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#### Trump's son Barron, 18, pulls out of political debut



The International Press: Donald Trump's youngest son Barron, 18, on Friday stepped back from his planned political debut, withdrawing as a delegate at the Republican Party convention in July. Barron, who has been largely shielded from the public eye, made global headlines this week when it appeared he would be the latest member of the Trump family to enter the political arena. But a statement from the office of his mother Melania Trump, the former president's third wife, soon put a stop to the convention plan. "While Barron is honored to have been chosen as a delegate by the Florida Republican Party, he regretfully declines to participate due to Republican prior commitments," it said. The convention in

official crowning as the Republican challenger to **Democratic President Joe** Biden, with delegates from each state designating their candidate for the November election. Barron would have appeared alongside his siblings Donald Trump Jr., Eric Trump and Tiffany Trump as part of the Florida delegation. Barron lived in the White House as a child when his father was president, but has been fiercely protected from public view. Trump's oldest daughter, Ivanka, was a senior advisor in his first presidency alongside her husband Jared Kushner, while Don Jr. and Eric are regulars at Trump rallies and on the campaign trail. In March, the **National** Committee elected Eric's wife Lara to a

the country with

financing for

sanctions that have

greatly complicated

### **Putin reappoints Mishustin** as Russia's PM

The International Press: Russian President Vladimir Putin proposed the reappointment on Friday of Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin, a technocrat who has helped him through the war in Ukraine and the economic challenges wrought by Western sanctions over Moscow's invasion. The Duma's approval of the lowkey Mishustin is nearly certain, as there is virtually no opposition in parliament, which has supported Putin in all his decisions, including the February 2022 invasion of Russia's smaller neighbour. As dictated by law, the government resigned just before Putin, Russia's paramount leader for nearly a quarter of a century, was sworn in for another six-year term on Tuesday after winning in a landslide re-election in March. There is no indication that Putin plans a big reshuffle of the government, which includes veteran Sergei Shoigu, in

charge of Russia's

Russian President Vladimir Putin proposed the reappointment on Friday of Prime Minister Mikhail Mishustin, a technocrát who has helped him through the war in Ukraine and the economic challenges wrought by

Western Minister Sergei Lavrov, in charge of Russia's diplomacy for two decades. Keeping his government intact would send a message of stability and of Putin's satisfaction with his team's progress at home and abroad, analysts say. "President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin submitted to the State Duma a proposal on the candidacy of Mikhail Vladimirovich Mishustin for the post of Chairman of the Government," the speaker of the Duma, Vyacheslav Volodin, said on the Telegram messaging app. "Today, deputies will make a responsible decision on behalf of their constituents

on this issue." Volodin said. **LOW-PROFILE BUREAUCRAT KEEPS ECONOMY** 

**AFLOAT** Mishustin, a career bureaucrat, was said to have no political ambitions before Putin tapped him as prime minister in 2020. With no background in the security services, he is not part of the so-called siloviki (strongmen) faction of intelligence veterans close to Putin. While keeping a low profile, however, Mishustin has been credited with keeping Russia's

economy afloat

after Kyiv's allies hit

Volodin said.

Russian businesses and curtailed markets for the country's vast natural resources. Before becoming prime minister, Mishustin headed the federal tax service for a decade, where he was credited with more than doubling revenues. In October, with Russia facing increasing sanctions, Mishustin said Moscow would simplify procedures for citizens and companies from 25 "friendly" countries including China, India, Brazil, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Kazakhstan and Belarus - to invest in Russia. At a perilous moment for Putin in June last year, Mishustin said Russia must rally around the president as an abortive mutiny by mercenaries fighting in Ukraine had presented "a challenge to its stability". "For this, the consolidation of the whole of society is especially important. We need to act together, as one team, and maintain the unity of all forces, rallying around the president," Mishustin said. Mishustin, who will speak in the Duma before the vote, must answer how he will solve a number of tasks set by Putin for the government, including "economic and regional development, and increasing the defence capability of our country",

### **India** completes troop exit from Maldives



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Press: India has

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Delhi officials said

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"Both sides have

together to ensure

of Indian aviation

platforms," India's

foreign ministry

spokesperson

"Accordingly,

deputation of

competent Indian

has taken place."

Minister Moosa

took office in

technical personnel

The announcement

coincided with a visit

by Maldivian Foreign

Zameer to India, the

first visit by a senior

official since Muizzu

November last year.

Maldivian leaders

traditionally made

port of call after

New Delhi their first

coming to office but

Muizzu has courted

China instead and

deepened defence

the Indo-Pacific

At a meeting with

Zameer, India's

Foreign Minister

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Jaishankar said that

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Randhir Jaiswal said.

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towards China, New

President Mohamed

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Alle CODOUNT it was in both nations' common interest to understand how best to take ties forward. Zameer said afterwards on X that talks centred on cooperation in fields from infrastructure to capacity building. Apart from the troops issue, the Maldives' permission to a Chinese research vessel to dock at its port, in India's backyard, has also caused concern in New Delhi. India opened a new naval base near the Maldives in March to enhance surveillance in the

Indian Ocean. But

despite the strains,

its development

projects in the

Campaigning for fourth phase of **Lok Sabha Election** in West Bengal has come to an end



Campaigning for fourth phase of Lok Sabha Election

in West Bengal has come to an end this evening. Elections will be held in six Parliamentary constituencies in the State on 13th of May 2024. The seats are Baharampur, Krishnanagar, Ranaghat, Bardhaman Purba, Bardhaman - Durgapur, Asansol, Bolpur and Birbhum More than 1 crore 45 lakhs 30 thousands voters are eligible to cast their franchise in these six Baharampur total number of electorates are 17 lakhs 83 thousands 78, Krishnanagar total voters are 17 lakhs 55 thousands 631, Ranaghat total number of voters are 18 lakhs 71 thousands 658. Bardhaman Purba total number of electorates stands at 18 lakhs 1 thousands 333, Bardhaman - Durgapur total voters are 18 lakhs 51 thousands 780, Asansol is having total number of electorates 17 lakhs 70 thousands 281, Bolpur the voters number are 18 lakhs 39 thousands 234 while in Bhirbhum number of electorates are 18 lakhs 57 thousands 22 Out of total electorates 70 thousands 647 voters are above 85 years of age while electors aged between 18 to 19 years are 3 lakhs 23 thousands 544 in these six constituencies Altogether 75 candidates are in the fray for six Parliamentary constituencies. 15 candidates are contesting from Baharampur, while 12 in Birbhum and 11 in Krishnanagar. 8 candidates

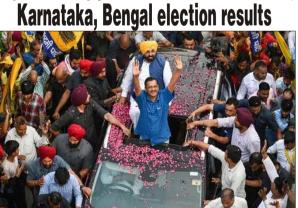
each are in the fray from Bardhaman- Durgapur and Bolpur while 7 candidates each are fighting from Ranaghat, Bardhaman Purba and Asansol seats. In all 15 thousands 507 polling stations will be opened in six Parliamentary 791 polling stations will be manned by the women polling personnel while 42 polling stations have been identified as Model Polling Elaborate security arrangements have been made to ensure free and fair

Maldives have in fact their respective areas to keep a strong vigil on gained pace. election process Kejriwal's big prediction on Maharashtra,

polling. Election

Commission appointed

observers are camping at



The International Press: BJP's number of seats will come down in Haryana, Rajasthan, Karnataka, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal said in his roadshows in the Capital on Saturday -a day after he came out of Tihar on interim bail to campaign for the election. Kejriwal said this was not his prediction but the opinion of the experts, psephologists and analysts with whom he

got in touch in the last 20 hours outside jail.When I was arrested, I wondered what was my crime. My crime was that I built schools, mohalla clinics in Delhi. I have a small party which is there only in two places and they have such a big party. I made treatment free for you but in Tihar they did not give me medicine for 15 days...they want to bring the Delhi government down,"

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Secretary, Ministry of Mines Shri V L Kantha Rao today inaugurated the Registered Office of Khanij Bidesh India Ltd(KABIL) at Sansad Marg, New Delhi in presence of Senior officials of Ministry & KABIL. KABIL, a Joint Venture



**Technology is driving the Revolution in Military Affairs: Chief of Defence Staff Gen Anil Chauhan** 

Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) Gen Anil Chauhan has stated that technology is driving the Revolution in Military Affairs, underscoring the need for amalgamation of present technologies and investment in future emerging technologies. He was addressing a gathering



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# Editorial & News

## Editorial

#### **Military Nursing Service celebrates International Nurses Day, 2024**

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International Nurses Day 2024 was celebrated on 11 May 2024 at Ayurvigyan Auditorium, Army Hospital (R & R). Maj Gen Kanwarjit Singh, Offg Commandant Army Hospital (R&R) attended the occasion as the Chief Guest. Maj Gen Sheena P D. **Principal Matron** welcomed the gathering. **International Nurses** Day is celebrated across the world, every year on the birth anniversary of Florence Nightingale to mark the contributions of nurses towards society. International Council of Nurses has declared the theme for this year as 'Our Nurses Our Future, The Economic Power of Care' and the theme was unveiled by Maj Gen I D Flora, Addl DGMNS. To commemorate the occasion, a debate on 'Artificial Intelligence in Nursing: Boon or a Bane' and a panel discussion on the theme was conducted. The eminent panelists discussed various aspects including challenges in the

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**Kejriwal's big prediction** 

**Bengal election results** 

Kejriwal said."I have

phone in the last 20

hours I came out of

jail. What everyone is

saying is that BJP is

adding that in Delhi

BJP will lose all seven

seats. The same fate

Punjab, Kejriwal said.

"On June 4, Modi will not come to power.

will be part of it. Delhi will become a full state," Kejriwal said. Earlier in the day,

Kejriwal said voting

Narendra Modi will

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digitalization in health

care, nurse burn out,

The Chief Guest felicitated the panelists and awarded the meritorious Nursing Officers with Appreciation certificates. Capt Deepa Shajan was awarded with the Pushpnaranjan Award. The Chief Guest also addressed the gathering and motivated them to uphold the professional standards and ethos set by Military Nursing Officers. He complimented the MNS Officers for working tirelessly in endless shifts taking care of patients with utmost compassion and empathy.



## Mines Secretary Inaugurates Registered Office of Khanij Bidesh India Limited (KABIL) in New Delhi

The International Press: Secretary, Ministry of Mines Shri V L Kantha Rao today inaugurated the Registered Office of Khanij Bidesh India Ltd(KABIL) at Sansad Marg, New Delhi in presence of Senior officials of Ministry & KABIL. KABIL, a Joint Venture Company formed by NALCO, HCL and MECL, the CPSEs under the Ministry of Mines, is entrusted with the important mission of identifying, exploring, acquiring, and developing critical & strategic mineral assets overseas.

The Secretary Mines in his inaugural address mentioned that the inauguration of Office of KABIL at Delhi symbolizes a new era of concerted efforts towards ensuring the mineral security of India. With a steadfast commitment to excellence, KABIL is poised to play a crucial role in driving India's growth and selfsufficiency in the realm of critical & strategic minerals aligning with the objectives of "Make in India" and "Viksit Bharat" and India achieving the Net Zero Emission Goal. An instrumental step in

KABIL's journey was the signing of an Exploration and Development Agreement with CAMYEN on January 15, 2024. This agreement granted KABIL exclusive exploration rights for five lithium blocks in Argentina, marking a significant stride towards securing a stable supply of lithium, a key component in the production of batteries essential for various industries, including electric vehicles. There is also collaboration of India with Australia who is the leading producer of Lithium (about 47% of

the world- top producer) and Cobalt (about 3% of World- 4th largest producer) by signing G2G MoU (between Ministry of Mines and DSIR) and B2B MoU ( between KABIL and CMO). Five projects of Lithium and Cobalt have been selected where project feasibility is being carried out. Opening of the Registered Office of KABIL in New Delhi is a big stride which will facilitate the efficient and fast functioning of KABIL for securing a consistent supply of essential minerals to meet India's domestic requirements.

**Technology is driving the Revolution in Military Affairs: Chief of Defence Staff Gen Anil Chauhan** 



The International Press prowess in science and Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) Gen Anil Chauhan has stated that technology is driving the Revolution in Military Affairs, underscoring the need for amalgamation of present technologies and investment in future emerging technologies. He was addressing a gathering of scientists and engineers of the Department of Atomic Energy on the occasion of National Technology Day on May 11, 2024. CDS also inaugurated a two-day thematic programme on 'Atoms for Society: Securing Water, Food & Health' at BARC, Mumbai. Gen Anil Chauhan said the theme for this year, 'Atoms for Society: Securing Water, Food & Health,' highlights the crucial role of science and technology in

technology, encouraging the revival of the imaginative spirit to realise the technologies necessary for national security. He said it was a time to reflect on the remarkable advancements made in science and technology that have shaped our nation's progress and also an opportunity to recognise the tireless efforts of our scientists, engineers, and innovators who work diligently to propel our nation forward. Gen Anil Chauhan commended the DAE for its unwavering commitment to advancing science and technology for the betterment of our nation. He extended his warmest wishes to the DAE and its members on National Technology Day and wished for the efforts to continue as India marches forward on the path of progress and innovation.

#### If we come to power, we'll implement five major guarantees: Dr. Raj



**Dr. Samrendra Pathak** Senior Journalist. New Delhi, May 11, 2024 :The International Press: Dr. Udit Raj, a well-known Dalit leader of the country and majority," Kejriwal said Congress candidate from North-West Delhi, has said that if the India Alliance comes to power, as per the party's manifesto, 30 lakh youth will be given government jobs. Five key points will be implemented soon. Dr. Udit Rai, a former Indian Revenue Service officer, said this during an interview. He said that RSS and BJP are against the Constitution and reservation, they want to abolish it. Important posts through

lateral entry are an example of this. In response to a question, the Dalit leader said that he had gone to BJP in search of a platform. When he became an MP from BJP, he started working for Dalits, backward classes and weaker sections of the society. Anvone can see such

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He said that I was definitely a BJP MP, but out of the box, I raised the problems of the deprived society in the Parliament. I provided better treatment and other facilities to the people coming from any corner of the country, because after the victory of an MP, it belongs to everyone. When asked about five

issues raised by him in

Parliament.

major tasks after coming to power, Dr. Udit Raj said that he will make water, electricity, roads, parks, schools, colleges and medical systems of high quality in his constituency. Along with this, 30 lakh vacant government jobs will be created. Apart from the guaranteed employment of youth on the posts, the top issues of guarantee will be implemented.

#### More than 200 dead in Afghanistan flash floods: UN

addressing the most

our society.

pressing issues facing

CDS accentuated the

nation's historical



The International Press: Flash floods that have ripped through northern Afghanistan left more than 200 people dead in a single province, the United Nations said on Saturday. More than 200 people were killed and thousands of houses were destroyed or damaged in Baghlan province when heavy rains on Friday sparked massive flooding, the UN's International Organization for Migration told AFP. In Baghlani Jadid district alone, up to 1,500 homes were damaged or destroyed and "more than 100 people died", an IOM

emergency response lead said, citing figures from the Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority.

Taliban government officials said 62 people had died as of Friday night.

Spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid said "hundreds of our fellow citizens have succumbed to these calamitous floods" in a statement on X, formerly Twitter, on Saturday, without differentiating the numbers of dead and injured, though he told AFP dozens had been

Multiple provinces across Afghanistan saw flash flooding, with officials in northern Takhar province reporting 20 dead on Saturday. Rains on Friday also

caused heavy damage in northeastern Badakhshan province,

central Ghor province and western Herat. officials said.

**Emergency personnel** have been deployed to the affected areas and were rushing to rescue injured and stranded people, the defence ministry said. Afghanistan -- which had

a relatively dry winter, making it more difficult for the soil to absorb rainfall -- is highly vulnerable to climate change.

The nation, ravaged by four decades of war, is one of the poorest in the world and, according to scientists, one of the worst prepared to face the consequences of global warming.







## **Just News & Cinema**

#### **India to participate at** 77th Cannes Film Festival (14-25 May)

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The Bharat Pavilion at the 77th Cannes Film Festival at 108 village International Riviera, will be inaugurated on May 15 in the presence of eminent film personalities. The Bharat Pavilion at Cannes serves as a platform for the Indian film community to engage in various activities, including, fostering production collaborations, curated knowledge sessions, signing distribution deals. greenlighting scripts, B2B meetings and networking with prominent entertainment and media players from around the world. The Pavilion will be organized by the National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) in collaboration with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) as industry partner. A 'Bharat Stall' will be put in the Marche du Cannes through the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for providing the industry to connect & collaborate. The Bharat Pavilion has been designed by the National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad is

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"All We Imagine As Light,"

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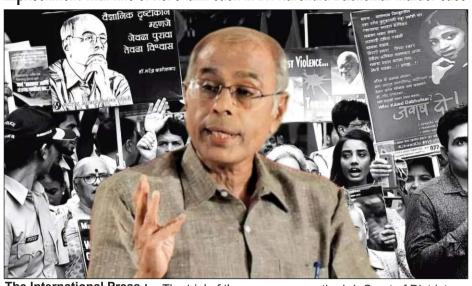
further enriched by British-Indian filmmaker Sandhya Suri's poignant narrative in "Santosh," in Un Certain Regard alongside Karan Kandhari's evocative "Sister Midnight" in Directors' Fortnight and Maisam Ali's compelling "In Retreat" in L'Acid. The Film and Television Institute of India (FTII) student's film "SUNFLOWERS WERE FIRST ONES TO KNOW" is selected in the La Cinef Competitive section. The short film made in Kannada, was shortlisted among entries from across the globe and will now compete against 17 other international short films in the final stage. Furthermore. ShyamBenegal's'Manthan , a film focusing on the Amul dairy cooperative movement, will be presented in the Classics section, adding a touch of historical significance to the festival's Indian lineup. The film reels were preserved for several decadesin film vaults of NFDC-National Film Archive of India (NFAI), a unit of the Ministry, and has been restored by the Film Heritage Foundation(FHM). National Award-winning cinematographer Santosh Sivan will be the recipient of the prestigious Pierre Angenieux tribute at the Cannes Film Festival. He will also deliver a masterclass for the Cannes delegates, becoming the first Indian to be honored with this distinction. Many Indian states including Goa, Maharashtra, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Jharkhand, and Delhi are likely to participate to help showcase India's diverse locations and film talent. A Session on exploring opportunities of film production in

collaboration with India. titled "Abundant Incentives and Seamless Facilitations - Come, Create in India" is being organized at the Main Stage (Riviera) on 15th May at 12 pm. The panel discussion will spotlight India's huge incentives for film production, coproduction opportunities. and the top-notch postproduction facilities. The panel will put forward as to how filmmakers are welcoming these initiatives, what are the actual experiences on the ground for filming in India and what are the exciting stories that are being shared Interactive sessions at the Bharat Pavilion, organized throughout the festival, will cover topics such as incentives for creating in India, international collaboration in film festivals, India as a filming destination, bilateral film coproductions between India and countries like Spain, the UK, and France, among others. These sessions aim to facilitate discussions, networking, and collaboration opportunities for filmmakers seeking to engage with the dynamic

Indian film industry and

international partners.

Special Court for UAPA cases, Pune, sentences two accused to life imprisonment with fine of Rs. 5 lakh each in Dr. Narendra Dabholkar murder case



The International Press: The Ld. Court of District Judge-9 and Addl. Sessions Judge, Special Court for UAPA cases, Pune today convicted Sachin Prakashrao & Sharad Bhausahab Andure, Sharad Kalaskar in Dr. Narendra Dabholkar Murder Case and sentenced them to undergo life imprisonment with a fine of Rs. 5 lakh After completion of trial each. The Learned Court held them guilty of murder of Dr. Narendra Dabholkar.

of the orders dated 09.05.2014 of the Hon'ble Bombay High Court taking over investigation of the case earlier registered at PS Deccan, Pune City on allegations that Dr. Narendra Dabholkar, was shot dead by two assailants in the morning in August 2013 at Omkareshwar Bridge, Pune when he was on morning walk. After investigation, CBI filed charge-sheet in Pune Court on 06.09.2016. Subsequently, Supplementary Chargesheets were filed by CBI

on 13.02.2019 and

20.11.2019.

CBI had registered the

instant case in persuance

The trial of the case was conducted in the Court of Hon'ble District & Addl. Session Judge, Pune, Special Court for UAPA against the accused Sachin Prakashrao Bhausaheb Kalaskar, Virendrasinh Tawde, Vikram Vinay Bhave and Sanjiv Punalekar.

the Ld. Court of District Judge-9 and Addl. Sessions Judge, Special Court for UAPA cases, Pune vide its judgement dated 10.05.2024 convicted accused Sachin Prakashrao & Sharad Bhausahab Kalaskar and sentence them accordingly. Other 03 accused were acquitted by the Ld. Court.

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### When Esha Deol spoke about meeting Dharmendra's first wife Prakash Kaur; this is how she reacted seeing her in their house

The International Press: Dharmendra who got married to Hema Malini for the second time despite having a first wife Prakash Kaur recently celebrated his 44th wedding anniversary with the Dream Girl. What grabbed everyone's attention was Sunny Deol and Bobby Deol skipping the celebration, but it was BollywoodLife that exclusively told you about all being well among the Deol's and they only couldn't attend the celebration due to work commitments. As Sunny and Bobby claim to be close to Hema Malini and their sisters. their mom Prakash Kaur still

refuses to have any connection with them. In Hema Malini's biography, Esha Deol shared about the situational meeting with stepmom Prakash Kaur and how she reacted to seeing her in their house. Esha narrated that Dharmendra's brother Ajeet Deol and their uncle whom they were very close to fell sick and how they wanted to meet him.

Esha narrated," I wanted to meet my uncle and pay my respects. He loved me and Ahana very much and we were also very close to Abhay. We had no other way than to go to his house. He was not even in the hospital that we would meet him there. So I called Sunny Bhaiya and they made full arrangements to meet him." Talking about meeting Prakash Kaur for the first time she added," "I touched her feet and she left me after blessing me."

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Esha and Ahana Deol till date maintain their distance from Prakash Kaur and even she hasn't yet accepted them. Dharmendra stays with both his wives in a separate house, but mostly the veteran actress spends his time with wife Prakash



#### Sonali Bendre makes SHOCKING revelation about 'rumoured linkups' between actors: Here's what she said

The International Press Speaking with News18, Sonali shared that nowadays, actors are asked if they would want 'link-up rumours with their co-stars to be floated around'. She added that in the initial days of her career, the 'gossip would just be out there to promote the film, and the actors had no choice'

Sonali said, "Gossips and newsmakers jumping to conclusions - be it about who you're seeing or the affairs you're having or even the fights you're having with your co-stars - come under the gamut of 'where did that come from?' And most of the time, such things that were written about me weren't true at all. These days, actors are at least asked if they would want link-up rumours with their co-stars to be floated around.

Sonali Bendre makes SHOCKING revelation about 'rumoured linkups' between actors: Here's what she said She added, "During my time, we weren't even asked, and those

gossips would just be out there to promote the film, and the actors had no choice. There was a motive to link the lead pair up just to be in news. Itne shiddat ke saath yeh karte the ki (They used to do it so diligently) I think they (such gimmicks) may have

worked. But I found these things to be really strange.

Sonali also talked about "building a perception" about an actor. She said that in the current time, "rags to riches story for an actor is working". Comparing this to the early days of her career, she said that she was told not to give out the fact that "I came from a middleclass family". Sonali shared they

were supposed to say that they come from a rich background. The actor recalled that she wasn't comfortable lying, "but I know that a lot of colleagues did do that." Sonali Bendre makes SHOCKING revelation about 'rumoured linkups' between actors: Here's what she said Sonali made her acting debut with

Aag in 1994. She also featured in

Diljale (1996), Major Saab (1998), Sarfarosh (1999), Hum Saath Saath Hain (1999), and Hamara Dil Aapke Paas Hai (2000), among others. She has starred in the series Ajeeb Daastaan Hai Ye (2014) and The Broken News (2022). The second chapter of the newsroom drama, The Broken News, premiered or

#### **Kangana Ranaut compares** herself to Amitabh Bachchan



The International Press Bollywood actress and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) candidate Kangana Ranaut has once again thrown a ludicrous statement which has made audiences call her

out on social media. During a recent election rally, the actress compared herself to Bollywood icon Amitabh Bachchan, where she claimed that she gets the same respect as Amitabh

Bachchan. "The entire country is astonished... whether I visit Rajasthan, West Bengal, Delhi, or Manipur, the amount of love and respect I receive is overwhelming. I can confidently say that after Amitabh Bachchan, if anyone in the industry receives such immense love and respect, it's me," she declared during the

The video of her speech has gone viral, sparking diverse reactions from netizens. Many have made sarcastic remarks about her comparison to one of Bollywood's most revered icons, especially given her recent string of box office failures. "Kangana's last hit film was in

2015, and since then, she has had 15 consecutive flops. And here she is comparing herself to Amitabh Bachchan," a verified parody account guipped while sharing the video on X (formerly Twitter). One user labeled it as "peak level of self-obsession." while another netizen described it as the "best joke of the year." Kangana and Amitabh have not yet appeared together in a film, but both actors received National Awards in 2016. Kangana won Best Actress for "Tanu Weds Manu Returns,' while Amitabh won Best Actor for "Piku." After her outstanding performances in "Queen" and "Tanu Weds Manu Returns," Amitabh sent bouquets and a letter of appreciation to Kangana.

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### Mbappe and PSG aim to seize moment in Champions League semifinal



The International Press: Paris Saint-Germain are bidding to overturn a 1-0 first-leg deficit and beat Borussia Dortmund in their Champions League semifinal return match on Tuesday, with the aim of bringing the curtain down on the Kylian Mbappe era at the club in the final at Wembley.

The only time PSG have previously appeared in the biggest match in club football turned out to be a depressingly flat occasion, with the French side losing 1-0 to Bayern Munich behind closed doors in Lisbon in 2020, at the height of the pandemic. Reaching the June 1 showpiece in London, and playing before a crowd of 90,000 against either Real

Madrid or Bayern again,

would be a different

occasion entirely.

Getting there would give Mbappe the chance to end his seven-year stay with the Qatar-owned outfit in the best possible way, as they look to win the Champions League for the first time in their history, and just the second time for a French club after Marseille in 1993. Mbappe informed PSG in February of his intention to depart the Parc des Princes when his contract expires at the end of the season, ending a prolific association with his hometown team which began when he signed from Monaco in

Now 25 and the captain of France, Mbappe has become the Parisians' alltime top scorer with 255 goals in 305 appearances so far, including 43 this season

He has 48 in the Champions League -- a tally which

includes six with Monaco in his breakthrough 2016/17 campaign -- and Tuesday's second leg against Dortmund would be the ideal time for him to bring up the half-century. Luis Enrique's team did not produce their best

performance in losing 1-0 in Germany last week, and the pressure is on them as favourites to turn the tie around at home. However, a repeat of what happened when they hosted Dortmund in the group stage

on that occasion they won 2-0, with Mbappe netting the first goal from the penalty "We are sure we are going to turn it around and qualify

last September will suffice --

for the final," Mbappe told several media including AFP on Sunday on the sidelines of an event on the French capital's famed Champsclosed doors in the Covid era, including two ties played as one-off games on neutral turf in Lisbon in 2020. This season's draw has been as kind as it could be,

Five of those came behind

with Real Sociedad ideal opponents in the last 16 and Dortmund the best they could have wished for in the semi-finals.

However, their performance in overturning a first-leg deficit to defeat Barcelona in the last eight is not to be dismissed.

While all eyes will, as usual, be on Mbappe, the key to PSG's chances of recovering from another firstleg loss when they face Dortmund may be in defence.

They suffered a huge blow when Lucas Hernandez ruptured the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee while trying to stop Niclas Fuellkrug's goal in Dortmund. He is set to be out for many months. In addition, left-back Nuno Mendes, who has himself not long returned from a lengthy spell out, had a torrid time up against Jadon Sancho at the Signal Iduna

Park. Mendes will still almost certainly start at the Parc des Princes, while Danilo Pereira looks the most likely option to partner skipper Marquinhos at centre-back "We know how strong we are at the Parc. Nothing is finished, everything is open,' Marquinhos said after the first leg.

One other factor in favour of PSG, who have already wrapped up the French title, might be freshness -- their weekend league game at Nice was postponed to help them prepare.

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Punjab Kings. The 35-year-old is India's premier spin-bowling allrounder, apart from being a gun fielder, and will be expected to play a key role in the T20 showpiece in the United States and West Indies, where the ball is likely to turn. Against Punjab in Dharamsala, Jadeja topscored for Chennai with a breezy 43 and then returned to claim 3-20 to help the defending champions climb to third place after their sixth win in 11 matches. "It was a day game, so

the wicket was slow," man of the match Jadeja said of his batting approach in a low-scoring contest.

"We did well in the (batting) powerplay, but then we couldn't build partnerships. We wanted to build partnerships, so in the last four-five overs, we could score quickly." With the ball, Jadeja dismissed Punjab's topscorer Prabhsimran Singh, skipper Sam Curran and Ashutosh Sharma as Chennai, having posted 167-9,

139-9. It was the seventh time Jadeja bowled his full quota of four overs this season and Chennai have won five of those matches.

restricted Punjab to

"During the powerplay, the wicket always looks flat but as the ball gets a little old, the ball doesn't come on to the bat," the left-arm spinner said of his bowling.

"We felt we were 15-20 runs short but we bowled well in the powerplay and middle overs, didn't bowl loose balls.' Kolkata Knight Riders beat Lucknow Super Giants on Sunday to top the points table though Rajasthan Royals, behind only on net runrate, have played one

match fewer.

#### Friends forever: **Rohit through** the lens of Yuvra



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Few players have watched Rohit's journey from a youngster touted as the next big thing to a bonafide legend of Indian cricket as closely as Yuvrai has.

Having spent time together in the dressing room and witnessing Rohit's extraordinary performances, Yuvraj has observed firsthand the dedication, skill and resilience that have propelled the destructive batter to the pinnacle of Indian cricket. Now at the helm in his role as captain, Rohit shoulders the responsibility of leading India to break a trophy drought that stretches back to the 2011 Men's Cricket World Cup. It has been a case of so near yet so far for India over the

last few years in the Men's ICC events and as their quest for major ICC trophies continues, the team under his leadership has consistently showcased its potential on the global stage. After falling short in key

moments, including heartbreaking losses in the semi-final of the 2022 ICC Men's T20 World Cup and the finals of the ICC World Test Championship 2023 and Cricket World Cup 2023, the attention turns to the 2024 Men's T20 World Cup. When asked about Rohit's significance in the upcoming tournament, Yuvraj expressed his unequivocal support for

the side "(Rohit's presence is going to bè) very crucial. I think we need a really good captain, a sensible captain who takes decisions well under pressure. And he's the one to take them," T20 World Cup 2024

the Hitman to continue leading

ambassador Yuvraj said. "He was the captain when we lost in the (Cricket World Cup) 50-over final (in 2023). He has won five IPL trophies as a captain. I think we need somebody like him to captain

The bond between Yuvraj and Rohit traces back to the Mumbaikaar's early days in the Indian setup. It's widely known that Yuvraj was one of Rohit's close friends within the team

In fact, Yuvraj was part of the squad when Rohit made his debut for India. It was during the fall of Yuvraj's wicket that the young Hitman stepped onto the international cricket scene to bat, making his first appearance against Ireland back in 2007.

Their connection came full circle in 2019 when Yuvraj's final season as an active cricketer came under Rohit's captaincy at the Mumbai Indians in the Indian Premier League. Following that tournament, Yuvraj announced his retirement from all forms of cricket in June 2019.

Speaking from a personal perspective, Yuvraj recalled his initial impression of Rohit, who joined the Indian team at the tender age of 17 and showered praise on the Indian captain, emphasising his humility, camaraderie and leadership qualities both on and off the field.

"Very poor English," Yuvraj said jokingly. "Very funny guy. From the streets of Borivali (in Mumbai), we always tease him. But a great guy at heart. "The more success he's had, he has never changed as a person. That's the beauty of Rohit Sharma. Fun-loving, always having fun with the guys, A great leader on the park and one of my closest friends from cricket "I really want to see Rohit Sharma with a World Cup trophy and a World Cup medal. He really deserves it.'

India squad for T20 World Cup: Rohit Sharma (c), Hardik Pandya (vc), Yashasv Jaiswal, Virat Kohli, Suryakumar Yadav, Rishabh Pant (wk), Sanju Samson (wk). Shivam Dube, Ravindra Jadeja, Axar Patel, Kuldeep Yadav, Yuzvendra Chahal, Arshdeep Singh, Jasprit Bumrah, Mohd. Siraj. Reserves: Shubman Gill, Rinku Singh, Khaleel Ahmed,

#### **Uganda name squad for historic T20 World Cup appearance**



The International Press on the road to Cricket : Brian Masaba holds the honour of leading Uganda in their first appearance at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup, with their 15-player squad locked in. After stunning Zimbabwe and the African field in qualifying, the Cricket Cranes look ahead to Group C play, taking on co-hosts West Indies. New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Afghanistan. Masaba will be deputised by Riazat Ali Shah, and the skipper joins several Ugandans with over a decade's experience in international cricket, underlined by 43-yearold Frank Nsubuga, who will be one of the oldest players in the tournament. A cult hero in emerging cricket circles, Nsubuga's squad selection caps off a life's devotion to the game. He

first represented Uganda

year-old in the 1997 ICC

Trophy, a pathway event

in ICC events as a 17-

World Cup 1999. Fast-forward 25 years, Nsubuga made headlines, taking a sprawling catch approaching the boundary in a Cricket World Cup Challenge League match against Kenya in 2022. He's not the only Ugandan player to turn heads in recent times, with spin-bowling allrounder Alpesh Ramjani ready to continue in the same form that led to his Men's T20I cricketer of the Year. One of several notable all-rounders in the men's cricket last year, 55 of them at an over. Fellow left-arm orthodox spinner and squad member Henry Ssenyondo also comes

nomination for 2023 ICC squad, Ramjani claimed the most T20I wickets in economy of under five an off a strong 2023, taking 49 wickets in the same period Riazat Ali Shah and Dinesh Nakrani are two

notable aggressors with

who played in the 2022 event in the West Indies. While it is the first time Uganda will take part in a senior men's World Cup of any type, Uganda have been represented in a global event through the now-defunct East Africa team that took part in the 1975 Cricket World Cup. Samuel Walusimbi was the sole Ugandan player in the squad, featuring in three matches. Uganda begin their T20 World Cup campaign on June 3 against Afghanistan in Guyana. Squad: Brian Masaba (c), Simon Ssesazi, Roger Mukasa, Cosmas Kyewuta, Dinesh Nakrani, Fred Achelam, Kenneth Waiswa, Alpesh Ramjani, Frank Nsubuga, Henry Ssenyondo, Bilal Hassun, Robinson Obuya, Riazat Ali Shah (vc), Juma Miyaji, Ronak Patel.

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us, which is normal because

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"All the more so when you

know about this club's past

PSG were not necessarily

the squad undergoing a

expected to get as far as the

semi-finals this season, with

major overhaul following the

departures of Lionel Messi

and Nevmar at the end of

They had gone out in the

seven seasons, frequently

failing in spectacular fashion

since the Qatari takeover of

the club in 2011, PSG had

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**Defensive dilemma** 



Man Utd rut 'not good enough

but Ten Hag vows to fight on

The International Press: Erik ten Hag took responsibility for Manchester United's miserable showing in a 4-0 thrashing by Crystal Palace on Monday, but said he is still the right man to turn the club's fortunes around. Palace completed a first ever league double over United in style as Michael Olise scored twice, while Jean-Philippe Mateta and Tyrick Mitchell were also on target for the in-form Eagles.

Defeat left Ten Hag's men eighth and at risk of both their worst ever Premier League finish and missing out on European competition next season. The Dutchman's future is in doubt with structural change ongoing at Old Trafford since British billionaire Jim Ratcliffe bought a minority stake and took sporting control of the club earlier this year. "It's clear and it's obvious this is under-performing,"

said Ten Hag. "We didn't act how we want to do it and this is by far not good enough." Ten Hag's options were

again limited by a mounting injury list. Captain Bruno Fernandes missed a club game through injury for the first time in his career, while England international duo Marcus Rashford and Harry Maguire were also absent.

The makeshift centre-back pairing of Casemiro and Jonny Evans were torn apart by Palace's pace and invention. "Absolutely," added Ten

Hag on whether believes he is the right man to lead United forward. "If we have the right players available we have a good squad but we miss almost the whole back-line and then we have problems.

"I will keep fighting and I prepared the team in the best way I could do. It was

not good enough, so I have to take the responsibility for that but I will find the energy and I will prepare them for Sunday.' Worse could be to come

not good enough, by far

for Ten Hag when titlechasing Arsenal visit Old Trafford at the weekend. United have never failed to finish in the top seven in the Premier League era and must do so or beat Manchester City in the FA Cup final to qualify for Europe.

But the embarassing scoreline at Selhurst Park is not unprecedented during Ten Hag's reign. United lost 4-0 at Brentford, 7-0 to Liverpool and 6-3 away to Manchester City during his first season in charge. This season they have conceded 81 goals in all competitions, the club's worst tally since 1976-77.

After a disappointing early

exits from both the

Champions League and League Cup, a FA Cup run has offered Ten Hag some

But they booked their

relief.

place in a second consecutive final only by surviving a penalty shootout against secondtier Coventry after blowing a 3-0 lead to draw 3-3. "That was tough to watch," said former United midfielder Paul Scholes of the Red Devils' display at Palace. "That could have been 7-0.' Ratcliffe's INEOS group have already begun making appointments they hope will turn around a decade of decline at the 20-time English champions. Jason Wilcox has been named the club's new technical director, while Newcastle's Dan Ashworth has been targeted as sporting director and former Manchester City executive Omar Berrada will take over as CEO.