



Sinha lauds Armed Forces Medical Services

LG Manoj Sinha today lauded the Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) for restoring the sight of 220 patients in an underground operation theatre in a challenging border area in Tangdhar, Karnah, area of the valley under 'Operation Drishti'.

"Kudos to surgeons & personnel of AFMS for successfully conducting Mega Eye Surgical Camp under Operation Drishti at Tangdhar, Karnah. Restoring sight to 220 people in underground operation theatre in a

COAS reviews operational preparedness



Chief of Army Staff (COAS) GenDhiraj Seth today visited Rashtriya Rifles Sector Headquarters under Chinar Corps to review

Cong accuses CEC of law violation

The Congress on Saturday accused Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar of knowingly breaking the law and Constitutional practices by "unilaterally" changing Form 6 and called on the Supreme Court to take suo motu cognisance and hold him accountable.

In a post on X, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh said Kumar's continued tenure was an affront to the people of India and that he must resign.

Indian women win Kabaddi gold at Asian Games

NAGOYA, SEP 26: India extended their dominance in kabaddi at the Asian Games with the women's team securing yet another gold medal after a thrilling 37-34 win over Iran in the final here on Saturday.

India held a 22-16 lead at half-time, but Iran produced a better show in the second half, winning it 18-15. However, the deficit proved too much to overcome as India clinched the gold.

After the triumph, the Indian team took a victory lap of the arena and chanted the national song 'Vande Mataram'.

Counter Intelligence Inspector held with heroin

CHANDIGARH, SEP 26: A Punjab Police inspector, posted in the Counter Intelligence wing, was arrested with over 3 kg of heroin and weapons in Ferozepur.

Inspector Baldev Singh was nabbed on the Ferozepur-Moga road after his vehicle was stopped by a team of police at a checkpoint, a senior police officer said.

Police set up the checkpoint while acting on a tip off that the Inspector was allegedly involved in drug smuggling.

Ferozepur Senior Superintendent of Police Bhupinder Singh said police recover

Ram temple donation row should not become fodder for UP polls: VHP

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India rips into Pak's 'falsehoods', 'deceit' at United Nations

Warns terrorism will have consequences

UNITED NATIONS, SEP 26: Describing Pakistan as a "puppet" regime, India has ripped into the country's "falsehoods" and "deceit" at the UN, warning that continued terrorism by Islamabad will have consequences.

India exercised its Right of Reply after Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif used the UN General Assembly podium to credit US President Donald Trump for his "timely intervention" in the 2025 conflict with India, as he again raked up the Kashmir issue in his address at the world organisation.

First Secretary in the Permanent Mission of India to the UN, Petal Gahlot, said, "We heard some hypocritical homilies about democratic rights and human values from a regime whose capital at this very moment is being fortified against its own people."

"And that...is happening because this is a regime of the army, by the army, and for the army. Their puppets may come and go but let us have no il-

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lusion who calls the shots. The reality of Pakistan is expressed in its 27th Amendment and the lifelong immunity granted to its real ruler," Gahlot said.

She was referring to the 27th Constitutional Amendment passed in November last year by the Shehbaz Sharif government, which grants Pakistan's Chief of Defence Forces and Chief of the Army Staff Field Marshal Asim Munir lifelong immunity from any legal prosecution.

"We are confident that this Assembly will recognise Pakistan and its policies for what they really are; not what its representative mendaciously projects it to be. Reiterating falsehoods year after year does not make them true. Pakistan's terrorism, deceit and duplicity will neither benefit it nor the world," she said.

In his address, Sharif had thanked Trump for his "resolute and visionary leadership", saying that the American leader's "timely intervention" saved hundreds of millions of lives in South Asia.

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In his about 23-minute address, Sharif also raised the issue of Kashmir, saying that to ensure South Asia never reaches that precipice of the conflict of 2025 again, a just and fair solution to the Kashmir issue is required.

India reminded the UN General Assembly that Sharif's "bizarre remarks" came just a fortnight after New York City and the world marked the 25th anniversary of the horrendous 9/11 terrorist attack.

"This context...is important to keep in mind because its mastermind, Osama Bin Laden, was living right on the doorstep of the Pakistani Army's premier academy," Gahlot said.

Slamming Sharif for raising the Kashmir issue in his address, Gahlot said the Indian Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir is an integral and inalienable part of the country.

"And will always remain so. But if we must talk about Kashmir, let us turn our attention to the Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir. Ask the people of Rawalakot about the wanton killings,

Giving push to manufacturing to end dependency: FM

PUDUCHERRY, SEP 26: The central government has ensured through several budget announcements, necessary support to industry to either start domestic manufacturing for the long run or immediately for the short run, source it from elsewhere and remove dependence on other countries, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has

INDIA bloc parties to meet over EC row

NEW DELHI, SEP 26: Opposition INDIA bloc parties are likely to meet in New Delhi on September 30 to discuss concerns over the Election Commission and the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, besides other issues.

The proposed meeting comes amid increased coordination among opposition parties over the Election Commission following reports of differences within the poll panel over aspects of the SIR exercise.

The parties have been in touch with each other on the issue and are discussing a joint response, sources

Substance abuse in children not just health concern: CJI



PATNA, SEP 26: Chief Justice of India Surya Kant on Saturday said substance abuse among children must be understood as a child protection issue, rather than as a matter of public health concern.

Delivering the Pataliputra Pragrah Pravah lecture on 'Childhood Beyond Drugs: Protection, Care and Reintegration' at the Bihar Lok

'Unanimous approval' CEC, 2 ECs hold meeting; deny internal rift over SIR

NEW DELHI, SEP 26: The Election Commission today said its key decisions on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls had been taken with the "unanimous approval" of all three commissioners, rejecting suggestions of differences within the poll panel over the exercise.

Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi attended the commission's meeting at Nirvachan Sadan here.

The EC in a statement announced some decisions on the SIR and the commission's internal functioning, and laid out its position on a letter written to the cabinet secretary, reportedly by Sandhu and Joshi as media reports asserted.

The controversy spans objections raised by Joshi and Sandhu on issues such as changes to Form 6 used for new voter enrolment, the functioning of the online system ECINET, the redistribution of work in the IT division, appeals in the West Bengal SIR, and the handling of cases involving voters in Goa, for instance.

In an immediate response earlier, the EC had argued that internal disagreements were part of its democratic functioning.

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On the Form 6 issue, questions were raised over a declaration attached to the form during the SIR process, asking prospective voters to map to the previous SIR via their parents' names. The commission's note said the declaration was upheld by the Supreme Court. It added that outside the SIR period, forms prescribed under the Registration of Electors Rules, 1960, would be used.

On ECINET, concerns were raised over access to the electoral-roll database and the functioning of the portal. The commission said field officers had role-based access according to their statutory powers.

It also announced a review of the ECINET by a committee headed by a Senior Deputy Election Commissioner and including an independent expert from an IIT or IIIT. The commission said any further flexibility required by field officers would be made operational too.

It also decided that all new initiatives involving IT modules and portals would be discussed by the committee of officers before being placed before the commission for approval.

Another issue concerned a letter sent to the cabinet secretary over the redistribu-

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