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Australia (Canberra)	27	9	SNY	Singapore	31	27	SNY
Indonesia (Bali)	30	19	LC	South Korea (Seoul)	27	18	LR
Italy (Rome)	27	14	LC	Switzerland (Bern)	25	7	SNY
Japan (Tokyo)	23	18	LR	Thailand (Bangkok)	26	24	LR
Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur)	31	24	SNY	Turkiye (Ankara)	24	10	LC
Maldives (Male)	29	28	LR	UAE (Dubai)	36	31	SNY
Mauritius (Port Louis)	28	21	SNY	Vietnam (Hanoi)	26	24	LR

Iran says it struck tanker transiting Strait of Hormuz via ‘illegal route’

Separate report claims fire aboard a ship off UAE coast sparked by unknown projectile

TEHRAN

IRAN’S Revolutionary Guards said on Friday that they had struck a tanker attempting to take an “illegal route” through the Strait of Hormuz, which Tehran has sought to blockade since the outset of the Middle East war. Maritime trackers also reported on Friday that an unknown projectile sparked a fire aboard a ship off the UAE coast, but named a different vessel.

In a statement carried by official media, the Guards said Iranian forces “have taken control of the administration of the strait”. “In carrying out this mission, a few hours ago, a giant LPG carrier named NV Sunshine, owned by NatWit, which was attempting to transit via the illegal route south of the Strait of Hormuz, was struck,” the Guards said in the statement.

Iran has attempted to impose its control over the Hormuz over the course of the war, insisting that vessels seek its permission to cross via its preferred routes.

However, ships have increasingly been willing to risk transiting via an alternative route hugging the strait’s southern coast.

Britain’s UKMTO maritime agency said on Friday that a ship 13 nautical miles (24 kilometres) off the UAE’s Al Jazeera Al Hamra, southwest of the strait, was struck by a projectile, which caused a fire on board. “Status of the crew, damage assessment and environmental impact are unknown at present. Authorities are investigating,” UKMTO said in a statement.

British security firm Vanguard also reported the incident, and identified the vessel as the Panama-flagged crude tanker GEM NO.2. The incident comes days after a tanker was hit off Qatar, around 500 kilometres west of the vital strait.

Ships in the Gulf and those attempting to transit the strait — the only maritime route in or out of the oil-rich region — have come under repeated attack since the US and Israel sparked the Middle East war in late February. Iran has blockaded the strait ever since, though some vessels do manage to cross, and US media has reported on American military efforts to protect ships on the southern route.



WAR WATCH

Pilot among 3 killed in airport attack

Saudi Arabia said on Friday that three people including a pilot were killed in attacks on Riyadh’s international airport the day before, after Yemen’s Houthis claimed a series of attacks targeting the facility

The Saudi civil aviation authority said two attacks on Thursday on the Saudi capital’s airport and a Saudia airlines plane there “resulted in the martyrdom of three citizens”. The national flag carrier confirmed the death of the aircraft’s captain, expressing “profound sadness”

Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif condemned the attacks targeting Saudi airports, reaffirming Islamabad’s “unwavering solidarity” with Riyadh and backing the kingdom’s right to defend its territory

Yemen forces launch op to retake Bab al-Mandab

SANAA

A Yemeni military source said Friday that government forces backed by Saudi Arabia had launched an operation to recapture the strategic Bab al-Mandab strait.

While a Saudi diplomat said that the Riyadh-backed forces had successfully captured the strait, a military source on the ground speaking before the diplomat’s statement contradicted that account, saying fighting was ongoing.

The military source within the government confirmed to AFP that government forces had launched a “major operation” in the strait region, supported by Saudi air power.

But the source added that “fighting is fierce and advances are limited”.

Houthi-affiliated news agency Saba on Friday said an attack by government forces south of the strait had been

repelled.

The Saudi ambassador to Yemen, Mohammed al-Jaber, later wrote on X that “Bab al-Mandab has been liberated from the last elements of the Houthi terrorist militia”, without providing evidence.

The Houthis, who are fighting the Saudi-backed, internationally recognised government, seized the coastline alongside crucial trade route during a lightning offensive last month, extending their control over all of Yemen’s Red Sea coast.

Yemeni government forces have been attempting for several days to retake coastal territory captured by the pro-Iranian fighters.

The chokepoint, which sits at the southern tip of the Red Sea, has become vital for Saudi oil exports during the Middle East war as Iran blockades the Strait of Hormuz.



Supporters of the Houthi authorities brandish their weapons during a protest against Saudi intervention in Yemen, in Sanaa on Friday | AFP

US imposes sanctions on ICC, hours after Nobel award to its former judge

WASHINGTON

THE United States on Friday imposed sanctions on the International Criminal Court, vowing to cripple the tribunal’s operations just hours after the Nobel Peace Prize went to a former ICC judge who warned of mounting political attacks on the court.

Secretary of State Marco Rubio said Washington would ban transactions with what he called a “rogue court,” escalating a long-running campaign by President Donald Trump’s administration against the Hague-based tribunal.

“Either the ICC will end its threats, or we will end the ICC,” Rubio said in a statement.

The court rejected the US sanctions as an attack on international law and warned in a statement that “history will judge this moment”.

The move came on the same day the Norwegian Nobel Committee awarded the peace prize to South Africa’s Navi Pillay, an 85-year-old jurist who headed the Rwanda genocide tribunal, served on the ICC and later led a UN commission that accused Israel of genocide in Gaza.

Rubio’s statement did not



Marco Rubio

mention Pillay or the Nobel award. Instead, he said the sanctions were needed to protect security personnel and elected officials from prosecution by a court the United States has never joined.

“President Trump will never allow the International Criminal Court to prosecute Americans,” Rubio said, adding that the measures would cut off the court’s resources and cripple “its ability to operate.”

The top US diplomat said Washington had for more than a year spelled out “basic gestures of good faith” it expected from the court, and had held off on the designation in hopes that the ICC or its member states would change course.

Iran, Russia planted fake articles in US papers using AI

WASHINGTON

OPENAI on Thursday said it shut down two major influence operations — from Russia and Iran — that used ChatGPT to push fake journalist personas and run a “think-tank” to covertly peddle anti-war and anti-Ukraine propaganda.

OpenAI’s report is the latest illustration of how state actors can easily exploit widely available AI tools to peddle sophisticated propaganda against adversaries on a mass scale.

The American AI giant said it banned a cluster of ChatGPT accounts that originated in Russia and Iran and were used to support “false front” entities for geopolitical and conflict-related messaging.

The Iranian operation involved seven “journalist” profiles, each purporting to be from Western countries including the United States, that were used to plant long-form articles in media outlets around the world, including in the US.

For instance, an opinion piece in the Port St Joe Star, a tiny Florida weekly newspaper, warned last month “The bill will follow Americans beyond the fighting itself”. The article ran under the byline Ervin Hoskins, which has also appeared on articles critical of the Iran war in other publications including Daily Kos and Middle East Monitor, which together have more than 3 million followers on Facebook.

“We identified almost 100 articles published or syndicated under the operation’s bylines across roughly a dozen online outlets around the world,” OpenAI said. “These were small to medium outlets, generally focused on international affairs, geopolitics, and events in the Middle East.”

Agencies

NUREMBERG TRIALS INSPIRED PILLAY’S PURSUIT OF JUSTICE

OSLO

WHEN Navi Pillay learnt on Friday that she had won the 2026 Nobel Peace Prize, she was in Courtroom 600 in Nuremberg, Germany, where Nazi leaders were tried after World War II.

The coincidence brought her career full circle. As a student at the University of Natal in apartheid-era South Africa, Pillay came across transcripts of the Nuremberg trials. They captivated her with the idea that individuals could be held accountable for grave crimes through an international system of justice.

“Perhaps it was meant to be that I was in this historic courtroom, 600, where the Nuremberg trials were held, when the announcement was made and I was informed of the award,” Pillay, a South African jurist of Indian origin, said after Friday’s announcement by Nobel panel.

The 85-year-old jurist dedicated the prize to survivors of international crimes and those working to advance international justice, saying their “compassion and courage continue to ensure that impunity will not be allowed to reign”.



File photo shows Navanethem Pillay visiting Al-Daraj Elementary Co-ed UNRWA school in Gaza City in February 2011 | AP

“We are living through an era when international law and human rights are under significant political attack,” she said, pointing to attacks on the International Criminal Court (ICC) and warning that efforts to weaken international criminal justice risked undoing progress made since the Nuremberg trials.

“They risk returning us to a world in which power rather than law determines whose suffering matters,” she said.

The Norwegian Nobel

Committee said the 2026 prize recognised Pillay’s efforts to promote peace and international law.

One of her most recent roles was chairing the UN Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and Israel.

In September 2025, the commission concluded that Israeli authorities and security forces had committed and were continuing to commit genocide against Palestinians in Gaza.

AFP

F.No.M/8735/2025-OM-Engineering Section
OULGARET MUNICIPALITY
PUDUCHERRY-5
Jawahar Nagar, the 09.10.2026

PRESS NOTICE FOR 'e' TENDER

On behalf of the Oulgaret Municipal Council, online tenders are invited under two bid system for “Sterilization, Animal Birth Control (ABC), Anti Rabies Vaccination (ARV) and De-worming including, catching / rescue, post-operative care, releasing etc. complete for stray dogs in Oulgaret Municipality areas (Re-tender)” up to 3.30 P.M. on 03.11.2026. The terms & conditions and N.I.T. can be downloaded from the website <https://pudutenders.gov.in> the tender Notice & N.I.T. may also be viewed in the <https://pp.gov.in> and www.oulmun.in

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“Sanitation is more important than Independence” - Mahatma Gandhi

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POSSESSION NOTICE [FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY]

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised officer of the BANK OF BARODA under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated 16.07.2026 calling upon the borrowers M/s. Sri Balaji Company, Proprietor : Mr. Balaji, S/o. Madhu having office address at 139, Pennagaram Road, Dharmapuri-636702, & Mr. Balaji, S/o. Madhu, residing at Address No.1:56/1B, Nattannampuram, Dharmapuri-636701 & Address No.2:139, Pennagaram Road, Dharmapuri 636702 & Guarantor Mrs. Vijayalakshmi S. W/o. Balaji, residing at 56/1B, Nattannampuram, Dharmapuri-636701 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs.40,80,851.24/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Eighty Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty One and Paise Twenty Four Only) with applicable interest and charges from 16.07.2026 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property (described herein below) in exercise powers conferred on him / her under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 05th day of October of the year 2026.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank of Baroda, Dharmapuri branch for an amount of Rs.40,80,851.24/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Eighty Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty One and Paise Twenty Four Only) with applicable interest and charges from 16.07.2026 and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Equitable Mortgage of the property situated in Dharmapuri District, Dharmapuri Registration District, Dharmapuri Joint 2 Sub Registration District, Dharmapuri taluk, Athagapadi village

1. Patta No.1944, Sy.No.244, Dry Ext.Ac.6.10, Asst.Rs.6.70 in this sub Division Sy.No.244/1, Dry Ext.Hec.1.21.50 in this Dry Ext.Ac.3.00 cents land

2. Sy.No.244/2 Dry Ext.Hec.0.67.0, Dry Ext.Ac.1.65 cents land

3. Sy.No.545, Dry Ext.Hec.3.12 cents, in this sub division Sy.No.545/1, Dry Ext.Hec.0.08.00, Dry Ext.Ac.0.20 cents land.

4. Sy.No.546 Dry Ext. Hec.4.44 cents Asst.Rs.7.50 in this sub division Sy.No.546/1 dry Ext.Hec.1.17.0 Asst.Rs.2.52 in this sub division Sy.No.546/1A, Dry Ext Hec 0.92.50 In this sub division Sy.No.546/1A2, Dry Ext.Hec.0.18.22, Dry Ext.Ac.0.45 cents lands have been divided into house sites and the layout has been formed in the name and style of Surya Garden in which Plot Nos.4,5 & 13 totally measuring an extent of 4413 sq.feet of land bounded as follows

1. Plot Nos. 4, 5 are bounded as follows : North of : Plot No.6; South of : Plot No.3; West of : 20 feet wide common road; East of: Panchayath Thar Road.

2. In the mid, Plot Nos.4,5 are measuring : East to West on North side : 58 ½ feet, East to West on South side : 38 ½ feet; South to North on East Side : 69 ½ feet, South to North on West Side : 63 feet. Totally Plot Nos.4,5 are measuring an extent of 3213 sq. feet land along with the common way and all easement rights.

3. Plot Nos. 13 are bounded as follows: North of : Plot No.12; South of : Plot No.14; West of : 20 feet wide common road; East of: Plot Nos. 4, 5

4. In the mid, Plot Nos.13 are measuring : East to West on North side : 40 feet, East to West on South side : 40 feet, South to North on East side : 30 feet, South to North on West side : 30 feet. Totally Plot Nos.13 are measuring an extent of 1200 sq. feet land along with the common way and all easement rights.

All Plot Nos.4,5 & 13 totally measuring an extent of 4413 sq. feet vacant land along with common way and all easement rights.

The Property comes under the Village Panchayath Limits of Athagapadi and Union Council of Dharmapuri. The Security Property (Plot Nos.4,5 & 13) comes under sub division Sy.No.244/1A1C.

Date : 05.10.2026
Place : Dharmapuri

Authorised Officer,
Bank of Baroda

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No.KMSCL/ED/15/2026 Date: 08.10.2026

E-TENDER NOTICE

Online bids are invited for the procurement of Anti Haemophilus Drugs vide e-tender no KMSCL/ED/HEAM/RC/2026/025 dtd 08.10.2026 for Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of Kerala.

Sl. No.	Name of Item	Last Date & time of Uploading of tender	Date & time of Technical Bid opening
1.	Human Anti Haemophilic factor IX 500 IU / 600 IU	22.10.2026 5.00 pm.	24.10.2026 11.00 am.

Tender documents can be downloaded from the website www.etenders.kerala.gov.in.

(Sd/-) MANAGING DIRECTOR (Tender Inviting Authority)

earec **Encore Asset Reconstruction Company Private Limited**

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Rule 8(1) POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, The Authorised Officer Encore Asset Reconstruction Company Private Limited (Encore ARC) under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI Act, 2002) and in the exercise of powers conferred upon him under Section 13(12) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, had issued a demand Notice dated 27.06.2026 which was also published in the newspapers viz. The New India Express & Dinamani on 30.06.2026 calling upon 1. M/s. RB Quality Builder, 2. Mr. V. Rajesh Kanna & 3. Mrs. R. Nirmala and to repay the amount mentioned in the notice for the amount of Rs.2,37,50,903.85/- (Rupees Two Crore Thirty Seven Lakhs Fifty Thousand Nine Hundred three and Paise Eighty Five only) as on 26.06.2026 along with interest at contractual rates till actual repayment/realization, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

And whereas, the Encore Asset Reconstruction Company Private Limited (Encore ARC) has acquired all rights, titles and interests of Development Credit Bank Limited in the financial assets of Borrower, originated by Development Credit Bank Limited under section 5 of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, (SARFAESI Act, 2002) vide Assignment Agreement Dated 31.03.2025.

The Borrower viz. 1. M/s. RB Quality Builder, 2. Mr. V. Rajesh Kanna & 3. Mrs. R. Nirmala having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given by the undersigned being the authorised officer of Encore ARC, to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on me under sub-section (4) of section 13 of SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Rule 8 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on 06.10.2026.

The Borrower viz. 1. M/s. RB Quality Builder, 2. Mr. V. Rajesh Kanna & 3. Mrs. R. Nirmala in particulars, and the public, in general, is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Encore ARC for an amount of Rs.2,37,50,903.85/- (Rupees Two Crore Thirty Seven Lakhs Fifty Thousand Nine Hundred three and Paise Eighty Five only) as on 26.06.2026 with interest at contractual rates from 27/10/2026 till actual repayment/realization after adjustment of repayment/realization, if any.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Secured Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of the property in Onnalavadi Village of Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri Taluk, Krishnagiri District attached to the registration District of Krishnagiri and Sub-Registration of Kelsamanga and also attached to the village Panchayath Limits of Onnalavadi and union council of Hosur, Survey No.780/A3, Dry Ext.Hec.0.87.5 Asst Rs: 2.50 has been divided in to the layout out of which the plot no.153(1200sq.ft) and RCC Building thereon within these boundaries east to west on both sides:30 feet North to South on both south sides:40feet Totally 1200 Sq.ft of Hosur Site and in this RCC Roofed building ground floor 950 Sq.ft (or) 88.25 Sq.mtr of building with tiles Flooring including all accessories like windows, Doors, Superstructure with electrical Asst Rs.0.06 (Pata No.2374) The Above said house bearing Door No.3/324 and electrical service connection no.080700090789 being bounded by: East By: Plot No 154 West By: Plot No 152, North By: House belongs to Mr. Sridhar, South By: Panchayth Road, Owned by Mr. V. Rajesh Kanna

Date: 06.10.2026
Place: Hosur

K.Nagendran
Authorized Officer
Encore Asser Reconstruction Company Pvt Ltd.,

BANK OF BARODA
Branch - Kolnaickenpatti Branch : No.1/87, Reddiyar, Kolnaickenpatti, MTPS Post, Mettur Dam, Salem-636 402, Phone: 96292 92389, EMAIL : vjkosa@bankofbaroda.bank.in

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” “Whatever there is” and “without recourse” basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/s/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

NAME & ADDRESS OF BORROWER (S) / GUARANTOR (S) / MORTGAGOR (S)	DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WITH KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES, IF ANY (OWNER/MORTGAGOR NAME)	Total Dues	Date of e-Auction and Time of E-auction	1. Reserve Price, 2. EMD Amount, 3. Bid Increase Amount.	Status of Possession (Constructive / Physical)	Property Inspection date & Time
1. Mr. Mahendiran, S/o. Rajendran (Borrower) 2. Mrs. Ranjitham, W/o. Rajendran (Co-Borrower) D.No.1/55, Tharkadu, Tharkadu(po), Karungallur, Kaveripuram, Mettur – 636303	Registered EMTD of Residential Land admeasuring 3669 sq.ft, together with house building constructed thereon, bearing Door.No:11/42, New Survey No.1226/7(Old No.1051/P), Patta No.172, Karungallur Village, Kolathur Sub Registration District, Salem West Registration District which belongs to Mrs.Ranjitham, W/o.Rajendran with in the following Boundaries: As per Gift Settlement Deed dated 17-04-2003- East of : Venkatachalam Gounder House, West of : Thirunavukkarasu House, North of : Chinnaasamy Land, South of : Sampath House. At present as per V.A.O Certificate dated 12.10.2018 - East of : V.Varadharajan, S/o.Venkatachalam land in S.no.1226/2, West of : Puramboke well in S.No.1226/8, North of: Chinnaasamy Gounder Land in S.no.1226/6A, South of: Puramboke Street in S.No.1226/1.	(Housing Loan A/c.no: 70000600001046) Rs.41.39,206/- (Rupees Forty One Lakhs Thirteen Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Six Only) as on 04.10.2025 + Further interest from 05.10.2025, other costs, expenses and legal charges from Date of NPA	28-10-2026. 14.00 hrs (02.00 PM) to 18.00 hrs (06.00 PM)	1. Rs.41,00,000/- (Rupees Forty One Lakhs Only) 2. Rs.4,10,000/- (Rupees Four Lakhs Ten Thousand Only) 3. Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)	Physical Possession	27-10-2026 10.00 hrs (10.00 AM) to 16.00 hrs (04.00 PM)

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link <https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm> and online auction portal <https://banknet.com>. Also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Tel No. 96292 92389 / 9176060206

DATE : 09.10.2026 / PLACE : SALEM

Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda