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New Delhi: BJP on Tuesday attacked leader of opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi for opposing the appointment of Gyanesh Kumar as the chief election commissioner and Vivek Joshi as election commissioner, saying the LoP's note of

pointed during Congress rule? Despite being in power for decades, why did Congress govts do nothing to reform the selection mechanism?" Union education minister Dharmendra Pradhan said on X.

He pointed out that successive govts appointed their nominee as CEC and did not care to follow the Constitution's directive to constitute a collegium. "It is our gov't that has created a joint system for the appointment of CEC and EC, which includes the leader of the opposition. It is a great misfortune that Rahul Gandhi and Congress are acting like crybabies even when no rule/law is broken," Pradhan said.

The minister also questioned Rahul invoking the Constitution and B R Ambedkar to make his case. "Congress never missed an opportunity to ridicule and insult Baba Saheb Ambedkar, yet the 'yuvraj' of Congress (Rahul Gandhi) has the audacity to take a grandstand on upholding Baba Saheb's ideals and those of our founding leaders," he said.

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SC in 2024 refused to stay law on CEC appointment

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A five-judge SC bench on Mar 2, 2023, in Anoop Baranwal case had noticed a vacuum in parliamentary legislation on the process for selection of CEC and ECs and directed that a panel comprising the Prime Minister, the leader of the opposition and the Chief Justice of India would advise the President on appointments to the Election Commission of India. The bench said this court-crafted panel will continue to operate till Parliament enacts a law in this regard.

In December 2023, both Houses of Parliament passed the Chief Election Commissioner and other Election Commissioners (Appointment, Conditions of Office and Terms of Office) Bill, which became a law on getting the President's assent on Dec 29, 2023. The law replaced CJJ with a Union Cabinet minister (to be nominated by the PM) in the panel.

On Jan 12, 2024, a bench of Justices Sanjiv Khanna (now CJJ) and Dipankar Datta refused to stay the operation of the legislation.

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Rahul gets permanent exemption in Savarkar defamation case hearings

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Pune: The court of special magistrate Amol Shinde passed an order on Tuesday permanently exempting leader of opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi from attending day-to-day hearings in a defamation case filed against him by Satyaki Savarkar, the grandnephew of Hindutva ideologue Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, over his alleged objectionable remarks in London in March 2023.

The court on Jan 10 had granted bail to Rahul in this case after he appeared through video conference. His lawyer, Milind Pawar, had filed an application seeking the

court's permission to permanently exempt him from day-to-day hearing of the case as he had a busy schedule because he held a constitutional position.

The court observed in a three-page order on Tuesday, "Gandhi has Z+ security and he is LoP in the Lok Sabha. He has to attend official, political and social programmes all over India with prior approval of his security and day-to-day schedule. The expenses of security are considerable. This court finds that Gandhi should be granted permanent exemption from personal appearance in the case because of law and order issues."

The court granted the exemption subject to conditions

that Rahul would not raise objections before the court that the evidence was recorded in his absence.

Pawar also filed another plea in the court stating that Rahul wanted a detailed recording of evidence in the case. "The defamation case by Satyaki was registered by the court as a summary case. We are seeking comprehensive recording of evidence, including witness testimonies, which does not happen during summary proceedings. We have moved an application seeking to convert the ongoing summary trial into a summons trial under Section 258 of the Criminal Procedure Code. With a summons trial, the defence and the prosecution will be in a position to produce detailed evidence."



...Commissioner Rajiv Kumar (C) with newly appointed Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar (L) in New Delhi

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dissent was politically motivated and lacked merit.

"This latest move by Rahul Gandhi is another attempt to create controversy and peddle propaganda about the CEC's appointment. Has Rahul Gandhi forgotten how ECs were ap-

Will quit as CM if you prove terror, Muslim League link: Mamata

Tamaghna Banerjee, Rohit Khanna & Debashis Konar | TNN



'WILL WRITE TO PM MODI'

Kolkata: "I will resign as CM if you can prove that I have links with terror outfits or am associated with Muslim League," West Bengal chief minister Mamata Banerjee said in the state assembly on Tuesday, countering BJP's allegations.

"I was accused of disrespecting Hinduism and supporting Muslim League. After all my struggles, I have to hear that I have links with terrorists from Jammu and Kashmir and Bangladesh. I will write to the PM, and if he can prove any link with terrorists, I will step down as chief minister," she said as her party colleagues chanted "Shame, Shame" in unison.

Banerjee added, "There is no place for mafia in Bengal. We do not harbour terrorists or rioters. It's better to die

than to be accused of having ties with terrorists."

The Bengal CM's comments during the motion of thanks were in response to allegations made by leader of opposition Suwendu Adhikari outside the House on Monday after his 30-day suspension. A privilege motion was moved in the assembly against Adhikari for his comments on Tuesday even as BJP boycotted the session.

Banerjee said she was hurt by how some BJP politicians accused her of demeaning the Hindu religion.

'Court treated rape of minor as heinous offence'

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DCP (west) Vishwajeet Srivastava said the case was registered on May 6, 2019, by Kakori police, based on a complaint by the survivor's grandmother. The perpetrator, a neighbour, assaulted the girl in his house.

Lucknow district govt counsel (criminal) Manoj Tripathi told TOI that the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015, created classification of offences to enable courts to try minors in the age group 16-18 as adults for "heinous" crimes. "In this case, the court treated rape of minor as a heinous offence," he said.

NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONSUMERS' FEDERATION OF INDIA LIMITED
(Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution) Govt. of India
NCCFI Complex, 3, Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-110016

The National Cooperative Consumers' Federation (NCCF) invites bids for the empanelment of Consultant/Consulting Agencies for the following services:
1. Review and update of the NCCF Business Manual.
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Interested parties may refer to the NCCF website: www.nccf-india.com for detailed information. The last date for submission of applications is 24th February 2025.
Sd/-
In-charge (P&A)
NCCF of India Ltd.

WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY
Open E-Tender Notice
No. BPL/TRD/DRG/WC/443 & 442
Dated: 17.02.2024
Sr. DEE/TRD/WCR, Bhopal acting for and on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders against following works, upto 11.00 hours on the dates mentioned against each tender. The complete tender documents and detail information regarding tender, is available on the website <http://www.reps.gov.in>. Manual offers are not allowed against these tenders. For any correction, in this tender, if necessary, corrigendum will be uploaded on website prior to tender opening date which may be seen up to the date of tender opening. Tender No. - BPL/TRD/DRG/WC/443.
Description of work-Periodical overhauling (POH) TRD of 132kV/25kV, 21.6 MVA (02No.) single phase Traction Power Transformer at Harda TSS of Bhopal Division. Completion Period - 12 Month, Estimated Cost Rs. - 10919367.84, EMD Rs. - 204600.00, Closing Date and Time for Submission of Tender-

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक
विनियमन विभाग
नोडल क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, राजाजी सालै, चेन्नै - 600 001

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक द्वारा दि कडलूर एण्ड विलुप्पुरम जिला केंद्रीय सहकारी बैंक कर्मचारी सहकारी बैंक लिमिटेड, कडलूर - 607001, तमिल नाडु को जारी लाइसेंस रद्द की जाती है और इसे गैर-बैंकिंग संस्थान के रूप में कार्य करने की अनुमति दी जाती है

भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक (आरबीआई) को यह सूचित करने में संतुष्टि है कि दि कडलूर एण्ड विलुप्पुरम जिला केंद्रीय सहकारी बैंक कर्मचारी सहकारी बैंक लिमिटेड, कडलूर - 607001, तमिल नाडु को बैंकिंग विनियमन अधिनियम, 1949 की धारा 36ए(2) के साथ पठित धारा 56 के तहत गैर-बैंकिंग संस्थान के रूप में अधिसूचित किया गया है। इसके परिणामस्वरूप, आरबीआई ने बैंकिंग विनियमन अधिनियम, 1949 की धारा 22 के साथ पठित धारा 56 के तहत भारत में बैंकिंग व्यवसाय करने के लिए दि कडलूर एण्ड विलुप्पुरम जिला केंद्रीय सहकारी बैंक कर्मचारी सहकारी बैंक लिमिटेड, कडलूर - 607001, तमिल नाडु को 21 मार्च 2000 को जारी लाइसेंस को 6 फरवरी 2025 को व्यवसाय के समापन से प्रभावी रूप से रद्द कर दिया है।

इसके कारण दि कडलूर एण्ड विलुप्पुरम जिला केंद्रीय सहकारी बैंक कर्मचारी सहकारी बैंक लिमिटेड, कडलूर - 607001, तमिल नाडु को यह अनिवार्य है कि वह तत्काल प्रभाव से उक्त अधिनियम की धारा 5(बी) के साथ पठित धारा 56 के अर्थ में 'बैंकिंग' व्यवसाय को बंद कर दें। इसके अलावा, दि कडलूर

UPSIDA Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Authority
UPSIDA Complex : A-1/4, Lakhnau, Kanpur-208024
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)-FOOTWEAR PARK-KANPUR NAGAR
Uttar Pradesh is rapidly expanding its industrial landscape. In this endeavour Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Authority (UPSIDA) invites "Expression of Interest" from interested Industrial Firms/Agencies/Units for Development of Footwear & Accessories Manufacturing Industrial Area at Ramaipur in Kanpur Nagar District. UPSIDA intends to gauge interest from interested players to set up Leather/Non-Leather Footwear & Accessories Manufacturing units on this land.
• Eoi documents can be downloaded from www.onlineupsida.com
• Responses to be submitted at rmkanpur@upsida.co.in & lasectionupsida@gmail.com
• Contact Mr. Mansoor Katiyar, Regional Manager, Kanpur, Mob No. 8707503785
Chief Executive Officer
U.P. State Industrial Development Authority

MSME TECHNOLOGY CENTRE
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2 DAYS GOVERNMENT TRAINING ON
GENERATIVE AI IN HR
Using ChatGPT & Google Gemini
Course Duration (ONLINE) Date: 22 & 23 February 2025
Time: 5:00 PM to 8:30 PM
Content: Understanding Basic HR concepts, HR tasks impacted by Gen AI, What is GenAI & types, How to enroll & choose actions, Automation in Recruitment, Data accuracy & Plagiarism, How to enroll & choose actions, Tasks & Gen AI relations, Live demo... More
Fees: Rs. 3,000/- (Study material in soft copy shall be provided)
Coordinator: 9818676612, 9910948732, 9886564246
Government of India certificate will be awarded

MAGA voters love the idea of subversive energy because everything 'official' is rotten anyway. So, Musk can come in like Jack Reacher and take out the garbage. A quick recap of some of the things he's done so far:

- Clawing back \$80mn in federal funds from New York City's accounts. It's not a big sum, but it's the first time a federal grant has been sucked back without justification
- Demolishing USAID. "We spent the weekend feeding USAID into the wood chipper," as Musk put it on X
- Seizing databases of sensitive information



leashed in the first month, history suggests that American institutions have a way of self-correcting. The country has weathered crises before — Watergate, McCarthyism, even the Civil War — and each time, its democratic framework has endured.

While Trump's overreach now seems unchecked, legal challenges, bureaucratic resistance, and shifting political winds could rein him in over time. By the end of his term, this moment may be seen as a temporary convulsion rather than a lasting transformation. America's system, though battered, has repeatedly proven its resilience — and that remains the best hope for the future.

Car crash leads to 3 bodies at home, cops suspect suicide pact

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Kolkata: A car crash on EM Bypass early Wednesday that left three members of a family gravely injured, followed by the discovery of three lifeless bodies of family members of the crash survivors at their home in Kolkata's Tangra has left police sniffing a suicide pact, even though they have also lodged a murder complaint.

Police suspect the family members were driven to the extreme step after recovering from Covid-19 losses in their health.



Three students from TN die as bus overturns near Munnar

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Idukki: Three 19-year-old college students from Kanyakumari died and 23 others suffered minor injuries, when the tourist bus they were travelling in overturned near Echo Point in Munnar on Wednesday afternoon.

The deceased were Arthika and Venkatesh, who were second-year students at the college.

Maharashtra Airport Development Company Ltd.
CIN: U45203MH2002SGC136979

TENDER NOTICE

MADC invites Request for Proposals (RFP) from eligible consultants for conducting PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR DEVELOPMENT OF GREENFIELD AIRPORT IN VADHAVAN PORT REGION IN PALGHAR DISTRICT.

The detailed tender document can be downloaded from the website www.mahatenders.gov.in from 20/02/2025 from 13.00 hours onwards.

Vice Chairman and Managing Director

CORRIGENDUM

This is to inform E-Auction Sale Notice dated 19.02.2025, Borrower's Name: JBM SHELTERS PRIVATE LIMITED, which was published in The Times of India on 19.02.2025. Please read the amount mentioned in the notice under EMD as Incremental Bid and Incremental Bid as EMD. Rest of all conditions of the E-Auction, shall remain the same, as published earlier.

Place: Chennai
Date: 20.02.2025

S/-
Anil Kumar Khicha
Liquidator of JBM Shelters Private Limited
Reg. No.: IBI/1PA-001/IP-P00422/2017-18/10745

Rail Wheel Plant/Bela
(Dist. - Saran), Bihar - 841221

E-Tender Notice No.: 05/RWP/Engg/2024-25/WT/(Open) Date 18.02.2025 The Dy. CE/RWP/Bela for and on behalf of the President of India, invites Online "e-Open Tender" through Indian Railways E-Procurement Portal (IREPS) www.ireps.gov.in for the following works as detailed in the scope of work and location.

TAMIL NADU CIVIL SUPPLIES CORPORATION
HEAD OFFICE, CHENNAI-10.

NOTICE INVITING RE-TENDER

e-Tender Notice No. 57/CED6/039430/2024 dt. 18.02.2025
e-tenders are invited for the following works from the Registered contractors upto 2.00 PM on 24.03.2025 and will be opened on 25.03.2025 at 11.30 A.M.

Sl.No	Name of work	E.M.D in Rs
1	Re-Construction of Scientific Storage Godown of 2000MT capacity in TNCSG Godown campus at Keelapandi Village in Thiruthurai District.	1,74,000.00
2	Construction of Additional Scientific Storage Godown of 2000MT capacity in TNCSG Godown campus at Marungappu Village and Taluk in Tirchi District.	1,61,000.00
3	Construction of Additional Scientific Storage Godown of 1500MT capacity in TNCSG Godown campus at Keelmarunja Village in Ambur Taluk in Thirupathur District.	1,21,000.00

Schedule Downloading from website by Free of Cost :- From 21.02.2025 to 24.03.2025 up to 2.00 PM
Date of Opening of Online tender :- 25.03.2025 at 11.30 A.M
For further details please visit website: www.tenders.gov.in
DPR/001/Tender/2025

Managing Director

BANGALORE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD

INVITATION FOR TENDER (Only through KPP portal)

BWSSB invites TENDERS in Two Stage Tender System from registered agencies for the following works.

Office of the Chief Engineer (WWM-East), 5th Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bangalore-09

Sl. No.	Name of the Works	Amount put to Tender	
		EMD Amount	
IFT No.: BWSSB/CE(WWM-E)/DCE(WWM-E&W)/TA-1/1214/2024-25		Date: 18.02.2025	
1	Providing and laying 700/900 mm dia RCC NP-3 sewer line from Ramagondanahalli to link 1000 mm dia RCC sewer line at Thubarahalli all along the Varthur Lake.	Rs. 327.04 lakhs	Rs. 4.90 lakhs
IFT No.: BWSSB/CE(WWM-E)/DCE(WWM-E&W)/TA-1/1216/2024-25		Date: 18.02.2025	
2	Providing and laying 1000 mm dia RCC NP-3 sewer line from Siddapura to link at Bellandur Ammanikere 32.5 MLD ISPS.	Rs. 397.45 lakhs	Rs. 5.96 lakhs
IFT No.: BWSSB/CE(WWM-E)/DCE(WWM-E&W)/TA-1/1218/2024-25		Date: 18.02.2025	
3	Providing and laying 700mm dia RCC NP-3 sewer line from Varthur Main Road, Sumadhura NR Lake Apartment to link 900mm dia RCC Sewer line at Varthur Lake Bund.	Rs. 302.02 lakhs	Rs. 4.50 lakhs