

FROM THE WORLD

SRI LANKA
Rescue begin for fishermen

The Sri Lankan Navy and Air Force have launched a joint search-and-rescue operation for fishermen reported missing after venturing into the sea before a fishing ban was imposed due to rough weather, officials said.

Director General of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Susantha Kahawatta said several fishermen who had gone to sea before authorities announced the ban were now in distress.

A fishing boat that left the northwestern coastal town of Chilaw with two fishermen on board has gone missing, officials said. In a separate incident, the body of a fisherman from the coastal town of Negombo washed ashore after his boat reportedly struck a rock in rough seas. The Sri Lanka Air Force deployed a surveillance aircraft to assist Search teams in the operation, officials said.

USA
Santos agrees for settlement

Disgraced former Congressman George Santos agreed to pay \$35,000 to settle a federal investigation into his suspicious trades on the prediction marketplace Kalshi after he bet against his own plans to attend President Donald Trump's State of the Union.

The one-time Republican lawmaker from New York on Friday said he settled with the federal Commodity Futures Trading Commission to "put this matter behind him", noting that he did not admit to doing anything wrong. "He chose a prompt, practical resolution, rather than protracted, costly litigation, and that choice should not be mistaken for admission of any wrongdoing, because it is not one," Santos' Joseph Murray said in a statement.

Santos shared on X. The commission said settlement represents the more than \$17,000 Santos earned.

Trump threatens more strikes on Iran as Hormuz tensions rise

SAMY MAGDY/AAMER MADHANI
■ Cairo

US President Donald Trump threatened more strikes on Iran as the United States presses for the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz.

Hours later on Saturday, Kuwait said it responded to a new round of drone attacks from Iran while a tanker was struck in the strategic waterway. Meanwhile, Israel carried out heavy strikes on the Gaza Strip after the Palestinian militant group Hamas agreed to disarm.

Speaking to reporters during a meeting with members of his Cabinet at the Camp David presidential retreat in Maryland, Trump said "we just want to win" in Iran and signalled that he expected US military action to continue for some time.

He said the US will hit Iran "very hard" until they can't take it anymore.

Later that day, White House press secretary Karoline Leavitt expressed the US administration's frustration anew, charging that Tehran last month signed a memorandum of understanding with the US on a truce but then quickly "broke it, shot at commercial ships, and killed American soldiers."

"President Trump is not going to stand by and allow this terrorist behavior to occur," Leavitt said in a statement. "Iran will continue to pay until they come to the table in, what President Trump deems, a meaningful way."



Palestinians inspecting destroyed buildings at the scene of an Israeli airstrike, at al-Maghazi refugee camp, central Gaza Strip

Kuwait's military said Saturday that its forces were responding to drone attacks, which were part of Iran's assaults on the country.

In a statement, Maj Gen Saud Abdulaziz Al-Otaibi, spokesman for Kuwait's Defence Ministry, said the drones hit "a number of vital facilities," including a Government structure in the country's north. He said there were no casualties.

The British Navy said Saturday that a tanker was struck and a separate explosion hit close to a vessel in the Strait of Hormuz off the coast of Oman. No casualties were reported in either incident, it said. The United Kingdom Maritime Trade Organisation said an unknown projectile hit the vessel on Friday 11 nautical miles northeast of Lima, Oman. The attack damaged the vessel's engine room.

The group said that on Saturday a large splash and an explosion were reported close to another tanker while it was sailing 21 nautical miles northwest of Khasab city.

Iran has repeatedly attacked vessels attempting to transit through the Strait of Hormuz without its authorisation as part of its ongoing conflict with the US.

Israel strikes Gaza after Hamas says it will disarm

Intense Israeli strikes on Friday night and Saturday killed at least four people in central and northern Gaza and wounded dozens more, according to local health officials.

The strikes came after Hamas confirmed Friday that it will disarm in a potential breakthrough for ending the war in Gaza, though major obstacles remain. Israel has not officially commented on the Hamas deal, which is part of a US-brokered ceasefire announced last October.

That agreement called for Hamas to disarm and hand over power to an independent Palestinian administration. Israel was to withdraw and an International Stabilization Force was to be deployed. In a post on X Friday, Israeli far-right lawmaker Itamar Ben-Gvir called the deal "unacceptable" and said the killings in Gaza must continue. "Israel must win," he said.

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Secretary (Economic Relations) Sudhakar Dalela being presented a memento during the National Day celebrations of the Republic of Benin

China holds military drills near disputed shoal in South China Sea

ASSOCIATED PRESS ■ Beijing

China conducted military drills near the disputed Scarborough Shoal in the South China Sea on Saturday as territorial tensions with the Philippines intensify.

The joint naval and air drills near the shoal, which is known as Huangyan Island in China and Panatag Shoal in the Philippines, tested the army's ability to coordinate air and sea operations and provide rapid reinforcements, according to state broadcaster CCTV.

The drills came after Beijing criticised Manila's attempts to extend its seabed rights in the South China Sea, a vital global trade route with rich undersea deposits of gas and oil that China claims almost in its entirety. The Philippines earlier this week presented its bid to the United Nations to extend its seabed to include the disputed shoal.

"The so-called territorial sea baselines of Huangyan Dao designated by the Philippine side are illegal and invalid," the People's Liberation Army Southern Theatre Command said in a statement.



China also on Saturday released a set of rules for a nature reserve it established last year around Scarborough Shoal. The regulations ban unauthorised fishing, mining and harvesting of corals.

Chinese coast guards frequently face off with Philippine sailors and fishermen in the disputed waters. Last week, at least three such confrontations occurred. In one of the incidents, the Chinese coast guard allegedly wounded a Philippine sailor by striking him in the head with a baton, according to the Philippine military.

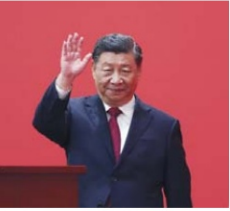
Enhance use of AI to develop intelligent military: Xi tells PLA

KJM VARMA ■ Beijing

Chinese President Xi Jinping has called on the armed forces to enhance use of AI as part of a drive to develop an "intelligent military system" and asked them to enhance combat capabilities as a testing criterion for promoting high-quality modernisation.

Speaking ahead of the People's Liberation Army's (PLA) 99th anniversary celebrated on Saturday, Xi said the military has made "significant progress" in modernisation and called for "decisive" advances to achieve its objectives.

Xi, who also heads the military, told a Politburo group study session on Thursday



that the PLA should "strengthen the military application of unmanned intelligent technologies, deepen the development and application of network information systems, and gradually build an intelligent military system", the state-run Xinhua news agency reported.

Unmanned technologies broadly mean AI tools.

Combat capabilities remain the ultimate objective and testing criterion for promoting the high-quality modernisation of national defence and the armed forces, Xi said.

It is vital to strengthen the systematic integration of combat capabilities, conduct rigorous combat-oriented test and evaluation and bolster military training and combat readiness, thereby effectively safeguarding national sovereignty, security and development interests, he said. Xi heads the Central Military Commission, which is the overall high command of the PLA. Since he took over power in 2012, Xi has increased real time exercises to test their strength. (PTI)

Gor calls on Bangladesh PM to join Pax Silica initiative

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
■ Dhaka

US Special Envoy for South and Central Asia Sergio Gor on Saturday discussed bilateral ties, trade and investment with Bangladesh Prime Minister Tarique Rahman and called on Dhaka to join the US-led Pax Silica initiative, local media reported.

In a meeting with PM Rahman at his office in Tejgaon, Gor said that Bangladesh has significant potential to become a partner in the global economic security alliance focused on critical minerals, energy, semiconductors, and artificial intelligence (AI) infrastructure, the Dhaka Tribune newspaper reported, citing the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Pax Silica, led by the US State Department, aimed to reduce reliance on Chinese



US Special Envoy Sergio Gor meets Bangladesh PM Tarique Rahman in Dhaka on Saturday

tech dominance.

The two sides also discussed bilateral relations, trade and investment, regional cooperation and other issues of mutual interest during the meeting, state-owned Bangladesh Sangbad Sangstha (BSS) quoted PM's Deputy Press Secretary Shahadat Shadin as saying.

"Today I called on the Honourable Prime Minister @trahmanbp to discuss the great opportunities between the US and Bangladesh to strengthen economic cooperation and enhance our partnership.

This is a priority for the United States, and working together we can achieve real results," Gor, who is also US Ambassador to

India, posted on X after the meeting. Expressing confidence in PM Rahman's leadership, Gor said that stability has returned to Bangladesh under his leadership, the BSS report said.

He said the US has revised its travel advisory for Bangladesh, sending an important message to American investors that the country is now ready for investment. Rahman called on US to invest in warehousing, soybean, cotton, wheat and other agricultural sectors in Bangladesh, saying it would help build a strong and competitive supply chain, BSS reported.

He also highlighted Bangladesh's interest in attracting US investment in the information technology sector, it said. Gor said that US investors are keen to organise a summit in Bangladesh.

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E-AUCTION
SALE NOTICE
(Under SARFAESI Act 2002)

APPENDIX- IV-A [SEE PROVISO TO RULE 8(6) 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 proviso 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 the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the Central Bank of India (secured creditor), the constructive/ physical Possession of which have been taken by the authorized officer of Central Bank of India (Secured creditors), **will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "whatever there is" basis on date 07.09.2026** for recovery of dues to the **Central Bank of India** from below mention Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and Earnest money deposit (EMD) is displayed against the details of respective properties.

E-AUCTION SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON 07.09.2026 (30 DAY'S NOTICE)

S. No.	Name of Branch	Authorised Officer / B.M.	Name of the Account	Description of Property & Owner Name	Demand Notice Date & Amount Dues (In Rupees)	Date & Type of Possession	In Rupees Reserve Price EMD Bid Increase
1.	Patparganj Delhi	Mr. Mohit Gangwar Mobile: 8171783511	Juneja Trading Co Prop. Rajni Juneja	Shop No.3097/03, Part of Property Bearing Municipal No.1502 (old) and 3097 (New), Ground Floor Situated at Ward No. VI, Mohalla Dassan Peepal Mahadev, Hauz Qazi Delhi-110006 .Area: 83 Sq Ft Owner : Ramesh Rani Juneja.	17.10.2025 Rs.11.32 Lakh + Other Charges Applicable Deductions/ Repayments	12.06.2026 (Physical)	₹ 12,33,000.00 ₹ 10,000.00
2.	Sehani Ghaziabad	Mr. Abhay Mishra Mobile: 8588907378	M/s R S Marbles Prop. Mahesh Chand Sharma	All that Part and Parcel of Plot along With Boundary Wall, Measuring 400 Sq Yard i.e 334.40 Sq Mtr Situated at Garhi Road Duhri, Pilakhuwa Within Municipal Limit Pilakhuwa , Khasra No.2570 Owner: Mahesh Chand Sharma	17.05.2021 Rs.10.31 Lakh + Other Charges Applicable Deductions/ Repayments	31.01.2023 (Physical)	₹ 27,00,000.00 ₹ 2,70,000.00 ₹ 30,000.00
3.	RWA Sector-15A	Mr. Amit Yadav Mobile: 8077744291	Himanshu Katariya & Rahul Katariya	Residential House No.154, New Nagar Nigam No-159 Situated at Mohalla Sukhimal, Dasna Gate, Tehsil & District- Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh. Area: 75.46 Sq Mtr Owner: Himanshu Katariya and Rahul Katariya	07.08.2023 Rs.34.73 Lakh + Other Charges Applicable Deductions/ Repayments	06.02.2025 (Symbolic)	₹ 43,00,000.00 ₹ 4,30,000.00 ₹ 50,000.00
4.	RWA Sector-15A	Mr. Amit Yadav Mobile: 8077744291	Himanshu Katariya & Rahul Katariya	Two Shops No. 8 & 10, on Ground Floor, Municipal House No. 544, Situated at Mohalla- Kallupura, Pakka Talab, Tehsil & District-Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh Area 29.72 Sq Mtr. Owner: Himanshu Katariya and Rahul Katariya	07.08.2023 Rs.34.73 Lakh + Other Charges Applicable Deductions/ Repayments	06.02.2025 (Symbolic)	₹ 30,00,000.00 ₹ 3,00,000.00 ₹ 30,000.00

E-AUCTION DATE: 07.09.2026, TIME: 12:00 NOON TO 04:00 PM WITH AUTO EXTENSION OF 10 MINUTES

Last Date & Time of Submission of EMD and Documents (Online) On or Before: 07.09.2026 Upto 03:30 PM.

Bidder will register on website: <https://BAANKNET.com> and upload KYC documents and after verification of KYC documents by the service provider, EMD to be deposited in [BAANKNET](https://BAANKNET.com) EMD wallet through NEFT/RTGS/Transfer / Generation of challan from (<https://BAANKNET.com>). The auction will be conducted through common landing platform BAANKNET.com Portal (<https://BAANKNET.com>). E-auction will be held "As is where is", "As is what is" and "whatever there is" basis. (All other charges/ dues to the property will be borne by the purchaser).

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STATUTORY 30 DAY'S SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8(6) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

Borrowers/Guarantors/ Mortgagees are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with upto date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-auction, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost.

DATE: 01.08.2026
PLACE: DELHI

Authorised Officer,
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DEMAND NOTICE 13(2) OF SECURITISATION ACT 2002

BRANCH OFFICE: BULANDSHAHR ROAD INDUSTRIAL AREA, GHAZIABAD, U.P.

Demand Notice Under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act, 2002 to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s.

This Demand Notice is hereby given under section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 hereinafter calling upon the under mentioned Borrowers / Guarantors to repay, the Amounts outstanding for the Credit Facilities granted to them / on their Guarantee, within 60 days from the date of this Notice. If you fail to repay to the Bank the below mentioned amount with further interest and incidental expenses, costs etc. in terms of this notice u/s 13(2) of the Act, the Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 and under other applicable provisions of the said Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub-section 4 of Section 13 you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed below of this notice without obtaining written consent of the Bank.

The details of the account and Secured Assets along with Amount Outstanding is given below:-

Name & Address of Borrower and Guarantor	Description of the Secured Asset	Date & Amount of 13(2) Notice
BORROWER: MR. YASHPAL SINGH Address: House No. A 169, Ground Floor V P Block, Pitampura, Delhi-110034. MRS. NAINA BAKSHI Address: House No. A 169, Ground Floor V P Block, Pitampura, Delhi-110034. GUARANTOR: MRS. RADHA AGARWAL W/O MR. DEEPAK AGARWAL House No. F-2/962, Gaur Homes Govindpuram, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh-201013.	Immovable Asset A: Equitable Mortgage of Residential Plot No.D-124, Ground Floor Swarnjayanti Puram, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh, Admeasuring Area - 108 Sq.Mtr. Sale Deed No.6158 dated 15/06/2023 which was duly registered in the office of Sub - Registrar Ghaziabad vide Bahi No.1, Jild No.17809, Page No. 45 to 68. Owned by Mr. Yashpal Singh. Bounded By: South: Property No. 123 East: 12 Mtr. vide Road West: Property No.117 North: Property No.125 Immovable Asset B: Equitable Mortgage of Residential Flat No.3rd A-130, First Floor, Nehru Nagar, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh Being Conveyance Deed No.9597 dated 11/09/2023 duly registered in Sub Registrar Office Sadar Fourth - Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh. Conveyance Deed No.9597, Bahi No.1, Jild No.42507 on Page 189 to 218 dated 11.09.2023, Admeasuring Covered Area 165.50 Sq.Meter in the name of Mrs. Radha Agarwal. Bounded By: South: Property No.139 East: Plot No.134 and 135 West: Part of Plot No.A 130 North: Road 80 Feet	Date of 13(2) Notice: 16.07.2026 N.P.A. Date: 29.06.2024 Rs.67,56,074.02 (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Seventy Four and Two Paisa Only) plus future Interest at the applicable rate/s of interest mentioned in the Schedule A from the date of notice 16/07/2026 till the date of full and final payment along with incidental expenses, charges and costs recoverable from you as per terms of contract and/or as per law, within sixty days from the date of this notice.

YOUR ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 13(8) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002 IN RESPECT OF TIME AVAILABLE TO YOU TO REDEEM THE SECURED ASSETS.

ALL OUR PREVIOUS 13(2) DEMAND NOTICES ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002 STANDS WITHDRAWN

DATE: 01.08.2026
PLACE: GHAZIABAD, U.P.

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Central Bank of India

Rescue operation ends at Japan's Aeon Mall after earthquake



MARI YAMAUCHI ■ Tokyo

Authorities ended on Saturday a massive days-long search-and-rescue operation at a collapsed shopping mall in south-west Japan following a powerful earthquake that killed 34 people earlier this week.

The magnitude 7.1 earthquake hit Kumamoto on Japan's southern main island of Kyushu on Tuesday. The Aeon Mall, in the town of Kashima, was one of the hardest-hit sites, after an explosion that followed the quake caused the walls and a floor to crumple.

The explosion, which the company said was believed to be due to a gas leak, occurred after about 3,000 shoppers had been evacuated to a parking lot following the quake, but some employees remained inside. The mall's second floor collapsed. (AP)