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Bigg Boss Kannada fame actress Mokshitha Pai poses with her newly purchased Mahindra XUV400 EV along with family members. The actress, who will soon appear in the upcoming Kannada serial 'Jagaddhatrini', recently bought the premium electric SUV worth around ₹17-20 lakh.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit Karnataka and Telangana on Sunday inaugurate, dedicate and lay the foundation stone for multiple development projects worth around ₹9.400 crore.



Good morning

Fight with your strength, But not with others' weakness! Because true success lies in your efforts, Not in others defeats.

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Lt Gen Raja Subramani Named Next CDS

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The Centre has appointed Lieutenant General N S Raja Subramani as the next Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) and Vice Admiral Krishna Swaminathan as the next Chief of Naval Staff.



Lt Gen Subramani will take over from General Anil Chauhan after his retirement on May 30, 2026, and will also serve as Secretary of the Department of Military Affairs. Vice Admiral Swaminathan will assume charge as Navy Chief on May 31.

Delhi BJP HQ, Govt Offices on High Alert

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Security has been tightened at the BJP headquarters and several government offices in the national capital following a terror threat alert, officials said on Saturday.

Delhi Police, along with paramilitary forces, have been deployed at key locations after intelligence inputs suggested possible plans by terror groups to target political and government establishments. The threats reportedly include suicide attacks, IED blasts, and car bombs.

Security agencies have intensified surveillance, with anti-sabotage checks conducted across government buildings, markets, transport hubs, and crowded areas.

IBCA Announces Global Big Cats Photo Contest

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The International Big Cats Alliance (IBCA) has announced the launch of the "IBCA Big Cats Global Photography Competition 2026," inviting wildlife photographers from across the world to showcase their best images of big cats on a global conservation platform.

The competition aims to promote wildlife conservation awareness while celebrating exceptional photography of endangered big cat species such as tigers, lions, leopards, and jaguars.

The contest carries prize money of over ₹11 lakh across various categories, offering international recognition to participating photographers. Registrations for the competition will close on May 12, 2026.

Winners will be honoured during the IBCA Summit 2026, where global conservation experts and wildlife enthusiasts will participate in discussions on biodiversity protection and conservation strategies.

Further details and registration are available at IBCA Competition Portal.



From Today, Vijay Govt in Tamilnadu

Vikrama Vahini | New Delhi

TVK chief Vijay on Saturday met the Governor and staked claim to form the government in Tamil Nadu after securing the support of 120 MLAs in the 234-member Assembly.

Reports said the actor-politician has the backing of Congress, Liberation Tigers of Tamil Nadu, CPI, CPI(M) and the Indian Union Muslim League, helping him cross the majority mark required to form the government.

Sources indicated that Vijay is likely to be sworn in as Chief Minister on Sunday at 10 am.

Saturday's meeting marked Vijay's fourth interaction with the Governor within a week, after earlier attempts failed due to insufficient support letters from MLAs.

The political deadlock ended following intense negotiations, with several DMK allies extending support to TVK.

TVK, which emerged as the single largest party with 108 seats, later secured additional support from Congress and other allies, taking its strength to 120 MLAs. Vijay, who won from two constituencies, is expected to vacate one seat, reducing TVK's effective tally to 107.

Celebrations broke out outside the TVK headquarters in Chennai, with supporters bursting firecrackers following the announcement. However, reports of internal negotiations and demands for key ministerial positions, including Deputy Chief Minister, continue to emerge.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who had promised during the West Bengal election campaign to return, fulfilled his commitment by attending the swearing-in ceremony of the newly elected Chief Minister on Saturday. He expressed gratitude for the BJP's victory by bowing before the large gathering at the venue, acknowledging the massive public support.

Adhikari Takes Charge as WB CM

Vikrama Vahini | Kolkata

BJP leader Suwendu Adhikari on Saturday took oath as the Chief Minister of West Bengal at a grand ceremony held at Brigade Parade Grounds, marking a major political shift in the state. The oath was administered in Bengali, drawing strong emotional resonance from the large gathering present.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and several senior NDA leaders attended the ceremony, which was also witnessed by thousands of supporters who filled the venue. Governor RN Ravi conducted the formal swearing-in of Adhikari and his new council of ministers.

The BJP secured a decisive mandate with 207 seats in the 294-member Assembly, paving the way for its first government in West Bengal. Adhikari's victory over Trinamool Congress leader Mamata Banerjee in Nandigram by over 15,000 votes is being seen as a turning point in the state's political history.



Earlier in the day, Prime Minister Modi and Adhikari paid tribute to Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore on his birth anniversary before attending the ceremony. The new cabinet includes senior BJP leaders such as Dilip Ghosh, Agnimitra Paul, Nisith Pramanik, Kshudiram Tudu, and Ashok Kirtania.

The Brigade Parade Grounds wore a saffron look throughout the day as supporters gathered in large numbers, chanting slogans and celebrating the BJP's historic win.

Amit Shah Hails BSY as Youth Role Model

Vikrama Vahini | Chitradurga

Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday lauded former Karnataka Chief Minister B.S. Yeddyurappa, stating that his five decades of public life and struggle serve as an inspiration for the youth.

Speaking at the "BSY Abhimanotsava" organised to mark Yeddyurappa's golden jubilee in politics, Shah released books titled "Kendavare - Kamala Aralida Katha" and "Sadan Shikari - Yeddyurappanavara Guddina Nudigalu".

He praised Yeddyurappa's dedication to public service and farmers' welfare, noting that he has also served as Chief Minister of Karnataka.

Shah said leaders are either those who follow the existing path or those who create new directions, adding that Yeddyurappa belongs to the latter category. He highlighted his humble background, strong willpower, Sangh ideology and patriotism as guiding forces throughout his life.

Recalling Yeddyurappa's early political



journey, Shah said he strengthened the party even by travelling on a bicycle when buses were unavailable and undertook long padyatras in support of farmers, which established him as a strong farmer leader. He also mentioned that Yeddyurappa faced imprisonment during his struggles.

Shah further noted that on the same day when

West Bengal witnessed a new Chief Minister taking oath, Karnataka was celebrating Yeddyurappa's 50-year political journey, calling it a significant moment in Indian political history.

He praised Yeddyurappa's inclusive leadership, saying that his personality brought together leaders from various communities and spiritual heads.

Shah also credited him for strengthening the BJP in South India and presenting a "model political life" for future generations.

Referring to Chitradurga's historical significance, Shah paid tribute to local icons including Veera Madakari Nayaka and Onake Obavva, calling their courage an inspiration.

Former minister C.T. Ravi also highlighted Yeddyurappa's contributions over five decades, while BJP national leaders, including B.L. Santhosh and several seers, attended the event. Yeddyurappa was felicitated during the programme, with leaders extending wishes for his long life.

Congress Begins Talks to Pick Kerala CM

Vikrama Vahini | Thiruvananthapuram

The Congress leadership on Friday began crucial discussions in New Delhi to finalise the party's choice for the Chief Minister's post in Kerala following the United Democratic Front's (UDF) decisive victory in the Assembly elections.

Several senior Congress leaders from Kerala, including V. D. Sathesnan, Sunny Joseph, Ramesh Chennithala and K. C. Venugopal, arrived in the national capital for consultations with the party high command.

Party sources said the Congress leadership has initiated detailed deliberations with senior leaders and key contenders in an effort to arrive at a consensus candidate for the top post.

The discussions are also focused on maintaining unity within the Kerala unit and balancing organisational interests among different factions of the party.

According to sources, senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi is unlikely to directly intervene in the selection process.

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Humanoid robot Gabi folds its hands during a precept ceremony at a temple in Seoul, South Korea

India Tests Agni Missile with MIRV Success

Vikrama Vahini | New Delhi

India on Saturday successfully conducted the flight-test of an advanced Agni missile equipped with Multiple Independently Targeted Re-entry Vehicle (MIRV) technology, marking a significant boost to the country's strategic defence capabilities.

The missile was launched on Friday from Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Island off the Odisha coast. According to official sources, it carried multiple payloads capable of striking different targets across a wide area in the Indian Ocean Region.

Officials said the mission was tracked by multiple ground-based and ship-based monitoring stations throughout its flight.

"Flight data confirmed that all mission objectives were successfully achieved



during the trial," the government stated. The test demonstrated India's capability to engage multiple strategic targets using a single missile system.

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BYV REPEATS HIS FATHER'S 38-YEAR OLD HISTORY

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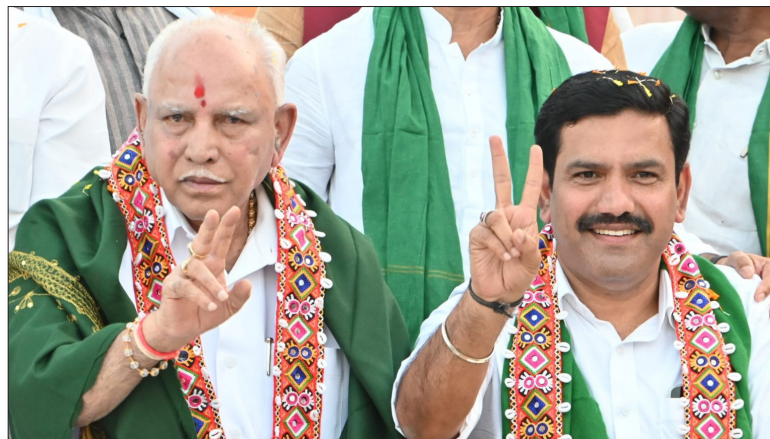
In mid-1988, the then newly appointed BJP President mobilised 50,000 farmers and organised a mammoth rally at Cubbon Park in Bangalore.

Both the admirers and critics of the BJP were shocked by this huge turnout of farmers hitherto unseen in Bangalore.

Yeddyurappa had pulled off the near-impossible task with his characteristic elan, perseverance, grit and determination.

Exactly 38 years later in 2026, Yeddyurappa's son B. Y. Vijayendra also pulled off a mammoth rally - bigger in scale - at Chitradurga.

The 'YeddyurappaAbhimanotsava' - to celebrate 50 years of Yeddyurappa's public service - was a grand, run-away



success by any standard and by any scale and by any parameters.

The fact that hundreds of top Swamijis from very influential mutts and belonging to different communities

had assembled on a single stage to bless Yeddyurappa is by itself significant.

The farmers rally consisting 50,000 farmers from all over Karnataka in

1988 at Cubbon Park surprised admirers and critics alike.

For, the BJP was considered an urban-based party having very little pockets of influence geographically and socially. That's the reason why it is rightly called a historic and run-away success. This unprecedented farmers rally gave the BJP a social dimension which hitherto was conspicuous by its absence. The BJP started to shed its "urban-only party" image and showed signs of growth exponentially.

Similarly, the Chitradurga rally on Saturday has also reinforced the fact that BJP continue to have its geographical and social spread intact. All that it needs is a perfect synergy of caste combination and united effort to achieve a decisive victory

Vijayendra's long-range vision and

meticulousness in organising the Chitradurga conference were quite evident.

Vijayendra successfully and very convincingly proved to both his admirers, supporters and critics that he is, indeed, an excellent organiser.

Vijayendra hopes and plans to consolidate the gains made from this Chitradurga rally and sustain as well as build on it till 2028.

Given the existing political situation and "never-say-die" attitude of Vijayendra - just like his father - the task to sustain the gains of Chitradurga rally is not impossible. Only thing is the BJP should work as a united team to go for a kill in 2028.

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