

np Briefs

## 8 juveniles escape from observation home

Eight juveniles escaped from a government-run observation home in Chhattisgarh's Mahasarakund district in the early hours of Monday, prompting a police search operation, officials said. The minors, aged between 14 and 17 years, fled from the observation home under the City Kotwali police station limits in the wee hours of the day, they said.

BILASPUR

## Two held for killing bovine, selling beef

Two men were arrested for allegedly slaughtering a bovine at their house and selling beef in a village in Chhattisgarh's Bilaspur district, a police official said on Monday. The alleged offence came to light on August 1 in Darri-kapa village under Kota police station limits after a tip off, he said.

CHENNAI

## DMK MLA gets bail over remarks against Vijay

The Madras High Court on Monday granted conditional bail to DMK MLA G V Markandeyan, who was arrested for allegedly making derogatory abusive and threatening remarks against Tamil Nadu Chief Minister C. J. Jayaram. Justice G. K. Iyengar granted bail to Markandeyan on the condition that he should appear before the Tuticorin police every day for two weeks, except on Assembly days.

LATUR

## Minor among two held with sword, dagger

Two persons, including a minor, were booked in Latur for allegedly possessing weapons, a police official said on Monday. In separate operations, a sword and a dagger were seized, he added.

NEW DELHI

## RPF staff suspended in assault case

Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw informed Rajya Sabha on Friday that an inter-departmental enquiry committee has been constituted in connection with the alleged assault on a station master by RPF personnel at a station in Agra. Raising the issue in the Upper House, Samajwadi Party MP Ramji Lal Suman sought to know the "status of the action taken so far in connection with the incident that occurred in July this year at Agra Railway Station, wherein RPF personnel assaulted a railway employee".

NANDED (MAHARASHTRA)

## Four women among 5 held for honey-trap

Police have arrested four women and another person for allegedly honey-trapping a man and trying to extort Rs 1 lakh from him in Maharashtra's Nanded district, officials said on Monday. A woman allegedly lured the victim to Bejanagar on July 31 under the pretext of needing a driver. Once he arrived, he was taken into a house where the accused recorded his photographs and videos in a compromising position, threatened to circulate them on social media and demanded Rs 1 lakh, according to police.

# TN SEEKS SC NOD FOR CAUVERY WATER RELEASE

PTI

NEW DELHI

Chief Minister Joseph Vijay led-Tamil Nadu government on Monday approached the Supreme Court seeking directions to the Karnataka government for immediate release of the share of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu.

Tamil Nadu government standing counsel P Karunanidhi confirmed the filing of the petition that alleges that the quantum allocated to it by the Cauvery Water Regulation Committee (CWRC) as well as that released by its neighbour Karnataka was far less.

A CWRC meeting held on July 28 directed Karnataka to release 3,500 cusecs for 15 days starting July 29, an order which was upheld by the CWMA later.

However, the quantum of water released at Biligundlu ranged between 138-550 cusecs from July 29 to August 2, the state government said.

A press release issued by the Tamil Nadu government said that as of August 3, the combined total storage in the reservoirs in Karnataka — KRS, Kabin, Harangi and Hemavathy — stood at 77,337 TMC and Karnataka would face no difficulty in releasing Tamil Nadu's due share proportionately.

Following rains in the catchment areas in the KRS and Kabin dams in Karnataka recently, the proportionate water to be released at Biligundlu should be 28,954 TMC, it said.

"Accordingly, the Cauvery Water Management Authority order allocating 4,336 TMC is very less," the release added. Karnataka has "failed" to share with Tamil Nadu its due share of water and the quantum was 28,954 TMC, the press release said.

Earlier the DMK, the main opposition party in Tamil Nadu, moved the top court seeking directions to the Karnataka government for the immediate release of the due share of Cauvery water to the state.

## Udhayanidhi leads DMK protest

**Thanjavur (Tamil Nadu):** Leading a demonstration in Thanjavur, Leader of the Opposition Udhayanidhi Stalin on Monday fiercely attacked the state government over its handling of the Cauvery water dispute with Karnataka and the distress faced by the agricultural community. Meanwhile, taking to X,

DMK president M K Stalin attributed the plight of Delta farmers due to lack of water in the Cauvery to irrigate their crops to the "negligence" of the TVK administration. The protest, which witnessed a large turnout of farmers and party cadres, was organised to push for complete waiver of all agricultural loans, immediate



intervention to stop the construction of Karnataka's proposed Makeddu dam as well as official declaration of the Delta districts as drought-affected.

Nadu, moved the top court seeking directions to the Karnataka government for the immediate release of the due share of Cauvery water to the state.

The party has submitted that Karnataka must strictly follow the apex court's final

## POLITICAL UPSET | By-poll victory delivers a setback to BJP in its long-time stronghold

# PK ends BJP's 30-year hold on Bankipur seat

Dheeraj Kumar

PATNA

Breaking the Bharatiya Janata Party's (BJP) three-decade hold over the Bankipur Assembly constituency, Jan Suraj founder Prashant Kishor on Monday won the by-election by defeating BJP candidate Neeraj Kumar Sinha by 18,224 votes.

Kishor secured 64,151 votes, while Sinha polled 44,827. Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) candidate Rekha Gupta finished a distant third with 14,773 votes. Kishor maintained a lead over the BJP candidate throughout the counting process.

The victory is being seen as a setback for BJP national president Nitin Nabin, who represented the constituency five times. It also marks the first electoral test since the BJP installed Samrat Choudhary as Chief Minister, replacing Janata Dal (United) leader



Nitin Kumar

Unlike the previous Assembly election, when he did not contest, Kishor entered the fray himself in the Bankipur by-poll, emerging as his party's campaign. In the 2025 Assembly elections, Jan Suraj had contested 238 of the state's 243 seats but failed to win any.

During the campaign, Kishor described the by-election as a referendum on Chief

Minister Samrat Choudhary and criticised the BJP for projecting Bankipur as its "stronghold", a claim that analysts believe may have influenced voters.

Former Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) professor Pushpendra Kumar Singh said there was a growing sentiment among sections of the electorate that the BJP should be defeated. He added that the recent Gen Z demonstrations at Jantar Mantar and the controversial Bhupur police encounter, in which Bharat Bhushan Tiwari was killed, also influenced voter sentiment across social groups.

## 'Bankipur mandate sends message to BJP leadership'

Dheeraj Kumar

PATNA

A day after winning the Bankipur Assembly by-election, Jan Suraj founder Prashant Kishor on Monday said the result had sent a strong message to the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) that Bihar needed better leadership.

Speaking to reporters, Kishor said that while the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) would remain in power because of its emphatic victory in the last assembly election, the Bankipur verdict carried an important political message for the BJP.

"The BJP's three-decade fort crumbled in 30 days," he said.

"This election is not just about choosing an MLA. It is about sending a message to the BJP's top leadership that Bihar deserves a capable Chief Minister who can provide better education and employment opportunities. Migration from Bihar must stop, and youths should find employment within the state. The people have delivered that message," he said.

## Bihar CM Samrat Choudhary congratulates PK for victory

Patna: Bihar Chief Minister

Samrat Choudhary

congratulated Jan Suraj Party founder Prashant Kishor on his victory in the Bankipur Assembly bypoll on Monday.

Kishor assembled the Bankipur constituency of Bihar, a BJP bastion which the party had never lost since 1995, in a bypoll that was necessitated after its national president Nitin

## Bihar CM Samrat Choudhary congratulates PK for victory

Nabin vacated the seat. He

defeated his nearest RJP

rival Neeraj Kumar by a

margin of 18,224 votes.

Commenting Kishor, the chief minister said, "In the grand festival of democracy, we people have chosen Jan Suraj in the Bankipur Assembly bypoll. I respect the people's verdict and extend my heartfelt congratulations to Prashant Kishor ji on his victory."

## BJP holds Manjalpur in Gujarat by-poll

PTI

VADODARA

The BJP on Monday retained the Manjalpur assembly seat in Gujarat's Vadodra district, with its candidate Satish Patel defeating Congress nominee Bhikhabhai Rahani by more than 30,000 votes in the by-election.

According to the Election Commission, Patel secured 55,481 votes, while Rahani polled 24,851 votes after all 20 rounds of counting, giving the former a winning margin of 30,630 votes. Counting of votes

began at 8 am at Bhavan's School in the Makrapura area of Vadodra amid tight security.

The bypoll, held on July 30, recorded a voter turnout of 373 per cent. The election was necessitated by the death of senior BJP MLA and former Gujarat minister Yogesh Patel on June 2 following a prolonged illness.

The BJP had fielded former Vadodra Municipal Corporation councillor Satish Gvendbhai Patel, while the Congress nominated its Gujarat vice-president and former minister Bhikhabhai Rahani.

## Multiple cloudbursts trigger flash floods across Valley; woman killed

PTI

SHIMLAGAR

A woman was washed away while hundreds of people were evacuated as multiple cloudbursts struck the Valley on Monday, triggering flash floods in several districts, officials said.

Naseema Begum (52) was washed away in a flash flood caused by a cloudburst as she was trying to manoeuvre across a culvert over a swollen stream in Lohab area of Kupwara district, officials said.

Her body was later recovered downstream near Shahabad.

A mosque and a footbridge were also damaged due to



flash floods at Bimla Wali Moori in Kupwara, they said. Cloudbursts also struck the

## Kerala rain: 15 dead, seven missing, says CM Satheesan

Thiruvananthapuram:

Chief Minister V D Satheesan on Monday said that the death toll in rain-related incidents across Kerala has risen to 15, while seven people remain missing, and the overall situation was under control as the state intensified rescue and relief operations amid continuing heavy rain.

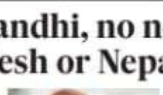
Two helicopters from Sular (Tamil Nadu) have reached Thiruvananthapuram. One National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) team has been deployed in the affected area.

The situation across the state and found that conditions were under control in all districts except a few areas in Puthamthitta.

He said that as part of the preparedness, 14 fishing boats from Kollam have been deployed to Chengannur for rescue operations.

Authorities evacuated hundreds of people including tourists to safer places in Shoptan and Puthamthitta as water levels in local streams are rising rapidly.

As many as 80 persons have been evacuated in Shoptan, while around 200 have been moved to safety in Puthamthitta, officials said.



tourist resort in Puthamthitta in Ammanthra, Herpora in Shoptan and Dardpora in Ban-

## BJP targets CPI(M), TMC over terror arrest

Arilita Singha

KOLKATA

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) on Monday launched a sharp attack on the CPI(M) and the Trinamool Congress (TMC) following the arrest of suspected terror operative Hanin Mondal in East Burdwan, alleging that successive governments had turned West Bengal into first a "safe passage" and later a "safe home" for terrorists and anti-social elements.

Addressing reporters, BJP state president and Rajya Sabha MP Samak Bhattacharya claimed the state's internal security had steadily deteriorated over the years. "During the CPI(M) regime, Bengal became a safe passage for anti-national elements. Under the TMC government, it turned into a safe home. Extremists and anti-social elements believed they enjoyed political patronage, creating an environment in which radical networks could thrive," Bhattacharya alleged.

## Mamata ready with new symbol if ECI rejects TMC claim



Arilita Singha

KOLKATA

Amid the tussle between two factions of the Trinamool Congress (TMC), party supremo Mamata Banerjee is said to have readied a "Plan B" if the Election Commission of India (ECI) rejects her faction's claim to retain the party's original election symbol.

Both the Mamata Banerjee faction and the faction led by Leader of the Opposition Ritabrata Banerjee have ap-

proached the ECI, each claiming to be the original TMC and seeking the right to use the party's symbol.

Sources in the Mamata Banerjee camp said that if the ECI does not alter the existing symbol to her faction, the party is prepared to adopt a new symbol, believed to be another flower.

The sources added that the faction is also prepared to challenge any adverse decision in court.

Speaking to reporters, TMC MLA Kunal Ghosh said the

party's identity was inseparable from Mamata Banerjee. "TMC means Mamata Banerjee. Mamata Didi is an icon. Launching the new symbol is just a matter of time. At least six MPs who defected to the NCP are in touch with us, and over 30 rebel MLAs are either in touch with me or other leaders. Some of them have already spoken directly with Didi. These defections are being engineered by the Bharatiya Janata Party with the help of the state police," Ghosh alleged.

## We have Gandhi, no need to look at Bangladesh or Nepal: Dipke

PTI

VISHNUPUR

CJP founder Abhishek Dipke on Monday said that student protesters need not look at Bangladesh or Nepal when India has the legacy of Mahatma Gandhi, who inspires the world.

In an interview to PTI at his house in Maharashtra's Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar, Dipke also spoke on CJP's expansion plans, compensation to kin of NEET aspirants who died by suicide and allegations the state of education in India.

Dipke also dismissed exiled Bangladeshi author Taslima



Nasreen's comment drawing a parallel between the CJP's Delhi protest against exam irregularities and the 2024 stir that ousted Sheikh Hasina's Awami League regime. "Protests in Bangladesh, Nepal are being used to de-

fame us who are different," he asserted.

"We showed during the recent protest in Delhi that we were following the Constitution and holding our demonstration peacefully. Parallels to the protests in Bangladesh and Nepal are being used to defame us."

"We don't need to look at Bangladesh or Nepal when we have Mahatma Gandhi from whom the world takes inspiration to protest," Dipke said. People are talking about Bangladesh and Nepal protests because police brutality may have reminded them of the scenes in those countries, he said.



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## STATEMENT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2026

The Unaudited Financial Results of the Company for the Quarter ended June 30, 2026, have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their respective meetings held on August 1, 2026.

The complete Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter ended June 30, 2026 have been filed with the stock exchanges under Regulation 33 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and are also available on Company's website www.yellowdiamond.in. The same can be accessed by scanning the QR code.



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