

President Murmu urges stakeholders to work together to end tuberculosis for all

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New Delhi: President Droupadi Murmu on Monday asked all stakeholders to work together with collective resolve to end tuberculosis once and for all. In a message, she said tuberculosis (TB) continues to pose a significant public health challenge, affecting millions of lives across the world. However, TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyan has made remarkable progress in expanding early diagnosis, ensuring free treatment, strengthening nutritional support and improving patient care, Murmu said on the eve of World Tuberculosis Day. This progress underscores our shared determination and the strength of the national TB elimination programme, she said. "I urge all stake-



holders to work together with collective resolve to end tuberculosis once and for all," the President said. Murmu said she is happy to know that World Tuberculosis Day is being celebrated on March 24, to raise awareness about the global challenge posed by TB.

Vaishnav launches initiatives aimed at boosting media and entertainment sector

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New Delhi: Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnav on Monday launched three major initiatives aimed at strengthening India's media and entertainment sector and promoting the creative economy. The three measures are: National AI Skilling initiative in partnership with Google and YouTube through the Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICIT); MyWAVES, a citizen creator platform on WAVES OTT; and the rollout of Advanced Electronic Programme Guide (EPG) and in-built satellite

tuners in television sets for enhancing access to DD Free Dish services. The move is aimed at promoting the 'Orange Economy', strengthening public broadcasting, and building an AI skilled workforce in the media and entertainment sector, an official statement said. The event witnessed participation from key media and entertainment (M&E) industry representatives, head of YouTube India along with senior officials from the ministry. Highlighting Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of democratising technology, Vaishnav said the initiatives will make technology.

Four J&K-born IAS Officers posted Assistant Secretaries in Central Ministries

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Jammu: In a significant development, four IAS officers hailing from the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir have been posted as Assistant Secretaries in various central ministries in New Delhi. According to an official memorandum from the Department of Personnel and Training, the officers—Anmol Rathore, Arjun Gupta, Seerat Baji, and Aparajita Aryan—will join the Government of India for an eight-week attachment starting May 4, 2026. As part of this prestigious central posting, Anmol Rathore has been assigned to the Ministry of Economic Affairs, Arjun Gupta to Women and Child Development, Seerat Baji to the Ministry of Power, and Aparajita Aryan to Social Justice and Empowerment.

Corruption goes global; asset recovery crucial: CBI, ED

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New Delhi: The director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED) said at a global anti-corruption meet on Monday that asset recovery is not an afterthought but the truest measure of enforcement success. At the same event in the national capital, the CBI director underscored that corruption today has become transnational, sophisticated, and increasingly enabled by technology.

Addressing the opening session of the 12th Steering Committee Meeting of the GlobE Network, being hosted

by India from March 23-25, the ED Director Rahul Navin highlighted the agency's mandate "to trace, restrain, confiscate, and retribute proceeds of crime" under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, an official statement said. He stressed that under the modern anti-corruption framework enshrined in the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC), asset recovery is central to enforcement outcomes and "the truest measure of enforcement success." Sharing India's performance, he said the ED has "restituted .

Two more Indian-flagged LPG Tankers set to cross Strait of Hormuz

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New Delhi: Two more Indian-flagged LPG tankers have started their journey from the Persian Gulf and are expected to cross the war-hit Strait of Hormuz before heading to Indian ports, ship tracking data showed. LPG tankers Pine Gas and Jag Vasant, sailing close to each other, on Monday afternoon, were near the waters between Iran's Larak and Qeshm islands—possibly to make their identity clear to Iranian authorities before they cross the Strait.

The two ships were among the 22 Indian flagged vessels that were stranded in the Persian Gulf after the war in

the Middle East nearly closed the Strait of Hormuz—the narrow waterway between Iran and Oman that connects the oil and gas-producing Gulf countries to the rest of the world. Ship tracking data showed the two ships could cross the strait sometime on Monday before heading to Indian ports.

Previously, MT Shivalik and MT Nanda Devi, carrying about 92,712 tonnes of LPG or roughly a day's cooking gas consumption of the country, had safely reached the Indian shore. Originally, there were 28 Indian-flagged vessels in the Strait of Hormuz when the war in West Asia broke out following US-Israel

attacks on Iran. Of these, 24 were on the West side of the Strait and four on the East side. In the last few days, two vessels from each side have managed to sail to safety.

LPG carrier Shivalik reached Mundra in Gujarat on March 16, while another LPG tanker, Nanda Devi, reached Kandla port in Gujarat the next day. Two LPG carriers had started their journey on March 13 and crossed the Strait of Hormuz early on March 14.

Indian-flagged oil tanker Jag Laadki, with 80,886 tonnes of crude oil from the UAE, reached Mundra on March 18. Another tanker, Jag Prakash, carrying gasoline from Oman

to Africa, had previously safely crossed the strait and is en route to Tanzania. Of the 24 remaining Indian-flagged vessels in the war zone, 22 are on the West side of the Strait with 611 seafarers onboard, while two are on the East side.

Six of the 22 remaining Indian-flagged vessels on the West side were LPG carriers—two of these have set sail for India. Of the remaining, one is a liquefied natural gas (LNG) tanker, four are crude oil tankers, one is transporting chemical products, three are container ships, and two are bulk carriers. Additionally, one vessel is a dredger, another is empty, and three are in dry.

SC disposes plea on Sonam Wangchuk's detention

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New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday disposed of a plea filed by Gitanjali J Angmo, wife of climate activist Sonam Wangchuk, against the latter's detention under the National Security Act (NSA). A bench of Justices Aravind Kumar and PB Varale noted that the Centre revoked its order of Wangchuk's detenti

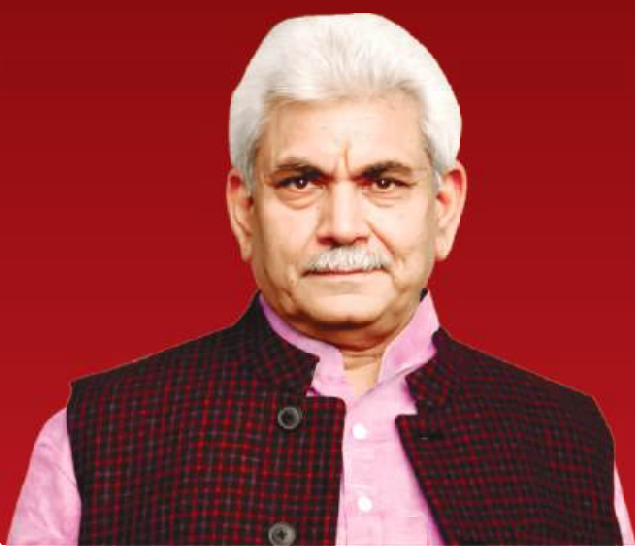
on on March 14. The apex court said there was nothing left in the matter. Earlier, the top court had asked the Centre if there was any possibility for the Government to relook at the detention of Wangchuk, considering his health condition. The Centre on March 14 said it had revoked with immediate effect the detention of Wangchuk under the NSA, nearly six months after he was arrested



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