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AT 11

PM MODI TOOK INDIA FROM PESSIMISM TO
OPTIMISM: NADDA ON NDA GOVT AT 11

Diary Times Desk : BJP president JP Nadra on Monday said the ruling NDA will complete the current and the next terms and that PM Narendra Modi has taken India from pessimism to optimism in 11 years of his government.

Marking the 11 years of the BJP-led rule at the Centre, Nadra described the scale of work done by the government as “incredible and unimaginable and one that should be written in golden letters”.

He said the PM took the country from pessimism to optimism and took bold decisions confronting complex issues upfront, including striking terrorists in their den as evidenced in Operation Sindoor.

“The work done in these 11 years should be written in golden letters as incredible and unimaginable. PM Modi has transformed India’s political culture in these years and created a new normal and new order.”

“Eleven years ago, the country was running on appeasement, on divisive political approach to save the chair. The PM began a culture of performance by ensuring a responsible and responsive government. We started politics of report card and accountability and ushered in a new political culture,” the BJP chief said. He targeted Congress leader Rahul Gandhi for “repeatedly maligning institutions”, including the Election Commission and raising questions on Operation Sindoor.



AXIOM-4
MISSION

AXIOM-4 MISSION LAUNCH TO SPACE
POSTPONED BY A DAY DUE TO BAD WEATHER



Diary Times Desk : The launch of Axiom-4 mission, that would carry India’s second astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla to space has been postponed by a day due to bad weather.

A post from Indian space research agency ISRO on X, formerly Twitter, read, “Due to weather conditions, the launch of Axiom-4 mission for sending Indian Gaganyatri to International Space Station is postponed from 10th June 2025 to 11th June 2025. The targeted time of launch is 5:30 PM IST on 11th June 2025”.

The mission – a collaboration with Houston-based Axiom Space in partnership with US space agency NASA -- also referred to as Mission Akash Ganga, will orbit the International Space Laboratory. It will spend 14 days in the space. This is the fourth time the mission has been deferred. The last time it was deferred was from June 8 to June 10 – again because of adverse weather conditions.

The historic second flight for an Indian astronaut will take place from the Launch Complex 39 A at the Kennedy Space Center, from which Astronaut Neil Armstrong lifted off on the Apollo 11 mission on July 16, 1969, and became the first human to step on the moon. Group Captain Shukla -- a 39-year-old fighter pilot from the Indian Air Force picked by ISRO as the prime astronaut -- is currently in pre-launch quarantine, a standard protocol to protect astronauts from potential infections before lift-off.

From his quarantine at the Kennedy Space Centre, he has told NDTV that he is “extremely confident” about the success of the mission.

WIFE ACCUSED OF ORCHESTRATING HUSBAND'S MURDER IN MEGHALAYA, FAMILY SEEKS CBI PROBE

Diary Times Desk : In a case that reads like a twisted thriller, the Meghalaya Police on Monday claimed to have cracked the murder of Indore-based businessman Raja Raghuvanshi in just seven days – arresting three contract killers and tracking down his wife, Sonam Raghuvanshi, who they said was the alleged conspirator vanished after the death of her husband during their honeymoon. Sonam was arrested early Monday morning from a roadside dhaba on the Varanasi-Ghazipur highway, ending a 17-day interstate manhunt that spanned Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Meghalaya. The breakthrough came after she made a brief phone call to her family, who alerted police. What investigators have since uncovered is chilling: Sonam, with the help of her lover and two associates, allegedly planned Raja's murder well before their trip to Meghalaya – a honeymoon that doubled as a murder plot. "This is a major breakthrough within just seven days. Three assailants from Madhya Pradesh have been arrested, a female suspect has surrendered, and one more is being tracked. The operation is still on," said Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma, applauding the swift work of state police. Raja and Sonam, recently married, had checked into a homestay in Nongriat on May 22. The next day, both vanished.



'SMEARING THE CONSTITUTION WITH INK OF DICTATORSHIP': CONGRESS ON 11 YEARS OF MODI RULE



Diary Times Desk : As the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led BJP government completed 11 years at the Centre, the Congress on Monday accused the ruling party of undermining democratic institutions, mismanaging the economy and fostering an atmosphere of fear and social division. "The Modi government has spent the last 11 years smearing every page of the Constitution with the ink of dictatorship," said the Congress in a statement. The party said that the occasion did not warrant celebration, but instead marked a milestone of misgovernance and manufactured image-building. Calling the decade-long rule a period of "deep wounds" to India's democracy, economy and social fabric, the Congress alleged that the BJP-RSS combine had weakened every Constitutional institution and undermined their autonomy. Accusing the Central Government of steering India toward a "one-party dictatorship", the Congress cited examples of allegedly toppling elected governments and bypassing federal structures to The party also took fresh jibes.

LOCAL TRAINS FOR MUMBAI SUBURBAN TO HAVE AUTOMATIC DOOR CLOSING SYSTEM: RAILWAY MINISTRY

Diary Times Desk : The Railway Ministry has decided to provide automatic door closing systems in coaches of existing and new local trains for Mumbai Suburban, a senior official said on Monday after four passengers died and six were injured when they fell from a moving overcrowded local train in Thane district. Officials said that in the wake of the unfortunate incident, the Railway Minister and Railway Board officials held a detailed meeting, and the Integral Coach Factory, Chennai, has been tasked to manufacture non-air-conditioned local trains with automatic doors for Mumbai Suburban. "The first train of the new design will be ready by November and after necessary tests and certification, it will be put into service by January 2026," Dilip Kumar, executive director, information and publicity, Railway Board, told PTI. "This is in addition to the 238 AC trains already under manufacturing for Mumbai suburban services," he said.



AXIOM-4 MISSION LAUNCH POSTPONED TO JUNE 11 DUE TO WEATHER

Diary Times Desk : The launch of the Axiom-4 mission, which will carry an Indian astronaut, Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, to the International Space Station (ISS), has been postponed to June 11 due to weather conditions, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) said. The mission was earlier scheduled for June 10. Axiom had earlier stated that if the launch would not take place on June 10, it would be on June 11. "Due to weather conditions, the launch of the Axiom-4 mission for sending Indian Gaganyatri to the International Space Station is postponed from 10th June 2025 to 11th June 2025. The targeted time of launch is 5:30 PM IST on 11th June 2025," ISRO Chairman Dr V. Narayanan said. After 41 years, India will again mark its name in the human space flight mission as Shukla will be the second astronaut to visit space. He will also be the first-ever Indian to visit and conduct research on the International Space Station (ISS).

YOUR HOROSCOPE 10-06-2025

Aries

Today, you will meet old friends, which will refresh old memories. Employed people may be fired from the job due to heavy arguments with colleagues in the workplace. People doing business should thank God for getting financial benefits from the advice of their spouse. Due to irritation in the eyes, you should consult an ophthalmologist.

Taurus

Today you will get success as your long pending legal proceedings will come in your favor. There will be an atmosphere of happiness in the family as employed people will get progress in their workplace. People doing business should make a budget and spend the money in order to get financial benefits. Housewives should change their food according to health and season.

Gemini

Today you should include yoga and meditation in your daily routine. For employed people, your responsibilities may increase due to promotion in the workplace. People doing business may suffer financial loss from any unknown person today. There may be difficulty in walking due to nerve pain problems.

Leo

Today, you should offer water to Lord Shiva to avoid difficulties. A heated argument with HR in the workplace will spoil your whole day. Businessmen have to exercise patience, there are chances of improvement in business. Today, you may face stomach and pancreas problems due to eating too much fried food.

Libra

Today is going to be a busy day for you. Employed people will get a chance to work with senior officers due to advancement in their professional field. People doing business should avoid exchanging money with any unknown person today. Pregnant women may have to face problems due to changing weather.

Sagittarius

Today you should take all important decisions of your career thoughtfully. Employed people may have to face some problems due to the start of a new job in the workplace. Due to financial gain for business people, you can invest in a new business. Problems like leg pain and headache may bother you.

Aquarius

Today you may have to face huge arguments in your family over small matters. Employees will be suspended due to indiscipline in the workplace. People doing business should solve all the problems of their customers in time. Due to worsening weather, problems related to cold and cough may increase in the family.

Virgo

Today you should take special control over your speech and behavior. People in employment will get success in the workplace with the help of friends. People doing business will get financial gain due to some special offer, your financial condition will be strengthened. Old diseases of elders in the house may emerge.

Scorpio

Today you may have to face huge arguments in your family over small matters. Employed people may have to face mental problems due to extra workload in the workplace. People doing business may have to travel abroad in connection with business expansion. Diabetic patients should get themselves checked by a doctor in case of any problem today.

Capricorn

Today you can invest especially in land and buildings. Employed people may have to travel long distances due to office work, due to which your health may deteriorate. People doing business may face difficulties in repaying business loans due to loss of money. High BP and cholesterol problems will increase the problems of your spouse.

Pisces

Today your interest in creative work will especially increase. Employed people may be given an important project by their boss to handle important projects in the workplace. People doing business should control their speech and behavior with their customers. You should walk carefully on the road, problems may arise due to injury.



HIMACHAL NEWS: ANTI-NATIONAL POST POSTED ON SOCIAL MEDIA, ACCUSED SULEMAN ARRESTED; ON POLICE REMAND TILL JUNE 12

Diary Times Desk : Suleman has been arrested by the Paonta Police Investigation Team for posting anti-national objectionable posts on social media. The accused was produced in the Paonta Sahib court on Monday afternoon. The court has ordered to keep him on police remand till June 12. Suleman (44), a vegetable vendor, originally from village Abdullahpur Behat, Uttar Pradesh, has been living with his family in Badripur for the last many years. Suleman is accused of posting an anti-national post on his social media account with the pieces of a broken ship and Prime Minister Narendra Modi's slogan of Pakistan Zindabad. He is also accused of posting anti-national language on social media and using language that incites the sentiments of the general public against Hindu gods and goddesses. A complaint in this regard was lodged in the Paonta police station on May 27. DSP Paonta Sahib Manvendra Singh Thakur has confirmed this.



HIMACHAL PRADESH: CHIEF MINISTER SUKHU SAID- WHOEVER IS WRONG IN VIMAL NEGI'S DEATH CASE WILL GO BEHIND BARS

Diary Times Desk : Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu said that BJP is doing politics in the Vimal Negi case. No one is saving anyone in this case. Whoever is wrong will go behind bars. CBI investigation is being done on the court's order. Police's SIT has also done a proper investigation. The government suspended an officer immediately without asking. When Meena was asked to be transferred, that was also done. We stood with the family yesterday and will stand with them today too. CM Sukhu, while taking an aggressive stance on BJP during a public meeting in Kalpa, said that BJP has stolen money from the pockets of the people and looted it through the backdoors of corruption. The government is investigating all of it. CM said that to provide employment to the youth, the government is making 25 thousand recruitments this year. In the coming time, women in all three panchayats of Kalpa will be given Rs 1,500 per month. Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu said that when the present government came to power and took oath as a cabinet, it approved the implementation of OPS in the very first cabinet.

JAIRAM THAKUR: LEADER OF OPPOSITION SAID- OUTSOURCE MAFIA IS ACTIVE IN THE STATE DUE TO THE GRACE OF SUKHU GOVERNMENT

Diary Times Desk : Leader of Opposition Jairam Thakur said that in the case of NTT recruitment going on through outsourcing in the state, news of rigging is coming from all over the state. The candidates who came for recruitment have raised questions on the entire process and have accused the government of helping its favourites through the back door. The government cannot act arbitrarily in this manner. The people of the state have not given mandate to the Congress just to benefit the favourites and friends. Thakur said that the outsourcing mafia is active in the state due to the grace of Sukhu government. The government should stop the rigging in the NTT recruitment and conduct the recruitment process impartially. Along with this, the government should get the complaints being made by the candidates investigated impartially. BJP will not allow rigging in recruitments. Thakur said that he had already said that the outsourcing recruitment mafia has become active in the state. Leader of Opposition Jairam Thakur said that they are also extorting money from them by luring them with recruitment on possible posts in the future. The government did not take any action even after this, the result of which is now coming to the fore. Wherever NTT recruitment is going on, complaints are coming from all places about favouring certain people through the back door.

HIMACHAL NEWS: THREAT TO BLOW UP HIMACHAL HIGH COURT WITH A SUICIDE ATTACK, FOUR HOURS SEARCH OPERATION; THREAT TURNED OUT TO BE FALSE

Diary Times Desk : Himachal High Court has once again received a threat of being blown up. After receiving an email threat to senior officials, Shimla police conducted a search operation in the High Court premises for four hours on Monday afternoon. During this, every room of the building was searched as well as the surrounding area was thoroughly searched. Bomb disposal squad, quick response team, dock squad and other police personnel played an important role in this. After this search operation that lasted for hours, the threat has been declared a false warning. However, the police is investigating from where this threat has been issued through email. According to the information, the officials of the state High Court received a threat on email on Monday that Improvised Explosive Device (IED) would be brought into the premises or building by human suicide bombers. Considering the seriousness of the matter, bomb disposal squad, dog squad, quick response team personnel reached the spot under the leadership of DIG South Range Anjum Ara, ASP Ratan Singh Negi.



HIMACHAL NEWS: MAHARASHTRA TREKKER DIES IN HIMACHAL, HIS HEALTH SUDDENLY DETERIORATED

Diary Times Desk : A trekker from Maharashtra who had set out on the trek to Buran Valley in Chidgaon Tehsil has died. He was taken to Sandasu Hospital in an unconscious state from Janglikh. Here the doctors declared him dead. The incident happened on Monday morning. A group of trekkers started their journey from Janglikh village towards Buran Pass. At a short distance, a trekker suddenly fell ill. The trekker team members took him to the nearest health center Sandasu. Where the doctors declared him dead. Tourist Nitin Nagnath Abhiwant (39), son of Nagnath Abhiwant, was a resident of Solapur, Maharashtra. He was a doctor by profession. DSP Pranav Chauhan said that after receiving the information, the team of Chidgaon Police Station got the post-mortem of the deceased tourist done at Sandasu Hospital. The family members have been informed about the death. Based on the statement of the companion, there is a possibility of death due to lack of oxygen in the body.

HIMACHAL NEWS: 14 CHILDREN FELL ILL IN UNA, THE INCIDENT HAPPENED DURING THE NCC CAMP GOING ON IN JNV PEKHUBELA

Diary Times Desk : During the NCC camp going on at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Pekhabela in Una district, the health of 14 girl cadets suddenly deteriorated. During this, some cadets fainted. All of them were taken to the regional hospital for treatment. After treatment, their health has improved. Around 500 cadets from various schools and colleges across the state are participating in the camp. Doctors said that the girls fainted due to dehydration due to extreme heat. On the seventh day of the camp, on Monday morning, as soon as the cadets started running, their health started deteriorating. Some cadets started feeling dizzy and also vomited. Seeing the deteriorating health of the girls, they were rushed to the regional hospital. After the condition improved, most of the cadets have been discharged from the hospital. One cadet is still undergoing treatment in the hospital. Pediatrician Dr. Vikas Chauhan says that due to the heat in the camp, the girls became dehydrated. He has advised to drink clean water and consume a balanced diet. On Monday, 14 NCC cadets were taken to the regional hospital for treatment.

4 KILLED, 9 INJURED AFTER FALLING OFF MOVING TRAIN IN MAHARASHTRA’S THANE

Diary Times Desk : Four commuters died and nine were injured after falling off two overcrowded local trains in Maharashtra’s Thane district during the morning rush hour on Monday, officials said. The incident occurred near Mumbra railway station when the trains were passing each other on a steep turn. Chief Public Relations Officer of the Central Railway, Swapnil Dhanraj Nila, said the victims were travelling on the footboard of the two trains, one travelling towards Kasara and another travelling towards Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus Mumbai. The commuters were hanging from the doors of the crowded trains and their backpacks brushed against each other as the trains passed in opposite directions, police said. The guard of a train going towards Kasara alerted the railway authorities about the incident. Those who fell off the trains were rushed to nearby hospitals, where four were declared dead on arrival, police said. The Railway Board has decided that all new suburban trains in Mumbai will have automatic door closing facility and the existing ones will also be retrofitted to have the mechanism, an official said.

SIDDARAMAIAH TO MEET CONGRESS HIGH COMMAND IN DELHI, LIKELY TO DISCUSS STAMPEDE INCIDENT

Diary Times Desk : Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah will travel to New Delhi on June 10 to meet Congress high command, where he is expected to discuss various developments, including June 4 stampede that killed 11 people. “Chief Minister Siddaramaiah will travel to Delhi tomorrow,” the Chief Minister’s office said in a statement. “Siddaramaiah will meet party leadership in Delhi and will brief them on the latest developments,” it said. The stampede occurred on June 4 evening in front of the the Chinnaswamy stadium here, where a large number of people thronged to participate in the RCB team’s IPL victory celebrations. Eleven people died and 56 were injured in the incident. Siddaramaiah had on Sunday denied reports that the Congress high command had sought information from him regarding the stampede incident. Meanwhile, Congress State President D K Shivakumar also is in Delhi today. When reporters asked if he planned to meet the party top brass, he replied that he would not be doing so this time as he has to attend an urgent meeting in Bengaluru and will return later today.

“UNLESS SHE CONFESSES”: VICTIM’S BROTHER ON HONEYMOON MURDER ACCUSED



Diary Times Desk : Vipin Raghuvanshi, brother of the man from Indore who was allegedly killed by his wife during the honeymoon in Meghalaya, indicated that he had trouble believing that Sonam Raghuvanshi had a boyfriend and that she is responsible for the murder, as is being alleged by the police. Though he had not met Raj Kushwaha, the alleged boyfriend, he had heard of him, and not in any flattering context. Sonam, he said, would always berate him for being a poor worker. Unless Sonam confesses, “we will have the doubt that she is being framed... So, we want to hear from her,” he told NDTV in an exclusive interview. Raja Raghuvanshi, 29, and his 24-year-old wife Sonam -- newlyweds from Indore -- had arrived in Meghalaya for their honeymoon on May 21. Three days later, they went missing and on June 2, after days of search, Raja Raghuvanshi’s body was recovered from a gorge beneath Weisawdong Falls in East Khasi Hills. The man had been hacked with a machete and was hit on the head as well. The police concluded that his wife was involved.

MY DAUGHTER IS INNOCENT, MEGHALAYA POLICE ARE MAKING UP STORIES: SONAM RAGHUVANSHI’S FATHER

Diary Times Desk : In the Indore couple case, Devi Singh, the father of Sonam Raghuvanshi, has claimed that his daughter is innocent and accused the Meghalaya police and government of making up stories and lying. Speaking to reporters, Singh said Sonam arrived at a dhaba in Uttar Pradesh’s Ghazipur and called up her brother, following which the police officials went to the dhaba and took her to hospital. “My daughter is innocent. I have trust in my daughter. She cannot do this. They got married with the consent of both families. The Meghalaya government has been lying from the beginning. My daughter came to a dhaba in Ghazipur on Sunday night and called up her brother. Police went to the dhaba and she was taken to hospital. I have not been able to speak to my daughter. Why will she do such a thing?” he said. Accusing the Meghalaya police of lying, Singh demanded a CBI probe.

MUMBRA TRAIN TRAGEDY KILLS 4, INJURES NINE AFTER COMMUTERS FALL OFF; CM FADNAVIS ORDERS PROBE

Diary Times Desk : As many as four people — including a Government Railway Police (GRP) constable — lost their lives, and nine others were injured after they fell off an overcrowded local train during Monday morning’s rush hours in Maharashtra’s Mumbra, near Thane district. Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis told reporters that a probe is underway with the railway administration looking into the cause of the tragedy. Maharashtra minister Girish Mahajan stated that the government will give ₹5 lakh each to the kin of the deceased. Maharashtra minister Mahajan said the state government will provide ₹5 lakh each to the kin of those who died, and will also bear all medical expenses of the injured persons. The deceased were identified as Ketan Saroj, Rahul Gupta, Mayur Shah, and GRP constable Vicky Mukhyad. The injured include four men and two women, now receiving treatment at Shivaji Hospital and Thane General Hospital, reported HT.

ARMY TO FELICITATE FAMILIES OF 545 SOLDIERS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN KARGIL CONFLICT

Diary Times Desk : The Kargil conflict commemoration this year will feature a new initiative. The Army will send representatives to the homes of each of the 545 armed forces personnel who lost their lives in the conflict. This outreach programme, starting this week, aims to felicitate the families of the war heroes at their residences. The families of the 545 personnel who lost their lives during the Kargil conflict (May-July 1999) are spread across 25 states and two union territories. Army teams will also visit Nepal, as a significant number of troops from the Indian Army’s Gorkha Regiment hail from the neighbouring country. This year the Kargil-conflict commemoration would have a new addition, the Army would send its representatives to homes of each of 545 armed forces personnel, who lost their lives, and felicitate their kin. Each team will carry a letter of gratitude from the Indian Army, a memento, and a list of benefits authorised by the central.

FACIAL RECOGNITION SYSTEMS MOUNTED ALONG AMARNATH ROUTE IN TERROR-HIT PAHALGAM

Diary Times Desk : Jammu and Kashmir Police have mounted facial recognition systems (FRS) along the Pahalgam route of Amarnath Yatra to fend off against any terror attacks against the pilgrims, an official said here on Monday. The system has a feature that alerts security forces in real time in case any blacklisted person comes into the frame of the surveillance cameras, he said. Images of active terrorists and suspected overground workers have been fed into this system to ensure fool proof security for Amarnath Yatra. “As soon as any of the blacklisted persons walks into the frame, a hooter will go off at the surveillance centre manned by security forces so that steps to eliminate the threat can be initiated in real time,” the official, involved in the enterprise, said. The FRS identifies an individual by analysing facial features from digital photographs or videos and looking for a match in the database.



RUSSIA FIRES 479 DRONES ON UKRAINE OVERNIGHT, KYIV CLAIMS MAJORITY INTERCEPTED

Diary Times Desk : Amid the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war, Moscow launched a record 479 drones in the one of the largest overnight drone attack, Kyiv's air force reported Monday, as Russia continues to reject calls for a ceasefire, according to AFP. The Ukrainian air force said that it shot down or intercepted 460 of the drones, as well as 19 out of 20 missiles fired by Russia overnight. The attacks usually start late in the evening and end in the morning, because drones are harder to spot in the dark. Russia has relentlessly battered civilian areas of Ukraine with Shahed drones during the more than 3-year war. The barrages have killed more than 12,000 Ukrainian civilians, according to the United Nations reports news agency Associated Press.

ERROL MUSK BLAMES ELON'S TRUMP CLASH ON PTSD, PREDICTS PRESIDENT'S WIN IN HEATED SPAT

Diary Times Desk : Elon Musk's father, Errol Musk, has claimed that his son lashed out at Donald Trump because of 'PTSD' from the White House and that he made a mistake going against the US president, who was the most likely to prevail in the nasty spat. Musk Sr made the remark in Moscow, where he is expected to address a forum organised by Vladimir Putin's closest aides. The tech billionaire has had a bitter, public fallout with the Republican leader after he lashed out about the recent 'Big, Beautiful Bill' brought in by the Trump administration. "So they had an argument about that [bill], and as they are all suffering from a bit of PTSD, a post-traumatic stress disorder over the last few months, they started hitting out at each other," said Mr Errol, as per Metro. "But unfortunately, he doesn't realise that in order to get their votes in the Senate and the Congress, Trump has to do that," he added. As per Musk Sr, the two heavyweights have been under stress for the last five months, and things reached a breaking point with the bill. "They are the only two people left in the arena, Trump and Elon, and all they were used to was fighting with the opposition. They've been under a lot of stress for five months. And it gives them a break. You know, they've had to get rid of all the opposition, try and put the country back on track, and do normal things and so forth," said Mr Errol. "They're very tired and stressed. And so you can expect something like this. It's not unusual."

IRAN TO PRESENT COUNTERPROPOSAL FOR NUCLEAR DEAL TO US VIA OMAN

Diary Times Desk : Iran will soon present a counterproposal for a nuclear deal to the United States, according to its Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Esmail Baghaei, the ministry's spokesman, told a weekly news conference on Monday that Iran was not satisfied with a US proposal and it would present its version via mediator Oman. This marks the first public sign that Tehran will not accept the US proposal after the fifth round of talks last month, during which Iran said it had received "elements" of a US proposal and Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi later said the text contained "ambiguities". Baghaei criticised the US proposal on Monday as "lacking elements" reflective of the previous rounds of negotiations, but he did not provide details. "We will soon submit our own proposed plan to the other side through Oman once it is finalised," he said. Baghaei said the US proposal failed to include the lifting of sanctions – a key demand for Tehran, which has been reeling under their weight for years.

ISRAELI COMMANDOS INTERCEPT GRETA THUNBERG'S GAZA-BOUND 'FREEDOM FLOTILLA' SHIP

Diary Times Desk : The Israeli commandos have intercepted the humanitarian ship carrying climate activist Greta Thunberg, among others, to the Gaza Strip. Rima Hassan, Member of the European Parliament (MEP), also among activists on board the British-flagged yacht Madleen-- which is operated by the pro-Palestinian Freedom Flotilla Coalition (FFC)--posted a photo showing people in life jackets sitting with their hands up. In a series of posts on X, Hassan said the crew of the Freedom Flotilla was arrested by the Israeli army in international waters around 2 am. The FFC, a coalition of humanitarian groups behind the campaign, said on the Telegram app that the "connection has been lost" on the Madleen, adding that the passengers had been "kidnapped" by Israeli forces. The FFC said the ship, which left from Sicily on Friday, aimed to deliver aid and challenge Israel's naval blockade of Gaza, which has been in place since before the Israel-Hamas war. FCC said the vessel had been "prepared for the possibility of an Israeli attack".

IN MIDDLE OF LA RIOTS, GOOGLE WAYMO CARS SET ON FIRE AND VANDALISED BY PROTESTORS

Diary Times Desk : In a shocking turn of events during ongoing protests in downtown Los Angeles (LA), California, several self-driving cars operated by Google's Waymo were vandalised and set on fire on Sunday. According to a report by the Los Angeles Times, the unrest began as people gathered to protest immigration raids carried out under the Trump administration. What started as a peaceful demonstration quickly turned chaotic, with tensions rising between protestors and the police. The situation escalated further when a group of demonstrators targeted a line of self-driving Waymo vehicles parked on LA Street, smashing windows, slashing tyres, and eventually setting some of the electric taxis on fire. The horrific incident, which took place in broad daylight, drew crowds and filled the streets with thick black smoke, as people looked on in shock. The scene became even more surreal as the burning vehicles began honking in unison.

**NATO NEEDS 400% INCREASE IN AIR AND MISSILE DEFENCE, RUTTE WILL SAY IN LONDON**

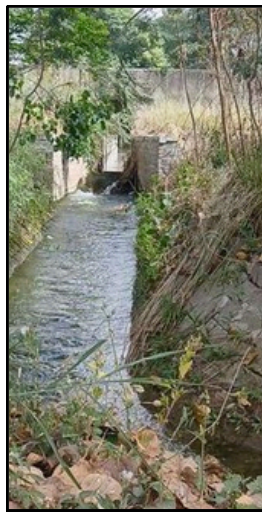
Diary Times Desk : NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte will use a speech in London on Monday to say the military alliance needs a 400% increase in air and missile defence, one of the priorities for a summit of members in the Hague later this month. Rutte is pushing for members to boost defence spending to 3.5% of GDP and commit a further 1.5% to broader security-related spending to meet U.S. President Donald Trump's demand for a 5% target. Last month, he said he assumed that target would be agreed at the summit on June 24-25. Rutte will argue in a speech at London's Chatham House think tank that for NATO to maintain credible deterrence and defence, it needs "a 400% increase in air and missile defence". "We see in Ukraine how Russia delivers terror from above, so we will strengthen the shield that protects our skies," he will say, according to extracts of his speech provided by his office. "The fact is, we need a quantum leap in our collective defence. The fact is, we must have more forces and capabilities to implement our defence plans in full. The fact is, danger will not disappear even when the war in Ukraine ends."

DON'T LET DEEP SEA BECOME 'WILD WEST', GUTERRES TELLS WORLD LEADERS

Diary Times Desk : United Nations Secretary General Antonio Guterres said on Monday the world could not let the deepest oceans "become the wild west", at the start in France of a global summit on the seas. World leaders are attending the UN Ocean Conference in Nice as nations tussle over contentious rules on mining the seabed for critical minerals and the terms of a global treaty on plastic pollution. US President Donald Trump has brought urgency to the debate around deep-sea mining, moving to fast-track US exploration in international waters and sidestepping global efforts to regulate the nascent sector. The International Seabed Authority, which has jurisdiction over the ocean floor outside national waters, is meeting in July to discuss a global mining code to regulate mining in the ocean depths. Guterres said he supported these negotiations and urged caution as countries navigate these "new waters on seabed mining". "The deep sea cannot become the wild west," he said, to applause from the plenary floor. Many countries oppose seabed mining, and France is hoping more nations in Nice will join a moratorium until more is known about the ecological impacts of the practice. French President Emmanuel Macron.

PUNJAB: CANAL WATER SUPPLY TO RISE BY 10K CUSECS FOR PADDY SEASON

Diary Times Desk : The Irrigation Department anticipates a significant increase in canal water supply for the ongoing paddy transplantation season, projecting a rise from an average daily flow of 26,000 cusecs to 36,000 cusecs this year. This enhanced supply aims at reducing reliance on groundwater and supporting agricultural sustainability. According to a senior official from the Irrigation Department, the additional 10,000 cusecs of canal water is expected to save the groundwater extracted by around 1.25 lakh tubewells. Currently, about 31.38 lakh hectare out of the state's 42 lakh hectare agricultural land is irrigated by canals. The department is also working on new canals and lift irrigation schemes to serve the remaining areas. Farmers have noted a positive development, with water reaching the tail ends of canals, particularly in the Abohar and Fazilka regions, a long-standing issue for these areas. However, Balbir Singh Rajewal, president of the Bhartiya Kisan Union (Rajewal), expressed skepticism regarding the department's claims of a major relief. While acknowledging that water supply has reached villages at the tail ends, he asserted that "the project execution has been shoddy as work was incomplete at several places. So all canals are actually not flowing". Confirming the increased supply, Principal Secretary (Water Resources) Krishan Kumar attributed the transformation over the past two years to the restoration of around 17,000 canal water.

**JHARKHAND WOMAN KILLED IN HIT-AND-RUN NEAR CHANDIMANDIR IN PANCHKULA**

Diary Times Desk : What was meant to be a scenic getaway to the hills ended in heartbreak for three friends from Jharkhand, after one of them lost her life in a hit-and-run accident near Chandimandir railway station. The deceased, Manita, hailed from Latehar district and had been on a trip to Shimla with friends Anita and Saraswati. Police said the group had been touring the hill station since June 1, having arrived in Himachal Pradesh in late May. On June 7, Manita and Saraswati were making their way to Chandimandir from Shimla, while Anita chose to stay behind. After getting off a bus close to the railway station, the two attempted to cross the road when tragedy struck. Saraswati, who had crossed ahead, turned around to see Manita hit by a fast-moving car, which fled without stopping. Bystanders quickly alerted emergency services, and Manita was rushed to the Civil Hospital in Sector 6. Owing to the severity of her head and limb injuries, she was referred to the PGI, Chandigarh, where she succumbed during treatment on Monday.

JJP TO LAUNCH STATE-WIDE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FROM JUNE 15 TO JULY 31

Diary Times Desk : The Jannayak Janata Party (JJP) will launch a state-wide membership drive starting June 15, which will continue till July 31. The party has set a target of enrolling 5,000 new members in each Assembly segment. This was announced by JJP state president Brij Sharma while interacting with media persons on the sidelines of a district-level organisational meeting held at the PWD Rest House in Karnal on Monday. "JJP has begun preparations for the membership drive, and party leaders and workers will actively reach out to the people to achieve the set goals," said Sharma. He emphasised the importance of strengthening the party's base at the grassroots level through this campaign. Meanwhile, he along with district president Gurdev Ramba also welcomed the newly appointed office-bearers of the state and district, including three-time MLA Ramesh Khatak as the state in-charge.

ESPIONAGE CASE: PUNJAB YOUTUBER JASBIR SINGH SENT TO JUDICIAL CUSTODY

Diary Times Desk : A Mohali court on Monday sent Punjab-based YouTuber Jasbir Singh arrested on espionage charges to judicial custody. Singh was produced before the court after the completion of his two-day police remand. Post his arrest on June 4, he was sent to three-day police remand, following which it was extended for two days. Singh's counsel Mohit Dhupar said he will be produced in court again on June 23. Jasbir Singh, alias Jaan Mahal (41), who hails from Mahlan Village in Rupnagar District, was running a YouTube channel "JaanMahal Video" with over 11 lakh subscribers, ostensibly posting travel and cooking vlogs. Singh was alleged to be in close touch with Haryana-based influencer Jyoti Malhotra, who is in judicial custody on charges of spying for Pakistan. After Singh's arrest, Punjab Police claimed that it unearthed a "terror-backed espionage network" linking him to Pakistani intelligence and army officials. Police said that the YouTuber was allegedly spying for Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence. Singh was found to be associated with a Pakistani Intelligence Operative (PIO), was in contact with a Pakistan High Commission official who was last month expelled from New Delhi on charges of spying and had met Pakistan Army officials during one of his three visits to the neighbouring country, police said previously.

NAVJOT SINGH SIDHU RETURNS TO 'THE GREAT INDIAN KAPIL SHOW 3': FEELS LIKE COMING HOME AGAIN

Diary Times Desk : Former cricketer Navjot Singh Sidhu is set to make his comeback to Kapil Sharma's comedy show with its third season, the makers announced on Monday. Sidhu was a permanent guest at "Comedy Nights with Kapil" between 2013 and 2016. He also appeared in the first two seasons of "The Kapil Sharma Show" and "Family Time with Kapil Sharma". The Great Indian Kapil Show 3" will stream on Netflix from June 21. The streaming platform shared the announcement with a video on its Instagram handle. "Ek kursi paaji ke liye please. Har Funnyvaar Badhega Humara Parivaar with the comeback of Navjot Singh Sidhu & Archana Puran Singh. Watch them in the new season of The Great Indian Kapil Show, streaming from 21st June, at 8 PM only on Netflix," the caption on the streamer's X read. Sidhu said returning to the show feels like coming back home. "Coming to 'The Great Indian Kapil Show' feels like I'm coming home again. It is a home run for me. We heard the voice of the people, so many fans and well-wishers who loved our interactions and wanted to see more," he said in a statement. "A smile doesn't cost you a cent, but it is worth millions of dollars."

SINGER GURDAS MAAN MOURNS THE LOSS OF BROTHER GURPANTH MAAN

Diary Times Desk : Legendary Punjabi singer, songwriter, and actor Gurdas Maan is mourning the loss of his younger brother, Gurpanth Maan, who passed away today after a brief illness at a private hospital in Mohali. Gurpanth, 68, a commission agent and farmer from Gidderbaha town, had been undergoing treatment at a multi-specialty hospital in Mohali for about two months. According to advocate Gurmeet Mann, a cousin of the deceased, Gurpanth's condition had shown improvement, and he was even discharged from the hospital, but he succumbed to his illness today. Gurpanth is survived by his wife, son, and daughter, with both children settled abroad. He was the middle sibling between Gurdas and their sister. The cremation is scheduled for tomorrow in Chandigarh.

BATHINDA DSP HARBANS SINGH SUSPENDED OVER ALLEGED FAILURE TO ACT AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKERS

Diary Times Desk : The state government has suspended Bathinda DSP City-I Harbans Singh. A senior police officer in Chandigarh confirmed the development, stating that further details would be shared shortly. According to sources, the DSP allegedly failed to take action against drug traffickers in his jurisdiction. However, some people in the town speculate that Harbans has been made a scapegoat due to ongoing infighting between two factions of the ruling party in Bathinda. Bathinda DIG Harjit Singh and Bathinda SSP Amneet Kondal were not available for comment. Notably, Harbans has previously served in various positions in Bathinda, including as SHO of Kotwali and Civil Lines police stations. This action against the DSP comes just within a fortnight of the suspension of Fazilka SSP Varinder Singh Brar on May 28.

BATALA GIRL BATTERS FIANCÉ TO DEATH WITH BASEBALL BAT

Diary Times Desk : A teenaged girl allegedly battered her fiancé to death with a baseball bat and subsequently buried his body in the compound of her house barely a week after the two were engaged. The girl's mother was the "accomplice in crime", which is being termed as the "murder most foul" by senior police officials. The crime is being discussed in every nook and corner of the city. The age of both the girl and the boy was stated to 17. "This is a classic case of a cold-blooded murder," said an investigator. The police exhumed the body today, after which the post-mortem was conducted.

**WOMAN, DAUGHTER DIE
BY DROWNING IN SHIMLA**

Diary Times Desk : A mother-daughter duo tragically died after drowning in Kotkhai tehsil's Giri Khud in Shimla district, police here said today. The deceased have been identified as Kanta Sharma (47) and her daughter Mamta Sharma (30) – residents of Darbar village. According to the reports, the incident took place when Mamta fell into the khud while washing clothes. Seeing her drowning, Kanta immediately jumped into the khud to rescue her, however, both of them drowned. Their bodies were later found by Kanta's son and local residents. After all the proceedings, bodies of the deceased were handed over to their family members. Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Theog Siddharth Sharma confirmed the report and said a case under Section 194 of Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) 2023 has been registered and further investigation is underway. He said that the police found no suspicious injury marks on the bodies and that they died due to slipping and drowning.

**CM TO LAUNCH TOURISM
INITIATIVE IN BORDER
AREAS OF LAHAUL-SPITI**

Diary Times Desk : Indian tourists will now get the opportunity to experience the breathtaking beauty of the border areas of Kinnaur and Lahaul-Spiti districts along the Indo-China border. Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu is set to launch the border tourism initiative from Shipki-La, a prominent frontier village, marking the beginning of this historic initiative. The Chief Minister is scheduled to inaugurate this initiative during his upcoming two-day visit to Kinnaur district from tomorrow, beginning from the historic village of Shipki-La. A government spokesperson said that the border tourism initiative, launched in coordination with the Union Government, represents a significant achievement for the state. "The initiative will enable regulated tourist access to strategically important and culturally vibrant locations such as Lepcha-La, Shipki-La, Gue Monastery, Khana, Dumti the Rani area of Sangla and Chitkul in Kinnaur district, along with selected areas in Lahaul-Spiti. The spokesperson said that under the direction of the Chief Minister, the state government took up the border tourism initiative with the authorities concerned. "This long-standing effort has now started.

**HIMACHAL: COW MILK BEING PROCURED FROM FARMERS AT MSP OF RS 51
PER LITRE**

Diary Times Desk : The state government is procuring cow milk from over 38,000 farmers, collecting an average of 2.25 lakh litre milk daily at a support price of Rs 51 per litre, based on quality standards. Additionally, about 1,482 buffalo-rearers contribute 7,800 litres of milk per day, which is purchased at Rs 61 per litre. Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu said that the dairy reforms go beyond mere production figures. "It is about creating a sustainable ecosystem that values farmers, ensures quality and fosters inclusive growth," he said. Himachal Pradesh is the first state in India to offer Minimum Support Price (MSP) on milk. "The move reflects a strong commitment of the government to support livestock farmers and enhance rural livelihoods. Over the past two-and-a-half years, the government has introduced several reforms towards empowering dairy farmers and strengthening the co-operative institutions," said a government spokesperson. To ease logistical challenges, especially in hilly and remote regions, the government is also providing Rs 2 per litre transport subsidy for dairy farmers. It is expected to benefit a large number of producers. "It is improving farmers' access to markets and also reducing transportation costs for marginal farmers," said the spokesperson.

**MAN ARRESTED FOR 'ANTI-INDIA'
SOCIAL MEDIA POST IN HIMACHAL**

Diary Times Desk : A man was arrested on Sunday for posting an objectionable anti-India post on his Facebook account following the Pahalgam terror attack while eulogising Pakistan, Himachal Pradesh Police said on Monday. Locals in Paonta Sahib who lodged a complaint against Suleman alleged that he posted anti-India content and criticised the prime minister besides hurting the religious sentiments of the majority community. The accused, a fruits and vegetable seller, lives in a rented accommodation at ward number one in Badripur tehsil in Paonta Sahib. He is originally from Saharanpur in Uttar Pradesh. Police arrested him on Sunday after a tip-off from locals that he was back in Paonta Sahib town. He disappeared for a few days after a case was registered against him, they said. His posts hurt religious feelings and used anti-national language tantamount to serious acts of sedition, the complaint added. A case was registered under Section 152 (acts endangering sovereignty, unity and integrity of India) of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) on May 27. After police registered the case, he disappeared and came back to Paonta on Sunday and he was then arrested following a tip-off from the locals. Confirming Suleman's arrest, Sirmaur SP Nischit Singh Negi said that it was the first case of its type in the district as the FIR was registered under Section 152 of BNS. Paonta police station in-charge Devi Singh said Suleman would be produced in court on Monday.

**INCREASE ALL INDIA TAXI PERMIT
VALIDITY TO 15 YEARS: DEPUTY CM URGES
GADKARI**

Diary Times Desk : Deputy Chief Minister Mukesh Agnihotri today met Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari in New Delhi, and discussed several issues related to the state. The Deputy Chief Minister requested Gadkari to increase the validity of All India Taxi Permits from 12 to 15 years, aligning with the vehicle scrapping policy period of 15 years. Agnihotri said that the Union Minister assured him that he would look into the matter, and issued directions to the authorities concerned. Agnihotri also urged the minister to release a pending amount of Rs 7.63 crore under the scheme for special assistance to the state for capital investment, specifically for incentives related to scrapping old vehicles. The Deputy CM also demanded that the Nangal-Jajon road be declared a National Highway, highlighting its importance to the proposed bulk drug park in Una. "A DPR to the tune of Rs 429 crore has already been prepared for the road, and it would be submitted to the Government of India under Gati Shakti scheme," he said. Agnihotri further demanded that the proposed four-laning of NH 503 A from Amritsar to Hoshiarpur be extended from Bankhandi (HP boundary) to Jhalela. "This is a stretch of approximately 15 km and would connect Anandpur Sahib to Mata Chintpurni.

DAM OF DESPAIR: RS 4.76 CR PROJECT FAILS TO QUENCH THIRST OF BHADWAR FARMERS

Diary Times Desk : Even a year after the construction of a check dam at Sakloh village under the World Bank-funded Himachal Pradesh Horticulture Development Project (HPHDP), farmers and fruit growers are yet to receive irrigation benefits. The dam, meant to serve five cluster villages of Bhadwar gram panchayat, has failed to achieve its core objective – irrigating the fields of 360 identified beneficiaries. Despite a project outlay of Rs 4.76 crore (of which Rs 4.23 crore has been spent), the irrigation infrastructure has not been made functional. The horticulture department constructed six water tanks with a total storage capacity of 13 lakh litres and laid extensive pipelines, intending to irrigate 200 hectares of land through water drawn from the local Gareli Khud. However, farmers allege that due to poor implementation, lack of accountability and mismanagement by the designated Shri Ram Gareli Khud Water Users' Committee, the project remains non-functional. "I gave my land for one of the water tanks, hoping my crops would be irrigated. But I haven't received a drop of water," laments Karam Singh, a local farmer. Local leaders have also raised concerns over the quality and location of the dam construction. Parmajit, Up-Pradhan of Upper Bharmolli Panchayat, and Arun Kumar, Pradhan of Bhadwar Panchayat, allege that the check dam was breached during the very first monsoon and was only saved after emergency reinforcement using crate walls.



PROTEAS QUICK READY TO SPOIL AUSTRALIA'S PARTY AT WTC25 FINAL

Diary Times Desk : South Africa fast bowler Lungi Ngidi looms as the wildcard that could play a major role in the Proteas' quest to win the ICC World Test Championship Final at Lord's. While fellow quicks Kagiso Rabada and Marco Jansen have taken much of the limelight ahead of the Ultimate Test against Australia that commences on Wednesday, Ngidi is set to play a big part in South Africa's fearsome pace attack having shaken off a frustrating recent period highlighted by injury. Ngidi went through his paces during an intense training session at Lord's on Sunday and the talented 29-year-old appears primed for the one-off Test against the Aussies at the Home of Cricket. "I feel very ready as I have had a lot of time to prepare for this," Ngidi told ICC Digital. "It's any cricketer's dream to play at Lord's. I've been blessed with the opportunity before, playing England at Lord's and that was quite something for me with the nerves and the excitement. "But coming back this time around, the nerves are a lot more settled. There is obviously a big title on the line, but the beautiful thing about Test cricket is the process pretty much remains the same and having that consistency helps me relax as a player." It was Rabada that proved the match-winner in South Africa's last visit to Lord's, with the star quick claiming a five-wicket haul in the first innings as the Proteas crushed England by an innings and 12 runs inside two and a half days.



BCCI CONFIRMS VENUE CHANGES FOR UPCOMING HOME SEASON

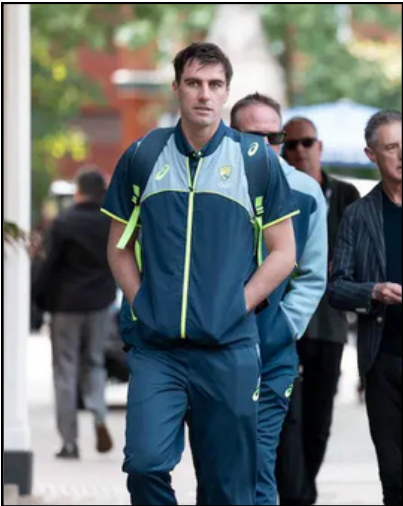
Diary Times Desk : Kolkata's Eden Gardens and Delhi's Arun Jaitley Stadium will swap their allocated Test matches against West Indies and South Africa respectively during India's upcoming home season, the BCCI announced on Monday. While Delhi was set to host the opening Test against South Africa from November 14-18, it will now host the second Test against West Indies starting October 10. Though the BCCI release doesn't state the reason for the venue swap, it is understood that air pollution levels in mid-November in the National Capital Region become a health hazard like it happened during a Test match against Sri Lanka few years back. The Sri Lankan fielders were wearing masks and a few reportedly suffered from breathing problems. It is understood that BCCI's Cricket Operations team collated the AQI data over the past few years and decided that venue swap is a viable option. India's home season starts with two WTC Tests against West Indies, starting October 2 in Ahmedabad, followed by the Delhi Test. India then play a full three format series against South Africa starting with two Tests, followed by three ODIs and five T20 Internationals across various Indian venues. While Kolkata hosts the opening Test against the Proteas, Guwahati's Barsapara Stadium will become the latest Test venue.

CHIEF MINISTER INVITED PEOPLE, EVENT FIRM TELLS COURT AFTER BENGALURU STAMPEDE

Diary Times Desk : Event management firm DNA Entertainment Networks denied any role in inviting people to RCB's victory event during the hearing of its petition challenging the criminal case registered against it, following a stampede outside Chinnaswamy stadium in Bengaluru that killed 11 people. The event firm's counsel, Senior Advocate CV Nagesh, told Karnataka High Court that the Chief Minister himself had urged public participation. "We did not invite anybody. The CM invited people!" argued DNA's counsel before the bench. He reiterated, "CM himself asked the people to come and participate." The court then proceeded to examine the First Information Report (FIR), which names three accused – the IPL franchise team Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB), DNA, and the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA). The judge directed the state to clarify whether the allegations against each party were distinct. "(The) State has to show me the difference in the allegations against DNA, RCB and KSCA," the judge said. Representing the state, the Advocate General (AG), reading from the FIR, claimed that public turnout was triggered by social media posts. "People gathered there because of them tweeting," he submitted.

HUGE CONTROVERSY AS INDIA'S LORD'S TRAINING SEES AUSTRALIA DENIED ENTRY AHEAD OF WTC FINAL

Diary Times Desk : The Australian cricket team camp suffered a blow in their training plans for the ICC World Test Championship final against South Africa, after the team was reportedly denied permission to train at Lord's Cricket Ground. A report claimed that the Australian team was told that the training ground at Lord's, the venue for the WTC final starting June 11, wasn't available. While the exact reason behind the rejection that Pat Cummins and his men faced isn't known, it has also been reported that the members of the Indian team, in England for a 5-match Test series, were training at the same venue. A report in Fox Cricket has claimed that the Indian team was given the permission to train at Lord's "at the expense of the Australian team" at Pat Cummins' men were 'booted out'. The report also highlighted that while the WTC final starts on June 11, the Indian team doesn't play its first Test against England until June 20. In fact, India's Test against England at Lord's is the third match of the series, and will start on July 10. After being denied access initially, Australian players finally had the opportunity to test themselves at the venue on Sunday.



INDIA'S NETS SESSION: SIRAJ SLEDGES PANT, BUMRAH TROUBLES GILL, GAMBHIR DOES THIS

Diary Times Desk : Gambhir reportedly took guard behind the nets and observed how Rishabh Pant and newcomer Sai Sudharsan performed in the nets. During this period, Gambhir was constantly spotted speaking to Sudharsan, hinting at a much-anticipated debut for the top-order batter, who has done wonders in the Indian Premier League (IPL) for Gujarat Titans over the last couple of years. The IPL might be over, but Mohammed Siraj and Rishabh Pant still seemed to be playing for two different teams, considering the tenacity with which they went against each other in the nets. There were some intense sledging episodes between the two, with Siraj leading the charge. Pant, however, remained unfazed and tried to give his all in the nets to the pacer from Hyderabad, as per journalist Vimal Kumar. The BCCI selection committee's decision to promote Shubman Gill as India's Test skipper ahead of Jasprit Bumrah didn't go down well with all. Many believe Gill should've been made Bumrah's deputy, even if there was a concern over the pacer's long-term fitness and availability. In the nets, Gambhir put Gill and Bumrah against each other, forcing an enthralling battle to unfold.

BCCI EXPECTED ROHIT SHARMA TO RETIRE FROM ODIS AFTER CHAMPIONS TROPHY; AJIT AGARKAR TO ACT AS CAPTAINCY SAGA INTENSIFIES

Diary Times Desk : Indian cricket is going through an interesting time. The legends are on their way out, and the next generation is taking over. Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma, the two stalwarts and torch-bearers of Indian cricket, who held the batting over the last decade and a half, announced their retirements from T20Is last year and now have decided to walk away from Tests. Only ODIs remain – the format whose future has been widely debated. With still a good chunk of ODIs left between now and the 2027 World Cup, there is a chance that both Kohli and Rohit are eyeing to finish off their storied careers with the only ICC limited-overs trophy they haven't won together. Rohit Sharma is likely to play the 2027 World Cup just as a batter (PTI). Here is the catch, though. The World Cup is still more than two years away, and by then, Rohit would be 40 while Kohli would be touching that figure. While there is no doubt that both would be eager to carry on, the team management may view at mission World Cup differently. For Kohli, the scheme of things looks a lot better.