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Modi govt ministers get going



NEW DELHI, June 11: Signalling both change and continuity, India's new government, headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi for a third consecutive term, got into work gear on Tuesday with cabinet ministers and ministers of state filing into their respective offices to assume charge.

defence. Bharat First and Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam (The world is one family) will be the two guiding axioms of Indian foreign policy, Jaishankar said shortly after taking over. On ties with China going forward, Jaishankar said some issues remained along the border with that country and efforts will be made to resolve them.

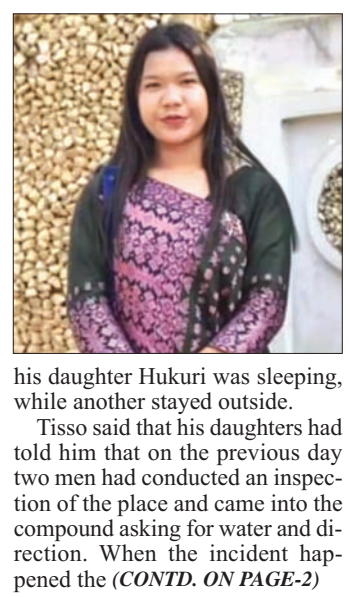
has made service to the poorest of poor the motto of his life and the main aim of the government. He has taken measures for welfare of the farmers, youth and empowerment of women. Jitendra Singh, who took office as Union minister of state (MoS) for personnel, public grievances and pensions at his North Block office, said good governance reforms undertaken in the last decade will continue to increase citizen-centricity and ensure ease of living for every citizen.

VIP security up for major change in Modi 3.0; NSG, ITBP to be withdrawn

NEW DELHI, June 11: The VIP security setup of the Union government is expected to witness a major shift and overhaul with the new ministers taking charge and the task of guarding over a dozen high-risk persons by the NSG and the ITBP being transferred to other paramilitary forces, official sources said Tuesday.

Women shot dead in Karbi Anglong

DIPHU, June 11: Unidentified miscreants shot dead a young woman in the wee hours on Tuesday in Diphu in Karbi Anglong. The victim identified as Hukuri Tisso (23), was shot in the head. She had been staying at Arlonglangso, 3 Km Lunding Road with her siblings. The deceased was the daughter of Sing Tisso and Lt. Kare Rongpharpi of Virvar Bher Rongpi Village in Dengaon in Karbi Anglong.



CM visits site for IIM in Kamrup

GUWAHATI, June 11: Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Tuesday visited the proposed site for an Indian Institute of Management (IIM) that is to come up in the Marabhita and Dighalkuchi localities in Kamrup district. The Centre recently gave the final nod, paving the way for the establishment of the IIM. Approximately 574 bighas of government land have been selected for the upcoming premier management institute, the second in the northeastern region after IIM Shillong in Meghalaya.



NEET sanctity hit, says SC; seeks Centre, NTA response on plea for fresh exam

NEW DELHI, June 11: Observing that the sanctity of NEET-UG, 2024 has been affected, the Supreme Court on Tuesday sought responses from the Centre and the National Testing Agency (NTA) on a plea seeking holding of a fresh examination on grounds of alleged question paper leak and other malpractices.



GUWAHATI, June 11: Union minister Sarbananda Sonowal has taken charge of the Union ministry of ports, shipping and waterways. Addressing the office bearers as well as the staff, the minister evoked confidence in the team for delivering goals and objectives with a vision to serve the people of this country.

Improve quality of life of urban citizens: Minister

GUWAHATI, June 11: State housing and urban affairs and irrigation minister Ashok Singhal on Tuesday held a meeting in the city with the newly appointed officers of the Assam Urban Administrative Service working as executive officers in municipalities and municipal corporations of the state.

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- SONS: Dr. Motilal Nunisa, Shri Pradip Nunisa, Dr. Ruplal Nunisa and Dr. Bishnu Ram Nunisa
DAUGHTERS-IN-LAW: Smti. Jayanti Nunisa, Smti. Prabhati Nunisa, Dr. Ritu Nunisa (W/o- Lt. Nirmal Nunisa (son) and Smti. Anima Nunisa
DAUGHTERS: Smti. Usha Hojai and Smti. Alo Thoosen
SONS-IN-LAW: Dr. Dhruva Hojai and Ramesh Thoosen and All grand children

Will they suspend over 230 MPs this time: Gaurav Gogoi's dig at Modi 3.0

NEW DELHI, June 11: The BJP's approach to parliamentary democracy will not change as long as Prime Minister Narendra Modi is at the helm but in footballing terms, the "wall of defenders" is now bigger and much more robust with over 230 INDIA bloc MPs in the Lok Sabha, says Congress' Gaurav Gogoi.

MPs (last year), will they suspend 236 this time?" the deputy leader of the Congress in the previous Lok Sabha said. Gogoi dismissed suggestions that NDA allies TDP's Chandrababu Naidu and JD(U)'s Nitish Kumar gave in to the BJP on government formation, saying they have "extremely shrewd political minds" and should not be judged quickly as "only time will tell what their true intentions are".

Kooki, Hindi film from the state premiered at Cannes Film Festival on May 21

Junmoni Devi Khaund's Kooki to be released in India, Nepal on June 28

JORHAT, June 11: Junmoni Devi Khaund, producer of the Hindi film Kooki, on Tuesday announced that the movie would be released in India and Nepal on June 28. Kooki is a Hindi film from the state, which premiered at the Cannes Film Festival, 2024 on May 21. The film narrates the story of a 16-year-old gang-rape survivor and the trauma she endures. The film has been directed by Pranab J Deka.

distributors from UK, USA, Morocco, France and Monaco for a release two weeks after the June 28 release in India and Nepal. "After the Cannes screening there was a lot of positive feedback about the movie, from producers, distributors, actors and others who had watched it in the market segment of the Cannes Film Festival, with many of them saying that the trauma of a gang raped 16 year old girl and how she picks up the threads of her life, is a universal theme which can be widely related to."

after that. How does she survive? Through the film we have tried to depict not just the struggles and sufferings of a rape survivor, but also attempted to provide a positive solution," Khaund said. She further said that the stories of the victims had moved her to create a rough outline for the making of a movie, and story board was formed with the director Pranab J Deka and others, some of who came from Mumbai. Khaund further said that they had made the movie in Hindi so that it catered to a wider audience and was not limited to the regional level. "It is time that movies made in the state compete with those made in Bollywood and (CONTD. ON PAGE-2)



QUOTE OF THE DAY

To know how much there is to know is the beginning of learning to live. -Dorothy West

Govt grapples with Khalistani MP amid Reasi terror attack

The central government finds itself in a difficult position following the election of Sikh separatist Amritpal Singh from Punjab's Khador Sahib constituency...

Modi 3.0 - A verdict for real coalition dharma

It is normal for the political opposition of Narendra Modi to be jubilant as the seats they could harvest in the 2024 Lok Sabha election have considerably accelerated their confidence...



critical role in pulling the tally of the saffron party, the Congress again failed to create a remarkable comeback...

DEGREE OF THOUGHT M.R.Lalu

What he will be known for will be the steps, the initiatives the country had witnessed in his first two tenures...

the revival of its culture. His focus was to satiate the impulses of the coalition and he successfully maintained it. Modi's third regime is going to be an ideological rivalry standing face to face...

Need kinder laws for street-vendors navigating urban environment

By: Kumar Ritwik

The economic liberalisation of the 1990s brought with it malls and shopping arcades. However, the timeless allure of traditional marketplaces, deeply ingrained in the collective consciousness of Indian society, persists...

of private business, these businesses can add to the comfort and convenience of the general public if properly regulated. Therefore, the right to carry on such trade could not be denied on the ground that the streets are meant exclusively for passing...

What insights can we draw from the election outcomes?

By: Dipak Kurmi

The Lok Sabha 2024 election results underscore a significant takeaway: the Indian electorate is not to be underestimated. Time and again, voters have demonstrated their political acumen and independence through their ballots...

The group was traveling to Mzuzu to attend the funeral of a former government minister Malawi's vice president and 9 others have died in a plane crash, the president says

BLANTYRE, June 11: Malawi's vice president, Saulos Chilima, was among 10 people killed when a small military plane crashed in a mountainous region in the north of the country...



Hundreds of soldiers, police officers and forest rangers had been searching for the plane after it went missing Monday morning while making the 45-minute flight from the southern African nation's capital, Lilongwe...

Chilima was serving his second term as vice president. He was also in the role from 2014-2019 under former President Peter Mutharika. He was a candidate in the 2019 Malawian presidential election and finished third, behind the incumbent, Mutharika, and Chakwera. The vote was later annulled by Malawi's Constitutional Court because of irregularities.

case led to criticism that Chakwera's administration was not taking a hard enough stance against graft. The search for the plane lasted more than 24 hours and provoked an international response. Chakwera had said the U.S., the U.K., Norway and Israel had offered assistance in the search operation and had provided "specialized technologies."

UN says Israeli forces and Palestinian armed groups may have committed war crimes in a deadly raid

GENEVA, June 11: The U.N. human rights office is citing possible war crimes by Israeli forces and Palestinian armed groups in connection with a deadly raid by Israeli forces that freed four hostages over the weekend and killed hundreds of Palestinians. Office spokesman Jeremy Laurence expressed concerns about possible violations of rules of proportionality, distinction and precaution by the Israeli forces in Saturday's raid at the urban Nuseirat refugee camp.

smack bang in the middle of this," Laurence added. Alluding to the "ordeal" faced by hostages and their families, he said: "The fact that four hostages are now free is clearly very good news. These hostages should never have been taken in the first place. That's a breach of international humanitarian law. They must be freed. All of them. Promptly."



250. Israel's war against Hamas in Gaza has killed more than 36,730 people, according to Gaza's Health Ministry, which does not distinguish between combatants and civilians in its count. Palestinians are facing widespread hunger because the war has largely cut off the flow of food, medicine and other supplies. U.N. agencies say over 1 million in Gaza could experience the highest level of starvation by mid-July. (AP)

Bangladesh names Lt Gen Waker-Uz-Zaman as new Army chief



DHAKA, June 11: Lieutenant General Waker-Uz-Zaman was named Bangladesh's next Army chief for a three-year term and will assume charge on June 23, the Defence Ministry said. Lt Gen Zaman, 58, would concurrently be upgraded to the rank of a four-star general on the day he assumed charge.

US lifts weapons ban on a high-profile Ukrainian military unit with a checkered past

KYIV, June 11: The US has removed restrictions on the transfer of American weapons and training to a high-profile Ukrainian military unit with a checkered past, the State Department said on Tuesday. The move will help the Azov Brigade, among Ukraine's most effective and popular fighting units, move beyond its reputation as a far-right movement...



the combat ability of Azov, but most importantly, contribute to the preservation of the lives and the health of personnel," the statement said. Up until the State Department's decision, a provision in the US appropriations law prohibited the Azov from sending fighters to Western military exercises or access weapons bought with American funds.

effective and skilful fighting force. Azov soldiers played a key part in the defence of Mariupol, holding out in a siege and low on ammunition for weeks at the southern port city's steel mill despite devastating attacks from Russian forces.

Chinese premier to visit Australia on Saturday

MELBOURNE, June 11: China's Premier Li Qiang will visit Australia later this week, officials said on Tuesday, in a further indication that strained bilateral relations are improving. Li's visit will extend from Saturday to Tuesday, and will be the first by a Chinese premier to Australia since 2017.



billion Australian dollars (USD 13 billion) a year after Australia's previous government demanded an international inquiry into the causes of the COVID-19 pandemic. Most of those barriers have been removed since Albanese's government was elected in 2022.

4 US college instructors teaching at Chinese university are attacked at a public park

BEIJING, June 11: Four instructors from Iowa's Cornell College teaching at Beihua University in northeastern China were attacked in a public park, reportedly with a knife, officials at the US school and the State Department said. A Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson said on Tuesday that the injured were rushed to a hospital for treatment, and that none was in critical condition.

and photos and video of the incident were quickly taken down. Cornell spokesperson Jen Visser said in an email that the college was still gathering information about what happened. Visser said the private college in Mount Vernon, Iowa, partners with Beihua University. A college news release from 2018, when the program started, says Beihua provides funding for Cornell professors to travel to China to teach a portion of courses in computer science, mathematics and physics over a two-week period.

SKorean troops fired warning shots after NKorean soldiers briefly crossed land border

SEOUL, June 11: South Korean soldiers fired warning shots after North Korean troops briefly violated the tense border earlier this week, South Korea's military said on Tuesday, as the rivals are embroiled in Cold War-style campaigns like balloon launches and propaganda broadcasts. Bloodshed and violent confrontations have occasionally occurred at the Korea's heavily fortified border, called the Demilitarized Zone.



Chiefs of Staff said. Those North Korean soldiers carrying construction tools — some of them armed — immediately returned to their territory after South Korea's military fired warning shots and issued warning broadcasts, the Joint Chiefs of Staff said. It said North Korea had not conducted any other suspicious activities.

spokesperson Lee Sung Joon told reporters. Lee gave no further details. But South Korean media reports said that about 20-30 North Korean soldiers had entered South Korean territory about 50 metres (165 feet) after they likely lost their way. The reports said most of the North Korean soldiers were carrying pickaxes and other construction tools.

said North Korea has installed its own border loudspeakers in response but hasn't turned them on yet. North Korea has said its balloon campaign was in response to South Korean activists' launches of their own balloons to drop propaganda leaflets critical of leader Kim Jong Un's authoritarian rule.

The statue was stolen from a temple in Tamil Nadu Oxford University to return stolen 500-year-old bronze idol to India

LONDON, June 11: The UK's prestigious Oxford University has agreed to return a 500-year-old bronze idol of a saint believed to be stolen from a temple in Tamil Nadu to India. "On 11 March 2024, the Council of the University of Oxford supported a claim from the Indian High Commission for the return of a 16th-century bronze sculpture of Saint Tirumankai Alvar from the Ashmolean Museum. This decision will now be submitted to the Charity Commission for approval," said a statement from the university's Ashmolean Museum.



ancient statue by an independent researcher in November last year, following which it alerted the Indian High Commission. The Indian government made a formal request for the bronze idol believed to be stolen from a temple in Tamil Nadu and found its way to a UK museum through auction.

A migrant boat sank off the coast of Yemen, leaving at least 49 dead and 140 missing, UN agency says

CAIRO, June 11: A boat carrying migrants sank off the coast of Yemen, leaving at least 49 dead and 140 missing, the U.N.'s International Organization for Migration said on Tuesday. The boat was carrying some 260 Somalis and Ethiopians from the northern coast of Somalia on the 320-kilometer (200-mile) journey across the Gulf of Aden when it sank Monday off Yemen's southern coast, the IOM said in a statement.

from 2021 to 2023, soaring from about 27,000 to over 90,000, the IOM said last month. Around 380,000 migrants are currently in Yemen, according to the agency. To reach Yemen, migrants are taken by smugglers on often dangerous, overcrowded boats across the Red Sea or Gulf of Aden. In April, at least 62 people died in two shipwrecks off the coast of Djibouti as they tried to reach Yemen. The IOM said at least 1,860 people have died or disappeared along the route, including 480 who drowned. Monday's sinking "is another reminder of the urgent need to work together to address urgent migration challenges and ensure the safety and security of migrants along migration routes," said IOM spokesperson Mohammed Ali Abunajela. (PTI)

Congress leader claims PM would not pay attention to RSS chief

Modi to 'avoid' Manipur, 'misuse' agencies: Gaurav Gogoi

NEW DELHI, June 11: Congress leader Gaurav Gogoi on Tuesday said Prime Minister Narendra Modi is not expected to pay attention to RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat's words on the prevailing situation in violence-hit Manipur and he will "avoid" the northeastern state, "misuse law enforcement agencies and try to bend the Indian Constitution".

The RSS chief on Monday expressed concern over peace eluding Manipur even after one year and said the situation in the strife-torn state must be considered with priority.

"I do not expect Prime Minister Modi to pay any attention to the words of RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat. Prime Minister Modi will avoid Manipur, misuse law enforcement agencies and try to bend the Indian Constitution.

"Thankfully, the people have

chosen the INDIA alliance to speak up on its behalf and defend the Indian Parliament and the constitution," Gogoi wrote on 'X'.

The young Congress MP was elected to Lok Sabha from Assam's Jorhat constituency after he defeated his nearest BJP rival by a margin of over 1.44 lakh votes.

Gogoi had delivered a powerful speech in Lok Sabha in August 2023 on the opposition-sponsored no-confidence motion against the Narendra Modi government where he questioned the "maun vrat" (vow of silence) of Modi on Manipur and asked why he had not visited the state.

He had said the government that "talks of one India has created two Manipurs and deeply divided communities are now talking the language of revenge against each other". (PTI)



Policeman among two arrested with heroin in North Tripura

AGARTALA, June 11: Two persons, including a police constable, were arrested with heroin worth ₹ 25 crore in North Tripura, officials said on Tuesday.

Acting on a tip-off, a vehicle coming from Mizoram's Champhai district was intercepted at Damcherra on Monday, they said.

"On searching the vehicle, heroin weighing more than 2 kg, worth around ₹ 25 crore, was found," Superintendent of Police Bhanupada Chakraborty told PTI.

There were two persons in the vehicle -- Sahidul Rahaman (35), a constable of Tripura Police, and Jasimuddin (36), a resident of Sepahijala district, and they were arrested.

Chakraborty said the vehicle was heading to Sonamura in Sepahijala. "This was the biggest seizure of drugs in the state in the recent past. We suspect the involvement of organised gangs in heroin smuggling," he said.

In a Facebook post, chief minister Manik Saha said, "Tripura police is leaving no stone unturned to achieve the goal of NahaMuktaBharat by Hon'ble PM Narendra Modi." (PTI)

Violence in Manipur failure of govt: Former CM



IMPHAL, June 11: Former Manipur chief minister and Congress legislature party leader Okram Ibobi Singh on Tuesday said the fresh wave of violence in Jiribam district escalated due to the failure of the government to take up timely action to resolve the crisis.

"The violence hit the district because of the state government's failure to take security measures timely and weakness of the intelligence agencies," Ibobi said while addressing the media at Congress Bhavan here.

The fresh wave of violence has once again displaced hundreds of people in the district.

"So, in order to check the repetition of such unfortunate turn of events, the state government, instead of blaming others to cover up its failure, must concentrate on its bounden duty of safeguarding the lives and properties of the people by finding ways to resolve the crisis," Ibobi added.

Ibobi then lashed out at incumbent chief minister N Biren Singh for "making baseless and unfounded allegations" against the Congress party.

The former three times chief minister dismissed the allegation of the Congress entering into an agreement endorsing separate administration demands raised by the Kukis in the run-up to the recently concluded Lok Sabha elections.

Ibobi challenged the incumbent chief minister to provide hard evidence to back his (Biren's) allegation to the Congress party.

He alleged that the chief minister and his party BJP of doing dirty politics and making irresponsible statements when the government is unable to handle issues in the state from time to time.

He said that the government remains focusing on blaming the Congress instead of working on resolving the ongoing crisis in the state.

Many leaders of the Congress including MPCC president K Meghachandra, deputy CLP leader K Ranjit and CWC member Gaikhangam attended the press conference. (NNN)

Reserve civic body polls for the indigenous : NSF

HT Correspondent

DIMAPUR, June 11: The Naga Students' Federation (NSF), along with its federating units and subordinate bodies, reiterated their firm stance that contestation in the urban local body (ULB) elections be reserved exclusively for indigenous Naga individuals of Nagaland state.

In a joint statement on Tuesday, the NSF and its 11 federating units, stressed that the candidates must be Nagas by blood, not by adoption.

The NSF also strongly advocated for exclusion of women married to non-locals from contesting in the ULB elections.

"This stance is rooted in a deep-seated understanding of the intrinsic connection between governance, culture, and identity, which collectively shape the socio-political landscape of

Nagaland," the statement said.

The NSF underscored the necessity of ensuring that the voices and aspirations of the indigenous Naga populace are authentically represented in all decision-making processes.

According to the student bodies, electing non-Naga individuals to local governance positions poses a significant risk to the preservation of the Naga cultural heritage.

"Such appointments could disrupt the traditional systems that have long sustained our communities and dilute the cultural legacy that defines us as a people," the statement said.

The NSF said it strongly believed that indigenous representation in local governance is not just a matter of political correctness but a fundamental necessity for the survival of Naga cultural identity.

HNLC 'sleeper cell' busted, three arrested

SHILLONG, June 11: A 'sleeper cell' of the proscribed Hyniewtrep National Liberation Council (HNLC) was busted on Tuesday even as three including a senior cadre of the outfit were arrested for serving multiple demand notes and threatened several individuals to pay the extortion amount or to face the dire consequences.

The three have been identified as Cyfrank Paul Pariat (25), who was heading the sleeper cell as senior cadre of HNLC, Kitbok Mujai (23) and Barnabas Lyngdoh (49). Ri Bhoi SP Jagpal Singh Dhanoa said in a statement.

He said in the light of recent serving of extortion/demand notes to several individuals, the Ri Bhoi police has managed to bust a sleeper cell of the banned HNLC operating in Mawhati-Umroi of Ri Bhoi district and Shillong.

The 'sleeper cell' of HNLC was headed by the senior HNLC cadre Cyfrank Paul Pariat of Ummat village. He alongside his members



served multiple demand notes on behalf of the HNLC and threatened several individuals to pay the extortion amount or to face the dire consequences, the police officer said.

Accordingly, a joint operation was launched on June 10 by a special team of Police Headquarters and Ri Bhoi DEF and arrested the HNLC members.

"All three arrested persons were involved in recruitment, financing and propaganda for banned HNLC

under UAP Act and had gone to Bangladesh last year to take training," Dhanoa further said.

In this regard, a case has been registered and further investigation is on to unearth linkages of more individuals who may be members/associates of HNLC, he said.

The SP also said, "It is a general appeal to the public to not succumb to illegal demands of HNLC and bring any illegal contact or demand into notice of police." (NNN)

Electioneering for ULB polls picks up in Nagaland

HT Correspondent

DIMAPUR, June 11: With candidates from different parties and Independents filing nominations, electioneering is picking up for the urban local body (ULB) elections in Nagaland slated for June 26.

Altogether, there are three municipal councils in Dimapur, Kohima and Mokokchung and 36 town councils in the state.

The civic body elections are going to be held after more than two decades in the state. This time around, the polls this time will see participation of more women candidates with 33% of seats reserved for them.

The last date of filing of nominations ended on Tuesday while scrutiny of nominations will take place on June 13. The last date for withdrawal of nomination is June 18.

According to a data released by the office of the state election commissioner, a total of 394 candidates filed nominations for the ULB elections till June 10. Of them, 144 are women candidates.

The election machinery in the state stepped



up activities for the polls by conducting training programmes for polling staff in different districts. The candidates from different parties and Independents have geared up their activities by mainly canvassing through door-to-door campaigns.

Need not pull each other down on basis of numbers: Rijju

NEW DELHI, June 11: Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijju on Tuesday asserted that he will make all efforts to take every-one along to ensure smooth functioning of Parliament, and said there was no need to pull each other down on the basis of numerical strength.

Rijju made the remarks after assuming charge as the Parliamentary Affairs Minister in the presence of his predecessor Pralhad Joshi and Ministers of State Arjun Ram Meghwal and L Murugan.

"We need not pull each other down on the basis of numerical strength. People use muscle power outside Parliament, but inside the House, we should use vocal power for good debate," the four-term Lok Sabha member from Arunachal Pradesh said. (PTI)

NCP (SP) leader questions 'treatment to Manipur' despite being integral part

'The people, women, children there are Indians'

PUNE, June 11: NCP (SP) leader Supriya Sule on Tuesday expressed concerns about the violence in Manipur and wondered why the north-eastern state was being given such a treatment when it is an integral part of the country.

Speaking to reporters here, the Baramati MP said a terror attack took place in Jammu even as Narendra Modi was sworn in as prime minister for a third term.

"We have been questioning the government over the Manipur issue for months. A lot of discussions took place in the Parliament over the Manipur situation. Manipur is an integral part of the country. The people, women, children there are Indians," Sule said when asked about RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat's remark that peace had eluded the north-eastern state even after one year.

Bhagwat had on Monday said the situation in the strife-torn state must be considered a priority.

"In Manipur, the convoy of



the Chief Minister was also attacked. It shows that somewhere something is going wrong. A word is not spoken about Manipur, though we sought a discussion on the issue. Leaders from the INDIA bloc travelled to the state, but we were stopped there. Manipur is an integral part of India, and why is it being meted out such treatment?" she said.

Sule further said that as a re-

lected MP, raising the issue of unemployment will be her priority in the Parliament.

She reiterated that the issue of companies leaving Rajiv Gandhi Infotech Park in Hinjawadi was worrying, and said that the Maratha Chambers of Commerce has requested NCP (SP) chief Sharad Pawar to convene a meeting and urge firms not to leave Maharashtra.

"More than 6 lakh people are working at the IT park, and it is worrying if firms are leaving," the NCP (SP) leader said.


Talking about the row over the medical entrance exam NEET-UG, 2024, Sule questioned why the Central government was outsourcing the conduct of the examination.

The Supreme Court on Tuesday sought the response of the Centre and the National Testing Agency on a plea seeking fresh conduct of the medical entrance exam NEET-UG, 2024, on the grounds of alleged question paper leak and other malpractices.

"What is the need for so many exams? If you ask me, when the INDI alliance government comes to power, my first demand will be to stop these exams. Students get exhausted just appearing for exams. They should be multifaceted and multi-talented. What importance do board exams have if students again have to appear for entrance exams like NEET? On top of this, there is irregularity and shoddy management, and the Centre is responsible for this," she said.

Asked about Shiv Sena MP Shirang Barne expressing disappointment about his party not getting a cabinet berth despite winning seven Lok Sabha seats, Sule said his demand was justified as she has seen his performance in the Parliament, and he also received the Sansad Ratna award.

Barne has experience with the BJP for many years and knows how it treats the allies, she said. (PTI)



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Merging Indian mythology and sci-fi in 'Kalki 2898 AD' nothing short of a dream: Nag Ashwin

NEW DELHI, June 11: Filmmaker Nag Ashwin says his much anticipated pan-India film "Kalki 2898 AD" is a blend of Indian mythology and science fiction, a dream that became a reality with the dedication of his cast and crew.

Previously titled "Project K", the multilingual big-budget sci-fi movie stars Prabhas, Deepika Padukone, Amitabh Bachchan, and Kamal Haasan. It is produced by C. Aswini Dutt of Vyjayanthi Movies.

The makers launched the trailer of "Kalki 2898 AD" on Monday evening on social media in Telugu, Hindi, Tamil, Malayalam, Kannada and English.

The 3.03 minute-trailer of the mythology-inspired sci-fi spectacle set in the future is filled with references to a 'naya yug' (new era) on the horizon and an impending battle.

Ashwin said the first glimpse into "Kalki 2898 AD" is just the tip of the iceberg.

"My heart is filled with so many emotions today. As a filmmaker, I have always been fascinated by Indian mythology and science fiction. Merging these two elements in 'Kalki 2898 AD' is nothing short of a dream, made possible by the incredible talent and dedication of our artists and team," the filmmaker said in a statement.

"It has taken us a lot to witness this day today. From our producers and star cast to the brilliant creative minds and the entire crew of 'Kalki 2898 AD', each person has poured their heart and soul into this film. We hope the trailer makes the Telugu audience and the entire nation proud, leaving them excited for what's to come," he added.

Also starring Saswata Chatterjee, Disha Patani, Brahmanandam, and Rajendra Prasad, "Kalki 2898 AD" is set to be released on June 27. (PTI)



Assam Police's documentary on extremism to be screened at Mumbai film festival

GUWAHATI, June 11: Short documentary 'Fehujali - The New Dawn', produced by Assam director general of police G P Singh, will be featured at the Mumbai International Film Festival starting on June 15, film director and inspector general Parthasarathi Mahanta said on Monday.

Having won the 'Best Short Documentary' award at the 7th New Delhi Film Festival in March, the 19-minute film carries a poignant message for the youth of the state, urging them to steer clear of extremism and embrace a path of purpose and righteousness.

"We have seen some young boys and girls join the camps of terrorist outfits after falling victim to the various gimmicks being peddled. We decided to bring to the public domain true-life stories of disillusionment amongst those who had fallen prey to such propaganda campaigns and joined terrorist organisations", Singh said.

"The documentary serves as an awakening for the youth of the state, shedding light on the struggles of marginalised youth ensnared by extremist factions," the director said, adding, "It depicts their journey from disillusionment to clarity, urging others to avoid the allure of extremism and pursue a path of righteousness". The screening of "Fehujali" at MIFF on June 21 not only recognises its cinematic excellence, but also highlights its role as a powerful tool for awareness and change, Mahanta emphasised. (PTI)



We need to normalise obsessive work culture: Actor-MP Kangana

NEW DELHI, June 11: Stressing the need to "normalise obsessive work culture", actor and BJP MP Kangana Ranaut on Tuesday said Indians can't afford to be lazy as the country is yet to become a developed nation.

Ranaut shared her thoughts in an Instagram Story, in which she posted a video clip of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's address to the staffers of the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) after he began his third term on Monday.

"My every moment is for the country," Modi had said, asserting that he has promised to work round the clock to achieve the goal of India becoming a developed country by 2047.

In her post, Ranaut

wrote the concept of weekends was nothing but "western brainwashing".

"We need to normalise obsessive work culture and stop with waiting for the weekends and complaining about Mondays memes. That's all western brainwashing; we are not a developed nation yet, and we can't afford to be bored and lazy at all," she captioned her post.

Ranaut, a popular face from Bollywood and a long-time Modi supporter, was elected from Mandi in Himachal Pradesh, her home state, in her first poll. She defeated Vikramaditya Singh, the son of six-time chief minister Virbhadr Singh and state Congress chief Pratibha Singh. (PTI)

Dhanush-starrer 'Raayan' to release in July

NEW DELHI, June 11: Tamil film Raayan, starring and directed by Dhanush, is set to hit the screens on July 26.

Dhanush has also written the action thriller movie, which marks his second directorial venture and 50th feature film.

The actor-filmmaker shared the release date of Raayan on his official X page on Monday.

"#Raayan From July 26th," he captioned the new posters of the film.

The film is backed by Kalanithi Maran under the production banner of Sun Pictures. It stars Dhanush in the titular role.

S.J. Suryah, Prakash Raj, Selvaraghavan, Sundee Kishan, Kalidas Jayaram, Dushara Vijayan, Aparna Balamurali, Varalaxmi Sarathkumar and Saravanan also round out the cast of Raayan.

The music and background score of the movie is composed by A R Rahman. This is the composer's fourth collaboration with Dhanush following Raanjanaa, Maryan and Atrangi Re. (PTI)

Julianna Margulies won't be part of 'The Morning Show' season 4

LOS ANGELES, June 11: "The Good Wife" star Julianna Margulies won't return for the upcoming fourth season of the award-winning drama series "The Morning Show".

Sources told Variety that the decision was made before the controversy stirred by a podcast that featured Margulies last year.

The actor was offered a one-episode appearance in season four of the Apple TV+ show that she turned down, they said.

Margulies, also known for films such as "Snakes on a Plane" and "The Upside", joined "The Morning Show" in the second season as journalist Laura Peterson, who becomes Bradley Jackson's (Reese Witherspoon) love interest.

While Laura and Bradley break up early in season three, the former's arc continues through the remaining episodes. (PTI)

Mia McKenna-Bruce, Martin Freeman and Helena Bonham Carter join for 'The Seven Dials Mystery'

WASHINGTON [US], June 11: In exciting news for Agatha Christie fans, Netflix has announced that Mia McKenna-Bruce, Martin Freeman, and Helena Bonham Carter will be starring in a new Agatha Christie adaptation titled 'The Seven Dials Mystery'.

The series is set in England in 1925 and revolves around a practical joke gone horribly wrong at a lavish country house party, confirmed The Hollywood Reporter.

Mia McKenna-Bruce, known for her role in 'How to Have Sex,' will be leading the cast as Bundle, a young and determined sleuth.

Joining her will be the talented Helena Bonham Carter and Martin Freeman. McKenna-Bruce expressed her excitement, stating, "Chris Chibnall's scripts are brilliant, and I am thrilled to be part of this new interpretation of the iconic Agatha

Christie's storytelling."

According to the Hollywood Reporter, 'The Seven Dials Mystery' is penned by Chris Chibnall, the creator of 'Broadchurch' and former showrunner of 'Doctor Who.'

The series is executive produced by Suzanne Mackie from 'The Crown' through her company Orchard Pictures, along with Chris Sussman from 'Good Omens.'

Directing the series is Chris Sweeney, known for his work on 'The Tourist' and 'Back to Life.'

Set against the backdrop of a luxurious country house party in 1925, the story unfolds as a practical joke turns deadly.

Bundle, the young sleuth played by McKenna-Bruce, embarks on a thrilling journey to unravel a chilling plot that will change her life forever, as per The

Hollywood Reporter.

'The Seven Dials Mystery' marks the first series to go into production with Orchard Pictures and is scheduled to start filming this summer.

Fans of Agatha Christie can expect a captivating adaptation that stays true to the author's iconic storytelling.

But that's not all! The BBC and Britbox International have also announced their own Agatha Christie project. Anjelica Huston and Oliver Jackson-Cohen will be leading the adaptation of her novel 'Towards Zero.'

As per The Hollywood Reporter, the three-part series also features Ella Lily Hyland, Anjelica Huston, and Mimi Keene.

Directed by Sam Yates, filming for this exciting project is currently underway in and around Bristol and on the picturesque Devon coast. (AGENCIAS)



