

**కులగణన సదస్సు.. హైదరాబాద్ చేరుకున్న రాహుల్ గాంధీ**

హైదరాబాద్: తెలంగాణ పీసీసీ ఆధ్వర్యంలో నిర్వహించనున్న కులగణన సదస్సుకు హాజరయ్యేందుకు వివేకానంద్ అగ్రనేత రాహుల్ గాంధీ హైదరాబాద్ వచ్చారు. బేగంపేట విమానాశ్రయానికి చేరుకున్న ఆయనకు పాప్ మోటార్లు, కార్యకర్తల ఘన స్వాగతం పలికారు. విమానాశ్రయం నుంచి రాహుల్ గాంధీ.. బోయినపల్లి గాంధీ ఐడియాలజీ సెంటర్ కు వెళ్లారు. మేధావులు, జీసీ సంఘాల ప్రతినిధులతో ముఖాముఖీ మాట్లాడ గున్నారు. కులగణనపై వారి అభిప్రాయాలను రాహుల్ అడిగి తెలుసుకోనున్నారు. కులగణన ద్వారా జరిగే లాభాలను వారికి వివరించనున్నారు.

**ఆంధ్రప్రదేశ్ మొదటి రెండు స్థానాల్లో ఉండేలా రాష్ట్ర ముఖ్యమంత్రి విశేషంగా కృషి చేస్తున్నారు: కొలుసు పార్థసారథి**

- అధికారులు, ప్రజా ప్రతినిధులు కలిసి పనిచేస్తే ప్రజలకు ఎంతో మేలు జరుగుతుంది...
- సూర్యలంక బీచ్ పర్యాటక కేంద్రంగా మారనుంది...
- బాపట్ల జిల్లాలో ఖాళీగా ఉన్న ఉద్యోగాల భర్తీకి కృషి చేస్తాం....



రాయల్ జర్నలిజం (బాపట్ల) నవంబర్ 05: ప్రజాప్రతినిధులు సమన్వయంతో పనిచేసినప్పుడే అన్ని రంగాలలో జిల్లా అభివృద్ధికి అధికారులు, అభివృద్ధి పట్టాలపై బాపట్ల పయనిస్తుందని జిల్లా

అన్ని రంగాలలో జిల్లా అభివృద్ధికి అధికారులు, అభివృద్ధి పట్టాలపై బాపట్ల పయనిస్తుందని జిల్లా అభివృద్ధి దిశగా పయనిస్తుందన్నారు. బాపట్ల జిల్లాకు 95 కిలోమీటర్ల తీర ప్రాంతం ఉందని, పర్యాటకంగా వివిధ ప్రాజెక్టులతో అభివృద్ధి చేయగలిగితే అన్ని రంగాలలో రాజీంచ గలవన్నారు. గోవాలో ఏమీ లేకపోయినప్పటికీ పర్యాటక ప్రాంతంగా ప్రాచుర్యం పొందిన విషయాన్ని ఆయన గుర్తు చేస్తూ, సూర్యలంక బీచ్ పర్యాటక కేంద్రంగా మారనుందన్నారు. బీచ్ అభివృద్ధికి సమగ్ర ప్రణాళిక రూపొందించి నివేదికను తక్షణమే అమలులోకి తెచ్చామన్నారు. ముఖ్యంగా సర్వీస్ సెక్టార్ లోనే యువతకు అత్యధికంగా ఉద్యోగ అవకాశాలు వస్తాయన్నారు. జల వనరులు అందుబాటులో ఉన్న బాపట్లలో పరిశ్రమల స్థాపనకు ప్రభుత్వ నూతన విధానాలు తోడైతే పారిశ్రామిక రంగం అభివృద్ధి జరుగుతుందన్నారు. బాపట్ల జిల్లాలోని ఆయా శాఖలలో ఖాళీగా ఉన్న ఉద్యోగాల భర్తీకి కృషి చేస్తామన్నారు. జిల్లా అభివృద్ధికి నా వంతు కృషి చేస్తామన్నారు.

2వ పేజీలో

**వైకాపా నేతలు ఇంకా అధికారంలో ఉన్నామనుకుంటున్నారు: పవన్ కల్యాణ్**

మాచవరం: ప్రజల ఆస్తులు లాక్కినా.. తమ సొంత ఆస్తులు భావించి జగన్ కుటుంబ సభ్యులు కొట్లాడుకుంటున్నారని విపీ డిప్యూటీ సీఎం పవన్ కల్యాణ్ విమర్శించారు. వైకాపా నాయకులు ఇంకా అధికారంలో ఉన్నామని భావిస్తున్నారని, ఎవరినైనా ఇష్టమొచ్చినట్లు మాట్లాడితే ఊరుకునేది లేదని హెచ్చరించారు. పల్నాడు జిల్లా మాచవరం మండలం వేపవరం, చెన్నారావుపాలెంలోని సరస్వతి పవర్ భూములను పవన్ పరిశీలించారు. ఆయన వెంటాడు ఎమ్మెల్యే యరపతిసేని, కలెక్టర్, అటవీ, రెవెన్యూ అధికారులను ఉన్నారు. భూములకు సంబంధించిన వివరాలను అధికారులు పవన్ కు వివరించారు. భూములను పరిశీలించిన అనంతరం ఆయన మాట్లాడారు. " సరస్వతి పవర్ ఫ్లాంట్ కోసం గత ముఖ్యమంత్రి, వైకాపా అధినేత



సొంతంగా భూములు తీసుకున్నారు. 2009లో వైఎస్ఆర్ సీఎంగా ఉన్నప్పుడు 30 ఏళ్లు లీజుకు తీసుకోగా.. జగన్ సీఎం అయిన తర్వాత లీజును మరో 50 ఏళ్లు పొడిగించుకున్నారు. కానీ, ఆ రోజు నుంచి ఇవాళ్లి వరకు ప్రాజెక్టు కార్యరూపం దాల్చలేదు" గతంలో నాటు బాంబులు వేసి భయపెట్టారు. ఇప్పుడు లేకున్నా భూములు అమ్మాల్లిన పరిస్థితి తీసుకోవచ్చు. కోడెల శివప్రసాద్ ని వేధించి చంపేశారు. ఫర్టీలర్లపై శివప్రసాద్ దాడులు వేధించిన వ్యక్తి. ఫ్లాంట్ పేరుతో భూములు లాక్కినారు. ఉద్యోగాలు ఇస్తాం.. భూములు అమ్మేయండని బలవంతంగా తీసుకున్నారు. మరోచోట 350 ఎకరాలను తీసుకున్నారు. ముడి సరకు కోసం 1100 ఎకరాలు తీసుకున్నారు. ఇక్కడి ప్రజల భూమిని

**వాళ్లు టపాసులా పేలితే.. మేం రాకెట్లా దూసుకెళ్తాం: రాజీనాథ్ సింగ్**

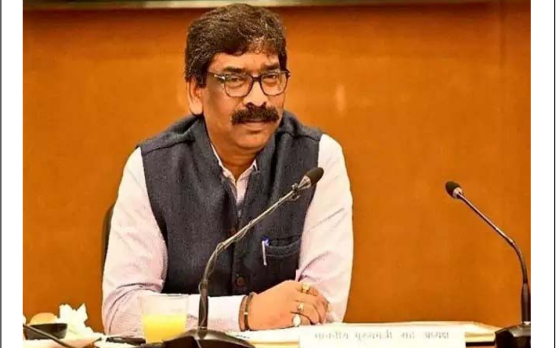
రాంచీ: రూర్కాండ్ లో అధికారంలో ఉన్న జేఎం ఎం నేతృత్వంలోని ప్రభుత్వంపై కేంద్ర రక్షణ శాఖ మంత్రి రాజీనాథ్ సింగ్ మండి పడ్డారు. రాష్ట్ర అభివృద్ధి విషయంలో రూర్కాండ్ ముక్తి మోర్తా (జేఎంఎం) అధినేత హేమంత్ సోరెన్ నేతృత్వంలోని ఇండియా కుటుంబ టపా సులా పేలితే.. భాజపా శక్తిమంతమైన రాకెట్లా దూసు కెళ్తూ రాష్ట్రాన్ని సరికొత్త శిఖరాలకు తీసుకెళ్తుందని అన్నారు. హత యాలో నిర్వహించిన ఎన్నికల ర్యాలీలో పాల్గొన్న రాజీనాథ్ సింగ్ మాట్లాడుతూ.. సోరెన్ ప్రతిపా దకుడు మండల్ ముర్ఖు భాజపాలో చేరిన విషయంపై మాట్లాడుతూ జేఎంఎం మునిగి పోతున్న నావ అని తెలుసు కాబట్టి అతడు తమ పార్టీలో చేరా రని అన్నారు. ఇదంతా చూస్తుంటే రాష్ట్రంలో ఎవరు ప్రభుత్వాన్ని ఏర్పాటు చేస్తారో స్పష్టమవుతోందని వ్యాఖ్యా నించారు. ప్రస్తుత ప్రభుత్వం ఆదివా సీలను అణచి వేస్తున్నారని ప్రయోజనాలకు విరుద్ధంగా పనిచేస్తోందని దుయ్యబట్టారు. చొరబాటు దారులు రాష్ట్రాన్ని దోచుకుంటున్నారని.. ఆదివాసీ జనాభా తగ్గిపోతోందని ఆందోళన వ్యక్తం చేశారు. భాజపాకు అధికారం ఇస్తే రూర్కాండ్ ను అభివృద్ధి చెందిన రాష్ట్రం



వరుసలో నిలబెడతామని హామీ ఇచ్చారు. 2027 నాటికి అమెరికా, చైనా తర్వాత భారత్ మూడో అతిపెద్ద ఆర్థిక వ్యవస్థగా మారుతుందని రాజీనాథ్ సింగ్ అన్నారు. 81 మంది సభ్యులను రూర్కాండ్ అసెంబ్లీకి నవంబర్ 13, 20 తేదీల్లో రెండు దశల్లో వెలింగ్ జరగనుండగా.. నవంబర్ 23వ తేదీన ఫలితాలు వెల్లడికానున్నాయి.

**'మహా' సమరం ఆ ఇద్దరి మధ్య.. ఉద్ధవ్ రాజ్ వ్యాఖ్యలు**

ముంబయి: మహారాష్ట్ర అసెంబ్లీ ఎన్నికల సమీపిస్తుండడంతో ప్రధాన రాజకీయ పార్టీలు ప్రచారంలో జోరును పెంచాయి. అధికారం దక్కించుకోవడమే లక్ష్యంగా అధికార, విపక్ష కూటముల మధ్య మాటల యుద్ధం కొనసాగుతోంది. ఈ నేపథ్యంలో కొల్హాపూర్ లోని రాధానగర్ లో మాజీ సీఎం, శివసేన (యూబీటీ) చీఫ్ ఉద్ధవ్ రాజ్ ఎన్నికల ప్రచారం నిర్వహించారు.



**హేమంత్ సోరెన్ హలికాష్టర్ ఆలస్యం.. రాష్ట్రపతికి జేఎంఎం లేఖ**  
 రాంచీ: ప్రధాన నరేంద్ర మోదీ పర్యటన దృష్టి ముఖ్యమంత్రి హేమంత్ సోరెన్ హలికాష్టర్ టీకాఫ్ గంభీర పాటు ఆలస్యమైందని అధికారిక రూర్కాండ్ ముక్తి మోర్తా నేతలు ఆరోపించారు. ఈ విషయంపై రాష్ట్ర పతి ద్రౌపది ముర్ము స్పందించి, స్థిర క్యాంపెయిన్ నర్లకు సమ ప్రాధాన్యం ఉండేలా చూడాలని



అమరావతి : ఏపీలో వరుసగా మహిళలకు చోటు చేసుకుంటున్న అత్యాచారాల విషయంలో పోలీసు వ్యవస్థ స్పందిస్తున్న తీరుపై నిర్వహించిన సీఎం పవన్ కల్యాణ్ చేసిన వ్యాఖ్యలు కలకలం రేపాయి. పోలీసులు నిందితులను శిక్షించే విషయంలో కలం చూడటంపై పవన్ తీవ్ర వ్యాఖ్యలు చేశారు. దీనిపై డిజిపీ ద్వారా తిరుమలరావు స్పందించారు. అనంతపురంలో పోలీసు పరేడ్ కోసం వచ్చిన ఆయన పవన్ వ్యాఖ్యలపై ఘాటుగా స్పందించారు. ముఖ్య శిక్షణ,

**పవన్ కామెంట్స్ కు డిజిపీ కాంటర్ మేం అలా పనిచేయం**

శిష్ట రక్షణ ఇదే తమ విధానం అని డిజిపీ తెలిపారు. తాము ఇష్టంకాని కట్టుబడి ఉంటామన్నారు. రాజకీయ ఒత్తిళ్లతో మేం పని చేయబోమన్నారు. వాస్తవ పరిస్థితుల ఆధారంగానే ఏ కేసు నైనా విచారిస్తామని డిజిపీ తెలిపారు. ఎవరికి ఎంత ప్రాటోకాల్ ఇవ్వాలి అంత ఇవ్వాలన్నారు. డిజిపీ ఆఫీస్ లో ఇప్పటికే సంతకాలు చేస్తున్న వాలిలో ఏడుగురు ఐపీఎస్ అధికారులకు పోస్టింగ్ ఇచ్చామని, ముగ్గురిని సస్పెండ్ చేశామని డిజిపీ వెల్లడించారు. మిగిలిన వారిపై విచారణ చేసే చర్యలు తీసుకుంటామన్నారు. పోలీసులు నిష్పక్షపాతంగా, పారదర్శకంగా పనిచేయాలి, తాము అదే చేస్తున్నామని పవన్ వ్యాఖ్యలపై డిజిపీ వ్యాఖ్యానించారు. గత ప్రభుత్వంలో చాలా తప్పిదాలు జరిగాయని, డిజిపీ కార్యాలయం పై దాడి చేస్తే ఒక్క కేసు కూడా నమోదు చేయలేదని గుర్తుచేశారు. నరేంద్రుల వేలిముద్రలు గుర్తించే సీసం లేకుండా చేశారన్నారు. ఇది ఉద్దేశపూర్వకంగా చేశారా లేదా అన్నది చూడాలన్నారు. ఒక ఎంపీని కొట్టడంపై ఆరోపణలు వచ్చాయని, దానిపై నిజానిజాలు తెలలేదన్నారు. ఇటీవల సైబర్ క్రైమ్, సోషల్ మీడియా వేధింపులు ఎక్కువయ్యాయన్నారు. వీటిని పూర్తిస్థాయిలో నియంత్రించడానికి ప్రయత్నిస్తున్నట్లు తెలిపారు. చట్టానికి రాజ్యాంగానికి లోబడే తాము పని చేస్తున్నామన్నారు.

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## Don't Force Me To Take Home Ministry: Pawan Kalyan

Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and Janasena supremo Pawan Kalyan burst into anger during his visit to the Pithapuram constituency over the ongoing atrocities against women, especially minor girls, across the state. He criticized the police department's lethargic approach to handling criminals and rapists. On the first day of his visit, Pawan Kalyan inaugurated a science lab at the Zilla Parishad High School in Gollaprolu and interacted with the public shortly afterward. During his speech, Pawan expressed deep disappointment over the deteriorating law and order situation in the state, even after the formation of the new government. He blamed the previous government for the poor state of affairs in the police department and issued a serious warning to all officers, urging them to avoid the laziness of the past five years and perform their duties according to the rules. Pawan questioned the police for their lack of intent in reducing the crime rate and addressing atrocities



against women, accusing them of continuing the previous regime's legacy, during which 30,000 girls reportedly went missing. Directly addressing the police department for sparing criminals who have issued death threats to the Chief Minister, Pawan also called on Home Minister Anitha to take responsibility for the ongoing crimes in the state. 'If the situation continues like this, I may need to take charge as Home Minister,' said Pawan Kalyan, warning against forcing such a situation, as it could lead to greater repercussions. He emphasized that criminals have no caste, creed, or religion, and should be dealt with according to the law without any hesitation. 'Why are you hesitating to arrest the criminal who raped a three-year-old girl just because of his caste?' he questioned. Citing the example of Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath's government, which has taken a hard stance on criminals, Pawan stated that such practices might become necessary if these atrocities do not stop.

## Muslim Women Openly Support Waqf Board Amendment Bill, Present Their Views at JPC Meeting

Muslim women's groups, along with several other organizations, have openly supported the Waqf Board Amendment Bill by presenting their views before the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC). The meeting was chaired by BJP MP Jagdam bika Pal. Notably, this is the first time a women's group has been invited to the JPC, which included a group of intellectual Muslim women led by Shalini Ali. Concerns Raised About the Waqf Board's Functioning The women's group raised serious questions about the functioning of the Waqf Board, alleging that it plays no positive role in social welfare. They urged the Waqf Board to clarify the support it provides specifically for orphans, widows, and divorced women. Corruption Issues Highlighted Meanwhile, Kari Abrar Jamal, representing Jamiat Himayat-ul-Islam, expressed concerns about corruption within the Waqf Board and its role in social welfare. He suggested that the management system of the Waqf Board should be improved by placing oversight responsibilities



ties in the hands of district collectors. Shia Muslim Leaders Also Present Their Views The meeting also featured Shia Muslim leaders led by Maulana Kokab Mujtaba, who emphasized that since the passage of the Waqf Act in 1954, the integrity of waqf properties has been compromised. Mujtaba appealed to the government to take stringent measures to protect waqf assets. Diverse Suggestions from Various Organizations Representatives from the World Peace Council also expressed their support for the proposed bill, while other groups suggested limiting the role of collectors in Waqf matters. The Jamaat-e-Islami Hind voiced strong opposition to the bill, arguing that the existing law is sufficient for handling Waqf issues and that there is no need for new legislation. Thus, the discourse surrounding the Waqf Board Amendment Bill reflects a range of opinions among various organizations, indicating the necessity for new directions in the management of waqf properties and improvements in social welfare.

# India Must Not Underestimate The Intent Of The RSS

Is India heading for a historical accident? It's a troubling thought. It upsets me no end and I pray that it should not happen but I dread saying that unfortunately the country is moving in that direction at a rapid pace. If people thought that after the 2024 general elections the BJP would carry out a course correction and would desist from a divisive and communal agenda, then they all were living in a fool's paradise. The Narendra Modi government that tried to popularise 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas aur Sabka Prayas' has swiftly moved towards 'Batenge toh Katenge', after the elections. Not that I ever believed that 'Sabka Sath' was a secular and all-encompassing rhetoric but at least it was not so brazen and there was some moral wrapping. The communal agenda was packaged well in an attractive attire. With 'Batenga toh Katenge' that pretence is gone and now it is out in the open, and RSS too has endorsed it. But this is not surprising, as this is their true self. This is a reflection of what Golwalkar said long ago. Many of my left liberal friends, and also those who are close to RSS, have told me that RSS has changed a lot and it should not be viewed from the old prism; we should not quote from old books of RSS to analyse or assess the RSS of the present. I have always advocated that the success of the RSS lies in its being underestimated by its critics and its friends. It has always used deception techniques to camouflage its real intent and successfully hoodwink its adversaries. Its talk about Hindu Unity is basically the result of its hatred towards Islam. In private many of its leaders and supporters don't mind saying this and cite historical reasons for what they say and what they believe. It is for this reason that I found it difficult to believe, when a few years back RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat said in Delhi that "there can be no Hindutva without Muslims", that the RSS was changing. A very senior member of the BJP went so far as to say this to me that if Mohan Ji insists on this then he would sit on a dharna. Another member said, "if this is what we are supposed to believe today then why were we told the day we joined RSS, that Muslims are a threat to the coun-



try." Mohan Bhagwat did not stop with that statement. He went ahead and said "Our DNA is the same." He meant that DNA of Hindus and Muslims is same. When litigation about the Kashi Vishwanath temple in Varanasi and Krishna Janmabhoomi in Mathura gained momentum and courts ordered an enquiry to find out if temple was demolished to construct a mosque, then Bhagwat said "why search for Shivling in every mosque." In between there was news that he had met with one of the very respected Muslim leaders, Ashraf Madni. This was interpreted as an attempt to tell the Muslim community that RSS did not believe in 'othering Muslims' and doesn't treat Muslims as 'enemy of the country'. There was every reason to believe if RSS chief was saying this, then it had to be believed; a certain benefit of doubt had to be given. But I was sceptical. I argued with many friends that RSS was one organisation which functioned on the concept of 'Ek Chalak Anuvartitva' that is blindly follow your leader. The RSS chief is virtually a dictator in the organisation, his words are the final words, and anybody who defies him does so at their own peril. What baffled me was that despite Mohan Bhagwat's supposedly conciliatory approach towards Muslims of India, anti-Muslim rhetoric by leaders of RSS and its subsidiary organisations, did not stop. It was hinted to me that this was possible because Mohan Bhagwat had become too weak, he was reduced to being a titular head, and nobody listened to him because of the spectacular rise of Modi as a Hindutva mascot and his massive popularity within the Hindutva fold. I

did not believe this theorisation. I found it a concoction of deception and real politics. Because RSS is not like any other organisation. The RSS chief is called 'Param Pujanya' in the Hindutva fold, and carries such a moral aura that he cannot be compared with chiefs of other organisations. Even Narendra Modi, despite being the Prime Minister, can't afford to defy the RSS chief in public. Therefore I was of the opinion that Mohan Bhagwat was deliberately speaking in two tongues, to annul bad press globally and for an image makeover. It was just a good PR exercise. Nothing more nothing less. If he was honest then after his articulation, anti-Muslim rhetoric should have stopped long ago which did not happen. RSS's Hindu Unity project received a serious jolt during 2024 general election. INDIA alliance led by Rahul Gandhi and its focus on caste census, has emerged as a major stumbling block for Hindu Unity. RSS believes that Hindu society could survive for thousands of years due to the caste structure but it is aware that caste is also the reason for division in Hindu society and finds caste-based reservation dangerous for Hindu Unity. But due to the electoral compulsions it does not air its anti-reservation views. In 2015 Bihar Assembly election, Mohan Bhagwat did say that reservation should be reviewed, which became a huge issue and was also the reason for defeat of the BJP. Since then it changed its position on reservation.

### Bhagwat's Diatribe Reveals A Schism In The Hindutva Ranks

RSS is also aware that it cannot afford to be seen publicly opposing the caste census because the issue touches a chord with 80% of the population, and it has become an emotional issue for OBCs and Dalits. No wonder, RSS conceded that caste census should be done for welfare purpose but with a caveat that it should not be done for political reasons. In the general elections, Samajwadi Party experimented with PDA (Acronym of Picchada, Dalit and Alpsankhyak); it worked in UP and the BJP could not win more than 33 seats out of 80. The INDIA alliance narrative that BJP would change the Constitution also

worked in this election. Dalits and OBCs were alarmed by the '400 Paar' slogan of the BJP. RSS knows that 'change the Constitution' narrative along with caste census and PDA-like experiment has the potential to weaken the Hindu Unity project and the 2024 elections were just a trailer. RSS had taken a great leap in the direction of Hindu consolidation vis a vis Muslim voters since Modi became the prime minister, and it can't afford to lose that momentum. 'Batenge toh Katenge' has been invented to counter threats of disintegration of BJP's Hindu vote in particular and attempts to weaken Hindu consolidation in general. RSS knows that up to a large extent it has neutralised the Muslim community but it is facing a new threat from within Hindu society. A large section of OBC and Dalit are not enamoured by the Hindu Unity efforts of RSS. Because they have learnt from the ten-year rule of the BJP at the centre and states that BJP takes their votes but does not give them proper representation in the power structure. They are used as fodder to win elections but real power still lies with the upper caste. This social group had also noticed that systematically, they are marginalised from university system and police and general administration. The upper castes still rule the roost, they dominate every sector of state apparatus despite being less than 20% in population. In this context, Dattatreya Hosabale endorsing Yogi Adityanath's slogan of 'Batenge toh Katenge' is a desperate act of the RSS which contradicts what was said by Mohan Bhagwat. This is out and out an anti-Muslim formulation. The utterances of BJP leaders like Yogi Adityanath, Himanta Biswa Sarma, Giriraj Singh and others are spreading hatred in society, creating an atmosphere of fear. RSS should remember and never forget what Sardar Patel said in his letter to Golwalkar on September 11, 1948: "RSS did a service to the Hindu society. The objectionable part arose when they (RSS) burning with revenge, began attacking Mussalmans. All their speeches were full of communal poison ... as a final result of that poison, the country had to suffer the sacrifice of Gandhiji."

# SC sets aside Allahabad HC's verdict declaring UP Madarsa Act unconstitutional

The Supreme Court on Tuesday set aside the Allahabad High Court's March judgement declaring the 2004 Uttar Pradesh Board of Madarsa Education Act unconstitutional. While announcing the verdict, however, the apex court said that madarasas (Islamic seminaries) cannot grant degrees or higher education because doing so violates the rules under the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act. The Supreme Court also underlined the importance of the state's role in ensuring that the madarasas' educational standards are met with modern academic expectations. "The legislative scheme for the Act is to standardise level of education being prescribed in the madarasas. The Madrasa Act does not interfere with the day-to-day working of the madarasas. It is to protect the rights of minority in the State of Uttar Pradesh and is consistent with positive obligation of the State which ensures the students to pass out and earn a decent living," ANI quoted SC's verdict. The plea was heard by a bench comprising Chief Justice of India (CJI) D Y Chandrachud and Justices J B

Pardiwala and Manoj Misra. The bench had reserved the judgement on eight petitions, including the lead one filed by Anjum Kadari, against the high court verdict. 'Fazil' and 'kamil' degrees by madarasas in conflict with UGC Act, says SC. While declaring the UP Madarsa Act as constitutional, the bench held that the higher education and college degrees provided under the Madarsa Act are in violation of the UGC Act and called it unconstitutional, reported Live Law. In reference to 'Fazil' and 'Kamil' degrees in madarasas, the SC bench declared the higher education degrees provided by the Muslim educational institutions as unconstitutional. The decision will prevent the relocation of nearly 17 lakh madarsa students in the state after the High Court ordered their admission to the formal schooling system in March this year. Allahabad High Court's verdict on UP Madarsa Act. The Allahabad High Court had declared the UP Madarsa Act "unconstitutional" and violative of the principle of secularism on March 22. The court also directed the state government to

shift madarsa students into the formal schooling system. However, on April 5, the Supreme Court stayed the HC verdict scrapping the Uttar Pradesh Board of Madarsa Education Act, 2004. While announcing the stay, CJI Chandrachud had observed that secularism means to "live and let live", reported PTI. CJI Chandrachud had also noted that regulating madrasas was in the national interest as several hundred years of the nation's composite culture could not be wished away by creating silos for minorities, he had said. During the hearing of the case in March, the bench said, "You cannot wish away several hundred years of history of this nation like this. Suppose we uphold the high court order and the parents of the children still send them to madarasas, then it will just be a silos without any legislative intervention mainstreaming is the answer to ghettoisation."

**"The country ought to be a melting pot**



**of cultures': SC**

The top court also noted that before scrapping the UP Madarsa Act, it is important to see through the broad sweep of the country, and the judiciary must preserve the nation's culture. "Ultimately, we have to see it through the broad sweep of the country. Religious instructions are there not just for Muslims. It is there for Hindus, Sikhs, Christians, etc. The country ought to be a melting pot of cultures, civilisations, and religions. Let us preserve it that way. In fact, the answer to ghettoisation is to allow people to come to the mainstream and to allow them to come together. Otherwise, what we essentially would be doing is to keep them in silos," PTI quoted the CJI's remark.

## Uddhav Thackeray's Sena Expels 5 Rebel Leaders For Not Withdrawing Nominations

Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray on Tuesday expelled five rebel leaders for anti-party activities after they failed to withdraw nominations filed for the November 20 Maharashtra assembly elections. The leaders include Bhiwandi East MLA Rupesh Mhatre, Vishwas Nandekar, Chandrakant Ghugul, Sanjay Awari and Prasad Thackeray. From the Maha Vikas Aghadi - comprising Congress, Shiv Sena (UBT) and Sharad Pawar's NCP - 14 leaders had filed nominations, defying party command. Among those who withdrew their nominations by the Monday deadline was Congress' Mukhtar Shaikh, who withdrew from the Kasba Peth assembly constituency in Pune and announced his support to the party's official candidate Ravindra Dhangekar. Royal scion Madhurima Raje Chhatrapati's withdrawal as Congress candidate from Kolhapur North minutes before the deadline left the party without representation in one of its western Maharashtra strongholds. She was nominated in place of ex-corporator Rajesh Latkar after a party office was vandalised by those opposed to the latter. Among the seven Congress rebels that withdrew their nomination were Hemalata Patil from Nashik Central, Madhu Chavan from Byculla and Vishwanath Walvi from Nandurbar. Only two NCP(SP) rebels are in the fray. Among those to withdraw from the electoral race was Maratha quota activist Manoj Jarange, who has held on-and-off hunger strikes and protests to demand reservation for the community in education and jobs over the past year. Jarange said, "The Maratha community will decide on its own whom to defeat and whom to elect." The activist on Sunday announced he would support two candidates from Parvati and Daund in the state assembly polls, though he said their names will be disclosed later.

## Former Canadian Sikh minister slams Justin Trudeau over Khalistan issue

Ottawa: Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau is "sociologically and politically" an "idiot" who has never truly understood that the vast majority of Sikhs are quite secular in their outlook and want nothing to do with Khalistan, according to a former Canadian minister. Ujjal Dosanjh, a Sikh himself and former federal cabinet minister under Prime Minister Paul Martin, in a column for Canadian newspaper National Post on Sunday argued that Trudeau's approach has empowered Khalistani extremists and created fear among moderate Sikhs. The 78-year-old former NDP premier of British Columbia blamed Trudeau of being responsible for what the column describes as the Canadian Sikh population, the largest Sikh diaspora in the world, being "co-opted by the Khalistanis to the point where this obscure separatist movement has become a Canadian problem". Worried about safety of Indians in Canada, protect places of worship: India to Trudeau govt after temple attack. A silent majority of the Sikhs do not want to have anything to do with Khalistan. They just don't speak out because they're afraid of violence and violent



repercussions," he asserted. Dosanjh said Trudeau "never really understood the vast majority of Sikhs are quite secular in their outlook, despite the fact that they go to the temple". "Khalistanis are not a majority, and the fact nobody speaks against them is out of fear," he said. Khalistani supporters control many of the temples in Canada. And it's Trudeau's fault, Dosanjh said, "that Canadians now equate Khalistanis with Sikhs, as if we are all Khalistanis if we're Sikhs". Canada has replaced Pakistan, India will give a befitting reply: BJP Union Minister Bittu. Recalling a debate with Trudeau, when both of them were parliamentarians, Dosanjh said, "We were MPs from 2008 to 2011 together, and I had a long chat with him about identity and religion

and all that, with all of these Khalistanis sitting around the table. And he agreed with them, rather than me." Against this background, he said, "Trudeau, sociologically and politically, is an idiot." The former minister asserted that the overwhelming majority of the nearly 800,000 Sikhs in Canada do not support the Khalistani movement. "I'd say less than five per cent, less than five per cent," Dosanjh said. The relations between India and Canada came under severe strain following Prime Minister Trudeau's allegations in September last year of a "potential" involvement of Indian agents in Khalistan extremist Hardeep Singh Nijjar's killing. New Delhi rejected Trudeau's charges as "absurd". India has been maintaining that the main issue between the two countries is that of Canada giving space to pro-Khalistan elements operating from Canadian soil with impunity. Dosanjh said there are ways Trudeau could deescalate this tense relationship with India. "It's just a matter of eating a bit of humble pie and saying, 'Look, let's start over again. India is a good friend.' That's all you do... That's how diplomacy works," he said.

## Why should Canada take note of PM Modi's strong statement?

New Delhi: A day after Prime Minister Narendra Modi hauled the Trudeau government over coals for failure to rein in the pro-Khalistan extremists during the attack on Brampton temple, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has called out the ruling Canadian government for giving political space to extremist forces. While PM Modi has asked the Canadian government to ensure justice and uphold the rule of law, the Canadian government to the contrary has been instigating the extremists by making unsubstantiated allegations against India and that too from no less than the Prime Minister of Canada. Indian diplomats, like in Pakistan, have been put



under surveillance and third-party muscle men are being used to make Indians cower down to brute force. It is not that Khalistani extremist activity in Canada has been dormant in the past since the downing of Air India Flight 182 in 1985, the issue was only taken up forcefully by the Narendra Modi government since 2014. The Canadian government's response of defaming India reflects the angst of the Trudeau regime against India for taking up the issue of Khalistan extremists with facts and figures. The unsubstantiated allegations against India also suit Canadian politics across the board as the Khalistani extremists are a significant vote

bank in a country where people are not that enthusiastic about voting. The Khalistani extremists vote en masse and have acquired the potential to swing votes for political power. It is for this very reason that the response of the Canadian opposition to the Brampton temple attack was at best muted and for the record. The radicalization of the Sikh youth and weaponization of the Khalistani extremists by the Trudeau regime in Canada may have electoral yield for the Liberal party but this will surely harm the country's interest in the near future as violent speech and action will be a legitimate tool for the activists. The instigation of extremists may also yield electoral dividends to the ruling Democrats across the Canadian border in the ongoing electoral

cycle but extremism, as has been evident in the past, cannot be controlled once the genie is out. However, it will be in Canadian interest to take note of PM Modi's strong statement as the Indian leader has spoken after repeated provocations by his Canadian counterpart after the G-20 summit in New Delhi. The Indian leader normally does not make a direct statement and only does after detailed analysis and critical evaluation. If anyone has any doubts, they should ask Pakistan and China. PM Modi's statement also makes it evident that India expects matters with Canada to get worse till the Canadian general elections next October. Except from now on, India will hold Trudeau accountable for any Khalistani extremism directed against India.

