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ASSAM

Assam to Get India’s First Public Sector Proton Beam Therapy Facility at GMCH

Assam has signed an MoU with Belgium-based IBA to procure a proton beam therapy machine for GMCH in Guwahati. Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said the proposed Rs 600-crore unit would be India’s first such facility in the public healthcare system and is int...



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Guwahati, October 31: Assam is set to strengthen its advanced cancer treatment infrastructure with the establishment of India’s first proton beam therapy facility in the public healthcare sector at Guwahati Medical College and Hospital (GMCH).

Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced on Saturday that the state government has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Belgium-based IBA to procure a proton beam therapy machine for GMCH.

The proposed machine is estimated to cost around Rs 600 crore and is expected to be installed within the next three years, according to the Chief Minister.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/assam-signs-deal-proton-beam-therapy-facility-gmch/

INDIA

INDIA Bloc Holds Symbolic ‘Public Impeachment’ of CEC Gyanesh Kumar in Delhi



New Delhi, October 31: The Opposition INDIA bloc held a symbolic “public impeachment” programme against Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar at the residence of Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge in New Delhi on Satu…
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INDIA

Delhi Police says no permission sought for Rahul Gandhi’s Nov 1 march



New Delhi, October 31: The INDIA bloc is set to intensify its protest against the Election Commission over the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls.
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https://www.newznow.co.in/delhi-police-no-permission-rahul-gandhi-nov-1-march/

ASSAM

Guwahati Hotel Shooting: Police Find No Major Evidence During Search at Prime Accused’s Residence



Guwahati, October 31: The investigation into the Guwahati Hotel Bilas Inn shooting case has encountered another challenge after a police search at the rented residence of prime accused Ghanakanta Gogoi in the city’s Saukuchi area…
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INDIA

Delhi court issues fresh warrants against Dhruv Rathee



New Delhi, October 31: A Delhi court on Saturday issued fresh bailable warrants against YouTuber Dhruv Rathee in a defamation case dating back to 2018.
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Kiren Rijiju Challenges Congress with Five Questions Ahead of INDIA Bloc's Delhi Rally

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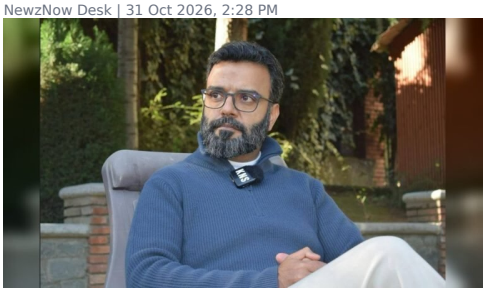
ew Delhi, October 31: Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju has challenged the Congress to answer five questions concerning its electoral defeats, voter list revisions and the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) exercise. His remarks came a day before the INDIA bloc's 'Chalo Delhi' rally scheduled at Ramlila Maidan on November 1.

In a post on social media, Rijiju questioned the Congress's allegations of electoral irregularities and asked the party to explain its electoral performance over the years. His first question referred to the 2014 Lok Sabha elections, when the Congress won only 44 seats. He asked how the party suffered such a defeat when the Election Commissioners had been appointed during a Congress-led government.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/rijiju-questions-congress-before-india-bloc-delhi-rally/

Srinagar MP Ruhullah Mehdi Announces Resignation

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Srinagar, October 31: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah's government is facing signs of internal discontent within the ruling National Conference (NC). The developments come amid dissatisfaction among some party legislators over the recent cabinet expansion and the announcement by Srinagar MP Aga Ruhullah Mehdi that he will resign from the party and his Lok Sabha seat on November 3.

In a statement posted on social media, Mehdi criticised the NC leadership for allegedly failing to honour its electoral promises, particularly those concerning the restoration of Article 370, the release of prisoners and the protection of people's rights.

He accused the party leadership of treating Jammu and Kashmir like a family estate and said he would not associate himself with what he described a…

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/ruhullah-mehdi-to-quit-nc-and-srinagar-lok-sabha-seat/

'Keep Rahul Gandhi Mock PM for Life': BJP Mocks INDIA Bloc's Public Impeachment Event

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New Delhi, October 31: The BJP on Saturday mocked the Congress-led INDIA bloc over its symbolic "public impeachment" programme against Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar, describing the event as a mockery of Parliament.

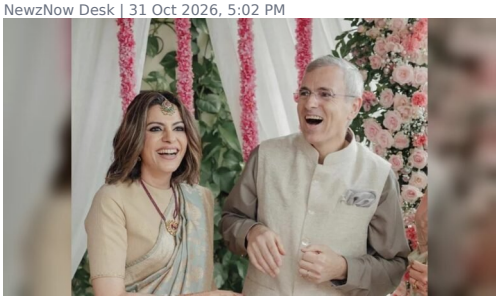
Addressing a press briefing alongside the Opposition bloc's programme, BJP national spokesperson Sambit Patra took a dig at Rahul Gandhi, saying, "The world has already realised that Rahul Gandhi lacks the fuel. This satellite will never launch. Keep him as your mock Prime Minister for life. We have no objection."

Patra also alleged that the first instance of vote theft in India's history took place during the tenure of former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/bjp-india-bloc-public-impeachment-cec-gyanesh-kumar/

Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah Marries Journalist Nidhi Razdan

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New Delhi, October 31: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah has married journalist Nidhi Razdan. He announced the news on social media on Saturday, sharing a photograph of the couple.

Posting a picture with Razdan on Instagram, Abdullah wrote, "A new journey began yesterday," and tagged her in the post. According to India Today, the wedding took place on Friday, October 30. The Chief Minister shared the announcement a day after the ceremony.

The announcement has drawn attention in political and media circles. However, neither Abdullah nor Razdan has shared further details about the wedding venue, the guest list or the ceremony.

The development comes around three months after the Supreme Court dealt with the divorce proceedings between Omar Abdullah and his estranged wife, Payal Abdu…

Full story:
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“See you tomorrow, let’s walk together.”: Rahul Gandhi Invites People to Join March

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New Delhi, October 31: Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi has invited people to join a march in the national capital ahead of the INDIA bloc’s rally scheduled at Ramlila Maidan on November 1.

In a social media post on Saturday, Gandhi said, “See you tomorrow, let’s walk together.”

He announced that the march would begin at noon on Sunday from the Minto Road junction near Connaught Place, proceed through Ajmeri Gate and culminate at Ramlila Maidan.

The INDIA bloc is scheduled to hold a major rally at Ramlila Maidan following the march. The protest centres on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls and the Opposition’s demand for the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/rahul-gandhi-delhi-march-ramlila-maidan-police-permission/

AAP Announces 40 Candidates for 2027 Punjab Polls, Bhagwant Mann to Contest from Dhuri

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Chandigarh, October 31: The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has announced its first list of 40 candidates for the 2027 Punjab Assembly elections. Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann will seek re-election from Dhuri, while jailed minister Sanjeev Arora has been fielded from Ludhiana West.

The candidates were finalised at a meeting of the party’s Political Affairs Committee (PAC) on Saturday. The meeting was held at the residence of AAP national convenor Arvind Kejriwal in New Delhi and was attended by Kejriwal, Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann, party’s Punjab in-charge Manish Sisodia, Finance Minister Harpal Cheema and other PAC members.

Punjab Assembly Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan has been nominated from Kotkapura.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/aap-40-punjab-poll-candidates-mann-dhuri-arora-ludhiana-west/

Hardeep Singh Puri Files Nomination for Rajya Sabha By-Election



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Bhopal, October 31: Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri on Saturday filed his nomination for the Rajya Sabha by-election from Madhya Pradesh. Chief Minister Dr Mohan Yadav and BJP State President Hemant Khandelwal were present at the Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly during the nomination process.

Before filing his nomination, Puri visited a Gurudwara and offered prayers. He later visited Karuna Dham Ashram, where he met Gurudev Sudesh Shandilya Maharaj and sought his blessings.

The BJP Central Election Committee had announced Puri as its candidate for the Madhya Pradesh Rajya Sabha by-election on October 28.

The seat became vacant following the resignation of Union Minister L. Murugan from the Rajya Sabha on October 13.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/hardeep-singh-puri-files-madhya-pradesh-rajya-sabha-bypoll-nomination/

President Droupadi Murmu Inaugurates Simhastha Kumbh Mela Celebrations in Nashik

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Nashik, October 31: The Simhastha Kumbh Mela celebrations began today in Nashik and Trimbakeshwar, Maharashtra, at the auspicious moment of Jupiter’s entry into the Leo zodiac sign. President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the celebrations by hoisting the main flag at Ramkund in Nashik.

Meanwhile, Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis hoisted the Dharma Dhwaj at Kushavarta Tirtha in Trimbakeshwar. Governor Jishnu Dev Varma, Deputy Chief Ministers Eknath Shinde and Sunetra Pawar, along with several seers, saints and other dignitaries, attended the occasion.

Before the flag-hoisting ceremony, President Murmu offered prayers at the Ganga Godavari Temple and Ramkund. The Chief Minister also offered prayers at Kushavarta Tirtha.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/president-murmu-inaugurates-simhastha-kumbh-mela-nashik/

Sardar Patel’s 151st Birth Anniversary: Nation Remembers the Architect of India’s Unity

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New Delhi, October 31: India on Saturday commemorated the 151st birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, remembering his decisive contribution to the country’s political integration, national unity and administrative foundations. President Droupadi Murmu, Vice-President C P Radhakrishnan, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah were among the leaders who paid tributes to the country’s first Deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister.

The occasion is also observed as Rashtriya Ekta Diwas or National Unity Day, reaffirming the country’s commitment to unity, integrity and security.

President Murmu and Vice-President Radhakrishnan paid floral tributes at Sardar Patel Chowk in New Delhi.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/leaders-pay-tributes-sardar-patel-national-unity-day-2026/

Assam

‘Akhil Gogoi Has Left Me in the Lurch’: Ratul Bora Expresses Frustration Over Zubeen Justice Campaign



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Guwahati, October 31: “Akhil Gogoi has left me in the lurch!” Advocate Ratul Bora, the first complainant in the death case of singer Zubeen Garg, has expressed frustration over his alleged inability to contact Sivasagar MLA Akhil Gogoi regarding the legal campaign for justice for the late singer.
Addressing a press conference at his residence on Friday, Bora said a meeting held at Zubeen Khetra on October 25 had decided that he would lead the legal fight in the case. He said the decision was taken in the presence of Akhil Gogoi and other participants.
However, Bora alleged that despite making repeated attempts, he had failed to get a response from the MLA.
“I have called Akhil two or three times, but he has not received my calls.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/akhil-gogoi-has-left-me-in-the-lurch-ratul-bora-expresses-frustration-over-zubeen-justice-campaign/

‘Akhil Gogoi, AASU, Ajmal and ULFA Are Protecting Himanta’: Former Assam Minister Neelamani Sen Deka



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Guwahati: Former Assam minister and Congress leader Neelamani Sen Deka has made a series of allegations against several political groups and organisations over the ongoing movement demanding justice for singer Zubeen Garg.
Sen Deka alleged that Akhil Gogoi, the All Assam Students’ Union (AASU), Badruddin Ajmal and the ULFA were acting as protectors of Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma. He claimed that these groups resort to different forms of agitation whenever the government faces political pressure.
According to Sen Deka, the protests initiated by Akhil Gogoi and AASU amid the growing public demand for justice for Zubeen Garg were aimed at shielding the government from criticism. These are political allegations made by the former minister.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/akhil-gogoi-aasu-ajmal-and-ulfa-are-protecting-himanta-former-assam-minister-neelamani-sen-deka/

Farmer seeks fresh hearing, alleges pollution by Progressive Hortichem



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A farmer at a public hearing on Saturday urged authorities to defer the process and convene another hearing after informing residents across four revenue villages, arguing that the current meeting did not have broad local participation.
The farmer alleged that more than 50 people had died in areas affected by Progressive Hortichem, naming Bamford, Velguri, Nihangdisa, Topatali and Dakshin Topatali. No evidence for the death toll was presented in the video, and the claims could not be independently verified.
Describing himself as a farmer, the participant alleged that water discharged from the company had damaged vegetation and fish in a large pond. He said company authorities had earlier told residents that a new pesticide operator had mistakenly opened a valve.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/farmer-seeks-fresh-hearing-alleges-pollution-by-progressive-hortichem/

Home Guard Personnel on Governor’s Convoy Security Duty Killed in Road Accident



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agiroad, October 31: A Home Guard personnel deployed for the security arrangements of the Governor’s convoy died in a tragic road accident at Dharamtul in Jagiroad.
The deceased, identified as Jitumoni Kalita, was performing security duty along the National Highway as the Governor’s convoy was scheduled to pass through the area. A speeding Eeco vehicle hit him, throwing him several feet away and leaving him critically injured.
He was immediately rushed to Morigaon Civil Hospital. However, doctors declared him dead after his arrival.
The incident has cast a pall of grief following the death of the Home Guard personnel while on duty.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/home-guard-personnel-on-governors-convoy-security-duty-killed-in-road-accident/

Two Road Projects Launched in Bhergaon, Residents Hope for Relief from Longstanding Problems



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Bhergaon, October 31: The BTC administration has launched two road construction projects in the Bhergaon council constituency. The foundation stones for the Suklai–Nalapara road and the Suklai–Rajagarh–Nalapara road were laid under the leadership of TCLCC Vice-Chairman Mahendra Basumatary.
Basumatary said the construction of the two roads would fulfil a long-standing demand of local residents. He reiterated that the BTC government was committed to addressing the basic problems faced by the people.
The dilapidated condition of the roads had caused considerable hardship for commuters and school students for a long time. Residents also faced difficulties in accessing emergency services because of the poor road conditions.

Full story:
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Leelawati Das Memorial Poetry Recitation Competition on November 7



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Gauhati Press Club and Inli Foundation to organise solo and duet categories; entries to be submitted by November 5
Guwahati, October 31: The Gauhati Press Club, in association with the Inli Foundation, will organise the Late Leelawati Das Memorial Inter-Media Solo and Duet Poetry Recitation Competition on November 7, 2026.
The competition will feature two categories—solo and duet. A maximum of six participants from each media organisation will be allowed to participate across both categories.
For the solo category, the organisers have selected five poems: ‘Andhar Ratir Elegy’ by Navakanta Barua, ‘Swapnabasavadatta’ by Nilmani Phookan, ‘Kanchanjanghar Buranji’ by Jyotiprasad Agarwala, ‘Jar Dinor Xopun’ by Hem Barua and ‘Natun’ by Jyotiprasad Agarwala.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/leelawati-das-memorial-poetry-recitation-competition-on-november-7/

“Police Should File a Strong Chargesheet”: Ghanakanta Gogoi’s Lawyer



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Guwahati, October 31: Jonmoni Gogoi, wife of Hotel Bilas Inn case accused Ghanakanta Gogoi, appeared at Dhemaji Police Station on Saturday. Her lawyer said she appeared before the police in response to their request.

According to the lawyer, Jonmoni has not surrendered. She appeared at the police station because the police had asked her to do so. The lawyer also remarked that surrender is something an accused person does.

Meanwhile, Ghanakanta Gogoi’s lawyer urged the police to file a strong chargesheet in the Hotel Bilas Inn murder case. He said that a strong chargesheet would make it easier for the defence to present its arguments.

The investigation into the Hotel Bilas Inn case is continuing, while Jonmoni’s appearance at Dhemaji Police Station and the lawyer’s remarks have drawn attention…

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19 Assam Police Personnel Selected for Kendriya Grihmantri Dakshata Padak 2026



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Guwahati, October 31: Nineteen police officers and personnel from Assam have been selected for the Kendriya Grihmantri Dakshata Padak 2026. A total of 490 officers and personnel from various states, Union Territories, Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and central police organisations have been chosen for the award.

Several Assam Police personnel have been recognised for their contributions in the special operations category. Among the recipients are Guwahati Police Commissioner Partha Sarathi Mahanta, Senior Superintendent of Police Pranab Kumar and Additional Superintendent of Police Kalyan Kumar Pathak.

Other recipients include Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police Anurag Sharma, Additional Superintendent of Police Boji Talukdar, and inspectors Kamalesh Singh, Bhaskarmani Patowary, Ch…

Full story:
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CM Issues Urgent Directive to All Ministers, Local MLAs Must Be Invited to Meetings



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Guwahati, October 31: The Chief Minister’s Office has issued an important directive to all ministers in Assam, asking them to ensure that the concerned local MLAs are invited to committee meetings and government programmes.

According to the directive, complaints had emerged that local legislators were not being given due importance and were often not invited to meetings of various committees. The Chief Minister’s Office has now issued clear instructions to address the matter.

What does the directive say?

The directive is expected to ensure greater participation of local legislators in official meetings and government programmes.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/cm-issues-urgent-directive-to-all-ministers-local-mlas-must-be-invited-to-meetings/

ATASU Calls 12-Hour Sivasagar District Bandh on November 6

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ivasagar, October 31: The All Tai Ahom Students’ Union (ATASU) has called a 12-hour Sivasagar district bandh on November 6, demanding the protection of Assam’s heritage and eviction of alleged encroachments at Jamuna. ATASU president Basanta Gogoi announced the bandh following the failure of a meeting with the district administration.

According to information available, the Sivasagar district administration had invited the central leadership of ATASU for discussions on Saturday. However, the organisation’s leaders expressed displeasure over the absence of Deputy Commissioner Mridul Yadav from the meeting, particularly as a sensitive issue was scheduled to be discussed.

Following the development, the agitated ATASU leaders walked out of the meeting venue.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/atasu-calls-12-hour-sivasagar-district-bandh-on-november-6/

World

Anti-India Slogans at NCP Rally in Dhaka; Nahid Islam Demands Renegotiation of Ganga Water Treaty

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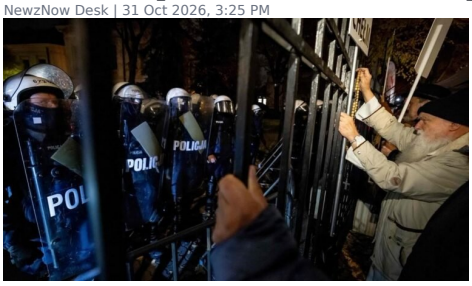
Dhaka, October 31: Anti-India slogans resurfaced in Bangladesh during a protest rally organised by the National Citizen Party (NCP) in Dhaka on Friday. The rally was held against rising prices, power shortages and the scarcity of fuel and gas. However, the demonstration also witnessed slogans targeting India, with NCP convenor Nahid Islam raising several allegations against New Delhi.

The protest was held in front of the National Museum in Dhaka and was attended by NCP leaders and supporters. Addressing the gathering, Nahid Islam demanded the resignation of Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed and Energy Minister Iqbal Hassan Mahmood Tuku. He warned that protests would be intensified across the country if the demands were not met.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/dhaka-protest-india-ganga-water-treaty-nahid-islam/

Police Secure Poland's Constitutional Tribunal as Protests Erupt Over Court Chief's Suspension

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Warsaw, October 31: Police secured Poland's Constitutional Tribunal in Warsaw on Friday after protests erupted over the suspension of its president, Bogdan Święczkowski, by judges aligned with the current pro-European government.

Dozens of protesters gathered outside the Tribunal to oppose what they described as the wrongful suspension of its chief. Police said three people were detained after some demonstrators breached the Tribunal's fence and others threw objects at officers.

The protests followed the suspension of Tribunal President Święczkowski and Vice-President Bartłomiej Sochański. Judge Anna Korwin-Piotrowska announced the move and said she would take charge of the institution.

President returns from Senegal

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/police-detain-three-polish-constitutional-tribunal-protests/

Northeast

USTM Holds 12th Convocation; Zubeen Garg Memorial Gold Medal Instituted



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Ri-Bhoi, October 31: The University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM), the first private university in the Northeast, held its 12th convocation at the university's main auditorium on Saturday. Supreme Court judge Justice Ujjal Bhuyan attended the ceremony as the chief guest.

In his address, Justice Bhuyan congratulated the USTM family for establishing the university's reputation in the field of education across the Northeast and the country. Referring to the institution's cultural richness and the ethnic diversity among its students, he described USTM as an example of "unity in diversity".

Speaking about the responsibilities of teachers, Justice Bhuyan referred to former President of India and 'Missile Man' Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/ustm-holds-12th-convocation-zubeen-garg-memorial-gold-medal-instituted/

Meitei and Naga Groups Stage Statewide Rallies in Manipur, Demand Abrogation of SoO Pact

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Imphal, October 31: Meitei and Naga organisations staged rallies across Manipur on Saturday, demanding the abrogation of the Suspension of Operations (SoO) agreement with Kuki militant groups. Thousands of people participated in a major rally organised by the Coordinating Committee on Manipur Integrity (COCOMI) in Imphal, while parallel protests were held in several Naga-dominated hill districts.

The Imphal rally began at Tiddim Ground and proceeded towards THAU Ground. The United Naga Council (UNC) endorsed the mobilisation and called upon Naga organisations to organise solidarity rallies and protests in their respective districts.

Protesters carried placards and banners with slogans such as "Save Manipur", "We want peace and justice" and "Abrogate SoO Pact".

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/manipur-meitei-naga-rally-demand-end-soo-pact/

Two KCP (Nongdrenkhomba) militants held in Imphal East kidnapping case



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Imphal, October 31: Security forces have arrested two members of a banned outfit for their alleged involvement in the kidnapping of a woman in Manipur's Imphal East district, police said on Saturday.

The arrested men are members of the banned Kangleipak Communist Party (Nongdrenkhomba), according to a police statement.

A joint team of police commandos and personnel from the 31st Assam Rifles apprehended the two suspects on Thursday.

Police said they were suspected of involvement in the kidnapping of a woman from Top Awang Leikai in Imphal East district on September 3.

A firearm, ammunition and a car were seized from their possession, the police statement said.

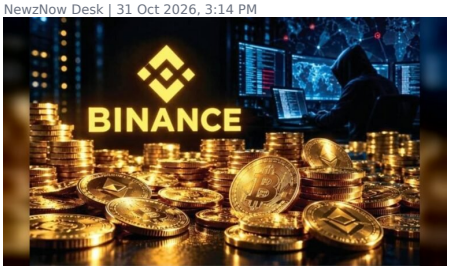
Security forces have continued search operations across Manipur since ethnic violence broke out in the State in May 2023.

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https://www.newznow.co.in/two-kcp-nongdrenkhomba-militants-held-imphal-east-kidnapping/

Business

Binance Hit by Suspected $6.3 Billion Crypto Hack; Firm Promises to Cover All Losses

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October 30: Cryptocurrency giant Binance has reported a major security incident that has impacted approximately $6.3 billion (£4.7 billion) worth of digital assets. The company said it would cover all losses suffered by affected users.

According to Binance's preliminary findings, the suspected attack may have involved a compromised laptop belonging to an engineer. The attacker allegedly used the compromised access to carry out unauthorised withdrawals.

Binance said around $3 billion worth of assets had been frozen with assistance from other cryptocurrency platforms. Efforts to trace and recover the remaining assets are continuing.

The company has also promised to release a detailed report after its investigation is completed.

North Korean hacking group suspected

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/binance-6-3bn-digital-assets-hit-suspected-record-crypto-hack/

Sports

“Send Him Home If He Won’t Play”: Aakash Chopra Questions India’s Plans for Vaibhav Sooryavanshi

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New Delhi, October 31: Former India opener Aakash Chopra has questioned the team management’s plans for teenage batter Vaibhav Sooryavanshi after the youngster was left out of the fourth T20I against New Zealand.

Chopra believes India should clearly communicate Sooryavanshi’s role and long-term prospects in the team. He suggested that if the 15-year-old is not likely to get regular opportunities, he should return to domestic cricket, particularly first-class cricket, to gain match experience.

Sooryavanshi featured in the second and third T20Is after Ishan Kishan was ruled out due to injury. He scored four runs in the second match before making an impressive 45 off just 19 balls in the third T20I.

Full story:
https://www.newznow.co.in/aakash-chopra-urges-clarity-on-vaibhav-sooryavanshi-india-role/

India Beat Japan 4-1 to Register Third Consecutive Win in Asian Champions Trophy

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Jalandhar, October 31: India continued their winning run in the Men’s Asian Champions Trophy, registering their third consecutive victory with a convincing 4-1 win over Japan in Jalandhar, Punjab, last evening.

Abhishek Nain emerged as the star of the match, scoring two field goals and earning the Player of the Match award. Vishnukant Singh scored one goal, while Indian captain Harmanpreet Singh converted a penalty corner to register his fifth goal of the tournament.

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New Delhi, October 31: India have added right-arm pacer Auqib Nabi to their squad for the first three One-Day Internationals against New Zealand. Nabi, who was initially selected only for the fourth and fifth matches, will now be available from the beginning of the five-match series.

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) announced the squad update on Saturday. The change follows the exclusion of Prasidh Krishna, who has been ruled out of the entire ODI series after failing to recover from a hamstring injury.

The five-match ODI series will begin on November 4, with the opening match scheduled to be played at Eden Park in Auckland.

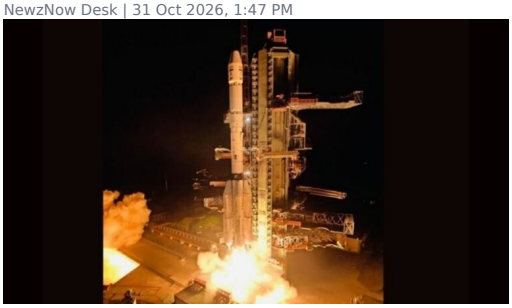
Nabi made his ODI debut for India against the West Indies in the second ODI in Guwahati last month.

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Technology

ISRO launches NVS-03 navigation satellite aboard GSLV-F18

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New Delhi, October 31: The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully launched its next-generation navigation satellite, NVS-03, marking a significant step towards strengthening India's indigenous satellite navigation system, NavIC.

The GSLV-F18 rocket carrying the satellite lifted off at 11:51 pm on Friday from the Second Launch Pad at the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.

Weighing approximately 2,232 kg, the satellite was successfully injected into its designated Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO). The mission marked the 20th flight of India's Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV).

NVS-03 is the third satellite in ISRO's second-generation navigation satellite series.

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