)	0.96	
7.	784/13, 784/6, 784/19, 784/3B, 784/14 (New S.No: 784/13A, 785/6B2, 784/19A, 784/3B)	0.29 1/2	
8.	784/18	0.42	
9.	785/10	0.16	
10.	785/14 (Part) (New S.No: 785/14A)	0.03 1/2	
11.	812 (New S.No: 812/1A2, 812/1A3)	0.32	
12.	786/1, 786/3 (New S.No: 786/1, 786/3B)	0.46	
13.	782/17, 782/18, 782/19	0.84	
	TOTAL	6.650	

Item No 4 — Secured Asset

All that piece and parcel of Land situated at No.155, Paiyanoor Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram District, comprised in
S.No.192 / 3 measuring an extent of 16 cents,
S.No.192 / 11 measuring an extent of 48 cents,
S.No.192 / 10 measuring an extent of 50 cents &
S.No.192 / 11 measuring an extent of 24 cents
in total measuring 1 Acre 38 cents owned in the name of Mrs. Vimala Joseph
BOUNDED BY

S.No.192 / 3
North by – Land in S. No. 192 / 2 | South by – Land in S. No. 192 / 4
East by – Land in S. No. 192 / 7 | West by – Land in S. No. 39

S.No.192 / 11
North by – Land in S. No. 192 / 9 | South by – Vaikkal
East by – Land in S. No. 193 | West by – Land in S. No. 192 / 10

S.No.192 / 10
North by – Land in S. No. 192 / 9 | South by – Vaikkal
East by – Land in S. No. 192 / 11 | West by – Land in S. No. 192 / 8 & 192 / 9

Item No 5 — Secured Asset

All that piece and parcel of Land situated at No.155, Paiyanoor Village, Chengalpattu Taluk, Kancheepuram District, comprised in Survey No.185/16 as per patta No.1928 New Survey No.185/16B measuring an extent 54 Cents (Full Extent) and bounded on the :-
North by : S.No.185/11 owned by Oceanic Edibles International Ltd.,
South by : S.No.184/3B
East by : S.No.185/16C owned by Oceanic Edibles International Ltd.,
West by : S.No.185/16A owned by Oceanic Edibles International Ltd.,
Situated within the Registration District of Chengalpattu and Sub Registration District of Thiruporur and within limits of Thiruporur Panchayath union and Paiyanoor Panchayath in the name of Mrs. Vimala Joseph

Date: 02.08.2026
Place: TAMIL NADU

Authorised Officer,
For CFM Asset Reconstruction Pvt. Ltd.
(Acting in its capacity as trustee of CFMARC TRUST - 191)

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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/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below :-

NAME & ADDRESS OF BORROWER/S / GUARANTOR/ MORTGAGOR S : (1). Mr. Muthuselvam V, S/o. Venkataraman, No.129, Amman Kovil Street, Kilvanakkampadi Village, Thandrampet Taluk, Tiruvannamalai-606707. **(2). Mr. Murali V, S/o. Venkataraman,** No.129, Amman Kovil Street, Kilvanakkampadi Village, Thandrampet Taluk, Tiruvannamalai-606707. **(3). Mr.Settu, S/o. Venkataraman** No.129, Amman Kovil Street, Kilvanakkampadi Village, Thandrampet Taluk Tiruvannamalai 606707.

A/c. No. 69690600001324, Rs.8,32,927.46/- plus interest and Bank charges from 29.07.2026.
Total Dues as on 31.07.2026 : Rs.8,32,927.46/- Plus interest and other charges.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES WITH KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES, IF ANY:
(Mortgaged Property in the name of Mr. Muthuselvam V)

Equitable Mortgage of land and building in Thiruvannamalai District, Thiruvannamalai Registration District, Thandrampet Sub district Tandrampet Taluk, Kilvanakkampadi Village, S.No.245/14C (New S.No.245/14C3 0.0.85) with a measuring East to West 21 ft, North to South 55 ft, Totalling 1155 sq.ft (or) 107.30 sq.mtr. the Settlement of 241 ½ = 913 ½ sq.ft in the name of Mr. Muthuselvam V within under mentioned boundaries
Boundaries: East by Plot of Mr.Vijayan; West by Plot of Ms.Valiyammal; South by Plot of Perumal; North by 15 feet Street.

RESERVE PRICE : Rs.8,50,000/- I EMD : Rs.85,000/- I BID INCREASE : Rs.10,000/-
Last date for EMD payment : 14.09.2026

Date & time of E-AUCTION 14.09.2026, 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 : 12.08.2026, 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.bank.in/e-auction.htm** Also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Tel No. 04175-253344, Mobile.9515024578 & 9952243067

Date : 01.08.2026.
Place : Tiruvannamalai

Authorised Officer,
Bank of Baroda