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WINDOWS



Trinamul Congress MP Nusrat Jahan at the Parliament House complex during the Budget Session in New Delhi on Monday.

‘Poaching’: Notice has no mention of FIR, says Delhi CM

New Delhi: Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal on Monday said the Delhi police crime branch’s notice to him over his allegations that the BJP was attempting to “poach” AAP MLAs has no mention of any FIR and asserted that the country will not progress by such “theatrics”.

Didi to skip meet on ‘1 nation, 1 poll’

Kolkata: West Bengal chief minister Mamata Banerjee Monday said she would skip the meeting of the “one nation one election” committee in New Delhi on Tuesday.

Indian band Shakti wins Grammy award

New Delhi: Indian musicians Shankar Mahadevan and Zakir Hussain’s fusion band “Shakti” bagged the Grammy’s award for “Best Global Music Album” on Monday.

COUNTERPOINT



What next after winning the trust vote? We’ll get ready for future ones!

WEATHER

Max: 17°C Min: 9°C RH: 65% Rain: 0%

Forecast: Sunny

ASTROGUIDE

Shubhakarut: Uttarayana Tithi: Pushya Bahula Ekadasi till 4 pm Star: Jyeshtha till 7.32 am Varjyam: 4.54 am to 6.25 am

Targets Rahul, dynasty; says Opp. has ‘resolved to remain in Opp’ PM tears into Congress; says NDA will win 400+, BJP 370+

AGE CORRESPONDENT NEW DELHI, FEB. 5

Expressing confidence that the NDA will get more than 400 seats and the BJP will win at least 370 seats in the Lok Sabha elections, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said Monday that he was convinced that the Opposition parties have lost the courage to contest the elections and have resolved to stay on the Opposition benches for a long time.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi replies to the Motion of Thanks on the President’s address in Lok Sabha during the Budget session in New Delhi on Monday.

REFERRING TO Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge’s remark in the Rajya Sabha, the Prime Minister said: “Even Kharge ji is saying the same thing.”

Funds are not being withheld from non-BJP state govts: FM

AGE CORRESPONDENT NEW DELHI, FEB. 5

Strongly refuting allegations that the Centre was withholding funds meant for non-BJP governed states, finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman said Monday it was a politically-vitiated narrative that vested interests are happy to go about saying.

SC: Won’t allow ‘murder of democracy’ in Chandigarh

Pulls up returning officer, summons him Feb. 19

RAKESH K. SINGH NEW DELHI, FEB. 5

Dubbing the alleged defacement of ballot papers in the recently-held Chandigarh mayoral polls as the “murder” and “mockery of democracy”, the Supreme Court on Monday said it was “appalled” at the behaviour of the returning officer, and directed his personal appearance at the next date of hearing on

THE CJI-led bench also ordered the preservation of ballots and video recordings of the electoral proceedings, besides calling for the entire records

Indian troops will be out of Maldives by May 10: Muizzu

SRIDHAR KUMARASWAMI with agency inputs NEW DELHI/MALE, FEB. 5



Mohamed Muizzu

Maldives President Mohamed Muizzu said in his maiden address to his country’s Parliament that Indian troops in his country (carrying out medical evacuations) would leave the tiny archipelago nation in two phases by May 10 this year.

Maldivian citizens supported his administration due to its “pledge to withdraw foreign military troops from the country”.

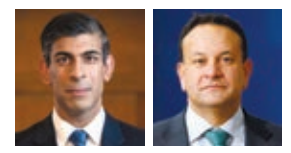
India win Vizag Test, level series 1-1



Indian players celebrate the wicket of England’s captain Ben Stokes during the fourth day of the second Test in Visakhapatnam on Monday. Indian bowlers won an engrossing battle against England’s firebrand batting for a series-levelling 106-run victory in the Test.

Sunak & Varadkar in Belfast as crisis ends in Northern Ireland

London, Feb. 5: The leaders of the UK and Ireland went to Belfast Monday to meet Northern Ireland’s newly revived government and bask in a good-news moment after two years of political crisis.



Rishi Sunak Leo Varadkar

(DUP) boycotted the administration to protest post-Brexit trading arrangements that it said undermined Northern Ireland’s place in the United Kingdom. The party was coaxed into returning last week after the UK promised to eliminate most checks on goods moving to Northern Ireland.

EC tells parties: Don’t use kids in campaign

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The Election Commission asked all political parties to refrain from using children in campaigning “in any form”, including distribution of posters, pamphlets, sloganeering and in gatherings like rallies.

candidates were also asked not to carry children in their arms or in a vehicle while campaigning.

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Under power-sharing rules established, the administration in Belfast must include both British nationalists and Irish nationalists.

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Former Jharkhand chief minister and JMM leader Hemant Soren arrives to take part in the trust vote of the Champai Soren-led government in Ranchi on Monday.

Hemant Soren casts his vote in floor test, says Raj Bhavan to blame for arrest by ED J’khand CM Champai wins trust vote 47-29

NAYYAR AZAD PATNA, FEB. 5

The Jharkhand government led by Champai Soren won the floor test in the state Assembly Monday.



Jharkhand CM Champai Soren after his government won the floor test in the state Assembly in Ranchi on Monday.

CHAMPAI SOREN moved the confidence motion in the House. He formed the government with the support of the JMM, the Congress, RJD and CPI(M-L).

using the investigative agencies to topple state governments being led by the Opposition parties. “Hemant Hai to Himmat

Hai (Hemant is our strength). The Central government has been mis-using the agencies to destabilise the state governments. The Hemant Soren government was formed in 2019 but a chief minister like him was arrested in the land scam”.



Rahul Gandhi

INDIA bloc will lift 50% quota cap if it comes to power: Rahul

NAYYAR AZAD with agency inputs PATNA/RANCHI, FEB. 5

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Monday promised a nationwide caste census and removal of the 50 per cent cap on reservations if the INDIA bloc forms the government at the Centre after the Lok Sabha polls.

He also alleged that the BJP tried to topple the Jharkhand government as the chief minister was a tribal. “Want to congratulate all alliance MLAs, (Champai) Soren ji as they stopped the BJP-RSS conspiracy and protected the government of the poor.”

Before the rally, Mr Gandhi met former Jharkhand CM Hemant Soren’s wife Kalpana Soren. AICC general secretary Jairam Ramesh said “the meeting took place a few minutes ahead of the public rally”.

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