



Mishra appointed first CEO of Ram Temple Trust



Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra (ret'd), who headed the Western Air Command during Operation Sindoor, was today appointed the first CEO of Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust that oversees the management and operations of the Ram

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Junior Asstt caught in graft case

ACB today caught a junior assistant red-handed while allegedly demanding and accepting a bribe of Rs 15,000 for issuing a marriage certificate.

The accused was identified as Ajay Kumar, son of Ram Murtiof Gango Chack, Gajansoo, near here. He is posted as a junior assistant in the office of assistant commissioner (general), Jammu.

According to officials, ACB received a written

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2 IPS officers transferred, posted

The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has ordered the transfers and postings of two IPS officers

As per an MHA order, AGMUT cadre IPS officer Danesh Rana transferred to Jammu and Kashmir segment of the Joint AGMUT cadre upon his repatriation from central deputation.

As per another order, AGMUT cadre IPS officer Vikas Kumar has been transferred from Leh to Delhi with immediate effect.

Field trials for PPDR to begin in Oct

NEW DELHI, SEP 02: The government will start field trials for a Public Protection and Disaster Relief (PPDR) network in disaster-prone areas starting October, following the finalisation of its operational model this month.

Speaking at a Broadband India Forum (BIF) event on critical communications, Joint Secretary in the Home Ministry, Prasanna R, today said that the proof of concept for the PPDR network has already been done with all four telecom operators in the country.

"PoC (proof of concept) has been done. We will fi

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Kargil gets Post Office Passport Seva Kendra



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Kirti Vardhan Singh, Union Minister of State for External Affairs, and Ladakh LG Vinai Kumar Saxenatoday inaugurated Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK) at Kargil, marking a significant step towards bringing passport

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Water 'dispute' deepens India's rejection of PCA order prompts Pakistan's treaty appeal

ISLAMABAD/NEW DELHI, SEP 02: 48 hours after New Delhi firmly said that the IWT's suspension remains in force and the Hague-based Permanent Court of Arbitration "has no jurisdiction on India's sovereign decisions", Pakistan today urged India to restore Indus Waters Treaty.

"Pakistan has urged India to engage with it constructively within the framework of IWT, saying the decades-old pact must be upheld in letter and spirit," officials said.

According to reports, Foreign Office spokesperson Tahir Andrabi made the remarks days after India rejected an order by the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) setting aside the Centre's decision to suspend the treaty with Pakistan.

Andrabi said the court had reaffirmed that the IWT remained "fully enforced and binding", adding that Pakistan would take all possible measures to ensure the decision was implemented.

"Pakistan is committed to imple-

menting the treaty in letter and spirit in accordance with its language and provisions," he said.

He added that Islamabad would continue to urge India to reciprocate by upholding the treaty "in letter and spirit" and in accordance with its full legal and documented provisions.

India put the IWT in abeyance following the Pahalgam terror attack on April 22, 2025 that killed 26 civilians, including 25 Hindu holidayers, as part of a series of punitive diplomatic and economic measures against Pakistan.

Pakistan approached the PCA in The Hague in March this year, seeking a determination on the status of the treaty, effectively challenging India's decision.

India, however, has never recognised the "existence in law of this illegally-constituted and so-called Court of Arbitration". New Delhi has maintained that the establishment of the arbitral body itself constitutes a "grave violation of the Indus Waters Treaty".

Executed in September 1960, the Indus Waters Treaty was designed to govern the sharing of the Indus River

system between India and Pakistan.

A day after the Pahalgam terror attack on April 22 last year, India had taken a series of punitive measures against Pakistan, including suspending the water-sharing framework.

Reaffirming its long-standing principle that "blood and water cannot flow together," New Delhi has made it clear that treaty operations will remain suspended until Islamabad takes verifiable, irreversible action to dismantle cross-border terror networks operating from its soil.

"This so-called Court was constituted by the World Bank in patent breach of the terms of the Treaty and India categorically rejects its so-called award, just as it has firmly rejected all prior pronouncements by this illegally constituted body," the Ministry of External Affairs said in a statement.

The statement also underscored that India has never recognised the existence in law of this "illegally-constituted body", and has "consistently maintained that the very establishment of this alleged arbitral body con

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SP-Cong alliance to contest UP polls

ETAH, SEP 02: Samajwadi Party national general secretary Shivpal Singh Yadav on Wednesday said the SP-Congress alliance would contest the 2027 Uttar Pradesh Assembly elections together and form a full-majority government under the leadership of Akhilesh Yadav.

Speaking to reporters here, he said the alliance with Congress would remain intact for the Assembly polls and expressed confidence that the SP would return to power in the state with a clear majority.

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3 DSPs, 11 Inspectors promoted to next ranks

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The government today ordered the promotion of three DSPs to the rank of SPs, and 11 Inspectors to the rank of DSPs in the general cadre of the Union Territory.

According to a home department order, the promoted DSPs are: Suresh Kumar Sharma, Nissar Ahmad Darzi, and Varun Jandial.

Another home department order says: "Sanction is hereby accorded to the promotion of 11 police Inspectors as DSPs (general

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Work on Samba-Battal road to start soon: Jitendra



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Union Minister Jitendra Singh today said that work on the Samba-Battal road would start soon as as the Border Road Organisation (BRO) had allocated funds for the restoration and repair work on the strategic road, connecting two major

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After Moscow talks, Jaishankar all set to visit Ukraine

Discussions to cover issues of mutual interest

NEW DELHI, SEP 02: Days after Moscow talks and Modi-Putin meeting in Bishkek, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar will travel to Ukraine and Poland from Thursday, meeting Ukrainian Foreign Minister Andrii Sybiha, and Polish Foreign Minister & Deputy Prime Minister Radosław Sikorski.

The Ministry of External Affairs says discussions will cover bilateral relations, regional developments and issues of mutual interest.

The Ukraine visit comes as New Delhi continues to engage both sides of the Russia-Ukraine conflict. It also follows a meeting between Ukraine's First Deputy Head of the Presidential Office, Sergiy Kyslytsya, and India's Ambassador to Ukraine, Anjani Kumar.

Kyslytsya said the talks



covered the prospects for Ukraine-India relations and India's potential role in efforts to end Russia's war against Ukraine.

He also referred to Modi's recent message to Putin that the parties must move from an "endless war" towards an "end of war", saying Kyiv wanted to translate the shared interest in peace into concrete steps.

Modi, speaking after his meeting with Putin in Bishkek, reiterated India's support for peaceful efforts to resolve the conflict. "We have to move from a situa-

tion of 'endless war' to 'end of war'," he said, adding that it was humanity's wish that the conflict end at the earliest.

The remarks reinforce India's longstanding position that the Russia-Ukraine conflict must be addressed through dialogue and diplomacy.

At the same time, the timing of Jaishankar's Kyiv visit is significant: coming soon after his Moscow engagement and the Modi-Putin meeting, it underlines New Delhi's effort to maintain direct channels with both capitals.

The timing is significant. Ukraine says Russia's attacks have intensified, while the UN has recorded a sharp civilian toll from missile and drone attacks. India's direct exposure to the conflict is also becoming

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70,584 corruption complaints received against govt deptts

Banks, railways top chart

NEW DELHI, SEP 02: More than 70,500 corruption complaints were received against the government bodies last year, with banks and the Railways topping the chart, according to a report by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC).

Out of the 70,584 complaints received by the chief vigilance officers (CVOs), who act as the distant arm of the commission, 64,905 were disposed of as on December 31, 2025, the report said.

"The remaining 5,679 complaints were under process at the end of 2025, including 2,002 for more

than three months," the CVC annual report 2025 said.

The CVOs are expected to complete investigations within three months.

The Commission conducts a periodical review of complaints pending with the CVOs to ensure their expeditious disposal, the report said.

A maximum of 9,933 complaints were received by the CVOs of banks, of which 9,520 were disposed of and 413 were pending, including 52 for more than three months, it said.

The CVOs received 9,381 complaints related to the

Railways, of which 8,754 were disposed of and 627 were pending (10 for more than three months), as on December 31, 2025, the report said.

A total of 6,531 complaints were related to housing and urban affairs and 4,834 were against local bodies except the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD).

The local bodies include Delhi Jal Board (DJB), Delhi State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd (DSI-IDC), Delhi Transco Lim

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Rijiju slams Congress for questioning GDP numbers

NEW DELHI, SEP 02: Attacking the Congress for questioning India's GDP numbers, Union minister Kiren Rijiju on Wednesday asked if the opposition party was in a "state of deep intoxication" or had become "so swayed by their blind loathing of India's growth that they lost touch with ground reality".

He made the remarks in a post on X in reply to a post by Kerala Congress, which said, "Nobody believes the fake story anymore. The world can see through the fakery."

The Kerala Congress also posted an image of a beer mug showing the Indian economy as the actual liq-



uid and the official GDP numbers as fizz.

"Is the Congress in a state of deep intoxication due to drinking too much beer or Congressmen are so swayed by their blind loathing of India's growth that they have lost touch with the ground reality?" Rijiju said.

India's economy grew at a faster-than-expected 7.8 per cent in the April-June

quarter, showing resilience against concerns of an economic downturn over the war in West Asia.

Gross domestic product (GDP) growth in the first quarter of the 2026-27 fiscal slowed from a barnstorming 8.6 per cent in the previous quarter, but remained well above expectations when the conflict erupted and disrupted energy markets.

Earlier in the day, the Congress cited former finance secretary Subhash Chandra Garg's remarks on GDP numbers to attack the Modi government, saying it must understand that "PR can polish the picture" of

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Ex-servicemen deserve highest respect: Kavinder

HAMIRPUR, SEP 02: Interacting with the members of Directorate of Sainik Welfare and Ex-servicemen here, Himachal Pradesh Governor & Rajya Sainik Board president Kavinder Gupta today said ex-servicemen deserve the highest respect for their dedicated service to the nation.

He also took note of various issues concerning their welfare and well-being.

Brig (ret'd) Madan Sheel Sharma, Director, Directorate of Sainik Welfare, Hamirpur, apprised the governor of various issues being faced by ex-servicemen and their families.



He also briefed him about the status of the pending construction of the Shaheed Smarak at Hamirpur which was started in 2023.

The director told the governor that the last meeting of Rajya Sainik Board was held in 2016, and apprised

him of the need to convene the board meeting to review and address matters concerning the welfare of ex-servicemen and their families.

Gupta gave a patient hearing to the concerns

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