

RAHUL
GANDHI

REMARKS AGAINST SAVARKAR: UP GOVERNMENT ACCUSES
RAHUL OF DELIBERATELY ‘SPREADING HATRED’

Diary Times Desk : Accusing him of deliberately spreading hatred, the Uttar Pradesh Government on Friday opposed Congress leader Rahul Gandhi’s petition in the Supreme Court seeking quashing of the proceedings in a criminal case lodged against him over his comments against veteran freedom fighter Vinayak Damodar Savarkar in 2022.

Senior Advocate Garima Prasad told a Supreme Court Bench of Justice Dipankar Datta and Justice AG Masih on behalf of the Uttar Pradesh Government that the state has filed an affidavit in which it has agreed with “the contention of complainant advocate Nripendra Pandey that Rahul Gandhi’s actions were done with intention of spreading hate and enmity within the society”.

“The Id. Magistrate properly applied judicial mind to facts and evidence, determining a prima facie case under Section 153-A and 505 IPC. (hate speech) ...the allegations, supported by investigation, indicate deliberate spreading of hatred through pre-planned actions, falling within the alleged offences ambit,” the Uttar Pradesh Government said in its affidavit filed in response to Gandhi’s petition. It urged the top court to dismiss Gandhi’s petition. The Bench, however, extended the stay on the Allahabad High Court’s April 4 order refusing to quash the summons issued to him by a Lucknow Court on December 12, 2024, for his alleged derogatory remarks against Savarkar during his 2022 ‘Bharat Jodo Yatra’ rally.



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‘THE VALUES OF GANDHI, AMBEDKAR, PERIYAR FLOW
IN MY VEINS’: KAMAL HAASAN



Diary Times Desk : Actor and Makkal Needhi Maiam (MNM) chief Kamal Haasan made his parliamentary debut on Friday as he took oath as a Member of Parliament in the Rajya Sabha in Tamil. He said that “in his veins flow the values of Mahatma Gandhi, BR Ambedkar and Periyar”. The 69-year-old politician was elected to the Rajya Sabha on June 12, with the support of the DMK-led alliance.

“I will have true devotion and dedication to the Indian Constitution and ‘I will steadfastly uphold the sovereignty and integrity of India.’ I took the oath in Tamil today in the Indian Parliament, commencing my journey as a member of the Rajya Sabha,” Haasan said.

He said he was grateful to the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin. “I also carry the invisible, enduring presence of my father — a freedom fighter who taught me that liberty must be lived, not merely won. In my veins flows not just his blood, but his values forged in the crucible of our struggle for independence, tempered by the dreams of Gandhiji, the intellect of Ambedkar, and the conviction of Periyar,” he said. Haasan said that he did not arrive in Parliament as a mere critic, but as a committed contributor to the idea of India. “Where I must oppose, I will do so with reason. Where I must support, I will do so with conviction. And where I must advise, I will do so constructively not to score points, but to build consensus,” he said. He said that India’s freedom movement itself was a coalition of diverse dreams and ideologies. “It was not a monochrome march, but a magnificent mosaic — Gandhiji’s non-violence, Ambedkar’s constitutionalism, Nehru’s pluralism, Patel’s pragmatism, and Periyar’s rationalism all found space under the same sky.

PHASE-1 OF BIHAR SIR ENDS, 35 LAKH ELECTORS REMAIN
'UNTRACEABLE'

Diary Times Desk : As the first phase of Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of Bihar's electoral roll ended on Friday, the Election Commission (EC) said its local poll machinery has reported that nearly 35 lakh electors have either permanently migrated or could not be traced since June 24. The state, going to the polls later this year, has an electorate of nearly 7.90 crore. It also said booth-level officers (BLOs) and booth-level agents (BLAs) of political parties have reported names of approximately 22 lakh deceased electors. Also, nearly seven lakh electors were found registered in more than one location. The EC said that enumeration forms of approximately 1.2 lakh electors were yet to be received back. The poll authority noted that 99.8 per cent of Bihar electors have been covered so far and forms of 7.23 crore have been received and digitised. The names of all these 7.23 crore electors will be included in the draft electoral roll. The digitisation of forms, along with BLO reports, of the remaining electors will also be completed by August 1.



LOK SABHA TO INITIATE PROCEEDINGS TO REMOVE JUSTICE
VARMA, MOTION NOT ADMITTED IN RAJYA SABHA



Diary Times Desk : The Lok Sabha will take up a bipartisan motion to remove Justice Yashwant Varma, who is embroiled in a suspected corruption case, as the Opposition-sponsored notice for a similar motion in the Rajya Sabha was not admitted. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju said on Friday that it was a unanimous decision of all political parties to move unitedly in a case of perceived corruption in judiciary, asserting that the Lok Sabha would take up the motion, which was signed by 152 MPs from the ruling alliance and the Opposition. Official sources said the Opposition-sponsored notice for a similar motion in the Rajya Sabha, which received it on the same day when the bipartisan notice was submitted to the Lok Sabha on July 21, has not been admitted. This ends speculation about the fate of the notice signed by 63 Rajya Sabha members of Opposition parties.


ELECTION COMMISSION APPOINTS RAJYA SABHA SECRETARY
GENERAL AS RETURNING OFFICER FOR VICE-PRESIDENTIAL POLL

Diary Times Desk : The Election Commission has appointed the Rajya Sabha secretary general as returning officer for the ensuing Vice-Presidential election. The poll panel has also appointed Garima Jain, joint secretary, Rajya Sabha Secretariat, and Vijay Kumar, director, Rajya Sabha Secretariat, as assistant returning officers. The gazette notification will be issued later on Friday. The Tribune had reported on July 24 that the notification for the Vice Presidential election is likely to be issued within a week as the polls are to be conducted during the ongoing Monsoon Session of Parliament. The election was necessitated after Jagdeep Dhankhar resigned on July 21, citing health reasons. The election to the Vice President is governed by The Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections Act, 1952, and The Presidential and Vice-Presidential Elections Rules, 1974. Under Section 3 of the Act, the Election Commission, in consultation with the Centre, appoints a returning officer, who shall have his office in New Delhi, and may also appoint one or more assistant returning officers. As per convention, the Lok Sabha secretary general and Rajya Sabha secretary general are appointed as returning officers by rotation.




SUNJAY KAPUR'S MOTHER NOT A
SHAREHOLDER OF SONA COMSTAR,
SAYS COMPANY AMID FAMILY FEUD


Diary Times Desk : Amid a brewing feud over who represents the interest of Kapur family in auto components major Sona BLW Precision Forgings, the company on Friday said it held its AGM with full regulatory compliance despite request for postponement from Rani Kapur, mother of late chairman Sunjay Kapur. Rani Kapur, former chairperson of the Sona group and wife of former Chairman Surinder Kapur, in a letter dated July 24 to the board of Sona BLW Precision Forgings, alleged that while the family is in the mourning due to the sudden passing away of Sunjay last month, some people have chosen this an opportune time to wrest control and usurp the family legacy. She also alleged that the death of her son in the UK last month was in "highly suspicious and unexplained circumstances" and she has not given any consent or officially nominated any person to be on the board of Sona BLW Precision Forgings (Sona Comstar).




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.




Cancer
Today you will get relief from all your problems due to sudden financial gain. Employed people may have to get scolded by their boss due to being hasty in the workplace. People doing business may face increased difficulties in business due to arguments with business partners. As the problem of foot pain increases, you must consult a specialist doctor.




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.




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.




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.




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.




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.



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.



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.



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 APPLE SEASON: RED GOLDEN'S PRICE FELL, 20 KG BOX FELL FROM 1500 TO 500 RUPEES; GARDENERS DISAPPOINTED

Diary Times Desk : The season has picked up pace in the Bhattakufar fruit market of the capital. The arrival of apples and pears in the market has increased, which has led to a fall in prices. A 20 kg box of Red Golden apples, which was sold for Rs 1,200 to Rs 1,500 till a week ago, is being sold for Rs 500 to Rs 1,000. The prices of Royal apples have also fallen by Rs 200 to Rs 300 per box. A week ago, a box of A grade apples was being sold for Rs 2400 to Rs 3600 in the fruit market. On Friday, the same apples were sold for Rs 2,000 to Rs 2,800 per box in the fruit market. The orchardists are disappointed with the fall in prices. Orchardist Daulat Ram, who brought apples from Theog to the market, said that apples from lower and middle areas get better prices every year. When the apple season starts in the higher areas, the prices fall. Due to this, orchardists are not able to get the money for their hard work. Gardeners say that this year apple production has been greatly affected due to fungal diseases. On the other hand, after the season has started, the crop is not getting better prices. In a year, the cost of fertilizer, spray and labor on one box is around Rs 750.



SHIMLA NEWS: NURSES DEPLOYED IN IGMC, KNH, CHAMIYANA WILL GET 41 NURSES ON AUGUST 1

Diary Times Desk : 42 nurses have been deployed in Indira Gandhi Medical College (IGMC). Now 41 nurses are also being deployed in Kamla Nehru Hospital and Chamiyana. This deployment will take place on August 1. Regarding the recruitment being done on outsourcing, the company has asked for documents from the selected nurses. After the approval of the cabinet, the health department has allotted tenders to three companies. Apart from this, vacant posts of nurses and paramedical staff are also to be filled in Tanda, Hamirpur and Nerchowk Medical College. 600 nurses are to be deployed in medical colleges by the health department. By filling these posts, the shortage of nurses in the health department will be overcome to a great extent. According to the World Health Organization, the ratio of nurse and patient should be one to two to five. Whereas in the hospitals of the state, there is one staff nurse for 15 to 18 patients. In CCU and ICU, there is one staff nurse for three to four patients.

MANDI: PROTEST AGAINST SHIFTING OF HORTICULTURE COLLEGE THUNAG, MINISTER SURROUNDED; WOMEN LAY DOWN IN FRONT OF THE VEHICLE

Diary Times Desk : Villagers and BJP workers staged a strong protest on Friday against shifting of Horticulture and Forestry College from Thunag to Nachan. Revenue and Horticulture Minister Jagat Singh Negi, who had come to Thunag to take stock of the damage caused by the disaster, was surrounded. Villagers stopped the minister's convoy and threw black flags at the vehicle. Even shoes were thrown. Seeing the atmosphere getting tense, the police force had to use mild force. Some women even lay down in front of the vehicle. Women police personnel persuaded them and got them up. Angry people said that there is no problem in running a college in Thunag, yet the interests of the students are being ignored. Minister Jagat Negi was holding a meeting with officials in Thunag Rest House. Outside, people were raising slogans demanding a college. People also kept raising slogans demanding the minister to come out. DC Apoorv Devgan tried to convince the angry public, but the public did not listen. On the other hand, BJP leaders Kamal Rana and Gulzari Lal warned that if the notification is not cancelled, they will go to court. He said that the government is conspiring against the people of Seraj.

HIMACHAL PRADESH: CONGRESS SAID- BJP IS SPREADING CONFUSION REGARDING JOB TRAINEE POLICY, REGULARIZATION WILL HAPPEN AFTER 2 YEARS

Diary Times Desk : Chief Minister's media advisor Naresh Chauhan, Deputy Chief Whip Kewal Singh Pathania and MLA Suresh Kumar said that BJP is spreading confusion about the Job Trainee Policy. Employees will be regularized after two years. Addressing a press conference at the State Secretariat on Friday, Congress leaders said that the government has brought a new policy to bring transparency in the recruitment process. The examination to be conducted after completion of two years of service will be only to test the knowledge of efficiency. They also raised questions on the Central Government not giving a special economic package yet for relief from natural disaster. Congress leaders said that the employees appointed under the Job Trainee Policy will be regularized after 2 years. The examination will be conducted on the basis of the work learned in two years. This will also be the same as the examination for promotions in the department. Recruitments like Van Mitra and Pashu Mitra will also be brought under the purview of the new Job Trainee Policy. He said that the government has decided that in future employment will be given in the government sector on only one method.



HIMACHAL : HEALTH MINISTER SAID- HEALTH INSTITUTIONS WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH STATE-OF-THE-ART EQUIPMENT, PURCHASE WILL BE MADE IN A MONTH

Diary Times Desk : Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Colonel Dhani Ram Shandil said that the state's medical colleges, Adarsh Health Institutes and other medical institutions will soon be equipped with modern health equipment and machines. He said that the purchase of CT scan, X-ray, ultrasound, phaco, diagnostic machines and other state-of-the-art equipment will be ensured within a month. These will be installed in various health institutions by August 2025 for the convenience of patients. After laying the foundation stone of the ramp to be constructed at a cost of five crores at GS Bali Mother Child Hospital in Tanda Medical College on Friday, Health Minister Dr. Dhani Ram Shandil said that GS Bali Mother Child Hospital in Tanda Medical College is the largest child care center of its kind in the state. This will provide better facilities to the people of Kangra Chamba, Hamirpur and some areas of Mandi. He said that Tanda Medical is being developed as an excellent health institution. Shandil said that the state government has ensured adequate budget for the purchase of healthcare equipment. The committee has been instructed to expedite the procurement process so that all procurement processes can be completed quickly in future. He said that this procurement process is being completed while ensuring transparency.

HIMACHAL: CONSPIRACY TO DEFAME ME, WHERE CAN I GO LEAVING MAHADEV; FORMER MP CRIED WHILE ADDRESSING

Diary Times Desk : Former MP and Lord Raghunath's chief Chhadiabardar Maheshwar Singh wept while addressing the protesters. He said that a conspiracy was hatched to defame me, where can I go leaving Mahadev. The tradition of Dussehra festival celebrated in the honor of Lord Raghunath is not complete without Mahadev and Mahadev is revered by me. Mahadev has a close connection with Raghunath. That is why I am with Mahadev in this fight. Crying bitterly, he said that I will walk with the people of the area in Mahadev's fight. He also said that I will soon respond to the conspiracy hatched to defame me. Maheshwar Singh said that even if I go to any office, a conspiracy is being hatched against that. I will soon retaliate against this.

NOT TEJASHWI YADAV OR RAHUL GANDHI, CHIRAG PASWAN SAYS HIS FIGHT IS AGAINST...

Diary Times Desk : Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas) chief Chirag Paswan launched a sharp attack on the opposition amid the ongoing uproar in Parliament over the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in poll-bound Bihar. In an exclusive interview with India Today, Paswan questioned the opposition's intent, accusing them of stalling proceedings over an issue that fell outside the ambit of the government. "The House has been held hostage over an issue where the government has no authority to respond. How can Parliament hold a discussion on a matter involving the Election Commission, which is a constitutionally independent body? Who is expected to answer from the government? Ask Rahul ji, who will respond? Will the Election Commission come to the House and reply? Under which minister does the Election Commission fall that the government should be answerable?" Paswan asked. Calling out the opposition's double standards, Paswan said their position on the matter lacked consistency.

REVANTH REDDY UNVEILS CASTE SURVEY, URGES NATIONAL PUSH FOR OBC QUOTA

Diary Times Desk : Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy unveiled the 'Telangana Socio-Economic Survey - Model and Methodology' at Indira Bhawan in New Delhi, and urged Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge to raise the issue of OBC reservations in Parliament. Presenting the state's comprehensive caste-based socio-economic survey, Mr Reddy stated that the exercise was "not just a caste survey, but a social, economic, educational, employment, and political survey." As per the data, Other Backward Classes (OBCs), including practising Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, and Buddhists, constitute 56.4 per cent of Telangana's population. Scheduled Castes (SCs) account for 17.4 per cent, Scheduled Tribes (STs) 10.8 per cent, and forward castes 10.9 per cent. Notably, 3.9 per cent of the population has been categorised under "no caste." The survey identified previously unlisted castes and analysed their socio-economic conditions by name and location. "Education levels showed who was privileged despite landlessness. Even those with assets, if uneducated, remained backwards, while landless but educated families became upwardly mobile," Mr Reddy noted.

INDIA ANNOUNCES RS 4,850 CRORE LINE OF CREDIT TO MALDIVES: PM MODI



Diary Times Desk : India is proud to be the most trusted friend of the Maldives, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Friday after announcing a Rs 4,850 crore line of credit to the island nation. PM Modi made the remarks after holding wide-ranging talks with Maldivian President Mohamed Muizzu, focusing on consolidating cooperation in areas of trade, defence and infrastructure. The prime minister's visit marked a major turnaround in India-Maldives ties after a spell of unease. PM Modi also announced that the two countries will work towards finalising a bilateral investment treaty and that negotiations for a free trade pact have already started. The Maldives holds an important place in India's "Neighbourhood First" policy and MAHASAGAR (Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions) vision, the prime minister said. PM Modi said India has decided to provide a line of credit of USD 565 million (Rs 4,850 crore) to the Maldives.

'OPERATION SINDOOR STILL ON, SHASTRA, SHAASTRA BOTH KEY', SAYS CDS ANIL CHAUHAN

Diary Times Desk : Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan on Friday reiterated that Operation Sindoor is continuing, pressing that the armed forces' preparedness level "has to be very high, 24x7, 365 days". He emphasised that it is essential for the military to learn about both 'shastra' (warfare) and 'shaashtra' (knowledge). Addressing a defence seminar in Delhi, CDS Chauhan said, "The warrior today need to master all three levels of warfare - tactical, operational and strategic in all domains." "We are seeing an unprecedented pace driven by a relentless march of technology," he added. According to CDS Chauhan, we are standing at the cusp of what he described as the "third revolution in military warfare". He said he coined the term as convergence kind of warfare. "This form of warfare merges kinetic and non-kinetic means, combining elements of first and second generation warfare with the third. It is converging tactical, operational, and strategic kind of domains," the CDS noted.

SAVARKAR CASE: UP GOVT ACCUSES RAHUL GANDHI OF DELIBERATELY SPREADING HATRED

Diary Times Desk : The Uttar Pradesh government has filed an affidavit in the Supreme Court accusing Congress leader Rahul Gandhi of deliberately spreading hatred by commenting against Hindutva Ideologue, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, during his 2022 Bharat Jodo Yatra. The affidavit dated July 23, filed in response to a notice on Gandhi's plea to quash a Lucknow court summons over the comments, argued against any relief ahead of the hearing in the matter on Friday. It pleaded for the dismissal of Gandhi's plea. The affidavit said that allegations of promoting enmity and public mischief under the Indian Penal Code's sections 153A and 505 are applicable against Gandhi. It cited the investigation in the case and added that it indicated deliberate spreading of hatred through pre-planned actions.



HOW AN AMPUTEE RAPE CONVICT GOVINDACHAMY ESCAPED FROM HIGH-SECURITY KERALA JAIL

Diary Times Desk : The Kannur Police on Friday went into a tizzy after it was informed of the escape of a rape and murder convict serving a life sentence in Kannur Central Jail. Govindachamy, who had been serving a life sentence in the 2011 Soumya murder case, escaped from the high-security Kannur Central Jail in Kerala on Friday morning. The convict, who does not have a left hand, was nabbed by the police hours later after a massive manhunt. According to news agency PTI, he was caught from near a derelict building at Thalappalam within the Kannur city limits. According to the police, Govindachamy's disappearance came to light during an inspection of his cell in the early hours of Friday. Jail authorities launched an immediate search operation in and around the prison premises, but the inmate was nowhere to be found. Kannur SP Nidhinraj P said that after CCTV camera was checked, it was found that Govindachamy escaped between 4.15am and 6.30am.

MOTION TO IMPEACH JUDGE IN CASH ROW WAS NOT ADMITTED IN RAJYA SABHA: SOURCES

Diary Times Desk : The impeachment of Allahabad High Court judge Justice Yashwant Varma - over piles of burnt cash found at his home in March, when he was posted to the Delhi High Court - will be taken up via a government-sponsored motion in the Lok Sabha, sources told NDTV Friday afternoon. Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla will now form a committee to investigate the charges against Justice Varma and, if sufficient cause is found, recommend his impeachment. The opposition-backed motion accepted by former Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar - as Chairman of the Rajya Sabha, a move that angered the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party and led to his resignation - will be junked since it was never formally tabled in the House, sources said. This decision on how the impeachment will play out follows a government huddle Wednesday to work out how to reclaim the 'anti-corruption crusader advantage' from the opposition. Sources earlier told NDTV the BJP wants to be seen as taking the lead in this matter.

GREEN CARD HOLDERS RECEIVED STARK WARNING AMID TRUMP'S CRACKDOWN ON IMMIGRANTS

Diary Times Desk : The US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has sent a strong reminder to Green Card holders to never leave the home without the evidence of their immigration status. In a post on X, the CBP state that every alien who is eighteen years of age or older must carry and have in his personal possession any alien registration certificate or alien registration receipt card that has been granted to him. "Failing to do so can lead to a misdemeanor and fines if you are stopped by federal law enforcement." While some may be surprised by the warning, the rule is not new. It originates from the Immigration and Nationality Act's Section 264(e), which deems it a federal offense for noncitizens who neglect to carry their registration documents. This covers people with Green Cards, even those who have been in the country for many years. Immigration activists are expressing worries about the potential implementation of this policy, particularly in light of President Donald Trump's pledge to increase mass deportations following his reelection.

'IRELAND ISN'T SAFE ANYMORE': INDIAN MAN LIVING ABROAD ISSUES WARNING AFTER 'STABBING' INCIDENT

Diary Times Desk : A viral social media post by an Indian-origin man has sparked a flurry of reactions after he shared concerns over rising racism and safety issues in Ireland, a country he once praised for its warmth and quality of life. Daksh, who has been living in Ireland for life. Daksh, who has been living in Ireland for past three years, wrote, "Can't believe I'm saying this, but Ireland isn't safe. Can't wait to go back home. Always thought it was such an amazing country when I got here... but this place is going to the dogs." "I would've told people earlier to come here and live. The quality of life is amazing, the people are usually the kindest. Please try your hand at Germany/UK instead. Better yet, the US if you're seeking work/study abroad. This place is about to implode," he wrote, warning that while racists may still be a minority, "now they're dangerous as well." The post gained wider attention after he responded to another user asking what triggered the concern. He clarified that he himself was unharmed but shaken by a recent violent incident involving a fellow Indian. "I'm okay. I usually keep my wits about."

IN BEIJING, ASIM MUNIR FACES TOUGH QUESTION ON SAFETY OF CHINESE IN PAKISTAN



Diary Times Desk : Pakistan Army Chief Asim Munir was in for a rude surprise during his recent visit to Beijing, when China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi raised the issue of the safety and security of Chinese "personnel, projects and institutions" in Pakistan. Over the years, several Chinese nationals have been killed in a string of terror attacks in Pakistan. Munir underscored that "brotherhood" between Beijing and Islamabad has withstood the test of time and was "solid as a rock", as he assured Yi that the Pakistani military would take all necessary measures to ensure the safety of Chinese nationals. In October 2024, a suicide car bombing outside Karachi airport killed two Chinese engineers. Same year in March, a suicide bombing in northern Pakistan killed five Chinese workers. This was Munir's first visit to China after the hostilities with India in May.

IRAN HOLDS 'FRANK' NUCLEAR TALKS WITH EUROPEAN POWERS AMID SANCTIONS THREAT

Diary Times Desk : Iranian diplomats say they held "frank" nuclear talks with their counterparts from Germany, the United Kingdom and France, as Tehran faces warnings that the three European nations could trigger "snapback" United Nations sanctions against the country. The meeting in the Turkish capital, Istanbul, on Friday was the first since Israel's mid-June attack on Iran, which led to an intensive 12-day conflict that saw the United States launch strikes against key Iranian nuclear sites. Israel's offensive also derailed US-Iran nuclear talks that began in April. Since then, the European powers, known as the E3, have threatened to trigger a so-called "snapback mechanism" under a moribund 2015 nuclear deal that would reinstate UN sanctions on Iran by the end of August. Iran's Deputy Foreign Minister Kazem Gharibabadi, who attended Friday's talks alongside senior Iranian diplomat Majid Takht-Ravanchi, said after the meeting that the parties held a "serious, frank."

DANGERS OF SMARTPHONE USAGE IN KIDS BELOW 13: STUDY REVEALS SHOCKING DETAILS

Diary Times Desk : Early exposure to social media comes with significant downsides. Without the maturity to process what they see or the filters to shield them from harmful content, children are vulnerable to mental health challenges and unhealthy body image issues. In a new study published in Journal of Human Development and Capabilities on July 20, researchers analysed data from more than 100,000 young adults between the ages of 18 and 24, to understand how social media usage can affect children below the age of 13. The questionnaires to the participants asked questions to understand the mental health outcomes of social media users. Mental health symptoms such as aggression, feelings of detachment, hallucinations, and suicidal thoughts were tracked in the participants. Tara Thiagarajan, one of the study's authors, told ABC News, "The younger the child gets a smartphone, the more exposure to all this impacts them psychologically and shapes the way they think and view the world."

UK SURGEON AMPUTATES HIS OWN LEGS TO CLAIM NEARLY RS 6 CRORE IN INSURANCE PAYOUTS

Diary Times Desk : A prominent UK vascular surgeon has been accused of deliberately amputating both of his own legs in a calculated attempt to fraudulently claim close to 500,000 GBP in insurance payouts. Neil Hopper, 49, formerly employed at the Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust, allegedly misled insurers by claiming his amputations were the result of sepsis rather than self-inflicted injuries. The court heard that Hopper submitted two major insurance claims between June 3 and June 26, 2019. One claim, filed with the Arriva Group, was for 235,622 GBP, while the other, submitted to Old Mutual, totalled 231,031 GBP. Prosecutors stated that Hopper knowingly provided false information in both cases, concealing the true nature of how he lost his limbs in order to secure the payments. The case took a more disturbing turn as prosecutors brought an additional charge against the former consultant, alleging that he encouraged another man, Marius Gustavson, to amputate the body parts of others. According to court documents, Hopper had purchased videos from a website known as Eunuch Maker, which reportedly depicts and promotes the removal of limbs. The court was told that this alleged encouragement occurred.

'TALIBANI ERA' IN BANGLADESH? DRESS CODE FOR WOMEN, PROTEST GAG ORDER SPARK ROW

Diary Times Desk : Restrictions on women's clothing, a hush-hush ordinance introduced in the night that eliminates the right of employees to protest against the government, have become the latest issues to grip the Muhammad Yunus regime in Bangladesh. Not only have the developments invited an avalanche of backlash on social media, some have even compared them to similar diktats issued by the Taliban regime in Afghanistan. Earlier this week, the Bangladesh Bank caused a storm after it barred women employees from wearing short dresses, clothing with short sleeves and leggings. It asked women to stick to sarees or salwar kameez. The directive by the central bank also suggested that women wear headscarves and hijab and formal sandals or shoes. For men, the order issued by the HR team of the bank explicitly barred jeans and chino trousers. Failure to adhere to the directives would attract disciplinary actions, the order said. Moreover, all departments were directed to appoint an officer to monitor compliance with the dress code guidelines.



CBI REGISTERS 2 SEPARATE FIRS IN COL PUSHPINDER BATH ASSAULT CASE

Diary Times Desk : The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has registered two separate FIRs in the Colonel Pushpinder Singh Bath assault case. The Army Colonel and his son were allegedly assaulted outside an eatery in Punjab's Patiala earlier this year. The FIRs—one from Colonel Bath side and other from Dhaba owner—were lodged under multiple sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, which also include charges under attempted murder. According to officials, the agency took over the case following the directions of the Punjab and Haryana High Court who had transferred the probe from the Chandigarh Police after it found loopholes in their investigation. A Special Crime unit will probe the incident now. Colonel Pushpinder Singh Bath and his son Angad were allegedly assaulted by 12 policemen during a parking dispute near a roadside eatery close to Rajindra Hospital in Patiala. The Colonel suffered a fractured arm, while his son sustained a serious head injury. The FIR in the matter was registered only on March 22, though another FIR, dated March 15, was already lodged at the behest of a dhaba owner, allegedly to favour the police personnel involved.



BJP TO GO SOLO IN 2027 PUNJAB ASSEMBLY POLL, SAYS PARTY WORKING PRESIDENT

Diary Times Desk : Amid speculations of a possible tie-up with their estranged partner Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD), Punjab BJP working president Ashwani Sharma on Thursday said his party would contest the 2027 state Assembly poll alone. The statement comes days after Punjab BJP president Sunil Jakhar told The Tribune that his party's alliance with the SAD was the need of the hour. He said this while warning that forces inimical to the state's interest were resurfacing as these had in 1996 when the pact was first formalised to ensure communal harmony in the state. The Akalis had walked out of the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) in 2020 following differences over the now-withdrawn three controversial farm laws. Commenting on it, Sharma said his party had contested the 2022 Assembly elections and 2024 Lok Sabha poll alone.

MUKTSAR STRUGGLES WITH FLOODING AS HELPLINE GOES SILENT IN 5 DAYS

Diary Times Desk : Fresh rain on Thursday worsened the situation in waterlogged Muktsar town even as the district's flood control room number — set up just five days ago to register complaints — went out of order, leaving residents with nowhere to go. The failure of the helpline (01633-260341) has sparked public outrage, with many accusing the administration of apathy. Meanwhile, several parts of the town remain waterlogged. Crumbling roads, overflowing manholes and stinking stagnant water have made daily life miserable here. The worst-hit areas include Jalalabad Road, Kacha Bhagsar Road, Bura Gujjar Road, Gandhi Nagar, Bhullar Colony, Jodhu Colony, Vinayak Colony, Kotli Road, Mal Godown Road and Adarsh Nagar. Locals have staged protests and met senior officials — including the Deputy Commissioner and Municipal Council President — but say their complaints remain unaddressed. "Even on normal days, sewage flows in the streets. Now, with broken roads and constant waterlogging.

SINGER BIR SINGH APOLOGISES FOR DANCE GIG AT GURU TEG BAHADUR'S MARTYRDOM EVENT

Diary Times Desk : Singer and performer Bir Singh has issued an apology to the Akal Takht over the dance performance during the programme to commemorate the 350th martyrdom anniversary of Guru Teg Bahadur held in Srinagar on Thursday. The incident has drawn criticism from the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC) after attendees were seen dancing to a Punjabi song. The event was organised by the Punjab Government's Language Department as part of a seminar dedicated to the life, legacy and supreme sacrifice of Guru Teg Bahadur. While the director of the Language Department was not available for comments, he issued the copy of the invite shared with Punjabi sufi singer Bir Singh, in which it was mentioned that the singer was invited to recite the verse (Bani) of Guru Teg Bahadur and to perform sufi songs. He also shared the copy of the apology letter issued by Bir Singh. Singh sent a formal letter to Sri Akal Takht Sahib, expressing deep remorse for the incident. It stated, "This letter is to inform you about the mistake that occurred during the event in Srinagar."

PUNJAB MINISTER HARPAL CHEEMA SLAMS KANGANA RANAUT OVER DRUG REMARKS

Diary Times Desk : Punjab Minister Harpal Singh Cheema on Friday hit out at BJP MP Kangana Ranaut over her remarks that drugs coming from Punjab were adversely impacting the youth of Himachal Pradesh. Speaking to reporters here on the sidelines of a Cabinet meeting, Cheema said, "Kangana Ranaut should keep herself in control because she has the habit of making absurd and irrelevant statements to hog media headlines." "She does not have a basic understanding of things, that is why she makes such statements towards society and women. I condemn her statement," Cheema added. The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader questioned why the Mandi MP was silent on the issue of the drug menace in BJP-ruled states as well as her home state Himachal Pradesh. "There is a greater incidence of drug menace in Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan (BJP-ruled states) and even in Himachal Pradesh (Congress-ruled state) than in Punjab. Maximum drugs are pushed into the country via Gujarat," he alleged and asserted that Punjab was taking steps to eradicate the drug scourge, he said. Speaking to reporters outside parliament in Delhi, Ranaut had said, "The situation of drugs in Himachal is so serious that if strong steps are not taken immediately, then like in Punjab.

BJP LEADER'S SON STABBED TO DEATH IN HARYANA'S SAFIDON

Diary Times Desk : The son of a BJP leader and owner of a private hospital was stabbed to death by a group of assailants on the Rampura road in Safidon town of Jind district on Thursday night. The victim has been identified as Vikas Sharma, son of BJP leader Shiv Kumar Sharma who served as the block president of the party recently. The police have registered a case of murder against some accused on the basis of a complaint by Shiv Kumar Sharma. According to information, a person named Anil Sharma, who is known to Shiv Kumar, picked up Vikas from his hospital on Thursday night, along with another person Happy, and drove him to Assandh. Later, around 10 pm, as they approached Safidon, their car was blocked by two other vehicles. When Vikas asked the drivers to move, 7-8 armed men attacked him with knives. The victim got married 1.5 years ago and has a five-month-old daughter. Following the incident, BJP MLA Ramkumar Gautam visited the hospital and met the victim's family. Police officials said that they were reviewing CCTV footage to identify and arrest the accused.

SOLDIER SHOT BY COLLEAGUE IN MILITARY OPERATION ENTITLED TO 'KILLED IN ACTION' BENEFITS: HC

Diary Times Desk : A soldier deployed in a military operation, who dies after being shot by a fellow soldier cannot be denied the benefits applicable to those "killed in action", the Punjab and Haryana High Court has ruled while affirming the entitlement of a mother to liberalised family pension under such circumstances. "A soldier deployed in a military operation, being shot by a fellow soldier, cannot be in any manner, denied the benefits, which would be applicable to those soldiers who are killed in action," the Bench of Justice Anupinder Singh Grewal and Justice Deepak Manchanda asserted. Holding that such a death must be treated as a "battle casualty," the Bench upheld the Armed Forces Tribunal's order, whereby the Union of India was directed to consider the claim of liberalised family pension of the soldier's mother. The Bench added soldier, on duty in 'Operation Rakshak' in the Jammu and Kashmir, expired on October 21, 1991, due to firearm injury sustained by him following a gunshot by a fellow soldier. This is to be considered as a 'Battle Casualty' vide Army Air Defence Records order dated August 27, 1992, as the death has taken place during the said.

HIMACHAL CHALLAN SCAM ALERT: FRAUDSTERS USE WHATSAPP APK LINKS TO STEAL DATA

Diary Times Desk : A new and dangerous cyber scam is on the rise, targeting unsuspecting citizens through fake RTO challans sent via WhatsApp. According to the state's cyber cell, people across the country—including in our state—are receiving deceptive messages containing bogus challans for two-wheelers or four-wheelers, along with a malicious APK download link. Once users click on the link to supposedly view their challan, the APK file installs malware that grants cybercriminals access to their WhatsApp accounts and mobile devices. This access is then exploited to steal highly sensitive personal and financial data including passwords, contact lists, IDs, and banking credentials—leading to potential identity theft and massive financial losses. Mohit Chawla, Deputy Inspector General (DIG) of the State CID Cybercrime unit, confirmed that this scam is spreading rapidly and poses a serious threat. "This is a new method of digital fraud. Fraudsters are fooling people by sending fake messages that appear official, tricking them into clicking harmful links. Once access is gained, the damage can be severe," he warned.

NO BRIDGE, JUST BRAVERY BHARMOUR'S SCHOOLCHILDREN RISK LIVES FOR LEARNING

Diary Times Desk : In a distressing example of administrative neglect, over 25 schoolchildren from Banni and Bhadra villages in Bharmour in Chamba district risk their lives every day to cross the Banni Mata nullah on their way to Mandha Senior Secondary School. With no bridge over the stream, students, residents and even devotees visiting the ancient Banni Mata Temple are forced to wade through the dangerous water body—often carried on the backs of parents or villagers during high flow. The situation worsens dramatically during the monsoon. On Wednesday, following a sudden increase in the nullah's water level, locals had to carry schoolchildren on their backs to help them reach school safely. Residents say the water level of the stream rises significantly even after light rain, making it a recurring hazard not only.

FOREIGNER CLEANS GARBAGE NEAR WATERFALL SITE IN HIMACHAL'S KANGRA, SHAMES LITTERING TOURISTS

Diary Times Desk : A video of a foreign tourist picking up trash at a scenic waterfall in Kangra, Himachal Pradesh has gone viral, drawing widespread attention and sparking a conversation about civic responsibility among tourists in India. In the video, the tourist is seen collecting plastic waste and litter left behind by others. He's heard saying: "I've been here for three days picking up the litter left behind by others, while you sit here and watch... then help me pick this up ...I have no problem... I'll do it." A voice in the background responds: "That's good work." The clip has won the foreign tourist praise online, while also drawing sharp criticism toward domestic tourists for their careless attitude toward nature and public spaces.



MANDI WOMAN BOXER COMPLETES 600-KM KANWAR YATRA ON FOOT

Diary Times Desk : A state-level boxer has become the first woman in Himachal Pradesh to complete the 600-km Kanwar yatra on foot, by carrying Ganga water from Gaumukh to her hometown. Kritika Thakur (21), who hails from Derdu village in Mandi district, undertook the challenging pilgrimage for the second consecutive year during the month of Sawan. After successfully completing the Kanwar yatra from Haridwar to Sundernagar in 2024, she had resolved to test her strength and devotion further this year by trekking from Gaumukh in Uttarakhand. She concluded her journey by performing the 'jalabhishek' of the Shivaling at the Omkareshwar Temple at her village using the Ganga water she carried on foot. Her family members said the entire village gathered to witness the culmination of her pilgrimage, Kritika said, "Nothing is difficult if you are determined. My father, who has been going on the yatra for the past 11 years, is my inspiration." Kritika was accompanied by her father, uncles, and other villagers on the yatra this year. Kritika is a second year student of BA (Physical Education) at MLSM College, Sundernagar, and also a state-level boxer. In her school, she had won a silver medal thrice and is continuing with boxing in her college. She wishes to join the Army.

MELODY MEETS MISERY: PAHARI SINGER AJAY CHAUHAN TAKES ON 'HIGHWAY HORROR' IN VIRAL SONG

Diary Times Desk : The perils of road widening between Paonta Sahib and Shillai have found a stirring voice in the form of a heartfelt Hindi song by popular Pahari singer Ajay Chauhan. Titled with a raw poetic line—"Route hai purane wala Paonta to Shillai... ye road hai narak dikhaega"—the 5:35-minute track was released on Tuesday at Paonta Sahib and has since gone viral across Himachal Pradesh. Chauhan, a native of Shilla village near Kafota, was moved by the rampant environmental degradation and poor construction practices plaguing the highway project. His song not only lends voice to local anguish but also serves as a visual chronicle of the suffering brought on by reckless muck dumping, unsafe retaining walls and violations of basic safety norms. At a time when the National Highways Authority of India is under fire for infrastructure failures—most recently, the collapse of buildings in Shimla due to unchecked excavation—the song has struck a deep chord with residents. Locals have long endured crumbling hillsides.

CENTRAL TEAM URGED TO LOOK INTO CAUSES OF RECURRING DISASTERS IN HIMACHAL PRADESH

Diary Times Desk : Himachal has urged the Central Government to get a detailed study conducted by experts from reputed institutions like the Central Water Commission and the Geological Survey of India (GSI) into the causes of natural disasters that had ravaged Himachal in the recent past. A meeting of the multi-sectoral Central team constituted by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs to investigate the increasing incidents of natural disasters in Himachal Pradesh was held under the chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue) KK Pant today. Team leader Col KP Singh and members SK Negi, Arun Kumar, Neelima Satyam and Sushmita Joseph attended the meeting. Pant said that the geographical conditions of Himachal Pradesh were different from other states, making it necessary to revise norms related to recovery and rehabilitation after a rain disaster. He emphasised the need to set up a flood forecasting unit in the state with the support of the Central Water Commission to enhance hydrological monitoring and study glacial lakes. He stressed the importance of mapping disaster-prone areas and focusing on early forecasting of such events. "Emphasis should be laid on pre-disaster planning rather than post-disaster response to minimise the loss of life and property. The installation of advanced sensors to improve data collection in the state will be very beneficial," he added.



ROOT BECOMES SECOND TO ONLY TENDULKAR AS ENGLAND AMASS LEAD

Diary Times Desk : A milestone-laden century from Joe Root further cemented England's dominance in the fourth Test in Manchester, despite India managing a couple of wickets in the second session on Day 3. Washington Sundar picked up both to momentarily lift India's spirits, but Root's 38th Test ton quickly doused any hopes of a fightback. Over the course of the first two sessions on the third day, Root climbed past three legendary names to move to second on the all-time list of Test run-scorers. With solid support from Ollie Pope and Ben Stokes in successive partnerships, England marched to 432/4 at Tea, ahead by 74. The spinners started after Lunch and the England batters continued to pile on the runs, with Root putting away a leg-side delivery from Ravindra Jadeja for a boundary. But the partnership ended on 144 when Washington got one to drift and had Pope edging to KL Rahul at slip. Another lovely drifter from the offspinner resulted in Harry Brook getting stumped for 3 as Washington led India's fightback. Considering the success he got, India delayed the second new ball until the start of the 91st over, by which time England had extended their lead to 20.

**SUNIL GAVASKAR NAMEDROPS SOURAV GANGULY IN BIG 'INCOMPETENCE' TAKE, SENDS MESSAGE TO ICC**

Diary Times Desk : Legendary Indian cricket team captain Sunil Gavaskar namedropped Sourav Ganguly in a massive message to ICC regarding substitution rules. In the aftermath of Rishabh Pant's foot injury, Gavaskar urged the International Cricket Council (ICC) to form a new committee in order to decide on substitutions. Gavaskar has been quite vocal against the concussion substitution and the legendary cricketer doubted down on his point as he said that there should not be any substitutions for 'incompetence'. On the other hand, he pointed out that Pant suffered a clear injury and although Dhruv Jurel will be keeping wickets in his place for India, the left-handed batter still had to come out to bat for his side in the first innings. "I've always felt that you are giving a like-for-like substitute for incompetence. If you are not good enough to play short-pitched bowling, don't play Test cricket; go and play tennis or golf. You are giving a like-for-like substitute for somebody who can't play the short ball and gets hit," Gavaskar said. "Here, it is a clear injury (Pant); there has to be a substitute. I want some sort of committee appointed to take a call on this. There is a cricket committee, ICC has a cricket committee, but at the moment, that's headed by Sourav Ganguly.

MANJREKAR REFLECTS ON VIRAT KOHLI'S ERA AMID INDIA'S DISMAL DISPLAY UNDER GILL: 'TACTICALLY HE MAY NOT HAVE BEEN BEST...'

Diary Times Desk : Team India's below-par performance on the field during Day 2 of the Manchester Test made Sanjay Manjrekar remember Virat Kohli's captaincy. The Indian bowlers failed to slow down England when Ben Duckett and Zak Crawley counter-attacked them with boundaries. Apart from Jasprit Bumrah, the three other pacers had an economy rate of over 4.8 on Day 2. Shubman Gill's captaincy also came under the scanner with the English pair sharing a 166-run stand for the opening wicket. With India already behind 1-2 in the series, their troubles deepened in Manchester as England seized the upper hand by stumps on Day 2. Under Kohli's captaincy, India put up an impressive show against England when they last toured there and claimed a win at the Lord's and the Oval. Meanwhile, in the ongoing series, Shubman and co. emerged victorious at Edgbaston but the momentum has shifted towards England in the series. Manjrekar reflected on Kohli's captaincy, acknowledging his tactical flaws but praising his ability to inspire intensity. While team selections often sparked debate, Kohli's leadership ensured India never looked listless on the field. "You've got to remember Virat Kohli as captain. Tactically.

GAUTAM GAMBHIR'S 'SURPRISING' CALL STUNS EXPERTS; RICKY PONTING GIVES BLUNT 'LOGIC' TAKE

Diary Times Desk : The decision taken by the Indian cricket team management to send Shardul Thakur to bat at No. 7 ahead of Washington Sundar stunned experts during the fourth Test match against England at Old Trafford. When Sai Sudharsan got out on Wednesday, there was still an hour left on the clock but India decided to go with Shardul ahead of the in-form Sundar. The decision by head coach Gautam Gambhir and Co could the commentators by surprise as they did not expect the visitors to use Shardul as a 'night watchman'. While Ravi Shastri and Dinesh Karthik tried to make sense of the decision, former Australia cricket team skipper Ricky Ponting went on to say that he was trying to work out the 'logic' behind the call. "I'm just trying to work out the logic from India here as to why they've sent Shardul in ahead of Washington Sundar. Just looking at the numbers, I mean, Washington averages nearly 39 in Test cricket and Shardul is down at 17. And he's [Sundar] not being sent out. He's [Shardul] not a night watchman, there's still 40 minutes of play here, and a new ball around the corner," Ponting said.

**VEDA KRISHNAMURTHY RETIRES FROM ALL FORMS OF CRICKET**

Diary Times Desk : India cricketer Veda Krishnamurthy announced her retirement from all cricket on Friday (July 25). Veda was a part of the Indian team that finished runners-up to England in the 2017 World Cup and to Australia in the 2020 T20 World Cup. "A small-town girl with big dreams. That's how it all started in Kadur," Veda wrote in her retirement note posted on social media. "I picked up a bat not knowing where it would take me. But I knew I loved the game. I never imagined it would take me this far from narrow streets to the biggest stadiums, from quiet hopes to proudly wearing the Indian jersey. Cricket gave me so much more than just a career. It gave me a sense of who I am. It taught me how to fight, how to fall and how to keep showing up. "Today, with a full heart, I'm calling time on this chapter." An aggressive middle-order batter, Veda played 48 ODIs and 76 T20Is for India. She last represented the country in the 2020 T20 World Cup final at the MCG, while her last ODI for India was nearly two years before that, in April 2018 against the visiting England side. Veda retires with 829 runs and three wickets in the 50-overs format, and 875 runs in the shortest format.

UP WARRIORZ APPOINT ABHISHEK NAYAR AS HEAD COACH

Diary Times Desk : UP Warriorz have roped in Abhishek Nayar as their new head coach ahead of the fourth season of the Women's Premier League. He will be replacing Jon Lewis, who held the position for the first-three year cycle of the league in which UPW's best show was making the Eliminator in WPL 2023. "A respected figure in the Indian cricket circles, Nayar brings with him a deep understanding of the game, a proven track record in player development, and years of experience across various coaching roles at both domestic and international levels," Warriorz said in a statement. The experienced Nayar was a part of the championship-winning Kolkata Knight Riders side in IPL 2024 as their assistant coach, and was also a part of the coaching set-up of India Men when they won the Champions Trophy earlier this year. Nayar had been part of KKR since 2018, and has been credited for mentoring the likes of Shubman Gill, Venkatesh Iyer, and Rinku Singh in his stint with the IPL franchise. This will be Nayar's second stint with the Warriorz side since he was also a part of the team's off-season training camps after the first edition of WPL. "I really enjoyed my time working with the UP Warriorz.