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RBI raises interest rate...

Compounding the price pressures is weak rains linked to El Nino.

Inflation pressures have broadened even as economic activity remains resilient. Consumer-price inflation rose to 4.82 per cent in August - above the RBI's 4 per cent medium-term target for a third consecutive month, while core inflation accelerated to 4.2 per cent.

The central bank said inflation risks were no longer as benign as they had been a year earlier, pointing to higher food and fuel prices, deficient monsoon rainfall, El Nino conditions and renewed volatility in international oil prices.

The RBI now expects headline inflation to average 5.2 per cent in the 2026-27 financial year, with inflation projected to rise to 6.0 per cent in the third quarter and 5.7 per cent in the fourth quarter.

"There are also early signs of inflation becoming generalised," he said, citing a rise in core inflation and a larger share of the consumer price index

basket recording elevated price increases.

Oil prices have emerged as a particular risk following the renewed escalation of the West Asia conflict. The Indian crude basket averaged USD 116.1 a barrel in September, up sharply from USD 82 in July, according to the RBI.

Food-price pressures have also broadened, with the central bank flagging sharp increases in sugar and onion prices and warning of early signs that inflation is becoming more widespread.

At the same time, the RBI raised its economic growth forecast for 2026-27 by 40 basis points to 7.1 per cent, after the economy expanded 7.8 per cent in the first quarter.

The RBI said activity remained resilient in the second quarter, although momentum had moderated. Manufacturing and services continued to expand, while indicators such as capital-goods production, credit growth and consumer spending remained supportive.

Rupee undervalued; will...

"We will ensure that the rupee stabilises, that the rupee finds its correct value, and we will support an orderly movement of the rupee in finding its correct value and at the same time in ensuring that there is no excessive volatility," the Governor told reporters at the central bank headquarters here. He was replying to a specific question about the rupee inching towards its all-time low of 96.96 against the dollar, during intraday trading on Wednesday.

It can be noted that the domestic currency has been under pressure for much of this year, especially since the beginning of the West Asia conflict in late February, resulting in a spike in crude oil prices, which poses a direct challenge to an oil-importing country like India.

PM Modi's new slogan to...

"These goals will be achieved through visionary policies and relentless hard work. India may have challenges, but we also have 140 crore solutions," he said.

Modi has been serving continuously as head of Government -- first as Chief Minister of Gujarat for three terms and subsequently as Prime Minister of India after winning three Lok Sabha elections -- since October 7, 2001.

The Prime Minister said when he took oath as Gujarat Chief Minister on October 7, 2001, he never imagined this milestone would come.

"Today, I have completed 25 years of continuously serving as head of the Government. I bow before the people of India for their trust in me. For me, people are God; hardworking BJP workers are my strength. I bow my head in obeisance to the feet of the nation's people," he said.

The Prime Minister said his political report card is that of

someone who worked only for the organisation.

"I had fought elections for others, but hadn't contested a single one myself. If I had the desire to shine in electoral politics, I could have entered the field much earlier. But that was not my temperament. Because the education and upbringing I received since childhood was that I am a person who lives not for ambition, but for mission," he said.

"My right is to my action, so I consider action to be my duty. And I will continue to perform every action with full capacity and perform action continuously. The work should not stop and the effort should not stop. "Therefore, for me, action is not just responsibility, it is my devotion to the country. Action for the country, action for the citizens," he said.

He also expressed gratitude to all his colleagues of BJP, NDA and all those who hold immense reverence for democracy.

Day-2 of protest: Rahul...

personnel then started removing Priyanka Gandhi and other women who were lying on the road. They were forcibly removed and put into buses and were taken away from the site.

"This is how they treat members of Parliament who are asking simply to meet the election commissioners. This is how they treat us. They are beating members of Parliament," Priyanka Gandhi said.

"Their policemen have scratched me all over. They have thrown us to the ground and now we are not going to leave from here. Let them call their forces back. I will not move from here," she added.

As Rahul Gandhi was being taken away in the police bus, which the Congress claimed got punctured on the way, he said the Opposition's protest will not stop until Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar resigns, asserting that this is a fight to protect the "most sacred thing" in the country.

"We are not going to stop protesting till Gyanesh Kumar

resigns. This is a fight to protect the most sacred thing in this country. There is nothing that Narendra Modi and Amit Shah can do that will stop us," Gandhi said in a post on X.

In a video attached to his X post, the leader of opposition in Lok Sabha said Prime Minister Modi, Amit Shah, (RSS chief) Mohan Bhagwat and Gyanesh Kumar can do all this stuff, "but we are going to bring them to justice. My guarantee that all four of them will be brought to justice."

"This is all panic reaction, This is all fear. They are going to be brought to justice, mark my words."

RAHUL, PRIYANKA BOOKED FOR ENTERING AKASHVANI BHAWAN WITHOUT PERMISSION: DELHI Police has registered an FIR against Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, and their supporters for allegedly forcibly entering Akashvani Bhawan during the Opposition's march against the CEC on October 6, officials said on Wednesday.

Shinde faction defends EC's decision on party, symbol

NEW DELHI, Oct 7 (PTI)

THE Eknath Shinde faction on Wednesday defended in the Supreme Court the Election Commission's decision recognising it as the real Shiv Sena and allotting it the party's bow-and-arrow symbol.

A bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and V Mohana was told by senior advocate N K Kaul, appearing for the Shinde faction, that there was "not a shred of evidence" that any Shiv Sena constitution subsequent to the 2011 version had ever been submitted to the Election Commission (EC).

The senior lawyer focused, among other issues, on the party constitution, inner-party democracy, the EC's jurisdiction and the timing of its decision to resolve the symbol dispute.

He told the bench that the poll body itself had recorded in two

Shiv Sena row



orders that the only party constitution available with it was the 2011 constitution, which had been brought into conformity with the poll body's requirements.

"We brought it in conformity. That was the mandate of the leadership at that time. It was brought in conformity with what the Election Commission wanted in 2011," he said.

He argued that the dispute

arose later when an attempt was made to alter the party constitution and subsequently claimed that the revised document had been submitted to the EC.

"The EC says, 'We never received it.' Every letter they exchange about party elections. When they write to the EC, they never annex the Constitution. There is not a shred of evidence to show that any new Constitution was handed over to the EC," Kaul said.

Referring to submissions made by Shiv Sena leader Subhash Desai in the earlier proceedings, Kaul said the party itself had stated that it would abide by the constitution available with the Election Commission.

He then relied on judicial precedents to argue that political parties must adhere to principles of inner-party democracy. Citing a decision of the top court, Kaul said that political parties form the "base of the dem-

SC upholds HC order restraining Guj newspaper from using 'Saurashtra Aaj Tak' name

NEW DELHI, Oct 7 (PTI)

THE Supreme Court on Wednesday dismissed a plea filed by a Gujarati newspaper challenging a Delhi High Court order restraining it from using the name 'Saurashtra Aaj Tak'.

The High Court had held that the title could create a misleading impression of an association with the 'Aaj Tak' news channel of TV Today Network. A bench comprising

Chief Justice Surya Kant and justices Joymalya Bagchi and V Mohana found no reason to interfere with the high court's July 30 judgement, saying that the case was one of clear passing off.

"This is a clear case of passing off," Justice Bagchi said.

TV Today Network had approached the courts alleging that the use of 'Saurashtra Aaj Tak' by the Gujarati newspaper was likely

to cause confusion among the public. Earlier, the Delhi High Court set aside a trial court order that had permitted the newspaper to continue using the title subject to publication of a prominent disclaimer stating that it had no connection with TV Today. The High Court had directed the newspaper to adopt a new name that was neither identical nor deceptively similar to the Aaj Tak trademark.

WB to be renamed Paschim Banga: Samik Bhattacharya

KOLKATA, Oct 7 (ANI)

WEST Bengal Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) president Samik Bhattacharya on Wednesday indicated that the State's name will likely be changed to "Paschim Banga", asserting preservation of the

land's historical identity. Speaking to reporters, Bhattacharya firmly said, "How many times must I say, brother? The name will be 'Paschim Banga'." Earlier on Monday, the State BJP chief had asserted that alternative nomenclature would be done



away with, stating that the formal transition to 'Paschim Banga' was imminent. "Yes, absolutely. Paschim Banga Bhavan... West Bengal's 'Paschim'... For a long time now, you will no longer have to hear names like 'Paschim Bangla', 'Bangla', or 'Banga'. 'Paschim Banga' (West Bengal) is coming," Bhattacharya had told reporters.

Announcing that a Legislative bill

will soon be introduced to anchor the State's identity to its history, he further said, "Very soon, in the very first session itself, our Government is introducing a bill so that the name of this State remains intrinsically linked with the history of this State, and that

remains its identity. That is why the State is going to be named 'Paschim Banga'."

Beyond the renaming issue, Bhattacharya also spoke on a wide range of political and policy matters, hailing Prime Minister Narendra Modi's address marking his 25 years as head of Government.

"Across all administrative districts of India, Bharatiya Janata Party karyakartas, our well-wishers, and Government officials gathered. The Prime Minister spoke from his heart. After his long journey of 25 years as head of administration, above all, what he conveyed is that his life is dedicated to this nation," Bhattacharya said.

Body of child found, at least 8 hurt after building collapses in Delhi



An earthmover clears debris after a four-storey building collapsed onto two to three adjoining houses, in Seemapuri, New Delhi, on Wednesday. (PTI)

NEW DELHI, Oct 7 (PTI)

A CHILD aged around a year and a half was killed and at least eight people, including a three-year-old child, were injured after a four-storey building in collapsed in northeast Delhi's Seemapuri area, officials said.

Eight people have been rescued in an injured condition and sent to hospitals, they added. The body of a child aged around a year and a half with its head severed was pulled out of the rubble, the officials said. Authorities are suspecting that cracks that appeared in the building following tremors caused by an earthquake in Uttarakhand on Tuesday evening may have led to the incident.

Locals said they could hear the voices of those trapped under the debris.

The actual cause of the collapse is yet to be ascertained. According to

the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD), neighbours have claimed that cracks appeared in the structure following the earthquake and the building owner was in the process of vacating it. The Delhi Fire Services received a call regarding the collapse at around 3:30 pm and rushed fire tenders to the spot. Teams from the Delhi Police, the Delhi Disaster Management Authority, the National Disaster Response Force, the MCD and the Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board (DUSIB) launched search-and-rescue operations.

According to police, the four-storey building was constructed on a plot measuring approximately 225 square feet. The MCD, however, described it as a three-storey structure in a jhuggi-jhopri area spread over around 22 square yards in the DUSIB area near the Idgah Machhli Mandi.

SC refuses to interfere with HC order granting bail to Nandigram by-poll candidate

NEW DELHI, Oct 7 (PTI)

THE Supreme Court refused to interfere with the Calcutta High Court order granting interim bail to Congress' Nandigram by-poll candidate, Milan Pradhan, for electioneering.

A bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and V Mohana however, granted the West Bengal Government represented by Solicitor General Tushar Mehta to raise its contentions before the high court if Pradhan seeks extension of grant of interim bail in criminal cases pending against him. On September 30, SC had agreed to hear the West Bengal Government's plea challenging the interim bail granted to Pradhan in 6 criminal cases lodged in 2007. It noted that the HC had granted the interim bail till October 20 for a limited purpose of allowing him to campaign and take part in the counting of votes.

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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/Physical/Symbolic (Which is 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 then 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 : 27-10-2026
(E-auction timings: 11.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. with an unlimited extension of 10 minutes each)
Last Date of EMD : 26-10-2026 upto 11.00 PM

Name of Borrower/Mortgagor Description of Secured Assets	Reserve Price	Demand Notice Dt.
	EMD (₹)	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 Yogesh Krishna Saxena Phone No. 0755-2550020/9425013866		
1. M/s Manish Pandey (Proprietorship Firm) Through Mr. Manish Pandey 2. Mrs. Aakanksha Pandey (Guarantor)		07-05-2026 16-07-2026
1. All that part and parcel of property situated at Extn of Charge on H. No 58, Comfort Green, Survey no 144/21/1/3, 3/1/Ga/1, 144/21/1/Kha, 3/1/Ga/2, 144/21/1/Kha, 144/21/1/1 & 144/21/1 Ka, Comfort Greens, Village- Nevari, Near New Jail, P.H. No-5, Ward no 75, Bhopal, M.P.; Area - 96.15 Sq Mtr., Boundaries : East: Road, West: Plot No. 37, North: Road, South: Plot No. 57, Property Owner: Mr. Manish Pandey S/o Mr. Sadhav Prasad Pandey & Mrs. Aakanksha Pandey W/o. Mr. Manish Pandey (Symbolic Possession)	(₹) 81,09,000/- (₹) 8,10,900/-	(₹) 23766454.45 + interest & other charges
2.All that part and parcel of property situated at Plot No. 69, Sheetal Mega City, Phase II Campus at part of Khasra No. 454/11/2 & 453, Ward No 17, Mandideep, Raisen, M.P., Area - 52.04 Sq Mtr, Boundaries : East: Plot No. 68, West: Plot No. 70, North: Colony Road, South: Plot No. 44, Property Owner: Mr. Manish Pandey S/o Mr. Sadhav Prasad Pandey. (Symbolic Possession)	(₹) 20,63,000/- (₹) 2,06,300/-	
M/s.Sandeep Khare & Associates		06-07-2017 18-09-2017
1. EM of Third Floor, 02, (TF-2), Narmada Block-06, Indus Realty Plot No. 10, D-Sector, Industrial Area, Ward No. 13, Mandideep, Distt-Raisen. Area 600 Sq . Ft. Boundaries : North: Narmada Block-5, Third Floor 5, South :Corridor, East: Narmada Block 6, Third Floor 3, West: Narmada Block 6, Third Floor 1, Property Owner: Shree Sandeep Khare (Physical Possession)	(₹) 6,20,000/- (₹) 62,000/-	(₹) 19742225.75 + interest & other charges w.e.f. 30.06.2017
2. EM of Third Floor No. 05, (TF-5), Narmada Block-04, Indus Realty Plot No. 10, D-Sector, Ward No.13, Industrial Area, Mandideep, Distt-Raisen. Area 600 Sq . Ft. Boundaries : North: Corridor, South :Narmada Block-5, Third Floor-2, East: Narmada Block 4, Third Floor 4, West: Narmada Block 4, Third Floor 6, Property Owner: Shree Sandeep Khare (Physical Possession)	(₹) 6,20,000/- (₹) 62,000/-	
M/s Kalka Saree Centre (Physical Possession) Equitable Mortgage of Ground Floor Portion A New 34/349 , Bairagarh, Bhopal (MP)Area: 1080 sqft, Boundaries: East- Quarter No.351, West-Quarter No.348, North- Remaining Part of the Quarter, South- Gali, Property Owner : Shri Kanhaiyalal Ailani/ Shri Rajkumar Ailani	(₹) 22,89,000/- (₹) 2,28,900/-	18-10-2017 21-06-2019 Amount Due as per Demand Notice
M/s Anil Industries, Prop. Anil Kumar Navlani S/o Narso Mal Navlani Mouja Maharagaon, Town Itarsi, Teshil- Itarsi, Ward No.14, (New Ward No.28) Itarsi, Out of Diverted Khasra No.112, Sheet No.01, Plot No.2/2B/2, 2/2C/3 As per Registry Plot No.1/2,2/1,2/2A, 2/2B, 2/2C,2/2D,2/3, Sub-Plot No.08, Area : 1650 Sqft., Boundaries : East- Land of Mahaveer Kishore Jaiswal, West- Road, North- Land of Sellers, South-Land of Kailash Kumar Navlani, Property Owner : Anil Kumr Navlani S/o Narso Mal Navlani and Asha Devi W/o Anil Kumar Navlani (Physical Possession)	(₹) 34,16,000/- (₹) 3,41,600/-	11-08-2021 09-12-2021 (₹) 2382806.05 + interest & other charges
M/s Maa Gayatri Engineering Prop. Shri Sandeep Patidar 63, Pachmari Vihar Colony, Pachmari Road, Bejanawada, Teshil- Pipariya, District- Hoshangabad -451775, Commercial Diverted Land on Which Commercial Building Built Area (35 + 14)2*80 = 1960Sq.Ft.(182.15 Sq. Mtr.) Boundaries : East- Remaining Land of Seller, West- Remaining Land of Seller, North-Remaining Land of Seller, South- Road & Drain, Property Owner : Shri Sandeep Patidar S/o Muralilal Patidar (Physical Possession)	(₹) 26,10,000/- (₹) 2,61,000/-	01-06-2024 12-08-2024 (₹) 3103736.00 + interest & other charges w.e.f.01.06.2024

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