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UP MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS 2023 LIVE: BJP LEADS ON 16 MAYOR SEATS, BSP ON 1

UP municipal election 2023 results live updates (Nagar Nigam, Nagar Palika Parishad, Nagar Panchayat): BJP is looking to dominate urban local bodies again. The high-voltage Uttar Pradesh urban local body (ULB) elections will end today with the declaration of results for mayors and corporators in 17 municipal corporations, and for chairpersons and members of nagar palika parishads as well as nagar panchayats. The ruling An exit poll projection by News18 suggests that the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in the BJP is winning in at least 10 municipal corporations, state would be hoping to continue while Akhilesh Yadav's SP and Mayawati's BSP are set its dominance by sweeping the to take at least one nagar nigam each. It is believed urban local bodies while the that there will be a close contest on five seats, opposition parties like Samajwadi according to the exit poll. The results of the ULB polls Party, Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) hold significant importance, as the party that secures and Congress would be eyeing to the majority of seats will aim to showcase its strength regain the lost ground.



ahead of the crucial 2024 general elections.

Uttar Pradesh, being the state with the maximum representation of 80 Members of Parliament in the Lok Sabha, holds strategic importance in national politics.

In Lucknow Nagar Nigam, the BJP candidate is leading by more than 6,000 votes, and in Ayodhya Nagar Nigam, the BJP candidate is leading by more than 12,000 votes. In both places, the Samajwadi Party (SP) is in second place. In Gauriganj Nagar Palika of Amethi district, the BJP candidate has taken a lead of 962 votes over the rival Samajwadi Party (SP) candidate.

In the mayoral election in Jhansi, BJP candidate Bihari Lal Arya is leading in the 11th round with 32,469 votes. Congress candidate Arvind Kumar Bablu is in the second position.



WORLD

Pakistan Ex-PM Imran Khan Returns Home After Arrest, Riots

Imran Khan was swooped on by dozens of paramilitary troops and arrested during a routine court appearance on Tuesday, triggering violent clashes in several cities between his supporters and security forces. Pakistan's former prime minister Imran Khan arrived at his Lahore residence on Saturday after being freed on bail following days of legal drama and nationwide riots over his arrest on corruption charges. Khan was swooped on by dozens of paramilitary troops and arrested.

MAHARASHTRA GOVT DROPS CHARGES AGAINST FORMER MUMBAI POLICE COMMISSIONER PARAM BIR SINGH

PARAM BIR SINGH RETIRED ON JUNE 30 LAST YEAR SO THE PERIOD FROM THE DATE THE SUSPENSION ORDER WAS ISSUED, DECEMBER 12, 2021, TO JUNE 30, WILL BE TREATED AS HIM BEING ON DUTY.

The Maharashtra government has the MVA government registered five FIRs dropped charges against former against Singh on charges of extortion and Mumbai Police Commissioner Param similar offences following which he was placed Bir Singh and revoked his suspension by the earlier Maha Vikas Aghadi under suspension in December 2021. Although Singh retired on June 30 last year, the period from the day he was suspended, December 12, 2021, to the day he resigned, will now be treated as him being on duty. An official said the order will impact the pension that retired friction broke out between Singh, the IPS officers get from the government.



then Mumbai Police Commissioner, The order issued by the Maharashtra Home Department on May 10 read, "The memorandum of and the then state home minister charges dated 02/12/2021 issued against Shri. Param Bir Singh, IPS (Retd) under Rule 8 of All India Anil Deshmukh. After Singh was Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1969 is being withdrawn and the said matter is being closed." The order regarding the revocation of his suspension issued on the same day read, "As per the alleged corruption on the part of provisions of the All India Services (Death-Cum-Retirement Benefits) Rules, 1958, the suspension of Deshmukh and resigned. Later, the Shri. Param Bir Singh, IPS (Retd) is revoked by this order and the period



STOCK

Adani Transmission, Adani Total Gas, Adani Green to exit ASM framework on Monday

Three Adani group companies have been removed from the ASM framework with effect from May 15, leading exchanges BSE and NSE said on Friday.

ASM or Additional Surveillance measure is an initiative by the Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and exchanges to safeguard the interests of the investors and enhance market integrity. Adani Transmission, Adani Green Energy and Adani Total Gas stocks are moved to the ASM category based on a few criteria including price, volume variation and volatility.

Both Adani Transmission and Adani Total Gas tanked on Friday riding on their ouster from the MSCI Global Standard Index. The Adani Transmission stock ended at Rs 889 on Friday, down by Rs 28.25 or 3.08% while Adani Total Gas shares settled at Rs 819.30 on the NSE down by Rs 35.75 or 4.18% from the previous closing price.

The exit of Adani Transmission and Adani Total Gas from the MSCI Global Standard Index is expected to trigger outflows of \$201 million in case of Adani Transmission and \$186 million.

MUMBAI: DESPITE LIVER TRANSPLANT, DAHISAR STUDENT STANDS TALL WITH 95.2% IN CBSE CLASS 10 BOARD EXAMS

A student of Ryan International School in complications with my liver Kandivali, Arjun had to skip when I was in 9th grade and it most of his lectures last year worsened in 2021. I had a liver after the transplant which transplant in January 2022 had affected his academics in after which my studies were a major way. majorly affected. But my Mumbai: In a story that school teachers and principal exudes grit and helped a lot through the entire determination, Arjun Sharma, process. They were always who went through a liver available to me on call and transplant last year, defied motivated me to do well," said all odds to score 95.2% in the Arjun, a resident of Dahisar. Central Board of Secondary Though Arjun slowly found a Education (CBSE) Class 10 way to pick up his interest in results in 2023. A student of academics, the real issue Ryan International School in came while preparing for his Kandivali, Arjun had to skip exams. I had lost my pace in most of his lectures last year writing which is when I started after the transplant which to solve multiple questions to had affected his academics in pick up my speed," added a major way. Arjun.

MUMBAI: MAN HELD FOR ROBBING, AND MOLESTING A WOMAN ON A LONG-DISTANCE TRAIN

The accused entered the train The complainant boarded a when it stopped at Thane train at Kundapur in station, 34 km from Mumbai, Karnataka and was on her way on Friday morning. As the to the Chhatrapati Shivaji train started moving, he Maharaj Terminus in Mumbai grabbed the jewellery of a when she was targeted passenger in the women's A 30-year-old man with a compartment, the official criminal past has been said. arrested for robbing, The accused assaulted and assaulting and molesting a molested the woman before woman passenger between snatching away her jewellery. Mumbai and Thane on a long- He jumped off the train when distance train, an official said it slowed down near on Saturday. Kanjurmarg, he said. The complainant boarded a Acting on a complaint by the train at Kundapur in woman, the Government Karnataka and was on her way Railway Police tracked down to the Chhatrapati Shivaji the accused and arrested him Maharaj Terminus in Mumbai at night from Navi Mumbai, when she was targeted, he the official said, adding that said. he has past criminal records.

DECIDE ON MLAS' DISQUALIFICATION WITHIN 15 DAYS: THACKERAY

Shiv Sena (UBT) president Uddhav Thackeray on Friday said since the Supreme Court had left the decision on the disqualification proceedings against 16 rebel MLAs, including chief minister Eknath Shinde, to assembly speaker Rahul Narwekar, it should be made within 15 days.

Mumbai: Shiv Sena (UBT) president Uddhav Thackeray on Friday said since the Supreme Court had left the decision on the disqualification proceedings against 16 rebel MLAs, including chief minister Eknath Shrikant Shinde, son of Eknath Shinde, to assembly speaker Rahul Narwekar, the 15-day deadline aimed to prevent Sena it should be made within 15 days. Or else, the (UBT)'s remaining MLAs from crossing over party would approach the apex court, he to the other faction. A lot of their MLAs are said. The speaker is abroad now. Once he is in touch with us and want to switch sides, back, he should take a decision on the Setting a deadline for the speaker is disqualification within 15 days. If he fails to primarily to keep their flock together," he do that within the timeframe, we will again go said while addressing a press conference at to the SC. I also want to tell PM, Narendra party headquarters - Balasaheb Bhavan. Modi, that he should stop the insult to Thackeray also dared the Shinde-Dvendra democracy and the country by checking the Fadnavis government to step down and government's unconstitutional way of face elections. "The SC has given its verdict, functioning," Thackeray said at a press but the final decision is in the people's court. Now it's time to seek people's.



UP SMUGGLER SWALLOWS 8 GOLD BARS, JJ DOGS HELP PURGE HIM

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Mumbai: A 30-year-old Uttar Pradesh resident was admitted to JJ Hospital in Mumbai on May 8, after being brought in by the customs department for ingesting 250 gm of gold in the form of eight biscuits worth ₹12.66 lakh. While body packing is a known means of smuggling drugs across the globe, JJ doctors said this was the first time they encountered a body packer who swallowed gold. "Custom officials told us that Intizar Ali had ingested gold pellets and was feeling uneasy," said Dr Supriya Bhondve, assistant professor, surgery department, under whom Ali was admitted. "We did an X-ray and CT scan that showed eight metal objects stuck in his large and small

intestines. On questioning him, he confessed to gulping down the gold bars on May 6 before flying to Mumbai." The doctors waited for two days for Ali to pass the bars normally via his stools. However, on Tuesday evening when the X-ray showed no movement of the bars, they planned a laparoscopic surgery. "We thought of the surgical option as the bars were stuck in the small bowel and there was a chance of small bowel obstruction or perforation, which could have been life-threatening," said Dr Bhondve. "However, the patient developed cold feet and refused to give his consent." The doctors then put Ali on a high-fibre diet of a dozen bananas and green leafy vegetables every day.

SAMEER WANKHEDHE — HIGH PROFILE CASES TO CORRUPTION CHARGES, BUT ALWAYS IN THE HEADLINES

RECENTLY, WHEN HE WAS ASKED IF HE WOULD JOIN POLITICS, HE SAID THAT HE HAD NOT THOUGHT ABOUT IT BUT WOULD BE WILLING TO SERVE THE COUNTRY IN ANY CAPACITY, LEADING TO SPECULATIONS OF HIM ENTERING THE POLITICAL FRAY.



With the CBI registering a corruption case against IRS officer Sameer Wankhede on Friday, he continued the trend that has been common since he joined the service in 2008 – grabbing headlines. To those who know him, it is no surprise that Sameer Wankhede was at the center of both the high-profile Rhea Chakraborty allegations of 2020 and the drug bust case against Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan in 2021 in which the charges were eventually dropped against the latter by an SIT that was asked to probe the matter. The 2008-batch IRS officer, with stints in the NIA and Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI), before being loaned as Director of the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)'s Mumbai Zone, where he grabbed major headlines, was no stranger to controversies, or celebrities. However, his career went southwards ever since the Cordelia case, which saw allegations of corruption against him, inquiries, intra-department rivalries, and eventually, his being shunted out of the NCB and Mumbai and posted to Chennai as Director General of Analytics and Risk Management in May last year. Sources, however, said that he spent a chunk of time since his transfer to Mumbai on leave. Recently, when he was asked if he would join politics, he said that he had not thought about it but would be willing to serve the country in any capacity, leading to speculations of him entering the political fray. During his stint as a Customs officer at Mumbai international airport, among those he had acted against was Shah Rukh, who, in 2016, was stopped for carrying excess baggage and fined Rs 1.5 lakh for duty. At the Customs and later Service Tax Department, he also crossed paths with Anurag Kashyap, Vivek Oberoi, Mika Singh, and Ram Gopal Verma. So, even before he moved to the NCB from the DRI in 2020, Wankhede, the son of a police officer, was a well-known name in Mumbai. Sources say he was specifically brought in after actor Sushant Singh Rajput's death and the cascading allegations against his girlfriend Chakraborty, due to his work on drug seizures at the DRI. "He was transferred as he has an excellent network of informants when it comes to narcotics," said a senior NCB official.

MUMBAI: SPEEDING DRUNK DRIVER KILLS FRIEND AS THEIR CAR CRASHES INTO TRUCK SAILOR AND THREE FRIENDS PARTIED TILL 3 AM AT SAKI NAKA AND WERE RETURNING TO JUHU IN HIS MOTHER'S BMW WHEN HE LOST CONTROL ON HITTING A SPEED BREAKER



A 29-year-old West Bengal resident was killed and three others were seriously injured after their speeding car crashed near Juhu police station, late Thursday night. Cops said they partied till 3 am after which Ardhvyu Vijay Bandekar, 27, decided to drop his friends at their hotel in his mother's BMW. Drunk and speeding, Bandekar, a merchant navy professional, lost control over the speed breaker, which was not visible in the dark, and rammed into a parked garbage van, said cops. The accident was captured in a CCTV camera of the petrol pump. The speed breaker ended right before the petrol pump. Sources in the police said the four friends—Bandekar, Pallavi Pal Bhattacharya, 29, Bharti Dilprasad Rai, 24, and Ankit Narendra Khare, 38—had gone to a bar and restaurant in Saki Naka to party. While Bandekar is a resident of DLH Orchid Tower at Lokhandwala complex in Andheri West, Pal Bhattacharya is from West Bengal, Rai from Shimla in Himachal Pradesh and Khare from Haryana, they added. The three of them were staying at a five-star hotel in Juhu and went to a party with Bandekar in his mother's BMW car. While Bharti is a cabin crew member with an airline, Ankit is the son of a businessperson, said sources. They left the Saki Naka bar around 3 am, and Bandekar decided to drop his friends off at their hotel. However, in Juhu, Bandekar, who was drunk, could not see the speed breaker because it was not painted for visual warning, and lost control of his vehicle, said cops. Bandekar then crashed into a parked BMC garbage truck and the impact was so strong that his car was lifted in the air for about 30 metres, cops said. An auto rickshaw parked nearby was also damaged in the accident. Locals and police rushed them to Copper Hospital in an auto-rickshaw. While Bhattacharya died on the spot, Bandekar sustained serious injuries to his hand and others are also undergoing treatment. Bandekar was seated in the co-driver seat.

'CALM DOWN' SINGER REMA: MUMBAI FEELS LIKE HOME BECAUSE BACK HOME WE ARE BIG ON CULTURE

"Any time I make music, I believe it is for the world. I don't make it for one set of people. I don't think it is only for my people," says Divine Ikubor, better known by his stage name, Rema. It is an emotion that holds true because when this writer went to meet the artist, every person around was humming 'Calm Down', just as they got to know the Nigerian singer-songwriter was arriving in Mumbai for a performance as part of his 'Rema Calm Down Tour' on May 13. Interestingly, like many others, they didn't know the lyrics of the song, but just felt good saying, "Calm Down, Calm Down". Only proving Rema, who adds, "When I create music, I see it as something that can universally speak to anyone even though it is not in all languages, even though it is in a particular language. I believe that my music and frequency will tap into every culture and every territory."

MMRDA FINALISES THANE TO BORIVLI TUNNEL CONTRACTOR

MUMBAI: MUMBAI METROPOLITAN REGION DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (MMRDA) ON FRIDAY FINALISED A CONTRACTOR FOR THE THANE-BORIVLI UNDERGROUND TUNNEL THAT WILL CUT TRAVEL TIME FROM GHODBUNDER ROAD TO WESTERN EXPRESS HIGHWAY DRAMATICALLY. THE TUNNEL WILL CUT TRAVEL TIME BETWEEN THANE AND WEH TO 10 MINUTES, BESIDES REDUCING CONGESTION ON GHODBUNDER ROAD. MMRDA HAS ISSUED A LETTER OF APPROVAL TO MEGHA ENGINEERING AND INFRASTRUCTURE LTD (MEIL) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THIS 11.85KM CORRIDOR THAT WILL COST ₹514,400 CRORE L&T INFRASTRUCTURE WAS ALSO IN THE FRAY BUT ITS BID FOR PACKAGE TWO FOR 6.09KM WAS REJECTED ON TECHNICAL GROUNDS. IT APPROACHED THE HIGH COURT AGAINST MMRDA'S ORDER BUT THE MATTER WAS DISMISSED. THE TUNNEL WILL PASS THROUGH SANJAY GANDHI NATIONAL PARK. THE PROPOSED ALIGNMENT FOR THIS CORRIDOR WILL START AT TIKU-JINI WADI (THANE) AND END AT EKTA NAGAR ON WEH (BORIVLI). THE TUBE TUNNEL WILL BE PROVIDED WITH INTER-CONNECTIONS SO THAT BREAKDOWN VEHICLES CAN BE PULLED AWAY FROM EITHER SIDE OF THE TUNNEL, WHICH WILL HAVE 2+2 LANES, EXCLUDING THE EVACUATION LANES. DISTANCE-SAVING BECAUSE OF THIS CORRIDOR BETWEEN THANE TO BORIVLI WILL BE BY ABOUT 13KM. THOSE TRAVELING BY JVLRC CAN ALSO TAKE THIS TUNNEL. THE EXISTING ALIGNMENT CONNECTS THANE AND BORIVLI VIA GHODBUNDER WITH A LENGTH OF 23KM. AT PRESENT, IT TAKES AROUND ONE TO TWO HOURS.

GOOGLE CO-FOUNDERS GAIN \$18 BILLION AS ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BOOST LEADS TO STOCK RALLY

Google's co-founders are reaping the rewards of the artificial intelligence frenzy, adding more than \$18 billion to their combined wealth as the company unveiled a revamped search engine. Larry Page's net worth increased by \$9.4 billion this week to \$106.9 billion, while Sergey Brin's rose \$8.9 billion to \$102.1 billion, according to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index. That was their biggest weekly gain since February 2021. Google will start experimenting with a more conversational search engine and has made its AI-powered chatbot available more broadly, the Mountain View, California-based company said at its annual developer conference on Wednesday. That's helping the firm assert dominance in an increasingly competitive field. Shares of its parent, Alphabet Inc., rose almost 1 percent in New York Friday after surging 8.6 percent in the two days through Thursday. Page and Brin, who've been helping with the AI push and are more involved in the company than they've been in years, are among the biggest gainers of 2023 after adding more than \$22 billion each to their wealth. They rank as the eighth- and ninth-richest people in the world, respectively. Google's former chief executive officer, Eric Schmidt, is another beneficiary of the AI boom. He's invested in many startups in the field and has rejected public calls to slow down the speed of research, citing concerns over China's advances in tech.



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