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INDIA

No legal bar on male police handling women during crowd control: Delhi Police

Delhi Police told the Supreme Court that no law required only women personnel to handle women during crowd-control operations.



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NEW DELHI, Nov 18: Delhi Police told the Supreme Court that there was no legal requirement for only women police personnel to handle women protesters during crowd-control operations.
In an affidavit, the police said provisions requiring the presence of women personnel while searching or arresting women did not apply in the same manner to crowd-control operations.

Full story:
https://newznow.in/en/news/4269

ASSAM

Fans mark Zubeen Garg's birthday across Assam



GUWAHATI, Nov 18: Fans across Assam marked the birthday of singer Zubeen Garg, cutting cakes and sharing birthday wishes from midnight.
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ASSAM

Utpal Sharma criticises lack of government arrangements at Zubeen Kshetra



AASU president Utpal Sharma criticised the Assam government for not making any arrangements at Zubeen Kshetra on Zubeen Garg's second birthday since his death.
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WORLD

BJP targets Rahul Gandhi over Columbia University remarks



NEW DELHI, Nov 18: The BJP on Tuesday criticised Congress leader and Lok Sabha Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi over his remarks on India's economy at Columbia University in the United Stat...
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ASSAM

Sarma pays tribute to Zubeen Garg on his birthday



GUWAHATI, Nov 18: Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Tuesday paid tribute to singer Zubeen Garg on his birthday and said the artiste continued to live in the hearts of the people of Assam...
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ASSAM

Zubeen Garg's father prays for his return on 54th birthday

খাহ আলম | 18 Nov 2026, 2:03 PM



GUWAHATI, Nov 18: Kapil Barthakur became emotional on the 54th birthday of his son, Zubeen Garg, and prayed to God for his return.

He expressed gratitude for the affection and love shown by the people of Assam for Zubeen on his birthday.

Barthakur said he hoped that the people's sincere love for his son would always remain intact.

He said the love and respect shown by fans and the public on Zubeen's birthday had moved the family despite the pain of losing him.

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ASSAM

Magisterial inquiry begins into Ghanakanta Gogoi's death

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 4:03 PM



SIVASAGAR: The district administration has ordered a magisterial inquiry into the death of Ghanakanta Gogoi, the main accused in the Guwahati hotel shooting case, who died after police firing in Sivasagar on November 4.

The inquiry will examine the circumstances surrounding the firing at around 3.10 am near Rongmon Dhaba in Phulpanisiga village under Gaurisagar police station.

Police said Gogoi, who was in custody, got out of the vehicle on the pretext of urinating and tried to snatch a service pistol from a police officer.

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ASSAM

Mohilary announces Rs 30 crore for Zubeen Garg park in Kokrajhar

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 2:50 PM



KOKRAJHAR, Nov 18: Bodoland Territorial Council Chief Executive Member Hagrama Mohilary on Tuesday announced an allocation of Rs 30 crore for a park to be built in the name of singer Zubeen Garg.

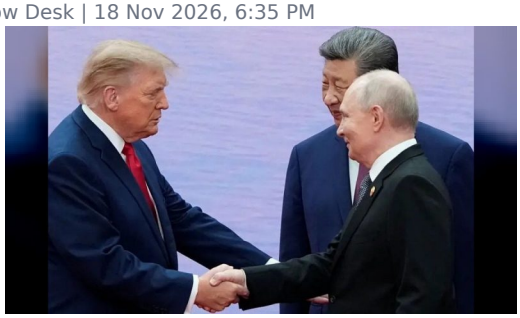
Mohilary made the announcement at a programme held at Zubeen Park in Chandmari, Kokrajhar, to mark Garg's 54th birth anniversary. He paid tribute to the singer's portrait and recalled his memory, ideals and contribution to society.

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WORLD

Trump, Putin meet in Shenzhen ahead of Thursday talks

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 6:35 PM



SHENZHEN, Nov 18: US President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin met in Shenzhen on Wednesday, their first meeting in more than a year, as leaders gathered for an Asia-Pacific summit.

Chinese President Xi Jinping received Trump at the airport. The two leaders shook hands, embraced and exchanged greetings.

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INDIA

Modi reviews schemes, Viksit Bharat 2047 plan at ministers' meeting

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 7:24 PM



NEW DELHI, Nov 18: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday chaired a meeting of the Union Council of Ministers at Bharat Mandapam in Delhi that lasted around three-and-a-half hours.

The meeting reviewed the progress of government schemes, pending work, future plans and the government's key priorities. Modi held the meeting after returning from Manila in the Philippines, where he attended the 49th ASEAN Summit on November 16 and 17.

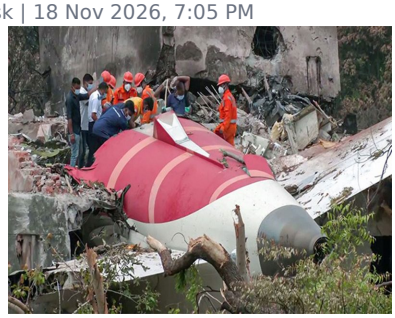
Modi asked ministers to ensure that the benefits of government schemes reached people directly and easily.

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INDIA

Centre seeks two to three weeks for AI-171 crash final report

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 7:05 PM



NEW DELHI, Nov 18: The Centre on Wednesday told the Supreme Court that the investigation into the Air India AI-171 crash in Ahmedabad was nearing completion and sought another two to three weeks to release the final report.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the Centre and the Directorate General of Civil Avi...

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POLITICS

Azam Khan released from Dasna jail on interim bail

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 6:57 PM



Samajwadi Party leader Azam Khan was released from Dasna jail in Ghaziabad on Wednesday after the Allahabad High Court granted him interim bail in a money-laundering case.

The 78-year-old leader walked out after legal formalities for his bail were completed.

Earlier on Tuesday, the Supreme Court dismissed the Uttar Pradesh government's plea against the suspension of Khan's conviction in a fake birth certificate case. His wife Tazeen Fatima and son Abdullah Azam also received relief in the same case.

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WORLD

One Indian missing after attack on LPG tanker in Strait of Hormuz

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 6:54 PM



NEW DELHI, Nov 18: One Indian national remained missing and two Indian crew members were injured after an attack on the Panama-flagged LPG tanker MT Tara Gas in the Strait of Hormuz on November 16.

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INDIA

Bird flu fears hit Namakkal egg exports

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NAMAKKAL, Nov 18: Bird flu fears have hit the egg industry in Tamil Nadu's Namakkal, with importers in the United Arab Emirates, Oman and South Africa cancelling orders.

The cancellations followed reports of bird flu spreading in Namakkal, one of India's major poultry production centres. Poultry traders said the decline in exports had made it difficult to recover production costs.

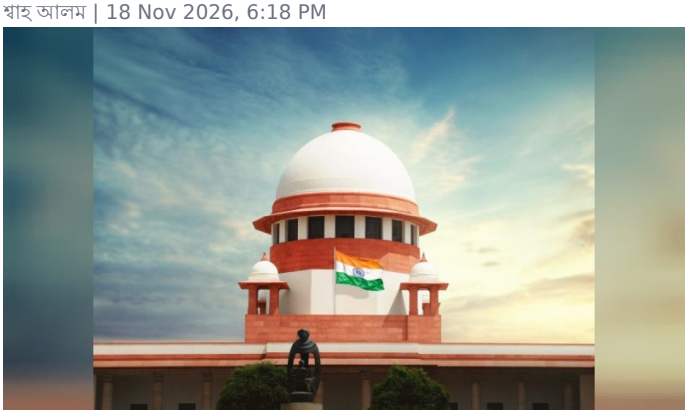
About six months ago, Namakkal exported around 25 crore eggs a month.

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INDIA

Supreme Court issues notices over plea on impact of Delhi protests

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NEW DELHI, Nov 18: The Supreme Court issued notices to the Congress, Aam Aadmi Party, Kakoroch Janata Party and All India Students Union on a plea alleging that protest programmes at Ramlila Maidan affected trade and the livelihoods of local residents.

A bench headed by Chief Justice Surya Kant also sought responses from the Centre and the Delhi government on Wednesday. Justices Joymalya Bagchi and V Mohana were also on the bench.

The court listed the matter for further hearing after two weeks.

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INDIA

Supreme Court dismisses plea to stop animal sacrifice in religious rituals

শাহ্ আলম | 18 Nov 2026, 6:26 PM



NEW DELHI, Nov 18: The Supreme Court on Wednesday dismissed a plea seeking to stop the killing of animals in the name of religious rituals and traditions.

A bench of Justices Vikram Nath, R Mahadevan and Apares Kumar Singh dismissed the petition after hearing the petitioner's submissions.

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INDIA

Shiv Sena protest over references to Savarkar in Sonia Gandhi's book

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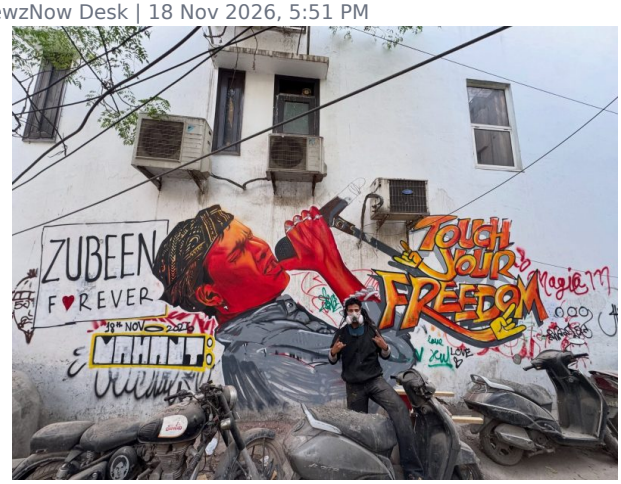
MUMBAI, Nov 18: The Eknath Shinde-led Shiv Sena protested against references to Veer Savarkar and the RSS in Congress leader Sonia Gandhi's book, 'Belonging: A Journey of Love', triggering a separate controversy over a photograph torn by party leader Shaina NC.

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INDIA

Zubeen Garg mural painted in Delhi on 54th birthday

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 5:51 PM



NEW DELHI, Nov 18: Artist Nilim Mahanta painted a mural of singer Zubeen Garg in Humayunpur here to mark his 54th birthday.

The mural was painted on a wall in a public space in Humayunpur, in Safdarjung Enclave. It depicted Garg singing with a microphone in his hand.

Titled 'ZG Forever', the artwork was shared by Mahanta on social media. He also invited fans to visit the site and view the mural.

It was reportedly the first tribute to Garg through a mural in a public space in New Delhi.

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ASSAM

Yogi Adityanath says Rahul Gandhi lacks maturity

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 5:34 PM



Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on November 18 said Congress leader and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi lacked maturity, amid criticism by BJP leaders over his recent public remarks.

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NORTHEAST

Army captain dies after vehicle falls into river in Manipur

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 4:47 PM



IMPHAL, Nov 18: An Indian Army captain died and three soldiers were critically injured after a vehicle carrying personnel fell into the Itam river in Manipur's Imphal East district on Tuesday.

The accident occurred in the Lamlai-Challou area. Rescue personnel pulled the soldiers out of the vehicle and shifted the injured to hospital.

Captain Hanuman Ram, 29, sustained serious injuries and died during treatment.

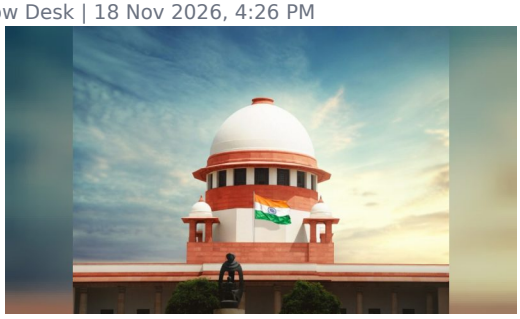
The injured were identified as Sepoy Mali Jayesh Himmat, 24, Sepoy Rakesh Sarpate, 37, and Agniveer Akhilesh Kumar Shah, 19.

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INDIA

Supreme Court agrees to hear plea to remove 'Vote Chor, Gaddi Chhod' video

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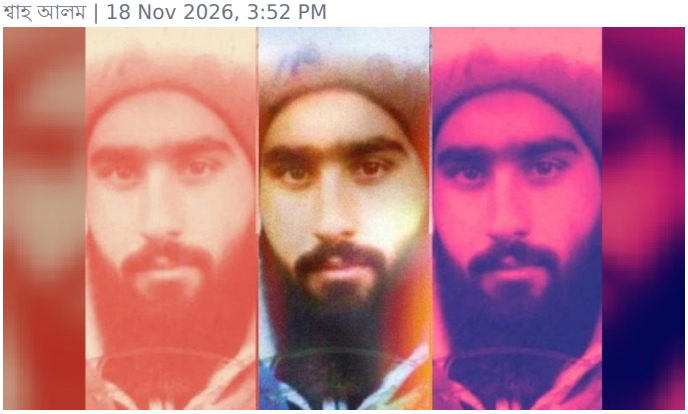
NEW DELHI, Nov 18: The Supreme Court agreed to hear on Friday a plea seeking the removal from social media of a video featuring Italian political leader Giacomo Filibeck using the slogan 'Vote Chor, Gaddi Chhod'.

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INDIA

LeT terrorist Latif Bhat killed in Kulgam operation

শাহ আলম | 18 Nov 2026, 3:52 PM



SRINAGAR, Nov 18: Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorist Latif Bhat was killed in an operation by security forces in Jammu and Kashmir's Kulgam district, security agencies said on Tuesday.

The 22-year-old, classified as a Category-A terrorist, was killed exactly a year after joining the outfit on November 18, 2025. He had led LeT activities in south Kashmir's Kulgam and was considered an important local member of the group, they said.

Bhat had taken shelter inside a mosque during the operation. Security forces gave him an opportunity to surrender th...

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INDIA

Gadkari says transport sector accounts for 40 per cent of India's air pollution

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 1:26 PM



NEW DELHI, Nov 18: Union Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari said he accepted moral responsibility for about 40 per cent of India's air pollution as the transport sector accounted for that share.

Gadkari made the remarks while addressing the 14th CII Bioenergy Summit in New Delhi on November 17.

He said the number of vehicles had risen with the construction of better roads. Smoke emitted by petrol- and diesel-run vehicles had made the problem of air pollution more serious, he said.

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INDIA

Mumbai slum resident becomes IFS officer after IIT Madras

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 1:58 PM



Gautam Padibhar, who grew up in a Mumbai slum, became an Indian Forest Service officer after studying at IIT Madras and securing All India Rank 139 in the 2022 UPSC Indian Forest Service examination.

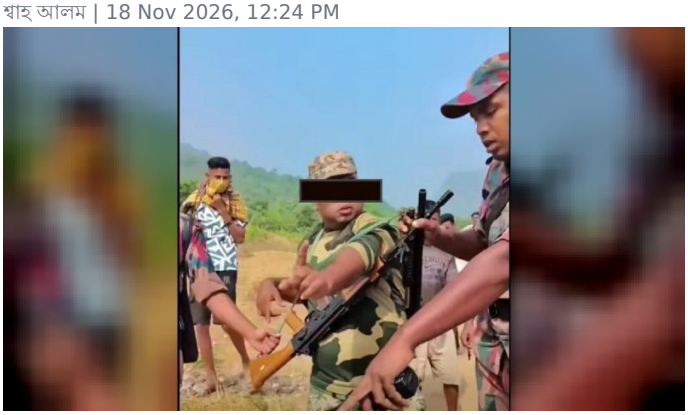
Padibhar was appointed to the Chhattisgarh cadre as a 2023 batch officer.

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WORLD

BSF trooper returned from Bangladesh after flag meeting

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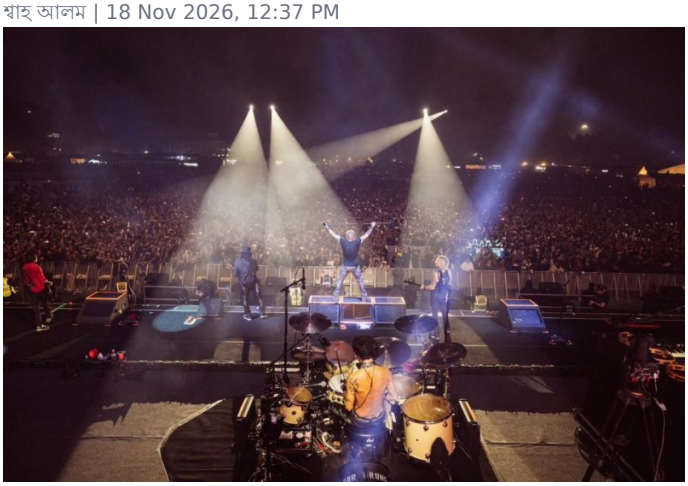
MEGHALAYA, Nov 18: A Border Security Force trooper who inadvertently crossed the international border into Bangladesh from Meghalaya was returned to India after a flag meeting between the two countries' border forces on...

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ENTERTAINMENT

Guns N' Roses perform before over 30,000 fans in Guwahati

শাহ্ আলম | 18 Nov 2026, 12:37 PM



GUWAHATI, Nov 18: American rock band Guns N' Roses performed in the Northeast for the first time in Guwahati, drawing more than 30,000 music lovers to the Veterinary College playground at Khanapara.

Lead vocalist Axl Rose, guitarist Slash and bassist Duff McKagan performed several popular songs, including Welcome to the Jungle, Sweet Child O' Mine, Paradise City and November Rain.

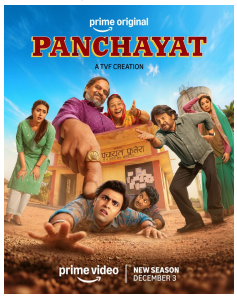
Fans from different districts of Assam, as well as Shillong, Dimapur, Itanagar, Aizawl and other places, attended the concert. Thousands sang and danced along with the band during the performance.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Panchayat Season 5 to release on December 3

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 7:15 PM



NEW DELHI, Nov 18: The fifth season of the web series Panchayat will release on Prime Video on December 3.

The new season will bring back familiar characters from Phulera and feature both conflict and warmth in the village.

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ASSAM

Bhabesh Kalita calls Congress a destroyer of the country

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 8:07 PM



Rangia: Rangia MLA Bhavesh Kalita has once again launched a sharp attack on the Congress party, describing it as a force responsible for destroying the country. His remark that reading an autobiographical book about Congress would itself be a sin has sparked fresh political discussion in Assam.

Kalita's criticism of the Congress was particularly strong in tone. His comments reflected dissatisfaction with the party's history and its political role.

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ASSAM

Assam-wide essay competition announced to promote scientific temper

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 7:44 PM



GUWAHATI, Nov 18: Publishing group Barna, in association with the family of scientist Dr Hiranya Chandra Bhuyan, announced an Assam-wide essay competition to promote scientific temper and interest in science among students.

The theme of the competition is "Bigyane Anile Jowar" (Science Brought a Wave). It will be held in two categories: Classes 8 to 10 and Classes 11 and 12.

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ASSAM

Zubeen Garg's life story included in school textbooks

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: The life story of late Assamese artiste Zubeen Garg has been included in textbooks for Classes IX, X and Higher Secondary first year, BJP Assam Pradesh president Dilip Saikia said on the artiste's birth anniversary.

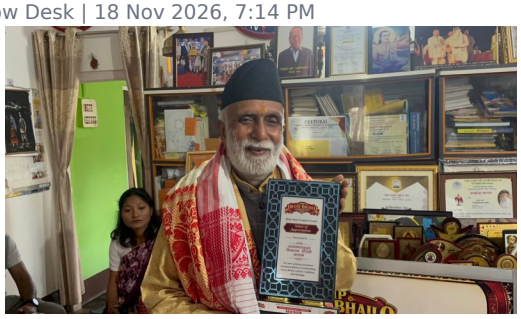
Paying tribute to Garg, Saikia said the artiste continued to live in people's hearts through his music and contribution to Assamese culture. He described Garg as not merely a singer but a cultural phenomenon whose voice united people across generations and geographical boundaries.

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ASSAM

Bihali's Ama Kala Kunj wins international Deusi-Bhaili competition

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 7:14 PM



Behali, November 18: Bringing laurels to Behali, the cultural group 'Ama Kala Kunj' has secured first place at an international Deusi-Bhaili competition held in Siliguri, Darjeeling district of West Bengal.

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ASSAM

Retired Howraghat teacher Mohammad Nurul Islam Choudhury dies

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 5:57 PM



HOWRAGHAT, Nov 18: Mohammad Nurul Islam Choudhury, a retired Hindi teacher at Howraghat Higher Secondary School, died at 11.30 pm on November 17, 2026. He had retired from service on November 1, 2009.

Choudhury taught at the school for many years with dedication and honesty.

A school delegation comprising teachers Krishna Saha, Homeswar Kalita and Maqbool Hussain Mazumdar, and teacher Sabita Sandikai, visited his residence and paid their last respects to his mortal remains.

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ASSAM

Prabuddha Nagarik Sabha held in Digboi

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 4:47 PM



DIGBOI: A Prabuddha Nagarik Sabha, organised by civil society groups in the Digboi Assembly constituency, was held at the Luit Shilpi Samaj auditorium here.

Tinsukia MLA Pulak Gohain condemned what he described as attacks without facts or evidence by opposition parties on the Election Commission's work, policies and rules.

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ASSAM

Student bodies hold water protest in Dikhow river against illegal mining

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 4:46 PM



SIVASAGAR, Nov 18: Two student organisations staged a 'Jal Satyagraha' in the Dikhow river on Tuesday, alleging illegal sand, stone and coal mining in and around the river and in neighbouring Nagaland.

Members of the Assam Youth Students' Conference and the All Assam Scheduled Caste Students' Union stood waist-deep in the river to draw the attention of the government and administration to their demands.

The organisations alleged that unchecked illegal mining had worsened floods and erosion in Sivasagar, Charaideo and other areas.

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ASSAM

Sivasagar college student found dead in hostel

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SIVASAGAR, Nov 18: A college student was found dead under unusual circumstances at a girls' hostel in the Babupatty area of Sivasagar town, police said.

The deceased was identified as Parismita Dutta of Jaji Amguri. She was a third-semester BCom student at Sivasagar Commerce College.

Other residents of the Vision Market girls' hostel became suspicious after the door to her room remained closed until around 12 noon on Wednesday. They opened the door and found her body inside.

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ASSAM

Marcel Barua's detention disrespectful to Zubeen, says Saikia

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KMSS general secretary Bidyut Saikia said the detention of artist Marcel Barua when he went to complete an unfinished portrait of Zubeen Garg on the singer's birthday showed disrespect towards Zubeen.

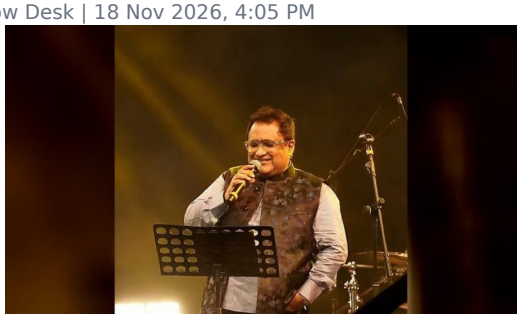
Saikia said Barua had announced long ago that he would complete the portrait on Zubeen Garg's birthday.

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ASSAM

Kunal Ganjawala arrives in Dibrugarh for Zubeen Garg birthday programme

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DIBRUGARH, Nov 18: Bollywood singer Kunal Ganjawala arrived in Dibrugarh on Wednesday to attend a programme marking the 54th birthday of singer Zubeen Garg.

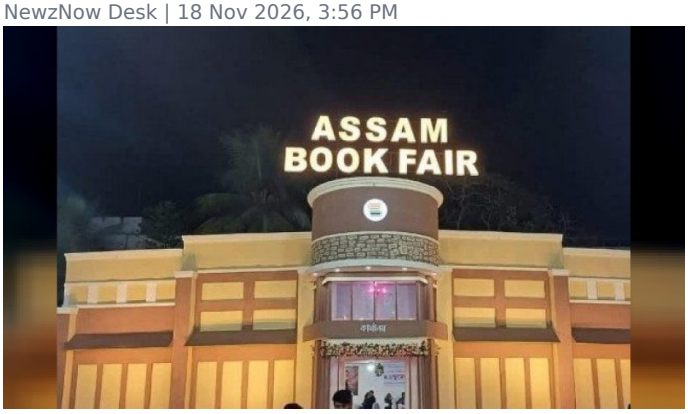
Ganjawala will take part in the 'Sristir Din' programme at the Chowkidingee playground in the evening.

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ASSAM

Assam Book Fair to open at Khanapara on December 24

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: The Assam Book Fair will be held at the Assam Veterinary College playground in Khanapara from December 24, 2026, to January 6, 2027.

The 14-day fair will be jointly organised by the Assam Publication Board and the Publishers and Booksellers Guild, North-East.

The duration of the fair has been extended to 14 days from 12 days earlier.

Publishing houses from Assam, Delhi and Kolkata will take part in the fair.

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ASSAM

Bodo Sahitya Sabha's 75th foundation day held at Meteka

NewzNow Desk | 18 Nov 2026, 3:35 PM



HAWARAGHAT, Nov 18: The 75th foundation day, or platinum jubilee, of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha and the second annual session of the Daima Daicha Primary Bodo Sahitya Sabha concluded on Monday at the playground of Meteka village under the Nomati Parishad constituency in Karbi Anglong.

Nomati VDC chairman Britain Mahela inaugurated the entrance gate.

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ASSAM

Assam Congress observes Zubeen Garg's birthday at Rajiv Bhavan

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: The Assam Pradesh Congress Committee on Tuesday observed singer Zubeen Garg's birthday at Rajiv Bhavan here. Party leaders paid floral tributes and lit lamps before his portrait.

MLA Bebi Begum, senior Congress leader and general secretary Bipul Gogoi, media department chairman Bedabrata Bora, senior leader Gunakanta Gogo...

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ASSAM

First phase of Zubeen Kshetra approved on Zubeen Garg's birthday

শ্বাহ্ আলম | 18 Nov 2026, 3:32 PM



GUWAHATI/KOKRAJHAR, Nov 18: Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma approved the first phase of construction of Zubeen Kshetra on singer Zubeen Garg's 54th birth anniversary.

In a social media post, Sarma said future generations would experience Zubeen through Zubeen Kshetra, become familiar with his creations and carry their essence with them.

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ASSAM

Two accused sent to seven-day police custody in Duliajan triple murder case

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DIBRUGARH, Nov 18: A court here sent two accused, Raju Das and Amir Das, to seven days' police custody in connection with the murder of three members of a family in Duliajan.

The court passed the order after the two were produced before it. Police sought their custody for further investigation.

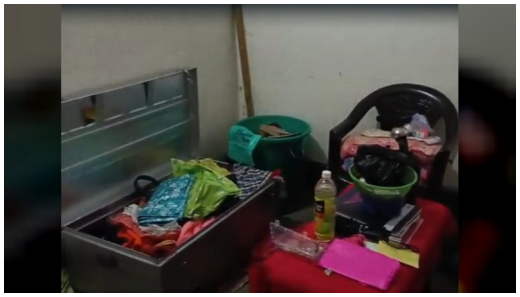
The bodies of retired Oil India employee Chandrakanta Bhuyan, his wife Eliza Bhuyan and their daughter Niharika Bhuyan were recovered from separate rooms of their house in the Kamalabari area of Duliajan.

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Gang in police uniforms loots cash, phones in Mukalmua

Ajij Ali | 18 Nov 2026, 2:47 PM



MUKALMUA, Nov 18: A gang allegedly wearing police uniforms tied up a mother and her son before looting cash and three mobile phones from their rented house at Chanda in Nalbari district, police said.

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Corruption case against Rani Narah to be heard by special judge

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: A corruption case against former MP Rani Narah will now be heard by a special judge's court.

The Chief Minister's Vigilance Cell registered the case in 2018 over alleged irregularities in the implementation of public welfare schemes during Narah's tenure as an MP.

The case has moved to the next stage of trial before the special judge's court. The court will examine allegations related to the implementation of development schemes and the use of funds allocated for public welfare projects.

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Pami Borthakur calls for keeping Zubin Garg's legacy alive

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: Pami Borthakur, sister of singer Zubin Garg, called on people to keep his memories, ideals and creative work alive among future generations on his birthday.

She said Garg should not be remembered only on his birthday. His thoughts, contributions and outlook on life should be discussed regularly, she said.

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AASU vows to continue demand for justice for Zubeen Garg

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: All Assam Students' Union (AASU) chief adviser Samujjal Kumar Bhattacharya said the organisation would continue its movement and demand for justice in the death case of singer Zubeen Garg until justice was ensured.

Paying tribute to Garg on his birth anniversary, Bhattacharya said the Assam government was responsible for proving in court every point mentioned in the Special Investigation Team (SIT) report on the singer's death.

He said the government must take effective steps to establish the facts mentioned in the rep...

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ASSAM

Seven youths accused of assaulting traffic constable after Guns N' Roses concert

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: A group of seven youths allegedly assaulted a traffic constable in Khanapara after a Guns N' Roses concert on Tuesday night, police said.

Dispur traffic branch constable Tinku Mani Deka was regulating traffic in the area when the group attempted to cross the road dangerously amid moving vehicles, police said.

Deka stopped them, following which an argument broke out. Some members of the group allegedly assaulted the constable, police said.

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Merapani youths begin cycle journey to Everest Base Camp

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: Two youths from Merapani in Golaghat district, Rupam Gogoi and Saurav Das, began a cycle journey to Mount Everest Base Camp from Zubeen Kshetra here.

The two paid tribute to Zubeen Garg before beginning the journey.

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Assam warns repeat helmet offenders of licence, registration cancellation

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma warned that the driving licences and vehicle registrations of repeat helmet-rule violators could be cancelled.

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WORLD

India signs Rs 1,976.40 crore deal with Israel to upgrade Navy's Barak system

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NEW DELHI, Nov 18: The Ministry of Defence signed a Rs 1,976.40 crore contract with Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI) to upgrade the Barak Point Defence Missile System installed on Indian Navy warships.

The agreement was signed in New Delhi on November 18 in the presence of Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh.

The contract covered upgrades to the system and obsolescence management of its components. It included extensive hardware and software upgrades to the missile system, the ministry said.

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ATASU burns Yogen Mohan's effigy in Sivasagar protest

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SIVASAGAR, Nov 18: The All Tai Ahom Students' Union (ATASU) on Wednesday staged a protest at Daulmukh Chariali in Sivasagar town, alleging a conspiracy to create divisions within the Ahom community.

Protesters burnt an effigy of MP and minister Yogen Mohan and raised slogans against the alleged attempt to divide the community.

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Artist Marcel Barua detained while painting Zubeen Garg portrait

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GUWAHATI, Nov 18: Artist Marcel Barua alleged that Dispur police detained him while he was attempting to complete an unfinished portrait of Zubeen Garg beneath the Ganeshguri flyover on Tuesday.

Barua said police also detained three labourers, including a driver who had gone to bring a ladder for the work. A vehicle carrying bamboo and other materials for the painting was seized, he alleged.

The administration had banned wall paintings beneath the flyover, following which police took action. Barua had gone there to complete an unfinished portrait of Garg.

He said police had earlier stopped him for nearly three hours while he was painting, causing difficulties in arranging materials. He said he had informed the administration in advance and wrote an open letter to Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on November 16, seeking cooperation to complete the portrait.

No official statement from Dispur police on the reason for the detention was available till 11.24 am. There was also no official confirmation that Barua and his associates had been released by then.

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