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Govt will provide security if YS Sharmila needs: Pawan

Guntur: Deputy Chief Minister Paw an Kalyan made so me significant com ments, stating, "We will provide security if Sharmila requ ests it. Our government is strong, but not lenient. Everyo ne must take initiative regarding wom en's safety. We will not remain passive, even (Cont.on P3)



Subba Rao name for Eluru Govt Medical College

Amaravati: It is heartening to see th at the government h as finalised the nam ing of the renowned scientist, late Dr Ye llapragada Subbar ao, for the Govern ment Medical Colle ge in Eluru. Upon receiving the proposal to honour Dr Subbarao, the Chief Minister Chandrab abu Naidu responded (Cont.on P2)

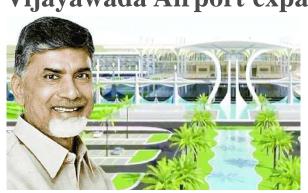


Veteran Tamil actor 'Delhi' Ganesh dies

Chennai: Noted Tamil actor 'Delhi' Ganesh, who essay ed a spectacular var iety of memorable roles in over 400 fil ms, passed away la te Saturday night at his residence here following a brief illness, his family said. He was 80 yea rs old. The actor's son, (Cont.on P3)

Andhra CM sets June 2025 target for Rs 611-crore

Vijayawada Airport expansion works



Amaravati, Nov 10 (The Capital News): Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu sets the target for officials to complete the Rs 611-crore new integrated terminal building works of Gannavaram Airport (Vijayawada Airport) by June 2025. The Chief Minister issued these guidelines during a review of the airport expansion works at his residence in Undavalli, which was also attended by Union

Aviation Minister K Ram Mohan Naidu. "He (CM) set June 2025 as the target for completing the Rs 611-crore new integrated terminal building," said an official press release. Officials informed the CM that nearly 60 percent of the expansion work has been completed until now while the Rs 85-crore air traffic controller (ATC) tower witnessed the completion of 52 percent works. Delving on

Jagan 'threatening IPS officers', govt will take action: Pawan Kalyan

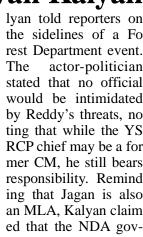


Guntur: Nov 10 (The Capital News): Andhra Pradesh Depu ty Chief Minister Paw an Kalyan on Sunday alleged that YSRCP chief Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy is "threatening IPS officers" and war ned that the state government would take action on its own if any harm befalls the police officials. The Deputy CM's remarks follow recent statements by Reddy, who warned th at a future YSRCP government would not spa re police officials alleg edly harassing opposition party members. "T he former CM (Jagan) is threatening police officers... I am saying, if anyone gives these threats to officials and if even a fly falls on the m or if they suffer so much as a scratch, you (Jagan) will be held res

ponsible. We will take

suo motu cognizance

of these threats," Ka



lvan told reporters on the sidelines of a Fo rest Department event. actor-politician stated that no official would be intimidated by Reddy's threats, no ting that while the YS RCP chief may be a for mer CM, he still bears responsibility. Remind ing that Jagan is also an MLA, Kalyan claim ed that the NDA government, comprising T DP, BJP, (Cont.on P2)

designs, Chandrababu Naidu insisted that the airport should reflect the culture of the southern state and called for Kuchipudithemed designs for the terminal building. Mea nwhile, the CM told officials that the southern state is intending to build five airstrips at Mulapeta, Kuppam, Dagadarthi, Tadepalli gudem and one more between Anantapur an d Tadipatri.

AP Assembly session from tomorrow, cabinet too meet



Amaravati: The And hra Pradesh Assembly session will commence from November 11. The state governmentj is set to present the annual budget at 10 AM on Monday. This will be the first full budget presented by the coalition government formed four months ago. With the current vote-on-acco unt budget concluding at the end of Novem ber, the government is preparing to unveil the full budget on the opening day of the as sembly sessions. Notab ly, the opposition party YSRCP will not be attending the assembly sessions. Only the coali tion partners TDP, BJP, and Janasena will participate in the meeting. Former Chief Minister and YSRCP chief YS Jagan has announced a boycott of the assembly sessions, citing a lack of opposition status. He stated that he will address government issues through out the media from his residence, arguing that his exclusion from opp osition status would reduce his speaking time in the assembly. Prior to the assembly session, a cabinet meeting will be convened under (Cont.on P2)

Biden invites President-elect Trump for meeting at White House on Nov 13 outgoing and incoming president, which signi-

Washington, Nov 10 (The Capital News): Outgoing US President Joe Biden has invited his successor President -elect Donald Trump for a meeting at the White House on November 13, which would formally begin the presidential transition. "At President Biden's invitation, President Biden and President-elect Tru mp will meet in the Ov al Office on Wednes day at 11:00 am," Whi te House Press Secreta ry Karine Jean-Pierre

said in a statement. incoming First Lady. The meeting between the outgoing president and the incoming one is ceremonial and is seeped into decades

old tradition. It is generally held in the Oval Office during which the outgoing president gives the presidentelect a briefing about the key agenda of the country. The presidentelect is also given a tour of the White House. It involves a meeting between the First Lady and the

This is only the second time in American history that a president is re-elected after a gap of four years. In this case, President-elect Donald Trump, who was the 45th president of the United States for four years beginning January 20, 2017, and First Lady Melania Trump are familiar with the workings of the White House and a presidential administration. The customary meeting between the

Hyderabadi woman loco pilot Indira Eegalapati raring to ply Riyadh Metro trains



Hyderabad, Nov 10 (The Capital News): Hyderabad's Indira Eeg

alapati is among the few women loco pilots associated with the Riyadh Metro, currently running trial trains and raring to go as the rapid transit system nears completion. "It is really a proud moment for me to be a part of this world-class and prestigious project, esp ecially being an expatriate," 33-year-old Ee galapati, who has been employed (Cont.on P3)

fies a peaceful transfer of power, was paused in 2020 when Trump had not conceded the election. He also did not attend the swearing-in ceremony of President Joe Biden. A similar (Cont.on P2)

Trump wins Arizona, defeats Harris in all seven battleground states

Washington: US

President-elect Don ald Trump has won the election in Ariz ona, defeating his Democratic rival Kamala Harris in all seven battleground states. The seven ba ttleground states in this election cycle were Arizona, Neva da, Wisconsin, Mic higan, Pennsylvan ıa, North Carolina, and Georgia. The vi ctory in Arizona to ok Trump's electoral college tally to 312 against 226 of Vice President Harris. Ari zona holds 11 electoral college votes. The Republican Par ty has regained control of the Senate an d is all set to retain a majority in the Ho use of Representat ives. Currently, the party has 52 seats in the Senate and the Democrats have 47. In (Cont.on P3)

Lokesh rewrites fate of Mangalagiri weavers, gives priority in nominated posts

Amaravati, Nov 10: The weavers community of Mangalagiri town are lucky as they will be given tip priority in the appointment of nominated posts. The fate of Mangalagiri weavers has completely changed with utmost priority in all aspects since TDP general secretary Nara Lokesh represented fro m Mangalagiri Assem bly constituency. After

leaders of the weaving

community got three im

portant nominated posi-

tions in the recent appo

intments. Senior TDP

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leader Nandam Abadda iah was appointed as chairman of AP Weav TDP came to power, the ers Federation in the first list. Former BJP leader Tammisetty Jana ki Devi who joined the TDP before the Assem bly elections got a TTD







sides Jana Sena leader of Mangalagiri town Chillapalli Srinivasa Rao has been appointed as chairman of AP Medi cal Infrastructure Dev elopment Corporation. The Mangalagiri town

is well known for wea vers and sarees. The art of handicraft has a 500year old history. So far, people of the community were neglected and they faced several hardships to lead their regular life. But the representation of Nara Loke sh changed their fate in all aspects. Nara Loke sh has already distributed the modernized spi nning wheels for free of cost to many weavers. Similarly, the weavers of Mangalagiri entered a tie-up with the TATA Taneria with the help of Nara Lokesh and his team. As a result, now the (Cont.on P3)

Lokesh lays foundation stone for **Padmashali** Bhavan at Kolanukonda

Minister for IT Nara Lokesh emp hasized that handloom weavers will receive comprehe nsive support und er the coalition go vernment. He atte nded the foundation stone-laying ceremony for the new Padmasali (Cont.on P3)

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Biden invites...

(From Page 1) meeting between out going Vice President Kamala Harris and her successor J D Vance is also being scheduled.

AP Assembly...

(From Page 1) the leadership of Chief Minister Chan drababu Naidu to approve the budget for the remaining pe riod of the financial year. The Assembly meeting will follow a Business Advisory Committee (BAC) meeting, which will determine the assem bly's proceedings an d minutes. The governor will address the assembly initially, after which the go vernment will present the budget. The assembly will then be adjourned, resum ing its sessions two days later. AP Finan ce Minister Payyavu la Keshav met with the state governor on Saturday to discuss the agenda items rel

Dr Yellapragada.. (From Page 1)

ated to the budget.

positively. In line with the Chief Minis ter's directive, State Minister for Medical and Health, Satyaku mar Yadav, along wi th senior officials fro m the Medical and Health Department, finalized the decision to name the college after this worldrenowned scientist. On this occasion, Deputy Chief Minist er Pawan Kalyan co ngratulated and exp ressed heartfelt gratitude to Chief Minist er, Chandra babu Na idu, as well as to Sat yakumar Ya dav and the senior of ficials for their effor ts. By naming the college after Dr Yell apragada Subbarao who is celebrated for discovering drugs for th e prevention of cancer, malaria, and tub erculosis, as well as for identifying the fir st tetracycline antibiotic, the government has ensured that his invaluable contributions to science are remembered. His res earch and discoveries will inspire both present and future generations.

Jagan 'threatening...

(Cont.on P2)

and Janasena, is a "good government" and not an ineffici ent one. Further, the Janasena chief assu red that if Andhra Pr adesh Congress Co mmittee (APCC) pre sident Y S Sharmila applies for security, the government "wi ll assess the threats against her and provide security accordingly". Additionally, he suggested that "n eighbourhood defen ce committees" shou ld be established in the state similar to th ose in the Poonch se ctor in Jammu and K ashmir to protect wo men. "There should be neighbourhood de

fence committees an

d I will discuss this

with senior police

officials," he added.

Chandrababu congratulates newly appointed leaders, more opportunities soon

(The Capital News): Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu congratulated appointed lenders in the second list of nominated posts. After reviewing 30,000 applications, the government selected 62 individuals for chairmen and advisor roles, following the earlier appointment of 20 chairmen and one vice chairman in the first list. In his statement, the Chief Minister noted, "You have valuable opportu-

Amaravati, Nov 10



nities in this coalition government. selection reflects our focus on political governance, where you are

partners in serving the people. Treat these positions as responsibilities and strive to enhance the reputation of both your party and the government." He highlighted the thorough selection process, aimed which acknowledge party workers' efforts, loyalty, and sacrifices. The successful approach during the general elections, based on public input through IVRS, led to an exceptional alliance victory. Naidu emphasized that nominations

reaffirm the belief that dedication can lead to opportunities, even from remote areas. He assured that many more positions would be available in the future for those who have contributed to the party. Finally, the Chief Minister urged the newly appointed leaders to utilize their terms effectively and work diligently for the people, while maintaining humility and respect to foster a positive image for themselves and the government.

Telangana CJ lays foundation stone for Karimnagar court complex

Karimnagar (Telangana) Nov 10 (The Capital News): Chief Justice of Telangana High Court, Justice Alok Aradhe, laid the foundation stone for a new court-building complex in Karimnagar on Sunday. Telangana government has sanctioned Rs 81 crore for the construction of 12 courts in Karimnagar town. The Chief Justice, along Justices K with Lakshman, T Vinod Kumar, B Vijaysen Reddy, N V Shravan Ε Kumar, Venugopal, Pulla



Kartik, and Sreenivas Rao, also laid the foundation for residential quarters for judicial officers near the court complex. Former Judge Justice Naveen Rao, Principal District

do not have a perma-

nent campus. Dr. Man

Telangana Bar Council Member K Lakshman Kumar, Association President P V Rajkumar, and numerous advocates were present on the occasion.

TMC's Abhishek invited to Norway for knowledge exchange prog on gender equality

Senior Trinamool Con gress leader Abhishek Baneriee has been invited to Norway by the country's government to take part in a knowledge exchange programme on gender equality and women empowerment.In a letter to the TMC national general secretary and Diamond Harbour MP, the Norwegian ambassador, and the UN Women's country representative said the visit will include interactions in the Norw egian Parliament and other institutes of governance, and with academia and businessmen."The Royal Norw egian Embassy and UN Women are deligh

ted to invite you to pa

Kolkata, Nov 10

(The Capital News)



edge exchange progr amme, which will take place from November 17-22," the letter, a co py of which was made available to the media on Sunday, said."The exchange visit will introduce the participants to various institutions, policies and programmes in Norw ay that have contribu ted to the promotion of gender equality," the letter noted.

Why has PM 'denied' Adivasis their religious identity, refused to enact Sarna code: Cong New Delhi, Nov 10

(The Capital News) The Congress hit out at Prime Minister Naren dra Modi on Sunday by posing questions on Jharkhand, asking why has he "denied" Adiv asis their religious identity and refused to enact the Sarna code. Congress general secretary in-charge communications Jairam Ramesh said that as Prime Minister Modi holds poll rallies in Jharkhand, he should answer three questions before seeking a single vote.Where is the Korba-Lohardaga and Chatra-Gaya railway lines, Ramesh asked in a post on X.He said the people of Lohardaga and Chatra have been demanding better rail connectivity for years as it would improve

locals' access to educa-



opportunities."Sadly, the Railway Ministry has ignored their demands and made ve ry poor progress on this front. In October 2022, the Railway Mi nistry sanctioned the Chatra-Gaya rail project but two years later, no progress has been made. There is no wo rd on the Korba-Lohar daga line," he said."Ho w much longer must the people wait for the these crucial rail links? Is the non-biological PM doing anything to ensure the completion of these essential proj-

ects?" Ramesh said.He further asked as to wh ere are the engineering colleges that PM Modi had promised in 2014. During his campaign for Jharkhand's 2014 assembly elections, Modi had promised a range of industrial and educational projects, including a premier IT institution and several engineering colleges, Ramesh said."Howev er, only two institutio ns were ever established, NIELIT Ranchi and CIPET Khunti. These too, after 9 and 7 years respectively,

mohan Singh's government, on the other hand, established highquality institutions like IIM Ranchi and a Cent ral University," Rame sh said. Why has PM failed to deliver the institutions he had pro m zised ten years ago, the Congress leader asked. Why has the PM "denied" Adivasis their religious identity and refused to enact the Sarna code, he further asked."For years, Jhar khand's tribal communities, followers of the Sarna faith, have soug ht official recognition of their distinct religious identity in India. However, the recent decision to remove the 'Others' option from the religion column in the census poses a dil emma for Sarna adherents, who must now

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ncy, was considered a

"black spot" on the

judiciary. Justice H R

Khanna declared the

the five-judge bench,

choose between leaving the column blank or aligning themselves with specified religio ns," the Congress lead er said. Despite former BJP chief minister Rag hubar Das's assurance of enacting the Sarna Code by 2021, no prog ress has been made, he claimed. The demand for a Sarna code reflec ts the tribes' longstanding aspiration for official recognition as a distinct religious community, Ramesh said." Will the nonbiological PM address this issue and fulfill the promise of enacting the Sarna Code?" he said.Rames h's remarks come amid campaigning for elections to the 81-member Jharkhand assembly which will be held on November 13 and Nov ember 20 while the votes will be counted on November 23.



BJP promises strict anti-conversion law, skill census in Maharashtra Mumbai, Nov 10

(The Capital News): The BJP on Sunday promised to enact ananti conversion law with stringent provisions in Maharashtra, and also assured a skill census for training as per industry needs as well as free ration to low-income families. Union Home Minister Amit Shah unveiled in Mumbai the 25-point 'Sankalp Patra 2024', as per which the financial assistance component under the Mahay uti government's Ladki Bahin scheme for wom en will be increased fr om Rs 1,500 per mon th to Rs 2,100. The BJP, in its manifesto for the November 20 state assembly polls, also promised to create 25 lakh job opportunities and assured 10 lakh students will get a stipend of Rs 10,000 every month. The ruling Mahayuti comprises the BJP, Shiv Sena of Chief Minister Ekn ath Shinde and NCP led by Deputy CM Ajit Pawar. The BJP's manifesto promised that an anti-conversion law will be enacted with provides for stringent action against forced and deceitful conversions. Though the skill census, the ruling part y assured to ascertain the needs of the industry and upgrade skill training wherever necessary. Under the Aksh ay Anna Yojana, lowincome families will be provided free food items every month thro ugh the Public Distrib ution System (PDS), as per the manifesto. The BJP has also plan ned to develop the sta te into an advanced rob

otic and Artificial Inte lligence (AI) training hub. It also promised to create 10 lakh new business leaders throu gh the Chhatrapati Shi vaji Maharaj Akanksha centres in each district. The party promised to create 50 lakh "lakpati didis" by 2027 for wh ich one industrial cluster of 500 self-help gro ups will be created and an initial corpus of Rs 1.000 crore will be pro vided. The manifesto promised that if voted to power, the Mahayuti will develop Nagpur, Pune, Chhatrapati Sam bhajinagar, Nashik and Ahilyanagar as modern aeronautical and space manufacturing centres. It also promised that the SGST on the purchase of fertilisers will be returned to farmers as grant. The prices of essential commodities will

in as 51st CJI on November 11 New Delhi, Nov 10 (The Capital News): Justice Sanjiv Khanna, who has been part of several landmark Sup reme Court judgemen ts such as scrapping th

e electoral bonds sche me and upholding abro gation of Article 370, will be sworn in as the 51st Chief Justice of India on Monday. Presi upholding the abrogadent Droupadi Murmu tion of Article 370 and will administer the oat the grant of interim ba h of office at Rashtra il to former Delhi CM pati Bhavan in a cere-Arvind Kejriwal. Haili mony scheduled at 10 ng from an illustrious am. Justice Khanna wi Delhi-based family, Ju ll succeed Justice DY stice Khanna is the son Chandrachud, who reti of former Delhi High red on Sunday, and his Court judge Justice De term will last until Ma v Raj Khanna and the y 13, 2025. The Centre nephew of prominent officially notified Justi former apex court jud ge H R Khanna. Justi ce Khanna's appointment on October 24 ce Sanjiv Khanna, who following Chief Justi was elevated as a judge ce Chandrachud's recof the Supreme Court ommendation on Octo on January 18, 2019, w ber 16. Friday was the as a third-generation la last working day of Ju wyer before being app stice Chandrachud as ointed as judge of the the CJI and he was giv high court. He is driven a rousing farewell en by the zeal to redu by judges, lawyers and ce pendency and speed staff of the apex court up justice delivery. Jus and the high courts. Ju tice H R Khanna, the stice Khanna, who serv uncle of Justice Khan ed as a Supreme Court na, hit the headlines by judge since January resigning in 1976 after 2019, has been part of he wrote a dissenting several landmark judg verdict in the infamous ements such as uphol ADM Jabalpur case du ding the sanctity of EV ring the Emergency. T Ms, scrapping the elec-

Constitution bench,

toral bonds scheme,

move unconstitutional and against the rule of law and paid a price as the then central government superseded him and made Justice M H Beg the next CJI. Justice H R Khanna w as part of the landmark verdict propounding the basic structure doctrine in the Kesavanan da Bharati case of 19 73. Among the notable judgments of Justice Sanjiv Khanna in the Supreme Court is uph olding the use of electronic voting machines in elections, saying the devices were secure and eliminated booth capturing and bogus voting. A bench headed by Justice Khanna, on April 26, termed the suspicion of manipulation of the EVMs "unf ounded" and rejected the demand for reverting to the old paper bal lot system. He was al so part of the five-judg e bench that declared the electoral bond sche me, meant for funding political parties, as un constitutional. Justice he majority verdict of a Khanna was a part of

Justice Sanjiv Khanna to be sworn

which upheld the Ce ntre's 2019 decision ab rogating Article 370 of the Constitution which granted a special status to the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir. It was the Justice Khann a-led bench, which for the first time, granted interim bail to Kejriw al, the then chief minister, till June 1 to campaign in the Lok Sabha elections in the excise policy scam cases. Bor n on May 14, 1960, he studied law at the Cam pus Law Centre of Del hi University. Justice Khanna was the executive chairman of the National Legal Service Authority (NALSA). He enrolled as an advo cate with the Bar Coun cil of Delhi in 1983 an d initially practised in the District Courts at the TisHazari complex here and later, in the Delhi High Court. He had a long tenure as th e senior standing counsel for the Income Tax Department. In 2004, he was appointed as th e standing counsel (Ci vil) for the National Ca pital Territory of Delh i. Justice Khanna had also argued in a number of criminal cases at the Delhi High Court as an additional public prosecutor and as an amicus curiae.

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Uddhav siding with those who insulted Balasaheb, Savarkar: Amit Shah

Vikas Aghadi's trust Mumbai, Nov 10 (The Capital News) has gone below 'pataal'. It has no credibility," Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday he said. The Mahayuti said Shiv Sena (UBT) (which includes the chief Uddhav Thackeray BJP, Shiv Sena led by was siding with the Chief Minister Eknath Con gress, whose lead-Shinde and Deputy ers have insulted Shiv CM Ajit Pawar's NCP) Sena founder Balasaheb faces the challenge Thackeray and Hindutva from the MVA, whose ideologue Veer Savar promises insult ideolokar. After releasing the gy and promote appeas BJP's manifesto for the ement, Shah said. The November 20 Maharas Congress reneged on htra assembly polls, pre-election promises Shah here also said his made in states ruled by party will not allow it now, he added."I wa religion-based reservant to ask Uddhav Thac tion in the country. The keray if he can request opposition Maha Vikas Congress leader Rahul Gandhi to say two go Aghadi (MVA) (comprising the Shiv Sena od words for Veer (UBT), Congress and Savarkar," Shah said. Can NCP (SP) of Sharad any Congress leader Pawar) has no credibilsay a few words in ity, the senior BJP honour of Balasaheb Thackeray, he further leader said."The Maha

asked."It would be go od if the people of Maharashtra get to kn ow those who have co me out with the dream of forming an alliance government amidst su ch contradictions," he said.Shah said the BJ P's 'Sankalp Patra' ma nifesto is a reflection of the aspirations of the people of Maharas htra."An organisation of Ulemas has deman ded reservations for minorities, and state Congress president Nana Patole acknowledged this," Shah said. "I want to tell Uddhav Thackeray that you are sitting with people who oppose Ram Man dir, Citizenship (Amen dment) Act, Uniform Civil Code, Waqf boa rd amendments and

abuse Savarkar," he Abdullah) took oath on said.If the Waqf board the Constitution framed by Dr B R Ambedkar, amendments are not made, it can declare he said. The BJP's resolutions are etched in your property as its stone, Shah said. own, Shah said. Are the "Whether it is the Centre people of Maharashtra in favour of giving or the state, when our their right of reservagovernment is formed, tion meant for the SCs, we fulfill our resolutions," he added. The STs and OBCs to the Muslims? Shah said. opposition MVA's poll "Our Constitution does promises are an insult to ideology and pronot provide reservations based on religion. mote appeasement, Shah However, the Congress said."I want to tell promised reservations Sharad Pawar that his before coming to power, habit to create a fake and people should take mandate will not work now," he said. "Sharad cognisance of this issue," he said.He also Pawar should tell people of Maharashtra said that tor the first time after the abrogawhat was his contribution for them while he tion of Article 370 (which provided spewas a minister for 10 cial status to Jammu and years in the UPA gov-Kashmir), the chief ernment," the Union minister of J&K (Omar

has been leading the country in every field for ages, he said."The Bhakti movement started from Maharashtra, the movement for freedom from slavery was also started by Shivaji Maharaj from here, the social revolution also started from here and the reflection of the aspirations of the people of Maharashtra is seen in the BJP's Sank alp Patra," Shah said.T he people of Maharash tra have made up their mind to give mandate to the Mahayuti again, he said. The BJP's poll manifesto is a roadmap for making Viksit Mah arashtra for Viksit Bha rat, said state Deputy Chief Minister Devend ra Fadnavis, who was minister said. Maharashtra present on the occasion.



Man held from UP for rape of 7-year-old girl in Thane district

Thane, Nov 10 (The Capital News) A man has been arrested from Uttar Pradesh in connection with the rape of a seven-year-old in Maharashtra's Thane district, police said on Sunday.The MBVV police apprehended the accused, Rameshkumar Ramraksha Jaiswal (20), in Prayagraj, Uttar Pra desh, on Friday, an offi cial release stated. According to the poli ce, the accused alleged ly lured a seven-yearold girl with chocolat es and ice cream and took her to the terrace of a building in the Mi ra Road area and raped

her on the night of No vember 3.Jaiswal fled the spot after the incident and had been ab sconding. The girl's par ents lodged a complai nt, and a case was registered under sections 64 (rape), 65(2) (rape on a woman under 12 years of age), 74 (assa ult or use of criminal force to woman with intent to outrage her modesty) of the Bharat iya Nyay Sanhita and provisions of the Prote ction of Children from Sexual Offences (POC SO) Act. Based on several leads, the probe tr aced the accused to Utt ar Pradesh, it was stated.

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Gangster Babloo Srivastava's plea for premature release rejected on Nov 6: UP govt to SC

New Delhi, Nov 10 (The Capital News) The Uttar Pradesh gov ernment has informed the Supreme Court that it has rejected the latest premature release plea of gangster Om Pr akash Srivastava, alias Babloo Srivastava, w ho is serving a life sentence for the 1993 mu rder of an additional customs collector.A be nch of Justices Abhay S Oka and Augustine George Masih was told by Additional Advoc ate General Garima Prasad that the gangster was convicted of serious offences, incl uding under the antiterror law."The recent petition for premature release has been dismissed by the competent authority which in this case is the office of governor on Nove mber 6," she told the bench.Prasad further



every now and then.

His first petition was

dismissed in 2016,"

she submitted. The ben

ch, in its order dated

November 8, asked the

counsel for Srivastava

to file all the orders

and case records of all

the petitions he has

filed till now.Srivasta

va, who is currently lo dged in Bareilly Ce ntral jail, has moved the apex court seeking direction to the state government for consideration of his plea for premature release. The latest petition, which was rejected on November 6, was filed on June 24, 2021.The gangster was allegedly once an associate of underworld don Daw ood Ibrahim but later became his enemy.He was caught in Sin gapore by investigating agencies and extra-

He was wanted in 42 cases, including murder and abduction.On September 30, 2008, the gangster was sentenced to a life term by a special TADA court in Kanpur in connectio n with the 1993 murder of customs officer LD Arora in Allahab ad. The investigation of this case was given to the CBI. Initially, the don was lodged in Naini Central Jail and then on June 11, 1999, he was transferred to the Bareilly Central Jail. His appeal against the conviction was al so dismissed by the Supreme Court.Srivas tava has contended that he has served over 26 years in prison and has good conduct in ja il, making him entitled to premature release as per the policy of the UP government.

dited to India in 1995.

Singapore Airlines to invest additional Rs 3,195 cr in Air India post-Vistara merger

New Delhi, Nov 10 (The Capital News) Singapore Airlines will make an additional inv estment of Rs 3,194.5 crore in Tata Groupowned Air India postmerger of Vistara in November. The merger, announced on Novem ber 29, 2022, and set to be completed on Nov ember 11, 2024, will result in Singapore Airlines having a 25.1 per cent stake in the enlarged Air India.Fu Il-service carrier Vista ra, which started flying on January 9, 2015, is a joint venture betwe en Tatas and Singapore Airlines, where the latter holds a 49 per cent shareholding.Singapor e Airlines (SIA) Group on Friday said its consideration for the mer ger comprises the 49 per cent interest in Vis ara and Rs 20,585 million (Rs 2,058.5 crore)



allow it to maintain a 25.1 per cent equity interest in the enlarged 25.1 per cent stake in Air India.Post-merger, Air India."SIA's addi-SIA expects to recogtional capital injection nise a non-cash accoun is expected to be Rs 31,945 million (equivting gain of around 1.1 alent to SGD 498 milbillion Singapore dollars and also start equilion), based on Tata's ty accounting for its funding to Air India to share of Air India's fi date. This will occur after the completion of nancial results.Accordi ng to a release on Fri the merger and within November 2024 thro day, the merger includ es an agreement for ugh subscription to n SIA to contribute its ew Air India shares." share of any funding Future capital injecpreviously provided by tions will be considere Tata prior to the comd based on Air India's pletion of the merger, requirements and avai together with relevant lable funding options," funding costs up to Rs according to the relea

cial performance for the six months ended September 2024. The merger of Vistara with Air India will mark a major consolidation in the fast-growing Ind ian aviation space. SIA said the merged entity will have a significant presence across all key Indian air travel segments, including dome stic, international, fullservice, and low-cost operations."This will strengthen SIA's multihub strategy, allowing it to continue participating directly in Indi a's large and fast-grow ing aviation market," it added.Re cently, Air In dia and SIA recently a greed to significantly expand their codeshare agreement, adding 11 Indian cities and anoth er 40 international destinations to their network.

Hyderabadi woman..

(From Page 1) as a train pilot and station operations master for five years, said. She was wo rking with the Hyderabad Metro when she came to know about the openings here and applied. Eegalapati and two others from India joined in 2019 but so on Covid struck and they had to undergo the initial training virtually. Curren tly, trial runs are going on and according to reports, the Riyadh Metro service is likely to become operational from ea rly 2025. "It has been a really good expe rience so far. The people of Saudi Arab ia are very friendly and have a great culture. I can't imagine that I have already completed five years here," Eegalapati, one of the first women recruits, told PT I. She also said she has never faced any challenge as a woman. "We have equal opportunities here and there is no gender bias," she asserted. Eegalapati hails from Dhullipalla in Guntur district of Andhra Pradesh but settled in Hyderab ad in 2006. Her father was a mechanic but never compromised in the education of his three children. "I come from a lo wer middle-class family and education was a nightmare. But our father ensured that we get our education. Being a girl, marriage was an important thing to our families but for our father, education came first," she said. Eegalapati completed her engineering, her elder sister is a teacher and youngest is working with Hyderabad Metro as a train pilot. Her husband also works here in the maintenance department of the Metro. Eegalapati was also sent to Doha during the 2022 Football World Cup for crowd management support. "It was a great experience to witness such a crowd and without a single incident, we made it a success," she said.

Trump wins..

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the House, Republicans have so far won 216 seats against 209 of the Democr ats. The majority mark is 218. Republicans are confident that they will get the necessary number of seats to cross the halfway mark. In 2020, President Joe Bid en became the first Democr at to win Arizona since Bill Clinton in 1996. Trump has now flipped it back. He ca mpaigned heavily on border security, immigration and crime committed by illegal immigrants on the trail, all issues that resonated in the state with a record influx of migrants last year. Trump pledged mass depo rtations, promoted hiring an additional 10,000 border ag ents to patrol the US-Mex ico border and promised to use some of the military budget for border funding. Arizona is the sixth state Trump has flipped from B iden's Electoral College vi ctory in 2020. The other Bi den-won states where Trum p prevailed this year are Georgia, Michigan, Neva da, Pennsylvania and Wisc onsin. Trump also won Nor th Carolina, a state he carried narrowly in 2020 Trum p will be sworn in as the 47th President of the Unite d States on January 20.

Lokesh rewrites..

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TATA Taneria will give orders directly to Mangalagiri weavers and also purchase their produce without middlemen. It is a big relief to Mangalagiri weave rs. Lokesh has implemented the Pellikanuka and many other welfare schemes during the last five years though he was defeated in his maiden election. The population of weavers are near ly 50 000 in Mangalag iri town and surrounding villages. Nara Loke sh, the future leader of TDP is taking steps to change their fate. The St ate government has also plans to appoint one more weavers community person for Goldsmi th Corporation. Panchu marthi Anuradha is also the representative of the same community elevated with Member in the Council of Andhra Pradesh. Once in the past, the party leadership had offered MLA ticket to her for Mangalagiri Assembly.

Lokesh lays..

(From Page 1) Bhavan organized by the Padmasali International Welfare Association (PIWA) near Kolanukonda on the Mangalagiri-Vijayawada bypass, where he served as the chief guest. During the ceremony, the foundation stone of the Padmasali Bhavan was laid. The presidents of the central committee of PIWA, Swargam Pullarao and his wife, conducted a puja program. Minister Lokesh was warmly welcomed by PIWA members, coalition leaders, and activists with traditional Mangalavaidhyas. Established Vijayawada 17 years ago, the Padmasali International Welfare Association supports handloom families through various service programs across the state. They have also provided over three crore rupees to assist poor students and handloom families. Speaking at the event, Minister Lokesh highlighted the establishment of a weavers' workshop with international standards in Mangalagiri, which aims to further assist handloom families. He mentioned that a large number of modern weaving tools have been distributed to handloom women. Lokesh also inquired about the ongoing programs by PIWA and the specifics of the

new Padmasali Bhavan construction.

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Maha Delhi Ganesh, told reporters that his father had age-related ailments and that he was under treatment. "Last night when we tri ed to give him a tablet, he did not respond. A doctor confirmed that he was dead," he said. Another family member said Ganesh died in his sleep at his Rama puram residence. In a state ment, the family said Delhi Ganesh pass ed away at 11 pm on November 9. Film cele brities condoled his dea th. A native of Tirunelv eli, Ganesh's acting ca reer began in the 1960's when he performed small roles in dramas in Delhi, where he served the IAF for a decade in a civilian post. Later, when he shifted to Chennai after resigning his IAF job, he joined actor 'Kathadi' Ramam oorthy's troupe and

ing 'Dowry Kalyanam.' When legendary director K Balachander ma de a film (1977) based on the play 'Pattinapre vasam,' Ganesh got his first opportunity in the tinsel world and he reprised his role in the movie. There was no looking back since then and his filmography is impressive with main roles in films of top stars including Rajinika nth, Kamal Haasan and Vijayakanth. Ganesh's role as a loyal staff of gangster Velu Naicker, a character made imm ortal by Haasan's brilliant performance in the Mani Ratnam-directed Nayakan (1987), lent weight to the caring per sona of the protagonist. His performance in Ka mal Haasan's films including 'Michael Mad ana Kamarajan' (Palakk ad Iyer role) and 'Avvai Shanmughi' (manager of a wealthy person) are

Veteran Tamil actor..

film-lovers. He also played one of the villains in Haasan's mega hit "Aboorva Sagothara rgal," (Appu Raja in Hi ndi). Ganesh's stint in stage plays stood him in good stead in films when it came to dialogue delivery and in his career that spanned over four decades, he accomplished with ease an impressive show of a great variety of roles in more than 400 mov ies. He had been active in webseries as well. H e was a recipient of Ta mil Nadu government's Kalaimamani award. Since he had lived in Delhi for a long time, the name of the city became a prefix to his name when he entered cinema. Chief Minister M K Stalin condoled Ganesh's demise and sa id it was a "great loss" to the Tamil cinema ind ustry. He recalled his variety of roles apprise d in various films.

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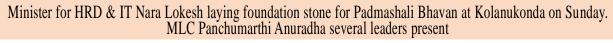
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Deputy Chief Minister K Pawan Kalyan participating in a programme at Aranya Bhavan in Guntur on Sunday







Andhra Cricket Association president K Shivanath meeting with Governor Abdul Nazeer at Raj Bhavan on Sunday











MP CM Ramesh inspecting Anakapalli Railway station along with the officials on Sunday

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'Saturday Night Live' to Trump: 'We've been with you all along'

New York, Nov 10 (The Capital News): The first "Saturday Night Live" since Donald Trump's election victory began with the most somber of tones as a group of plainly dressed cast members, primarily women and minorities, described their new reality. "To many people, including many people watching right now, the results were shocking and even horrifying," Ego Nwodim soberly said. "Donald Trump, who forcibly tried to overturn the results of the last election, was returned to office," Heidi Gardner said. "And now," Bowen Yang added, "thanks to the Supreme Court, there are no guardrails." Then came the swerve from the liberal-leaning show. "That is why we at 'SNL' would

like to say to Donald Trump, we have been with you all along," Keenan Thompson said. Yang chimed in, "We have never wavered in our support for you, even when others doubted you." "Every single person on this stage believed in you," Sarah Sherman said. Marcello Hernandez added, "Every single person on this stage voted for you." The cast members went on to effusively declare their reverence for, and obedience to, the former and future president, introducing a new character, "Hot, Jacked Trump." Cast member James Austin Johnson, who plays a dead-on Trump and was virtually guaranteed a long-term job by the election, came out as an Adonis-bodied president-elect. "From now on



we're going to do a very flattering portrayal of Trump, because frankly he's my hero," Johnson said in his Trump voice but speaking as himself. "He's going to make an incredi-

ble president and eventually king." The episode, hosted by standup comic and actor Bill Burr, was the first all season that did not begin with former cast member Maya Rudolph,

who played Vice President Kamala Harris in a giddy five-week run culminating with an appearance last week of Harris herself that began the show's 50th season and brought a ratings spike. Burr did a similar feint in his monologue, saying, "I don't watch politics" and doing some standard standup including an airplane bit before doubling back to the elephant in the studio, the election. "Alright, let's get to what you all want to talk about. Alright ladies, you're 0and-2 against this guy," he said. "But you learn more from your losses than your wins. So let's get into the game tape. Ladies, enough with the pantsuit. Okay, it's not working. Stop trying to have respect for yourself." He suggested candidates that were a least a little

more scantily clad, saying, "I know a lot of ugly women — feminists, I mean — don't want to hear this message." Burr was "so psyched that this stupid election is finally over. Everybody knew who they were going to vote for four years ago. Then they just dragged us through a year and a half of this stuff," he said. After Trump's first election victory in 2016, the show opening was serious and stayed that way with Kate McKinnon, who played Hillary Clinton on the show, appearing as the losing candidate sitting at the piano and singing a somber version Leonard "Hallelujah," Cohen's changing only one verse from the best-known versions of the song. "And even though it all went wrong, I'll stand before the

lord of song with nothing on my tongue but Hallelujah,''' McKinnon sang in what became a national moment of catharsis for those on the losing side. After finishing, McKinnon said in a shaky voice, "I'm not giving up and neither should you" before delivering the obligatory "live from New York, it's Saturday night!" Standup comic Dave Chappelle hosted that episode and the first postelection episode of 2020, but this time the honour went to now two-time host Burr. Rudolph made no appearance as Harris on Saturday night, but former cast member Dana Carvey, who has played President Joe Biden all season, showed up as a leaping Elon Musk after the cast said they loved him, too.

Indonesia's new leader calls for collaboration with China before heading to US

Beijing, Nov 10 (The Capital News): Indonesia's new leader called for collaboration rather than confrontation with China after the signing of \$10 billion in new deals at a business forum on Sunday in the Chinese capital before heading to the U.S. President Prabowo Subianto told the forum that his country wants to be part of China's emergence as not only an economic but also a "civilizational power." "We must Washington — where give an example that in the U.S. government is this modern age, collabfrontation — is the way Brazil for the Asiafor peace and prosperi- Pacific ty," he said. Subianto Cooperation and Group wrapped up the first of 20 summits. He and stop of his first overseas Chinese President Xi trip since taking office Jinping



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political, economic, maritime and peopleto-people exchange. They agreed to hold a first-ever joint meeting of their foreign and defense ministers in 2025, a joint statement said. "Indonesia is very clear," Subianto said. "We have always been nonaligned, we have always been respectful of all great powers in the world." Indonesia has remained on the periphery of the territorial disputes between Asian neighbors in the South China Sea. It doesn't have a formal dispute with Beijing though Indonesia said its patrol ships repeatthree weeks ago. He is Saturday to deepen ties, edly drove a Chinese

elevating security to a coast guard vessel away fifth "pillar" of cooper- from an Indonesian ation in addition to energy company vessel conducting a seismic survey less than a month ago. Chinese companies have invested heavily in mining in Indonesia, as they have elsewhere in the world. China also helped build Indonesia's first highspeed railway, a 142kilometer (88-mile) route between Jakarta and Bandung that opened last year. But a flood of low-priced Chinese products has hit Indonesia's garment makers hard, shuttering oration — not con- — and then to Peru and China and its Southeast factories and prompting calls for import tariffs. The government has sought to placate domestic producers while not angering the country's biggest trading partner.

Trump rules out ex-cabinet members Mike Pompeo, Nikki Haley in his administration

Washington, Nov 10 (The Capital News) President-elect Donald Trump ruled out two of his previous Cabinet members -- former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and former envoy to the United Nations Nikki Haley – to be part of his upcomadministration. Trump, 78, was elected as the 47th president of the United States. He defeated Vice President Kamala Harris, 60, in the elections held on November 5. In the first term, Trump served as the 45th president from January 20, 2017, to January 20, 2021. "I will not be inviting former Ambassador Nikki Haley, or former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, to join the Trump Administration,



formation," Trump said in a post on Truth Social. Pompeo served as the CIA Director and

Man accused of stabbing at least 5

people in Seattle ordered held on \$2M bail

which is currently in first term, while Haley served as his ambassador to the United Nations in the first two years of his presidency. Secretary of State in his Both his cabinet-rank-

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ing officials later entered the presidential race against him in the Republican primaries. While Pompeo dropped from the race early, Haley was the last challenger against Trump till February this year. Later on, the two endorsed his campaign. Haley announced her support for Trump during the Republican National Convention in Wisconsin in July this year. However, in his post, Trump thanked his two former Cabinet officials for their service. "I very much enjoyed and appreciated working with them previously, and would like to thank them for their service to our Country. **MAKE** AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!" Trump said.

Season two of 'Andor' set for April 2025 debut on Disney+



Los Angeles, Nov (The Capital **News):** The second season of "Andor", a "Star Wars" spin-off show starring Diego Luna in the lead, will premiere on Disney+ on April 22, 2025, the streamer announced. Disney+ shared the news of the sophomore chapter's release date in a post on Instagram on Saturday evening. "On April 22, 2025, #Andor returns to #DisneyPlus," streaming service

wrote alongside a poster of the series. Created by Tony Gilroy, the first season of "Andor" brought back Luna as the thiefturned-Rebel Cassian Andor, a character he first played in the 2016 hit film 'Rogue One: A Star Wars Story". According to entertainment news outlet Variety, the 12-episode second season will span four years, structured into threeepisode arcs. Each arc will cover a few con-

different year, leading up to the events of "Rogue One." "Andor" explores the origins of Andor and his journey towards becoming a revolutionary for the Rebel Alliance that goes up against the Galactic Empire in the galaxy far, far away. The first season debuted in September 2022 and received widespread acclaim for its storytelling, character development, mature approach to the franchise as well as how it delved into the darker and more nuanced aspects of rebellion. Besides Luna, actors Stellan Skarsgård, Genevieve O'Reilly, Kyle Soller, Adria Arjona, Denise Gough, Faye Marsay and Varada Sethu are also returning for the second season.

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Seattle, Nov 10 (The Capital News): A 37year-old man who police say stabbed five people in Seattle in broad daylight Friday and possibly four others the day before made his first court appearance Saturday where a judge ordered him held on \$2 million bail. "People who live in and travel to the Chinatown-International District deserve to feel safe and be safe," said King County Prosecuting Attorney Leesa Manion after the judge found probable cause to hold him on five counts of first-degree assault. In setting the high bail amount, the judge noted that the man had a warrant out for his arrest. He also nine felony convictions Washington state that

include four car thefts,

possession of stolen



property, robbery and attempted burglary, according to the probable cause report. The case is still under investigation and has not been referred to the County King Prosecuting Attorney's Office for charging decision, spokesperson Casey McNerthney Saturday. They expect to receive the case by Thursday, he said. Messages sent to the King County Department of Public Defense seeking comment were not immediately returned Saturday afternoon.

Four of the five victims were taken to Harborview Medical Center on Friday. One man who was in critical condition was upgraded to serious, while two others remain in serious condition in the Intensive Care Unit, Susan Gregg, spokesperson for the hospital, said Saturday. Another male patient was in satisfactory condition, she said. Police said they recovered two knives soiled with what appeared to be blood in the parking lot where the man was arrested. A third knife tim's back when he was taken to the hospital, court records said. Seattle police said they believe the man was also involved in at least four other stabbings in the same area on Thursday. He fit the descriptions of the suspect and the attacks were also random, like Friday's assaults. Police continue to investigate the case and more charges may be added, they said. The Thursday stabbings in Chinatown started when a 52year-old woman was found with multiple stab wounds, police said. On Thursday afternoon, a 32-yearold man was found after being stabbed multiple times and at about 8 p.m., a 37year-old man was stabbed multiple times in the back, police said. On Friday at

about 2 p.m., police received 911 reports that four people had been stabbed in Chinatown. Another victim was found about a block away, the probable cause statement said. One witness told police that he saw the suspect walk up behind a man and stab him in the back. That man was hospitalized with four stab wounds. The witness said he followed the suspect as he calmly walked up the street and then stabbed three people as they stood on a corner. Video evidence showed that the suspect also stabbed another man before striking the group of three, police said. The video shows the suspect walking behind a person and stabbing him in the back. He fell to the ground with the knife still lodged in his back, police said.

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India look to defend title on home soil in women's ACT hockey

Rajgir (Bihar), Nov 10 (The Capital News): Having struggled to win matches the entire year, the Indian women's hockey team will look to start afresh in a new Olympic cycle by defending its Asian Champions Trophy (ACT) title at home, beginning with a clash against lowerranked Malaysia here on Monday. India have won the title twice in 2016 (Singapore) and 2023 (Ranchi) in the seven editions of the tournament so far. After failing to qualify for the Paris Olympics, the Indian team lost 13 matches and won just two (with one draw) out of 16 in the women's FIH Pro League this year, but will hope to make a turnaround in their fortune with a strong performance in the ACT. India have fielded a mixed team, consisting of youth and experienced players for the tournament under the leadership of Salima Tete. Striker Navneet Kaur will serve as Salima's deputy as India enter the competition with high expectations. The team will face stiff competition from five other nations, including reigning Olympic silver-medallists China, Japan, Korea, Malaysia and Thailand, in the battle for continental supremacy. The Indian defence will be anchored by a solid lineup, featuring Udita, Jyoti, Ishika Chaudhary, Sushila Chanu Pukhrambam and Vaishnavi Vitthal Phalke. In the mid-field, captain Tete will be supported by Neha, Sharmila Devi, Manisha Chauhan, Sunelita Toppo, and Lalremsiami, all known for their dynamic play. The forward lineup has the likes of Navneet Kaur,



Sangita Kumari, Deepika, Preeti Dubey and Beauty Dungdung leading the charge. The goalkeeping duties will be shared between the experienced Savita -- also former captain -- and rising talent Bichu Devi Kharibam. Sushila and Beauty Dungdung will be making a return to the team after successfully completing their rehabilitation. The Indians will definitely start as one of the favourites in the tournament, along with reigning Olympic silver medallist China, who are ranked sixth in the world. South Korea are the most successful team in the tournament having won it thrice, while Japan had won it twice. It's the start of a new journey for the Indian women's hockey team after having missed out on qualification for the Paris Olympics. Salima's team, under new coach Harendra Singh, will aim to bury the ghosts of the past and start a new journey with LA 2028 in focus. Salima had captained the Indian team in the European leg of the Pro League earlier this year, where it fared poorly. Salima attributed the team's

downward spiral to the lack of fitness and mental toughness. After creating history in Tokyo in 2021, the team failed to qualify for the Paris Olympics this year and also performed poorly in the last FIH Pro League. "Yes, of course we were disappointed but we can't think about the past and need to move forward. We should move on because if we don't move on, we can never win a match," Salima had told PTI. "We had to start from the beginning. We had to start from the scratch. And fitness was an area that Harendra sir (coach Herendra Singh) had pointed out and which needs a lot of work," she said. "It was our mistake that we didn't work on fitness. But since sir came, we have worked a lot on our fitness. In today's level, if you don't have fitness, you can't play hockey because it is a fast sport and you need fitness." Salima said the entire squad now realises the importance of fitness. In Monday's other matches, Japan will play South Korea in the tournament opener, followed by the game between China and Thailand.

Coco Gauff wins WTA Finals for the first time by rallying to beat Zheng Qinwen

Riyadh, Nov 10 (The Capital News): Coco Gauff won the WTA Finals for the first time by rallying to beat Olympic champion Zheng Qinwen 3-6, 6-4, 7-6 (2) in the final. The 20-year-old American came from 2-0 and 5-3 down in the final set and was two points from defeat at one stage. Yet she took the set to a tiebreaker and won the first six points. Zheng threatened a comeback but Gauff took the victory off her third match point with a forehand winner as she came into the net. She is the first American to win the Finals since Serena Williams in 2014, and received \$4.8 million in prize money. She also is the youngest player to win it since Maria Sharapova in 2004, the year Gauff was born. Gauff beat the world's top two players — Aryna Sabalenka and Iga Swiatek — on her run to the final at the season-ending event



vindicated after that and appeared to take a swipe at observers who wrote her off. "I just love to say I'm right. Specifically today, I got comments about how I was going to lose badly, so I was just like, 'OK, we'll see,'" Gauff explained. "It's honestly just liking the idea of just proving people wrong and, and letting your racket do the talking. And so, yeah, I use it as motivation." Zheng was looking to complete a

season in which she reached a grand slam final for the first time at the Australian Open and delivered China's first Olympic tennis singles gold medal. "The match today, it's just a couple of important points," Zheng said. "The match was very close." Gauff edged the three-hour final which included 26 break points. Gauff also won their only previous meeting, in the Rome quarterfinals on clay in May. Gauff beat Sabalenka at age 19 in last year's U.S. Open final to win her only major in singles to date. She teamed with Katerina Siniakova to win the French Open doubles this year. In the WTA doubles final, Gabriela Dabrowski of Canada and Erin Routliffe of New Zealand beat Katerina Siniakova of the Czech Republic and Taylor Townsend of the United States 7-5, 6-3. They are the first players from Canada and New Zealand to win the

Real Madrid defender Eder Militão tears ACL and needs surgery



Madrid, Nov 10 (The Capital News): Just over a year since tearing an anterior cruciate ligament in his left leg, Real Madrid defender Éder Militão ruptured the ACL in his right leg when he crumbled amid screams at Santiago Bernabeu Stadium. The 26-year-old Brazil center back pulled his jersey over his face as

first half of the 4-0 win over Osasuna in La Liga. The club said he will need surgery. Militão missed most of last season after he tore his left ACL in the season opener. He returned in March and helped the team win the Champions League and Spanish league. The defender has helped Madrid win two European Cups and three La Ligas, among other trophies. He anchors the center of the backline with Antonio Rudiger. Coach Carlo Ancelotti replaced Militão by giving a debut to youth player Raúl Asencio. Madrid and Brazil forward

medics carried him off in the Rodgryo was also injured before Militão went down. He went to the bench and had ice applied to his left leg. Right back Lucas Vázquez was also substituted at halftime after he was clearly hampered by a leg issue. This is the second ACL injury to Madrid's squad this campaign after Spain right back Dani Carvajal ripped up his right leg last month. Goalkeeper Courtois Thibaut, David Alaba and Aurélien Tchouaméni were also unavailable with their own injuries. Last season, besides Militão, Madrid also lost Courtois and Alaba to ACL



Mega Daughter's Thigh-High **Fashion** Moment

he Talented actor and producer Niharika Konidela is currently enjoying the victory of her first production, "Committee Kurrollu." Niharika is ecstatic and thrilled that the recently released movie has been deemed a blockbuster. Niharika posted some gorgeous photos of herself on social media to commemorate her feat. Wearing a flowing wrap dress in shades of pink and blue, she showed off her toned body and looked stunning. She styled the outfit with a beautiful chain necklace, silver hoop earrings, a tiny ponytail, and black heels. The next movie "What the Fish," in which Niharika will portray Asta Lakshmi, is her next assignment.

Don Lee & Prabhas -What's Cooking?

orean superstar Maa Dong-seok, who is popular across Asia by stage name, Don Lee, grabbed the headlines of Indian media a few months ago when it was reported that Sandeep Reddy Vanga was reportedly planning to rope him in Prabhas' soon-tobe launched Cop Drama 'Spirit' to do the antagonist role. While many are expecting this rumour to turn into a reality, here comes a big twist from the Korean actor himself. Just a while ago, Don Lee shared the poster of Prabhas' much-anticipated sequel, Salaar 2's poster with a thumbs-up emoji on his official Instagram page. This unexpected gesture from the Korean actor triggered a huge discussion across social media platforms among fans & media circles. The speculations were triggered even further right after the official Salaar Instagram account shared Don Lee's post. Though it is too



early to speculate if Don Lee is a part of Salaar 2 or not, one thing is very much sure. He will be sharing the screen with Prabhas in one of Prabhas' upcoming films soon. The face-off between Prabhas and Don Lee is going to be truly epic if it happens. We may have to wait and see if either the makers of Salaar 2 or Spirit come up with an official announcement Meanwhile, Hombale Film, the makers of Salaar announced a three-film deal with Prabhas recently. One of the three films is Salaar 2 and the other two are, a film with Prasanth Varma & another film is said to be with Lokesh Kanagaraj.

Sai Pallavi Dodges All Negativity!



-n the era of social media, people form their opinions easily and pass their judgments. It has become a trend on social media to boycott films and actors. It frequently happens in Bollywood but has also reached South. In the recent past, Sai Pallavi faced this situation where some netizens wanted to boycott her and her films.

But, she has overcome all the negativity with a single performance in the film, Amaran. Sai Pallavi faced a backlash after an old interview where she compared the Indian and Pakistani armies, leading to calls for boycotting her film Amaran. However, these boycott efforts failed to gain traction, sympathy for Sai Pallavi

grew. The result was that Amaran exceeded expectations at the box office, with many audiences drawn to watch it solely for her performance. The success of Amaran demonstrated that these boycott campaigns no longer held the same influence, and Sai Pallavi's popularity remained strong, solidifying her appeal among audiences. Sai Pallavi is not an actress who entered the film industry to survive on glamour. She is a doctor who mastered multiple languages, and the selection of her scripts shows how intellectual she is. She is definitely in a different league, and no ounce of negativity can impact her career anymore. On the other hand, Sai Pallavi will next be seen in Thandel in Telugu and she also has two films in Hindi.

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