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Lebanon under fire



Zelenskyy meets Modi in U.S., expresses gratitude + for efforts towards peace

Prime Minister Narendra Modi met with Ukreimian President Vidoslymy Ze-Arterioon, before depart-ing New York for New De-lut. My Zelenkoy's team ing, according to Foreign Secretary Viloram Misst. There was no discussion on Enders purchase of this prieding to program of the price of the Communication of the manual programs.

briefed journalists on Mon syy had told Indian jour-nalists in Kylv lost month, that if Indians "charup their attitude" towards Russia, the war would end. The two leaders last men

The two leaders last mer in Ryro on August 22 when Mr. Medi made a shert visit to Ukraine. During Mon-day's interaction—their bird in three months-they discussed the Russia-Ukraine war and the Uk-raine-india Iulateral rela-tionship.

tionship. Government officials were circumspect on Mr. Modes afternoon schedule following his address at the UN's Summit of the Future, prior to the announcement that the meeting had taken

place.
Mr. Zelenskyy "thanked
the Prime Minister for the
efforts that he was making
for peace and a pathway to
finding a way out of this
conflict," Mr. Miari said.
"The President thanked

India for supporting Uk-raine's sovereignry and ter-ritorial integrity," the Uk-rainian readout of the

meeting said.
The Foreign Secretary
confirmed that there was a
discussion on the specific
of reacting the conflict.
Air. Milet emphasized
that bir. Modi's conversations with Resiston Pesistion! Valeding Print and

U.S. President for Hiden following his (Mr. Modi's) August Kylv visit, as well as National Security Advisor Ajli Doval's meeting with Mr. Putin on September 12, were all attempts to "try-and move towards some specifics".

"Specifics not available"
"I don't say that the specifics are available today, but

ics are available teslay, but the attempt is to do pre-cisely that," Mr. Miser said.
Mr. Mesil: was deeply concerned about the con-lice because of the human test it was taking and the larger toil on the world, es-precially the Global South, the Poreign Secretary taid, adding that the meeting demonstrated the Prime Minister's keepness to con-tribute to a resolution.

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The first Summit on Peace in Ukraine was held in early lune in Switzerland and India was represented at the secretary level. The Ukrainian readout of the meeting specifically

"During the meeting, special attention was paid to strengthening interaction on international platforms, particularly within the UN and G2O, as well as

it said. Both the Indian and Ukboth use including and Or-raintain sides appreciated the progress on bilateral is-sues, Mr. Misri said, and agreed to keep in touch, in-cluding potentially arrang-ing a meeting of the inter-governmental

unission, which is led

described some of these is sues, such as enhancing trade and economic ties, defence cooperation, In-dia's involvement in postscience, and culture

INDIA ON UNIC DOCUMENT PAGEA

After flag meet, Bangladesh returns BSF jawan who crossed over border

Vijaita Singh

A Border Security Force (BSF) Jawan, who had inadvertently crossed over to Bangladesh, was returned by the Border Guards Ban-gladesh (BGB) on Tuesday

gladesh (BGB) on Tuesday after a flag meeting.

The incident was report-al around 10:30 a.m. in north Bengai when 189 constable Upal Kumar Das constable Upal Kumar Das constable was reconstants. eportedly entered Bangla-fesh while he was patrolling the area.

A RSF official said that

the movement of a few bangladeshi nationals near the zero line.
"The land beyond the

zero line is used for cultiva-tion by people on both sides of the border. When the constable noticed that



BBF personnel keep vigit at the India-Bangladesh Burden Att

dian side, he asked them to return. He crossed over to Bangladesh and was de-tained by the heals there. and was later handed over to the BGB," the official said.

BSF officials contacted

4 p.m. the same day, the of-ficial said.

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mand, 85F to communi-cate with Bangladeshi authorities "to ensure the safety and security of in-dian nationals, Hindus, and other minority com-munities living there".

ARMY CHIEF BACKS YUNUS

Actor-MLA Mukesh arrested in rape case

The Hindu Bureau

The Special Investigation Team (SIT), probing the complaints against Malaya-lam film trobustry personal sites in the wake of the Hesites in the water of the He-ma Committee report on Thesday, recorded the av-rest of actor-legislator M. Mukush in a rape case re-gistered against him by the Kochi City Police. He was released after a

medical examination as a lower court in the city had earlier granted from antici-patory bail. Mr. Mukeah was among the first from the Malayalam film indutry to be booked in the wake of revelations by wo-men actors recently.

PULL HEPORT ON

Karnataka HC upholds sanction to probe CM

<u>Judge dismisses Siddaramaiah's petition challenging the legality of Governor's order granting approval for investigation into alleged illegalities in allotment of 14 sites to his wife by MUDA; court says the allegation undoubtedly required an investigation; no fault can be found in the action of the Governor exercising independent discretion, it adds</u>

Krishnaprasad

BENGALURU

n a major setback to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, the Karnataka High Court on Tuesday upheld the permission granted by the Governor to conduct an investigation against him on the allegation of illegalities in the allotment of 14 sites worth ₹56 crore to his wife Parvathi by the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA).

Also, the court gave the green signal for ordering a probe by vacating its interim order granted on August 19 directing a special court in Bengaluru to defer the decision on the complaints against Mr. Siddaramaiah.

It also rejected a plea to

stay Tuesday's verdict to enable Mr. Siddaramaiah to appeal against it.

Justice M. Nagaprasanna delivered the verdict while dismissing Mr. Siddaramaiah's petition challenging the legality of the Governor's August 16 order granting approval for investigation under Section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption (PC) Act, 1988.

Referring to the allegations, the High Court said that it "undoubtedly requires an investigation into the teeth of the fact that the beneficiary of all these acts is not anybody outside, but the wife of Mr. Siddaramaiah."

On the Governor's power, the court said the Governor, in the normal circumstances, had to act on the aid and advice of the



In a tight spot: Siddaramaiah, along with D.K. Shivakumar, addresses the press in Bengaluru on Tuesday, K. MURALI KUMAR

Council of Ministers as per Article 163 of the Constitution, "but can take independent decision in exceptional circumstances, and the present case is one such exception..." "No fault can be found in the action of the Governor exercising independent discretion," the court said.

Rejecting Mr. Siddaramaiah's contention that the approval for investigation has to be taken only by the police officer and not by any private individuals, the court said, "Section 17A

Siddaramaiah rejects BJP, JD(S) call for his exit

BENGALURU

While the BJP and JD(S) in Karnataka have demanded Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's immediate resignation, the Congress leader asserted that he had committed no mistake and ruled out his resignation from the post. » PAGE 3

nowhere requires a police officer to seek approval in a private complaint registered under Section 200 of the Code of Criminal Procedure/Section 223 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), 2023, against a public servant for offences punishable under the provisions of the Act."

"It is the duty of the complainant to seek such approval" in case of a private complaint lodged before the competent courts, the court said. "The Gubernatorial order nowhere suffers from want of application of mind," the High Court said, rejecting Mr. Siddaramaiah's claim that the Governor had not applied his mind in granting permission for investigation.

'Not mandatory'

The court also made it clear that grant of an opportunity of hearing or issuing a show-cause notice prior to grant of approval for investigation under Section 17A is not mandatory. However, if the competent authority [Governor in this case] chooses to do so, it is open to it, the judge said.

It was argued on behalf of Mr. Siddaramaiah that the Governor had issued notice to him only on the complaint filed by Abraham T.J., and not on the two other complaints, filed by Snehamayi Krishna and Pradeep Kumar S.P.

The court also clarified that the Governor's order is read to be restrictive to an approval for investigation under Section 17A and not an order granting sanction for prosecution under Section 218 of the BNSS as it was clarified on behalf of the Governor that the order has to be contained only for investigation under Section 17A.

Discretionary powers

CONSTITUTIONAL DISCRETION OF GOVERNORS INCLUDES

- When they have to reserve the Bill for the consideration of the President
- When he has to recommend for President's rule in the State
- When given additional charge as administrator of union Territory

SITUATIONAL DISCRETION OF GOVERNORS

For appointing Chief
 Minister after no party get
 clear majority or when the
 incumbent dies in the office

When he dismisses

- Council of Ministers on an inability to prove confidence in the
- o legislative Assembly When he dissolves the Assembly when it loses its majority

Execution of discretion beyond the constitutional permissibility is considered an attack on the elected government of the State and people's mandate

GOVERNOR

POWERS

EXECUTIVE

Can Appoint
1) Council Of Ministers
2) Advocate General
3) PSC Members
(Can Only Remove By
President, (Article 317)

- •No Power To Appoint HC Judge
- Can Nominate Person With Special Knowlege, Social Service etc to legislative council(Article 171(5))

LEGISLATIVE

Part Of State Legislature
 Having Right To Address and
 Send Messages, Summoning
 and Dissolving State Assembly

 Article 200 Can Refer Any Bill to President For Approval

QUALIFICATION (ARTICLEI57)

- ·Citizen Of India
- Age:-35 Years
- Should Not Be Any Member Of The Union Or Any State



APPOINTMENT (ARTICLE 155)

- President Appoints
- •Term=5 Years
- May Be Terminated By
 Dismissal Of President
 (Article 156-1)
- ·Resignation=(Article 156-2)

•JUDICIAL

 Power To Grant Pardons, Remission etc of punishments (Article 161)

EMERGENCY

- ·No Power
- •Article 356 Power To Report to President About State'S Status

APPOINTMENT

Governor is appointed by the President. This makes Centre alone responsible

TENURE

Governor holds office during the pleasure of the President. This does not guarantee a fixed term.

REMOVAL

Removal is at the centre's discretion. And Governor has no right to know reasons and no right of hearing.

DISCRETIONARY POWERS

Article 200: Reservation of Bills for President's Consideration

Article 356: Imposition of President's Rule

Appointment of Chief Minister when no party has attained clear majority

Article 163: What amounts to discretion is also the Governor's discretion

Governors delaying crucial Bills a matter of concern, says SC

CJI asks why govts. should be made to approach the court for Governors to act; he adds matters must be sorted out between them and the CMs 7th Nov 2023

Krishnadas Rajagopal

NEW DELHI

he Supreme Court on Monday expressed acute displeasure at Governors holding back key Bills, especially in non-BJP-ruled States such as Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and Telangana, until State governments approach the top court for judicial intervention.

"This is a serious issue we should look into... Why should parties be made to approach the Supreme Court for the Governors to act. We are a democracy in operation since the birth of the Constitution. These are matters to be sorted out between the Governors and Chief Ministers. We



The Governors should not be oblivious of the fact that they are not elected by the people

D.Y. CHANDRACHUD Chief Justice of India

will ensure that the Constitution is complied with," Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud, heading a three-judge Bench, observed.

'Do soul-searching'

The Chief Justice said it was time everybody, including Governors and Chief Ministers, did "a little bit of soul-searching".

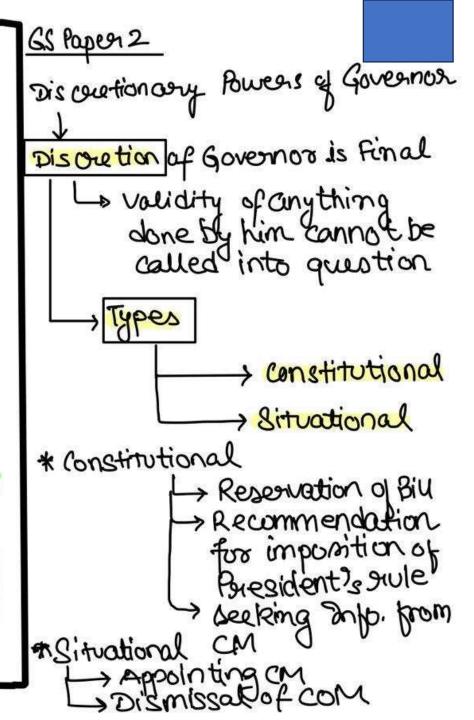
"The Governors should

not be oblivious of the fact that they are not elected by the people," he noted.

The Bench was hearing a petition filed by the Punjab government accusing the Governor of sitting on seven key Bills related to subjects including fiscal and State-affiliated colleges.

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Karnataka HC's Decision:

The Karnataka High Court dismissed Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's petition challenging the Governor's order.

कर्नाटक उच्च न्यायालय ने मुख्यमंत्री सिद्धारमैया की याचिका को खारिज कर दिया, जिसमें उन्होंने राज्यपाल के आदेश को चुनौती दी थी।

Governor's Approval for Investigation:

- The Governor had approved an investigation into alleged illegalities in the allotment of 14 sites by Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) to his wife, valued at ₹56 crore.
- राज्यपाल ने मैसूर शहरी विकास प्राधिकरण (MUDA) द्वारा उनकी पत्नी को ₹56 करोड़ की 14 साइटों के आवंटन में कथित अनियमितताओं की जांच को मंजूरी दी थी।

Court's Reasoning:

- The court emphasized that the allegations necessitate an investigation.
- न्यायालय ने कहा कि आरोपों की जांच आवश्यक है।
- The fact that Siddaramaiah's wife is the sole beneficiary of the allotments makes the investigation more significant.
- चूंकि आवंटन का एकमात्र लाभार्थी सिद्धारमैया की पत्नी हैं, इसलिए जांच का महत्व और बढ़ जाता है।

Governor's Role:

- The court stated that while the Governor must act on the advice of the Council of Ministers, he can take independent decisions in exceptional cases.
- न्यायालय ने कहा कि सामान्य परिस्थितियों में राज्यपाल को मंत्रिपरिषद की सलाह पर कार्य करना चाहिए, लेकिन असाधारण मामलों में वे स्वतंत्र निर्णय ले सकते हैं।
- The Governor's order was considered valid as an exceptional situation.
- राज्यपाल का आदेश एक असाधारण स्थिति में सही माना गया।

Rejection of Other Claims:

- Siddaramaiah's argument that the Governor did not apply his mind in granting approval was rejected.
- सिद्धारमैया का यह तर्क कि राज्यपाल ने मंजूरी देने में विवेक का प्रयोग नहीं किया, खारिज कर दिया गया।
- The court clarified that a police officer does not need approval to investigate a public servant under Section 17A of the Prevention of Corruption Act.
- न्यायालय ने स्पष्ट किया कि धारा 17ए के तहत किसी सार्वजनिक सेवक की जांच के लिए पुलिस अधिकारी को अनुमति लेने की आवश्यकता नहीं होती।

Court's Clarification:

- The High Court reiterated that seeking approval for investigation is not mandatory under Section 17A in this specific case.
- उच्च न्यायालय ने फिर से कहा कि इस विशिष्ट मामले में धारा 17ए के तहत जांच के लिए अनुमति लेना अनिवार्य नहीं है।
- The court also dismissed the need for a show-cause notice or hearing before granting approval.
- न्यायालय ने यह भी कहा कि अनुमित देने से पहले कारण बताओ नोटिस या सुनवाई की आवश्यकता नहीं है।

'Modi, Shah are misusing office of Governors'

The Hindu Bureau

The Congress on Tuesday alleged that Prime Minister Navendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah

Governors.

In a post on social media rm X, Congress gen eral secretary (organisa-tion) E.C. Veragopal al-leged that the Governor in Karnataka was trying to destabilise the elected go-

vernment in the State.
"But eurs is a strong government that will only listen to the people - not to the bullies of Delhi. Our party will fight this both le-gally and politically, against the Central govern-ment's nefarious motives,"

Actor-MLA Mukesh arrested in rape case, released on bail

The CPI(M) legislator was interrogated by SIT in a case filed by police based on a woman actor's complaint; a lower court had earlier granted him anticipatory ball and asked him to cooperate

he Special Investi-gation Yearn (STD, plaints against Malayalam lite industry personalities in the wake of the Hema Committee report, record-ed the arrest of actor legis-lator M. Mukesh on Tuesclay in a rape sase registered against him by the Kochi City Police. Mr. Mulceh turned up at the Coastal Police head-

quarters in Rochi, where the SIT team led by Addithe NFI team led by Addi-tional Impector General G. Pounkueluli interregated him for over three hours before recording his arout. He was released after a



Actor and CINIA MLAM: Mukesh was anisted after interregation by the SIT in a sexual assault case, MECNI, ARKANDEMENT

He declined to speak to respectors when he

turned up for the interregation or later when he was being taken for the medical examination. Mr. Mukesh, a CPI(M) MLA, was interrogated by the SIT in a case registered by the Maradu Police.
The court had graund him anticipatory ball in the case with the condition that he should cooperate with the investigation team and that in the event of an arrest, he be let off after re-

cording it.

Mr. Mukesh was among the first from the Malaya-tam this inclusive to be booked in the wake of revelations by women actors following the release of the Hema Committee report

plained that Mr. Muhesh had raped her and out-raged her modesty a few-years ago. The Maradu Pol-ice had bonked the actur-following the complaint.

atreamed videos from the High Court's official Voi-Tules channel. Meanwhile, it directed the three social media plat-forms and the five private You'Tube channels to de-

of court proceedings on social media sites

The Hindu Bureau

all the live-streamed videou of the court proceedings uploaded on their respec-tive platforms in violation of Bude 10 of the Karnataka Kules on Live-Streaming and Recording of Court Proceedings, 2021. The Karnataka High Court The Karnataka High Court on Tuesday temperarily restrained the social media platforms YouTube, META and X from sharing the live-streamed court pro-cecdings with immediate effect and till further order. Written authorisation The court ordered the is-

HC bars uploading

The court also res-trained live private char-nels on YouTube - Kahale nue of notices to the Union Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, State government, Begistrar-General of the High Court, the social media platforms, and the private YouTube News, Pane Troll, Prathidh vani, Avaniyana, and Ra-vindra Joshi Creations from uploading the live-streamed videos from the and the private YouTubu chaineds. The rule prohi-ties all including messag-ing apps, from recording, sharing and disseminating the stronged proceedings or archival data without the prior written authori-sation of the court.

He had sought action

HC denies anticipatory bail to actor Siddique

The Hindu Dursau.

The Kerda High Court on Tuesday dismissed an anti-signatory ball petition filed by Malayalam actor sid-506 (criminal intimidation of the IPC on a complain

by a woman actor.
The court observed that law on the point, and the nature, gravity and se-riousness of the accusations afferred against the ac tor, coupled with the materials placed on record gring field shows his in petitioner's custodial registion is inevitable

Karnataka CM says he will face | Panchamirtham row; film director held, gets bail probe after HC dismisses plea

The Hindu Bureau

The Opposition RIP and JD (8) In Karnataka have demanded the immediate re-signation of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, after the High Court dismissed his fligh Gourt dismissed his petition challenging the permission granted by Go-vernor. This waverchand Gehlot in the MUDA case. However, Mr. Siddera-mainh said he had "no hea-

itation in facing any investi-gation", and would consult



with legal experts to un-derstand whether such an towardgation was permissi-ble under the law.
"After discussions with legal experts, I will sheade on the further course of ac-tion," in the Mr. Siddara.

match retterated that he had committed no mistake and ruled out his resignaon from the post.
"It is now clear that a

cose has been made out against the Chief Minister. He should resign on moral grounds," BJP State chief

grounds," BJP State Chief BA, Vijayendra said. Mrt. Sieddaramaiah said that the court had Bismis-sed the sarction for pros-cetten granted by the Go-vernor under Section 218 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Surakaha Sanhita, 2023. You'l'abe interview
Against the backerop of
the ongoing controversy

over alleged adulteration of ghee used in the Tirupati laddu, the director had, in Tamil film director Mohan G. was on Tuesday arrest ed in Chennai by a Tirachi special police team on charges of making controan interview to a YouTube channel, alleged that the panchamirtham was being reportedly laced with con-traceptive pills.

versial remarks about the panchamirtham served in the famous Arulmigu Dhandayuthapani Swamy The Samayapuram pol-ice in Tiruchi district had tee in Tiruchi district had registered a case againer him on a complaint from Raviarassi, a manager of the Hindu Sellagious and Charitable Endowments Ohandayuthapani Swamy Pemple at Palani. In the evening, a juris-Betional magiotrate re-eased him on own ball. Charmable Endowments
Department at the Arubusgu Mariamman Temple at
Samuyapuram.
A press release issued
by the Tiruchi Rural Police

against Mohan for spread-ing such false information

on Tuesday evening said Mr. Kaviarasu had said in his complaint that he had watched a You'fube chan-nel in which Mr. Mohan that could spoil communa harmony and instigate vio lence in the State. Hased on the complaint, a case was registered at the Samoyapned in which Mr. Moban had made "untrue" re-marks that the punchami-tham, given as privadam to the devetees at the Pala-al temple, was prepared with contraceptive pilla-tio had sought action to had sought action appending such false infor-mation that could spe-communal harmony and insigne violence.

uram station, the release said. Mohan had claimed that news about the adulterat-ed punchamirtham was suppressed and "I heard, the consignment was des-

all the live areamed widow

the consignment was des-troyed.

Such an act amounted to mixing poteon, he said, adding people manning such instrusions abould ansure there were no shortcomings in the presonation.

his residence at Kasimedu in Channai. He was pro-duced at the judicial Magistrate Court-III in Tiruchi in the evening. The court re-leased Mohan on bail, pol-

lee sources said. Counsel for Mr. Methan later told reporters on the court premises that a plea was made to the court in release him on own ball. We will the "Fregular liter" in The court accepted the submission and released Mohan on own hall, he added.



FSSAI to test samples of prasadam in temples in A.P.

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A.P. couple sentenced to life imprisonment in POCSO case

A PCCSC) court awarded imprisonment till death to Putta Satish Pavan Kimar, 42, and his wife P. Vijayalakhmi Phani Ruga, 39, of Kluru district, Andhra Pvadesh, in a cape case involving two minora. Satish Kumar, a taid driver, impregnated his two stepdaughters with the help of Phini. Rups. Pollowing a complaint, the filuru Mahila Police registered a case on July 12, 2023. Three other accused in the case, who tried to bush up the crime and gave fabe birth certificate to the infant born to one of the victims, were converted for two years. The court directed to pay 310 takh compensation each to the victims, police and.

Third Rajva Sabha member from YSR Congress resigns

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67 students flee A.P. govt, school hostel due to 'harassment'

The Hindu Bureau

Frustrated by alloged ha-rassment by teachers and complaining of poor quali-ty of bood served to them, as many as of attudents the government social wel-fare without at vankasslagu-du village in Palnahi din-fled their school campus by jumping over the com-pound wall.

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Kerala smuggler-turned-forest protector bags award LIC told to pay

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₹2 lakh to son of deceased woman

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Sabu Varghese, also known as Kunjumon, a member of the Ex-Vayana Bark Collectors Eco Development Committee (EDC) in Thekkady, has received the award in recognition of his inspiring transformation. Mr. Kunjumon, once involved in smuggling Vayana bark (the bark of cinnamon trees), has now dedicated his life to conserving the very forest he once exploited.

Mr. Sabu was part of a group that illegally harvested Vayana bark from the PTR and sold it in Tamil



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Nadu. "In 1996, Sabu, along with 23 other Vayana collectors, stopped such illegal practices and became associated with forest protection," said a Forest Department official.

Livelihood issues

The smuggling gang used to earn a substantial income by smuggling forest produce such as sandalwood. Once they renounced the illicit activities, the need to provide them with a sustainable livelihood arose.

This led to the creation of Periyar Tiger Trail, an ecotourism initiative that soon became a national model. The programme provided former smugglers with a legitimate income and brought them social acceptance.

Sabu has been instrumental in leading antipoaching efforts in the Periyar Tiger Reserve. He was a member of the Cheetah Squad, which apprehended sandalwood smugglers from Tamil Nadu.

His efforts also extended to helping smugglers reintegrate into society through the 'Vidiyal' ecotourism programme, providing livelihoods for 17 former smugglers.

Benefits abound

Reflecting on his past, Mr. Sabu said, "Joining the EDC changed everything. We gained social acceptance and it transformed the lives of my children too, who are now receiving a better education and opportunities."

Mr. Sabu was presented the Wildlife Service Award at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on Saturday.

Former Indian cricketer Gundappa Vishwanath presented him with the award, which included a cash prize of ₹1 lakh and a memento.

Cricketers' role

The award, established by the Cricketers for Wildlife Conservation, aims at recognising the unsung heroes of forest conservation.

The initiative was conceptualised by former Indian cricketers Sandeep Patil, Yusuf Pathan, and Harbhajan Singh to motivate the foot soldiers protecting India's forests. M.N. Jayachandran, an environmentalist from Idukki, bagged the award in the Wildlife Crusader category.

Transformation of Sabu Varghese:

Sabu Varghese, also known as Kunjumon, was once a smuggler of Vayana bark but has transformed into a forest protector in the Periyar Tiger Reserve (PTR) in Kerala.

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Recognition and Award:

- He was awarded the prestigious Cricketers for Wildlife Conservation Service Award for his efforts in forest conservation.
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Anti-Poaching Efforts:

- Sabu played a significant role in leading anti-poaching efforts and was part of the Cheetah Squad, which apprehended sandalwood smugglers from Tamil Nadu.
- साब् ने वन्यजीवों के शिकार को रोकने में अहम भूमिका निभाई और चीताह दस्ते का हिस्सा थे, जिन्होंने तिमलनाडु के चंदन तस्करों को पकड़ा।

Livelihood Programme:

- To provide a legitimate livelihood to former smugglers, he initiated the 'Vidiyal' ecotourism program, which offers employment to 17 former smugglers.
- पूर्व तस्करों को वैध आजीविका प्रदान करने के लिए, उन्होंने 'विदियाल' इकोटूरिज्म कार्यक्रम शुरू किया, जो 17 पूर्व तस्करों को रोजगार देता है।

Award Presentation:

- Former cricketer Gundappa Vishwanath presented Sabu with the award, which included ₹1 lakh in cash and a memento.
- पूर्व क्रिकेटर गुंडप्पा विश्वनाथ ने साबू को यह पुरस्कार प्रदान किया, जिसमें *1 लाख नकद और एक स्मृति चिन्ह शामिल था।

Role of Cricketers:

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- 1. He was never involved in illegal activities. उन्होंने कभी भी अवैध गतिविधियों में हिस्सा नहीं लिया।
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- 3. He refused to work with the Periyar Tiger Reserve to protect the forest. उन्होंने वन की रक्षा के लिए पेरियार टाइगर रिजर्व के साथ काम करने से मना कर दिया।
- 4. Sabu continues to be involved in smuggling activities. साबू अभी भी तस्करी गतिविधियों में शामिल हैं।

MVA leaders pay tribute to CPI(M) leader Yechury

The Hindu Dureau

The Maha Vibas Aghadi (MVA) on Tuesday paid trihate to veteran Commu-nist Party of India (Marxist) leader Siturum Yechury at a condolence meet, where Nationalist Congress Party (liberadebandra Pawar) mipremo Sharad Pawar and State Congress chief Nana Patole cominisced about their associations with Mr. Yechury, acknowledgir is contributions to the ra-ion and his relentless fight

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said. Mr. Patolo said that be admired Vectory since his college days and recalled how he had been inspired by him since his college

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played a critical role in maintaining the UPA's co-beston during its tenure.

Good beginning, says India on UNSC reform document

World leaders recognise the urgent need of being more 'inclusive', UN officials describe the language in 'Pact of the Future' on the long-pending Security Council reforms as 'groundbreaking'

Press Trust of India

India said that a UN numerit document for the first time contain-ing a detailed paragraph on Security Council reform is a "good beginning", and New Delhi books forward New Delhi laids forward eventually to the beginning of test-based negotiations in a fixed time frame to re-form the 15-nation body. World lauders on Sep-

World Insiders on September 22 adopted by con-sensis the "Fact of the Fu-ture", permising to "reform the Security Coun-cil, recognising the urgent need to make it more re-presentative, inclusive, ransparent, efficient, ef-fective, democratic and accountable".

UN officials have de-

UN officials have described the language in the "Pact of the Future" on the long-pending Security Council reforms as "groundbreaking".



"I would only point you "I would only point you in the direction of the fact that for the first time, a UN summit document has a detailed paragraph on UN Security Council reform," said Foreign Secretary Vikram Mart in response to a question on how halls nive this language on UN Securital Parts.

area that we would ima-gine or we would like there to be, but I think it's a good beginning. Mr. Meiri said. Mr. Mieri said that inclis to the beginning of test based negotiations in a fixed time-frame going forward.

Mr. Mlari was briefing. "Pact of the Future".
"So it may not have every single detail in every reporters here as Prime Mi-nister Narendra Modi-wrapped up his three-day

which he attended the Quad Leaders' Summit in Delaware, held bilateral discussions with President Joe Biden, addressed a me ga disspeca event in Long Island, spoke in the UN General Assembly at the 'summit of the Future', and held bilateral discus-

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Centre to launch new project on urban poverty alleviation

The Hindu Buceau

The Union government will soon leaded a pro-gramme dedicated to ur-han powerty alleviation, the plot for which will be set in motion in 25 cities across the country on Oc-tober 1. These 25 cities in-clude industrial hule, mi-

grant centres, sipirational districts and part cities. The pilot, which will span three months, with a preparatory phase of one mouth to ensure effective implementation, will uniuse a Test-Learn-Scale apand Urban Powerty Alleri

ment on Tuesday.

The programme is designed to uplift vulnerable groups within the informal nector, including construction workers, gig workers. waste workers, care work-ers, domestic workers, and transportation workers,

Pilot project will be

the cycle of poverty by pro viding financial assistance terprises," the statement

ad. Through strategic inter Through strategic inter-ventions and a collabora-tive approach, the pro-posed programme aims to reshape the livellinoid landscape in urban India, ensuring that the benefits of urbanisation are equita-

sion Directors, Municipal Commissioners, as well as senior Ministry officials.

Father of accused in Badlapur sexual assault case moves HC

The Hindu Bureau

A day after the accused in the Badlapur aexual measure case. Abshay Shirde, died in the second of th A day other the arrowed in

Advocates Asim Sarode,

Shriya Awale and Ajinkya Gaikwad, representing the victims in the case, have also expressed concern about delay in justice. cerned with the death of the accused, but I am un-happy, disturbed and wor-

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violate the victim's right to seek justice and hence such acrs should not be 'celebrased or looked' 'celebrased' he deliver lassice', he added.
"Further investigation would have led us to trace cused who are still ab-sconding, as per the police reports. That role in the present matter would have would have been framed applicable to all the educa-tional institutions by iden-tional institutions by iden-provide safe and secure en-vironment for all school reformations. vironment for all school going girls in Maharashtri thereby deterring others to commit similar incidences. The death of the accused

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major irregularity. We have given them seven days for compliance. Our team con-ducted an inspection for the emire day on Monday

from 12 noon to 4 p.m.," Shallandra Pol, Additional Labour Commissioner, told The Hindu. Anna Sebastian Perayil, a 26 year-old chartered ac-ciontant, died in July, from months into her job at SERG.

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Ms. Persyll's mother, Antia Augustine, had writ-ready and the second of the workload? and leng house' had taken a toll on emotionally—and mentally—and mentally—the impection, the State Labout Depart-ment team recorded state— the second of the second of the and sexplit documents and details about the welfare policies implemented for



EY affiliate was not registered under Shops

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young employees of big companies, since they are not protected under la-bour laws at present, top somives said.

Mr. Pot said, "We had sought data about Anna ke bastian Ferayll's case as well. We sought her au-politiment letter, her au-

ary slip, her compensation details. We got details about her employment pe-ried. The team found that 28.8 Stable was deposited in her account for her em-ployment for the period from March II, 2024 to July 19, 2024.

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and double pay for extra-working hours.

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"Our shop inspector and government labour of the control of the co

Pot said.

When contacted, KY told The Hindu, "SRBC & Co. LLP, a member firm of KY Global, is providing its full cooperation to the Mi vestigation. We comment further while the investigation is ongoing."

digital infrastructure is open to all: Murmu

President Drosspadi Mur-mu on Tuesday said ap-preme audit Institutions (SAD had the unique resblic infrastructure was designed and implement-Speaking at the opening ceremony of sixth Asian Organisation of Supreme

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This is where the role of SAIs becomes crucial. As

Auditors must ensure | Army to receive Apache choppers in Dec.; deploy LCH in Ladakh next year

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The Hindu Bureau A seven-judge Bench of the Supreme Court examined a series of petitions westing



conditions, while the Apache is means for deserts. An

SC considers petitions on sub-quota division

posed to be delivered in May and three in July. The issue of delays was taken up with the U.S. at the political level and it was requested to prioritise the deliveries, the source added, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh was on an of-ficial visit to the U.S. in August. On the LCH, a second

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Bench headed by Chief fun-tice of India D.Y. Chandracked.
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Army Aviation, which has for long operat-ed utility helicopters, in-ducted its first dedicated attack helicopter with the LCH and the first squa-dron, 351 Army Aviation, was moved to Missamari,

The Madhya Pradesh Cabi-net on Tuesday approved online registration for pro-curement of saya bean at the miproven the minimum support price (MSP) of \$4,892 even as various farmer outfits and the Opposition conti-nue to press for an MSP of

M.P. Cabinet sets

MSP for sova bean

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The review exercise was scheduled in the chambers of the seven judges on the a review of its August I ma-jority judgment declaring that States have the right to constitutionally permissi-ble for States to sub-classi-fy groups among Sche-

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NEW DELHI/LEH

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 - Up to 76 rockets capacity
 - Capability to add laser-designated rockets
- Crashworthy External Fuel Tank(s)

Composite Main Rotor Blades

 Greater Hover Out of Ground Effect Capability

Improved Drive System

- T700-GE-701D engines w/ Enhanced Digital Electronic Control Unit (EDECU)
- Split torque face gear Transmission
- Oil cooled Engine Nose Gear Box
- Gearboxes with 30 min run dry capability
- Improved high/hot

APACHE AH-64E

IAF inducts 8 Apache AH-64E attack helicopters on Sept 3, 2019 Manufactured by Boeing; used by US Army and international defence forces To replace old Russia-made Mi-35 attack helicopters

THE APACHE ADVANTAGE

Two highperformance turboshaft engines for maximum cruise speed of 284km/hr World's most advanced multi-role combat helicopter

Advanced laser, infrared & target acquisition designation to attack targets

Laser guided precision Hellfire missiles, 70mm rockets, 30mm

automatic cannon Height:

SPECIFICATIONS

Primary mission gross weight Vertical rate of climb Maximum rate of climb 6,838Kg

Wing Span: 17.15 ft

More than 2000ft per min More than 2,800ft per min

15.24ft

Source: Boeing, news reports

APACHE'S TECH SPECS

It is considered to be the world's most lethal attack helicopter



6,838 kg Gross Weight 150 knots Max Level Flight Speed Over
2,000 ft/min
Vertical Rate
of Climb

Over 2,800 ft/min Max Rate of Climb

WEAPONRY: 30-mm machine gun, can fire 1,200 rounds; anti-tank Hellfire missile; Hydra Unguided Rocket

Apache Helicopters Delivery:

- The Indian Army will receive the first batch of three AH-64E Apache attack helicopters from Boeing in December, after a delay of more than six months.
- भारतीय सेना को छह महीने से अधिक की देरी के बाद दिसंबर में बोइंग से तीन AH-64E अपाचे अटैक हेलीकॉप्टरों की पहली खेप मिलेगी।

Light Combat Helicopters (LCH) Deployment:

- The indigenous Light Combat Helicopter (LCH), manufactured by Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. (HAL), will be deployed in Ladakh next year.
- स्वदेशी लाइट कॉम्बैट हेलीकॉप्टर (LCH), जिसे हिंदुस्तान एरोनॉटिक्स लिमिटेड (HAL) द्वारा निर्मित किया गया है, को अगले साल लद्दाख में तैनात किया जाएगा।

Apaches and LCH Purpose:

- Apaches are ideal for desert warfare, while the LCH is specifically designed for highaltitude conditions.
- अपाचे हेलीकॉप्टर रेगिस्तानी युद्ध के लिए उपयुक्त हैं, जबकि LCH विशेष रूप से ऊँचाई वाले क्षेत्रों के लिए डिज़ाइन किया गया है।

Cost and Training:

- India signed a deal with Boeing for six Apaches in February 2020 at a cost of \$800 million. Six pilots and 24 technicians were trained in the U.S. as part of the deal.
- भारत ने फरवरी 2020 में छह अपाचे हेलीकॉप्टरों के लिए \$800 मिलियन की लागत से बोइंग के साथ एक समझौता किया था। इस समझौते के तहत छह पायलटों और 24 तकनीशियनों को अमेरिका में प्रशिक्षित किया गया।

• LCH Deployment Timeline:

- The Army plans to deploy the LCH in Ladakh in 2024-25, and the LCH is well-suited for operations in high-altitude areas.
- सेना 2024-25 में लद्दाख में LCH तैनात करने की योजना बना रही है, और यह ऊंचाई वाले क्षेत्रों में संचालन के लिए उपयुक्त है।

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- 3. The Army will receive only one Apache helicopter in December. सेना को दिसंबर में केवल एक अपाचे हेलीकॉप्टर प्राप्त होगा।
- 4. The Indian Army has been using Apache helicopters since 2020. भारतीय सेना 2020 से अपाचे हेलीकॉप्टरों का उपयोग कर रही है।

Tens of thousands of Lebanese are fleeing Israeli bombings, says UN



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'Monumental step' as Thai king signs same-sex marriage into law



VATROAN CETY

Pope offers refuge to Myanmar's jailed Suu Kyi in Vatican: report



Pape Praincis has offered to give refuge on Vathain territory to Mysemat's detained former tender hang San Suu Ryi, Italian media and on Tuesday. "I saked for the release of Aury San Sou Ryi and I met her son in Norms. I have proposed to the Vatican to give her whether on our territory." The papes said, see which of the shelter on our territory."

Japan seeks safety of its citizens in China after boy is stabbed to death



Top Hezbollah commander killed as toll from Israeli strikes rises to 560

The Lebanese militant group says it launched missiles overnight and in the morning at eight sites in Israel, including an explosives factory located 60 km from the border, Israel says it targeted sites where Hezbollah had stored weapons

areal said it billed a top commander with the buildaids missile and rocket unit on Tuesday as the tracki military traded fire with Herbollah again and the death toll from a majore breath bombard-standard bombards.

560 people Military officials said thratim Kobelei, who they alleged was responsible to launches towards tsrael, was killed in a strike on Beirut. The military said "other key commanders" were with Kobelsi at the time of the strike, but offcials did not say whether any of the others were



Meanwhile, thousands of people fled from south-srn Lebanon with the two sides on the brink of all out

Displaced families slept in shelters hastily set up in schools in Beirut and the

Meanwhile, the border crossing with Syria saw massive traffic jams as a re-sult of people escaping from Lebasion to the neigh-

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World is at an 'inflection point', Biden says in final UN speech

Sriram Lakshman

to his fearth and final address to the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) as U.S. President, Joe Biden said the world was at an inflection point. He asked the warring parties in West Asia to accept the peace

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Mr. Biden spoke of hav-ing seen a "remarkable sweep of history", as he loked about his age.

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Mr. Biden also pushed for reform at the United

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Bangladesh Army chief bats for Yunus, moots polls to be held in 18 months

Bangladesh's Army chief vowed to back the coun-try's interim government "ceme what may" to help it complete key reforms after the ouster of Prime Mini-ter Shelikh Flashna, so that electrons could be held within the next if months. Conterfal Wakersas Za-

man and his troops stood aside in early August amid raging student-led protests raging student-leid protests against Ms. Hanins, sealing the fute of the weteran pol-tician who resigned after 15 years in power and fled to neighbouring inclus. In an interview, Mr. 2s man told Reuters at his of-fice on Monday that the in-terim administration less by Nobel laureau Mahlam, and Yumas had his full



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"if you ask me, then I will say that should be the time frame by which we

time frame by which we should enter into a demo-erate princess," he said. The princess, he said. pellitical parties, Ms. Hasi-na's Awarm League and its better rival Bangladeut Na-tionalist Party (BNP), has been previously called for elections to be light within rival programment taking of ring government taking of fice in August.

The BNP's secretary general, Mirsa Pakhrul le-

iam Alamgir, told Reuters on Tuesday that the party would like elections to be held at the earliest

held at the earliest apportunity.

"I am not going to give any particular time period but I think the scorner the better," he said. "We are ready for elections, fiven if they are held tomorrow, we are ready."

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Mr. Zaman said he meets Mr. Yunus every week and the two have "very good relations", with the military supporting the government's efforts to stabilise the country after a period of turnois. "I'm auto that if we work together, there is no reason why we should fall," he said.

Hurricane effect



People walk along a baseh littered with debris in the aftermath of Hurricane John in Acaputco in Mexico on Tuesday. At least two were killed after the hurricane stammed into Mexico's southern Pacific coast overnight, with the cyclinic since downgraded to a tropical storm, assistant

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BANGKOK

Monumental step' as Thai king signs same-sex marriage into law



AFP

The Thai king has signed same-sex marriage into law, making
Thailand the first country in Southeast Asia to recognise marriage
equality. King Maha Vajiralongkorn gave royal assent to the new
law, passed by parliament in June, which will take effect in 120 days
— meaning the first weddings will take place in January. AFP

GLOBAL LAWS REGARDING HOMOSEXUALITY

PUNISHMENT FOR HOMOSEXUAL ACTS

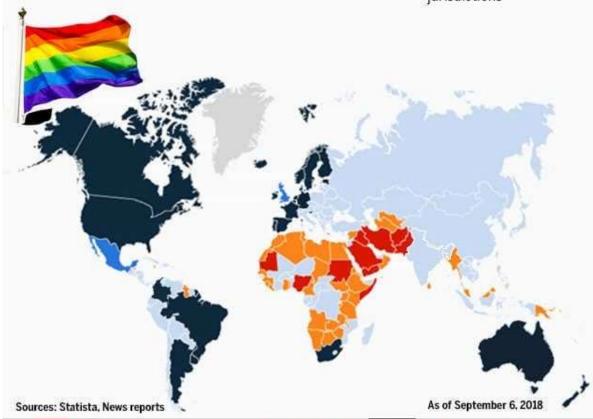
- Homosexuality acts can be punished by death
- Homosexuality acts are illegal

RELATIVELY NEUTRAL

- No specific laws on gay rights
- Homosexual acts are legal

RECOGNITION OF SAME-SEX UNIONS

- Same-sex marriage is allowed
- Same-sex marriage is allowed in some jurisdictions





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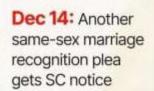


SC VERDICT ON SAME-SEX **MARRIAGES:** A TIMELINE



Nov 25, 2022:

2 same-sex couples petition SC for marriage recognition under Special Marriage Act, prompting notices to Centre and Attorney General for India



Jan 6, 2023: SC centralizes similar cases and schedules a March 13 hearing, appointing counsels for both sides

Jan 30, February 10, February 20, March 3: More related cases receive SC notices

March 12:

Centre opposes same-sex marriage, emphasizing traditional definition of marriage

March 13:

SC refers the case to a Constitution Bench due to its constitutional significance

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Marital rights same-sex couples do not enjoy in India



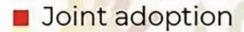


Government pensions and medical benefits



 Claiming leave travel allowance for partner





■ In case of separation, there is no provision to seek maintenance by the economically weaker partner



 Right to take emergency medical decisions

Arguments in favor of same-sex marriage in India	Arguments in favor of same-sex marriage in India
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President Dissanayake picks MP and former academic Harini Amarasuriya as PM

Meera Srinivasan

COLOMBO

President Anura Kumara Dissanavake on Tuesday appointed MP and former academic Harini Amarasuriva as Sri Lanka's Prime Minister, as part of a fourmember Cabinet under him that will lead policy until the parliamentary elections scheduled on November 14. The date for the general elections was announced through a gazette issued late on Tuesday. which said the parliament would be dissolved from midnight.

After Sri Lankans elected Mr. Dissanayake to the country's top office in the September 21 presidential polls, he resigned as a Member of Parliament, and a National People's Power [NPP] member took his place. The NPP alliance has three MPs in the 225member legislature, which is expected to be dissolved soon in preparation for the conduct of the general elections.

Dissanayake

Key portfolios

President

holds several key portfolios, including Defence, Finance, Energy, Agriculture and Fisheries. Prime Minister Amarasuriya will helm Ministries, including Justice, Education, Health, and Trade. MP Vijitha Herath will handle Foreign Affairs, among other Ministries, an official statement said.

Ms. Amarasuriya, 54,is Sri Lanka's third woman Prime Minister, after Sirimavo Bandaranaike – one of the first woman leaders in the world – and her daughter Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga, who held the post briefly, before being elected President.

An anthropologist by training, Ms. Amarasuriya taught at the Open University of Sri Lanka, until she became a member of Parliament through the country's "national list" system that allocates seats based on a party's vote share.

Many in Sri Lanka, including in the political opposition, welcomed the appointment of Ms. Amarasuriya as Prime Minister. In a congratulatory message on social media platform 'X', Leader of Op-



New honour: Sri Lankan Prime Minister Harini Amarasuriya at her swearing-in ceremony in Colombo on Tuesday. REUTERS

position Sajith Premadasa said: "I hope your appointment will inspire women of Sri Lanka to bring their talents, strength, and vision to the forefront."

The new Prime Minister obtained her bachelor's degree in sociology in India, at Hindu College, University of Delhi. She pursued her master's in Australia and obtained a PhD from the University of Edinburgh.

'Brilliant student'

Jonathan Spencer, a longtime scholar of Sri Lanka and an emeritus professor at the University of Edinburgh, who supervised Ms. Amarasuriya's doctoral degree, described her as someone with "extraordinary capabilities".

"I have known Harini for nearly 20 years as a brilliant student and a close friend. She is a person who combines enormous integrity and striking emotional intelligence. The task facing her is extraordinarily challenging, but she is a woman of extraordinary capacities," he told *The Hindu* via email.

Prior to her entry into active politics, Ms. Amarasuriya worked for many years in the development sector, researching child protection issues and later, low-income communities in Colombo. Following her PhD, she joined Sri Lanka's public university system. where she taught sociology and anthropology.

She was a prominent activist in the professional body of university teachers, participating in many campaigns, including strike action demanding higher investment in public education.

Along with Prof. Spencer and Sidharthan Maunaguru [a scholar of global Tamil communities], Ms. Amarasuriya has co-authored a soon-to-be launched book, which is an oral history of dissent and dissidents in Sri Lanka between the 1960s and 1990s.

The newly elected President and his small team, including the Prime Minister, that has just assumed charge, face huge challenges, as the country grapples with the impact of the 2022 economic crisis, and citizens struggle to cope with painful austerity measures that came as part of an International Monetary Fund-led programme.

Following the elections, the IMF has said it looks forward to working with President Dissanayake and his team "towards building on the hard-won gains that have helped put Sri Lanka on a path to economic recovery since entering one of its worst economic crises in 2022."

Further, the Fund said it will discuss the timing of the third review of its Sri Lanka programme with the new administration "as soon as practicable", according to a statement issued on Tuesday.

New Appointment:

- President Anura Kumara Dissanayake appointed Harini Amarasuriya as Sri Lanka's Prime Minister, as part of a four-member Cabinet.
- राष्ट्रपति अनुरा कुमारा डिसानायके ने हरिनी अमरासूर्या को श्रीलंका के प्रधानमंत्री के रूप में चार सदस्यीय कैबिनेट का हिस्सा नियुक्त किया।

Role until Elections:

- The Cabinet will lead the government until parliamentary elections scheduled on November 14.
- यह कैबिनेट 14 नवंबर को निर्धारित संसदीय चुनावों तक सरकार का नेतृत्व करेगी।

Amarasuriya's Background:

- Harini Amarasuriya is an MP and a former academic who taught sociology and anthropology at the Open University of Sri Lanka.
- हरिनी अमरासूर्या सांसद और पूर्व शिक्षाविद हैं जिन्होंने श्रीलंका के ओपन यूनिवर्सिटी में समाजशास्त्र और मानवशास्त्र पढ़ाया है।

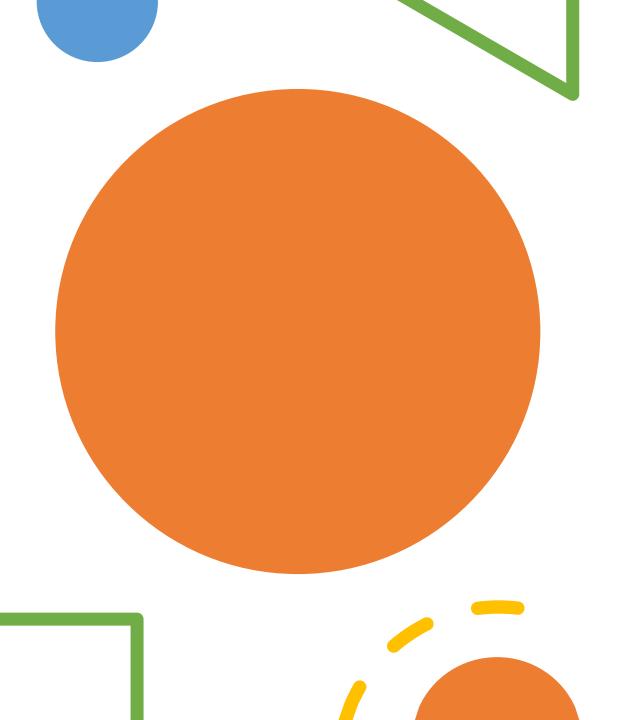
Academic Credentials:

- She earned her master's degree in Australia and her PhD from the University of Edinburgh.
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- Key Ministries:
- Amarasuriya will manage Justice, Education, Health, and Trade portfolios.
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Challenges Ahead:

- She faces significant challenges, including managing the country's economic recovery from the 2022 crisis.
- उन्हें 2022 के संकट से देश की आर्थिक सुधार को संभालने जैसी महत्वपूर्ण चुनौतियों का सामना करना पड़ेगा।

- Which of the following statements is correct about Harini Amarasuriya's appointment as Sri
 Lanka's Prime Minister?
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 कथन सही है?
- 1. She is the first female Prime Minister of Sri Lanka. वह श्रीलंका की पहली महिला प्रधानमंत्री हैं।
- 2. She was an academic before entering politics and taught at the Open University of Sri Lanka. राजनीति में प्रवेश करने से पहले वह एक शिक्षाविद थीं और श्रीलंका के ओपन यूनिवर्सिटी में पढ़ाती थीं।
- 3. She will manage Finance and Defence ministries in the new Cabinet. वह नई कैबिनेट में वित्त और रक्षा मंत्रालयों का प्रबंधन करेंगी।
- 4. She has no prior experience in public service. उनका सार्वजनिक सेवा में कोई अनुभव नहीं है।



 Sirimavo Ratwatte Dias Bandaranaike (17 April 1916 – 10 October 2000) was a Sri Lankan politician. She served as prime minister three times and was the leader of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party. She was the first female to be elected head of government in the world.



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Dr. Mary Poonen Lukose



 <u>Dr.</u> Mary Poonen Lukose, born in 1886, was Kerala's first woman doctor and the <u>first woman to be a member of a legislative council</u> in an Indian princely state.

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After facing initial barriers in India, she pursued a medical degree in London, specializing in gynaecology. Returning to Travancore, she made history by performing Kerala's first cesarean section and pioneering midwifery training. In 1924, she became the first woman head of Travancore's health department and its first surgeon general. She also served in the Travancore Legislative Council, impacting public health policy until 1937.

The Food Import Rejection Alert portal

- The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
 (FSSAI) has launched the Food Import Rejection Alert (FIRA)
 portal, which will notify authorities about food
 consignments rejected at Indian borders due to safety
 concerns.
- The portal, unveiled at the Global Food Regulators Summit 2024, will facilitate quick information sharing to prevent health risks from rejected food.
- In the past year, <u>over 1,500 imported food items were</u> rejected by FSSAI for failing to meet Indian standards.



Other government healthcare achievements include expanding the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) to cover all senior citizens aged 70 and above, benefiting 60 million people.



The <u>U-WIN portal has digitized vaccination services</u>, registering 64 million beneficiaries so far.



Additionally, a <u>new TB treatment regimen and diagnostics</u> have been <u>introduced to shorten treatment time</u>, with plans for nationwide rollout.

Wildlife Habitats
Development
Scheme



- The Union Cabinet has approved the Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats scheme for the 15th Finance Commission cycle.
- The scheme supports key initiatives like Project Tiger, Project Elephant, and Development of Wildlife Habitat.
- The initiative focuses on boosting technological interventions, including the use of AI, camera traps, and conservation genetics for wildlife monitoring.



- 1.Additionally, it supports projects like Project Dolphin and Project Lion, leveraging advanced tools for species conservation.
- 2. The scheme benefits 55 tiger reserves, 33 elephant reserves, and 718 protected areas, contributing to both wildlife conservation and climate resilience.



Gingee Fort Nominated for UNESCO World Heritage Site

 Recently, the Gingee Fort in Tamil Nadu's Villupuram district has been nominated for UNESCO's World Heritage Site list as part of the Maratha Military Landscapes proposal, which includes 11 other forts.

- What are the Key Facts Regarding Gingee Fort of Tamil Nadu?
- Geographical Feature and Significance: Gingee Fort is renowned for its historical importance and strategic location atop three hillocks: Rajagiri,
 Krishnagiri, and Chandragiri.
 - It is also known as the "Troy of the East," as it is one of the most impregnable fortresses in peninsular India.

- Historical Overview: The fort was originally built by Ananta Kon of the Konar Dynasty in 1200 CE and named it Krishnagiri. Vijayanagar Empire undertook significant renovations of the fort.
- In 1677, the fort was captured by Chhatrapati Shivaji and remained under Maratha control until 1698, when it fell to the Mughals.
 - The Fort became the last stronghold for the Marathas (Rajaram I, son of Shivaji) during their resistance against the Mughal forces.

- Briefly ruled by Raja Desingh (Tej Singh), it was taken over by the Nawabs
 of Arcot in 1714 and remained under their dominion until 1749.
- From 1750 to 1770, the French held the fort before it eventually passed into Britishers.

Process for nominating a site to UNESCO's World Heritage List

- A country creates a list of important cultural and natural heritage sites.
- The country selects sites from the Tentative List and prepares nomination details.
- The International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) and IUCN evaluate the nominated property.
- The Committee meets annually to decide which sites to add to the World Heritage List, based on advisory recommendations and criteria fulfillment.

Indian Army Inducts Robotic Mules





 The Indian Army has inducted 100 robotic mules (Multi-Utility Legged Equipment) in forward areas.

About

 The four-legged robotic mules have a sleek design and are equipped with thermal cameras and other sensors, which enable them to carry out surveillance.



They can climb stairs, steep hills and other hurdles and can operate in extreme temperatures, ranging from -40 to +55 degrees Celsius and carry a payload of 15kg.



They can also be **integrated with small arms**, and can engage with an enemy without putting a human life at risk, if needed.

Word of the day

Patently:

unmistakably

Synonyms: obviously, plainly, apparently, manifestly, evidently

Usage: His claims were patently false.

Pronunciation: newsth.live/patentlypro

International Phonetic Alphabet: /ˈpeɪtəntli/

