



IN SUPREME COURT, PETITION FOR NEW PARLIAMENT TO BE OPENED BY PRESIDENT

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A plea has been filed in the Supreme Court seeking a direction to the Lok Sabha secretariat for inauguration of the new Parliament building by President Droupadi Murmu. The plea filed by advocate Jaya Sukin contended that the statement issued by the Lok Sabha secretariat on May 18 and invites issued by secretary general, Lok Sabha about building.



infringement of the new Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the Parliament building are violative of the Constitution.

that the president inaugurate the new Parliament building on May 28 following an invitation by the Lok Sabha Speaker.

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According to the Constitution, Parliament consists of the President of India and the two houses of the apex legislature, the Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha, Parliament and sought a direction the plea noted.

"Further Article 87 says that at the beginning of every Parliamentary session, President shall address both houses and inform Parliament of the causes of its summons, But the respondents (Lok Sabha secretariat and Union of India) are trying to 'humiliate' the President. The President of India Droupadi Murmu is not being invited to the inauguration of the new Parliament building", it submitted.

Around 20 opposition parties have slammed the prime minister's decision to inaugurate the new Parliament building and decided to boycott the inauguration ceremony. The BJP-led National Democratic Alliance has termed the opposition.



Shah Rukh Khan

TECHNOLOGY

Shah Rukh Khan is now Realme's new brand ambassador

Chinese smartphone maker Realme on Thursday announced Shah Rukh Khan as its new brand ambassador in India. The Bollywood superstar will be promoting Realme's smartphone business as it prepares to launch the Realme 11 Pro 5G series. Shah Rukh Khan shared, "Realme's 'Dare to Leap' philosophy truly resonated with me. The brand's unwavering commitment to pushing boundaries aligns perfectly with my own pursuit of excellence. Together, we aim to ignite

MUMBAI: AUTO DRIVER'S ALERTNESS HELPS SAVE TEEN FROM BEING TRAFFICKED

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Mumbai: An 18-year-old girl, hailing from a small village near Azamgarh in Uttar Pradesh, was saved from being trafficked, thanks to the alert mind of an auto-driver. According to the police, the teen was brought to Mumbai by a man from her village, who said that he loved her and wanted to marry her. However, the real intent was to sell her to a brothel for a mere Rs40,000. When they reached the Lokmanya Tilak Terminus (LTT), an auto-driver noticed the accused asking locals about the brothels nearby. Acting swiftly, he immediately informed

the police who reached the spot in no time. In February, the teen had met one Aman Sharma, 21, in her village. According to the victim, both of them fell in love and wanted to marry, but were scared that their family members wouldn't approve of their relationship. In May, Sharma convinced the teen to elope with him to Mumbai for marriage. Auto driver shocked to hear the passenger was looking for brothels nearby. On May 18, they boarded a train from Banaras. En route, a woman Achal Sharma, 20, along with her 8-year-old son, developed friendship with the duo and tagged along with them, saying that they can go around Mumbai. After alighting at the LTT, Aman went to fetch an auto, while Achal and the teen waited behind. Auto driver Vinod Jamuna Prasad Sharma noticed Aman talking to several auto drivers and asked him where he wants to go. He was shocked when the accused said that he was looking for brothels nearby. Upon further inquiry, Aman pointed out towards Achal and said that he is his wife and the kid along is their son. He audaciously said that he came to Mumbai for selling the teen. Without wasting a moment, Sharma immediately informed the police. A team from the Tilak Nagar police reached the spot and arrested Achal and Aman. The teen was handed over to her parents.



ENTERTAINMENT

Anurag Kashyap compares streaming platforms to East India Company: 'They're the colonisers'

Director Anurag Kashyap, who is attending the ongoing Cannes Film Festival for the world premiere of his film Kennedy, said in an interview that independent cinema is in a "very bad and confused place" right now. Kashyap compared streaming platforms in India to the East India Company. In a chat with Forbes India, when asked about the state of independent cinema in India, Anurag said, "Independent cinema, right now, is in a very bad and confused place, because of the lockdown. Streaming kind of became the space for Indian cinema, but during the lockdown, even the mainstream cinema started going streaming. So, streamers also prefer that over a lot of independent cinema. Now, you have to grab attention to survive." Anurag then compared the business strategies of streaming platforms to the colonialist methods of the East India Company, and said, "It's like every business. They come in and they are your best friend. They are like the East India Company. All the streamers are like that. They come in, they are your best friends, then they are the colonisers and then they start ruling

SINCE 2017 WHEN YOGI ADITYANATH TOOK CHARGE, OVER ONE KILLED EVERY FORTNIGHT IN UP POLICE ENCOUNTERS

AN INVESTIGATION OF POLICE RECORDS BY THE INDIAN EXPRESS REVEALS THAT SINCE MARCH 2017, WHEN YOGI ADITYANATH TOOK CHARGE, AND TILL DATE, THE STATE HAS WITNESSED 186 ENCOUNTERS. THIS WORKS OUT TO MORE THAN ONE ALLEGED CRIMINAL BEING KILLED BY THE POLICE EVERY 15 DAYS.

MUMBAI: CM SHINDE VOICES SUPPORT FOR MODI GOVT ON OPPOSITION BOYCOTT OVER NEW PARLIAMENT BUILDING INAUGURATION

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Mumbai: Speaking to the media about the opposition's boycott of the inauguration of the new parliament building, CM Eknath Shinde said on Wednesday that the progress of the country is visible to the world, and India is gaining respect globally. Expressing his support for the Modi government, Shinde stated that the development which had not occurred in the past 70 years has taken place in the last 8-9 years. "The public is aware of everything. The 2024 Lok Sabha elections, under PM Modi's leadership, will surpass all previous records," he further added.

Nineteen opposition parties, including the Congress, Left and TMC, on Wednesday collectively announced their decision to boycott the inauguration of the new Parliament building by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, terming it as an "undignified act" that insults the high office of the president.

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has always underlined his crackdown on crime as a key imperative of his governance. To that effect, police encounters and bulldozing of properties of alleged criminals have become the visible symbols of a tough government bent on making in Uttar Pradesh "aprardh mukt" or crime-free.



An investigation of police records by The Indian Express reveals that since March 2017, when Yogi Adityanath took charge, and till date, the state has witnessed 186 encounters. This works out to more than one alleged criminal being killed by

of the police every 15 days. In these six years, when it comes to police firing to injure (usually in the leg), the number goes up to 5,046 – more than 30 alleged criminals being shot at and injured every 15 days. In the list of 186 killed in police encounters, records show, as when Yogi Adityanath took charge, and till date, the state faced murder cases, two of whom faced cases of molestation and gangrape, and POCOs.

DELHI CM ARVIND KEJRIWAL MEETS SHARAD PAWAR IN MUMBAI

Delhi Chief Minister and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) national convener Arvind Kejriwal met Nationalist Congress Party president Sharad Pawar in Mumbai on Thursday.

Kejriwal and his party comrade and Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann arrived in Mumbai on Tuesday evening.

The two CMs on Wednesday met Shiv Sena (UBT) president Uddhav Thackeray at the latter's residence here to seek support for the AAP's fight against the Union government's ordinance for the control of services in Delhi.

After meeting Thackeray, Kejriwal claimed the ordinance means the Narendra Modi government does not believe in the Supreme Court verdict on control of services.

He also said state governments were being toppled by using the CBI and the ED.

The Centre last Friday promulgated an ordinance to create an authority for the disciplinary proceedings against Group-A transfer and posting of Group-A officers in Delhi, with the AAP government calling the



move a deception with the Supreme Court verdict on control of services.

The ordinance, which came a week after the Supreme Court handed over the control of services in Delhi excluding police, public order and land to the elected government, seeks to set up a National Capital Civil Service Authority for transfer of and

discipline proceedings against Group-A officers from the DANICS cadre. Backing Kejriwal.

34 YEARS ON, ACCUSED FREED AS WITNESSES NOT FOUND

MUMBAI: In one of the oldest pending cases before the sessions court, 34 years after a city businessman was allegedly kidnapped by four accused who extorted a share of a property from him, a 62-year-old Mira Road man, the sole accused facing trial for more than three decades, was acquitted after the victim and other witnesses could not be traced.

The accused, Abhay Uskalkar, was out on bail. In a trial that lasted only two months, the court said that the testimony of the investigating officer was insufficient to convict the accused.

"There is no evidence on record to show that the accused Abhay hatched a criminal conspiracy along with absconding accused number 2 to 4. There is also no evidence to show that accused Abhay, in furtherance of his common intention with the absconding accused, kidnapped Mohammad Reza Ghulam Hussain and committed extortion," the sessions court said.

STUDENT ARRESTED FROM NANDED FOR 'CARRY OUT BLAST IN MUMBAI' TWEET



The development came after the police control room in Mumbai received a call from a person based in Rajasthan, who claimed to have heard that someone was planning blasts in Mumbai.

The Mumbai Police a 22-year-old student from Nanded in connection with a tweet that the police received on their Twitter handle on Monday where a user threatened to carry out a blast in the city.

The development came after the police control room in Mumbai received a call from a person based in Rajasthan, who claimed to have heard that someone was planning blasts in Mumbai. A police officer said on Monday morning, the Mumbai Police received a tweet which said, "I am going to blast Mumbai very soon."

"An FIR was registered at the Azad Maidan police station. A team from the crime branch tracked down the accused to Nanded. He is a 22-year-old student. We are not aware why he sent the threat. Our team is bringing him to Mumbai," he said.

Over the past one year, the officer said, there has been a rise in the number of people calling or messaging threats to the police. In a majority of these cases, the person is either under the influence of alcohol or tries to frame someone. "We have to take every single case seriously as per protocol. It is a major waste of our resources. We are thinking of taking steps to ensure there is stringent action against those making hoax calls," said the police officer.

DID NAVEEN UL HAQ APOLOGISE TO VIRAT KOHLI? FACT CHECK OF THE VIRAL TWEET

In a tweet that is going viral on social media, Naveen ul Haq apologised to Virat Kohli. However, the account was found fake in our fact check.

Bangalore: Naveen ul Haq found himself in hot soup after he got involved in a heated exchange with Virat Kohli after LSG vs RCB match. Naveen took on Virat Kohli and trolled him when RCB lost to MI by sharing a picture of sweet mangoes. He then mocked RCB when the team was knocked out of the IPL 2023. However, LSG's defeat against MI in Qualifier 1 invited massive trolls for Naveen. LSG's Twitter account was flooded with sweet mango tweets after which the social media account had to mute words like mango, sweet, aam.

In a tweet going viral on social media, Naveen ul Haq has apologised to Virat Kohli. Naveen in his tweet says that messing up with Virat Kohli was the biggest mistake of his life. The social media account also made several appreciation and apology tweets to Kohli and his fans. He even tweeted that Kohli is better than Babar Azam.

However, digging deep, we found out that the account is fake and the user is probably a Virat Kohli fan. Meanwhile, Naveen ul Haq delivered a fine show against Mumbai Indians in Eliminator however, he could not help his side to a win. Chasing a target of 183, LSG was bowled out for 101, suffering an 81-run defeat.

MUMBAI CRIME: CONMEN DUPE CABBIE LOOKING TO BUY CAR ONLINE

The Andheri police are on the lookout for three men who promised to sell a car to the 26-year-old driver attached to a cab aggregator, but instead, fled with the cash paid for the vehicle.

According to the police, the complainant Shadab Khan was interested in buying a 'Wagon R' car that was put up for sale on OLX. The advertisement was posted on May 16 by a man named Shahrukh who claimed to be a resident of Andheri East. "Khan called the cell phone number provided in the advertisement and spoke to Shahrukh, who told him he could check out the car if he came to Andheri," said an officer.

The duo also negotiated the selling price of the vehicle, which was fixed at Rs 2.5 lakh, with an additional charge of Rs Khan waited at the location for some time but no one 30,000 towards paperwork. On Tuesday, returned. He tried calling Shahrukh but his phone was switched off. Khan also searched approximately 3 km carrying the cash in a plastic bag. "They were called to the Saiwadi area near



Gokhale bridge where they met Shahrukh and were then sent near AF Care Dental Clinic to meet two of his accomplices," the officer said.

According to the officer, the two men told Khan that the car was parked on the opposite road, but they needed to get the documents of the car to complete the paperwork. "They asked Khan to hand over the cash while they went to fetch the keys and documents," the officer from Andheri police station said, adding that Khan trusted the men and gave them the money.

He tried calling Shahrukh but his phone was switched off. Khan also searched approximately 3 km around the area for Shahrukh and visited Andheri station as well, but couldn't find him.

ODISHA POLICE ARREST 'WILDLIFE CRIMINAL', RECOVER LEOPARD SKINS FROM HIM



The leopard skins will be sent to the Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun, for biological examination.

The Special Task Force (STF) of the Odisha Police Wednesday arrested a "wildlife criminal" and recovered three leopard skins and other incriminating materials from his possession in Odisha's Rayagada district, officials said.

The police have identified the accused as Damburdhar Majhi, a native of Naktiguda under Tikiri police limit in the Rayagada district. Majhi was arrested following a raid by the STF personnel on the Rayagada-Koraput highway near Siriguda, the police said.

The accused person could not produce any authority in support of the possession of such leopard skins, for which he has been arrested. The man will be presented before the court of SDJM, Rayagada, said a senior STF officer.

The leopard skin will be sent to the Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun for biological examination while the probe is on into the matter, said an officer.

MAHARASHTRA 12TH RESULT 2023: MUMBAI DIVISION SCORES LOWEST AMONG NINE ZONES FOR SECOND YEAR IN A ROW

Mumbai: The Mumbai division was at the bottom of the nine zones in the Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) exams for the second year in a row with a pass percentage of 88.13 per cent. Last year the Mumbai division recorded a success rate of 89.7%.

The exams held over a month beginning February 21 had the highest enrollment of 14.5 lakh students in the state since 2018. These students wrote their first public exams as their class 10 Secondary School Certificate (SSC) papers in 2021 were cancelled due to the pandemic. The rise in HSC enrolment has been attributed to the near cent per cent results in SSC 2021 when marks were allotted based on internal assessment.

Mumbai division has the maximum number of students. Konkan division, the smallest among the nine zones, had the highest pass percentage of 96.01%. Students who could not clear all their papers will get another chance at the supplementary exams to be held in July-August. The dates will be announced later. Class Improvement Scheme exams for passed students to better their scores will also be held.

Despite the board initiating a copy-free campaign, over 240 cases of malpractice were reported across the state.

A MASSIVE FIRE BROKE OUT AT A SCRAP GODOWN IN THANE'S BHIWANDI TOWN EARLIER THIS MORNING

A massive fire broke out at a scrap godown in Thane's Bhiwandi town earlier this morning.

According to the officials, a total of 4 fire tenders were sent to the spot.

Presently, the operation to douse the fire is underway, said Thane Municipal Corporation (TMC) official. No casualties or injuries were reported in the blaze. "Efforts are on to douse the blaze," the official said, adding that the cause of the fire could not be ascertained immediately.

A fire brigade official told news agency PTI, that the fire destroyed the scrap godown in Bhiwandi.

No one was injured in the blaze that broke out around 3 am at the godown in Katai village, Bhiwandi, the official said. Firefighters from Bhiwandi Nizampur Municipal Corporation took three hours to bring the fire under control. Everything inside the godown was destroyed, he said.

Cooling operations are underway, said the official, adding that the cause of the fire is yet to be ascertained.

Meanwhile, another fire incident was reported in Chembur's Swastik Chamber earlier in the morning. According to the officials, four fire engines were sent to the spot and the fire in the building was doused.

No casualty was reported. In another incident, a massive fire broke out at a furniture warehouse in the Bhawani Peth area of Pune. "No casualties or injuries were reported so far," the official said. "Massive fire breaks