



RSS Sarsanghchalak Mohan Bhagwat, left, and General Secretary Dattatreya Hosabale during the 'All India Representative Assembly of RSS', in Samalkha, Panipat, Haryana.

Deputy CM Sunetra Pawar Holds 'Janata Darbar' in Baramati, Assures Swift Action on Citizens' Issues

Baramati, Mar 13 (UNI) L State Deputy Chief Minister Sunetra Ajit Pawar, currently on a visit to Baramati, on Friday morning held a Janata Darbar at her residence, 'Sahyog', where she directly heard grievances from citizens.

During the interaction, she focused particularly on resolving difficulties faced by women beneficiaries under the government welfare scheme and instructed administrative officials to take immediate action on the issues raised.

Since morning, a large number of citizens gathered at her residence in Sahyog Society to present their concerns. People from several villages across Baramati taluka attended

the session, with a significant number of women among them. Many women raised issues related to the government's Mukhyamantri Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana, along with local civic problems and personal grievances.

Pawar patiently listened to each complainant and directed officials present at the venue to prioritize and resolve the matters promptly. Members of the Baramati Bar Association also met Pawar during the event and discussed professional concerns related to the legal fraternity. Citizens expressed satisfaction as their grievances were heard directly and assurances of timely action were given.

Meanwhile, organizers of the upcoming Maharashtra Kesari Wrestling Competition, scheduled to be held in Wagholi near Pune, met Pawar in Baramati to formally invite her to the event.

On the occasion, Pawar performed the ceremonial worship of the prestigious gada (mace) awarded in the Maharashtra Kesari wrestling championship. Speaking on the occasion, she said that wrestling is a proud and rich tradition of Maharashtra and such competitions provide a significant platform for talented wrestlers from rural areas. She also assured continued encouragement and support for the state's wrestling heritage.

Cyber Fraudsters Exploit Gas Shortage Panic

Mumbai, Mar 13 (UNI) Cybercriminals are taking advantage of concerns over gas shortages in the international market and tensions such as the Iran-Israel conflict to cheat citizens.

According to information received, fraudsters are impersonating officials from a gas distribution company and contacting customers over the phone.

The scammers inform victims that their gas bill is pending and threaten that their gas connection will be disconnected immediately. To "save" the connection, customers are first asked to pay a small amount of Rs 10 - Rs 20. After this, they are instructed to download a file named "Mahanagar APK." The moment the victim downloads and clicks on the file, cybercriminals gain access to their mobile device and siphon money directly from their bank accounts.

In the past four days, at least four such cyber fraud cases have been reported from

areas including Vile Parle and Wadala in Mumbai. So far, customers have collectively lost Rs 26.43 lakh in these incidents.

Officials said many people are already worried about gas supply issues, and cyber gangs are exploiting this anxiety to target unsuspecting citizens. The fraudsters are primarily focusing on ordinary consumers and stealing their hard-earned money by gaining access to their bank accounts.

Meanwhile, the gas distribution company has urged customers to remain alert and cautious about such fraudulent calls. The company clarified that it never asks customers to download any application or APK file through unofficial links. Consumers have been advised to verify any communication through official customer care numbers and immediately report suspicious calls to avoid falling victim to cyber fraud.

Cylinders shortage ...

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who have managed to arrange limited gas supplies have increased the monthly meal charges by around rupee 200 to cope with the rising operational costs.

However, the hike has added financial pressure on students who are already managing tight budgets while preparing for competitive examinations.

Pune has long been a major destination for aspirants preparing for exams such as UPSC, MPSC, banking and other government recruitment tests. A large number of students from rural Maharashtra and other states live in hostels, rented rooms or shared accommodations and depend on affordable mess facilities for regular meals. Students said that the sudden closure of mess services has disrupted their

routine and study schedules. With food arrangements becoming uncertain and expenses rising, some aspirants have begun packing their belongings and making plans to return to their villages temporarily.

Mess operators, on the other hand, say the situation has become difficult to manage without a steady supply of commercial LPG cylinders. They have urged authorities and gas agencies to resolve the supply issue quickly so that normal services can resume. The situation has once again highlighted how disruptions in essential services can directly impact Pune's large student community, particularly those preparing for competitive examinations and living on limited financial resources.

Rohit Pawar alleges attempts to 'edit' air ...

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"Shri Rohit Pawar met me today and submitted a letter raising serious concerns about the investigation into the Baramati aircraft crash that claimed the life of Shri Ajit Pawar ji and others. Basic principles of law appear not to have been followed, and no FIR has been registered despite the seriousness of the matter. This incident warrants a fair, transparent, and impartial investigation".

Rohit Pawar, who spoke to media persons later, also stated that Rahul Gandhi had assured him that he would do whatever he can about the late Ajit Pawar's crash. He said that there seems to be a conspiracy by those in power to save certain influential people.

Soaring crude oil prices drive up packaged water costs

Mumbai, Mar 13 (UNI) The Federation of the All India Packaged Drinking Water Manufacturers Association has warned that rising crude oil prices are sharply increasing the cost of polymer, the key raw material for plastic bottles.

Polymer is derived from crude oil and plays a crucial role in the manufacturing of plastic bottles used for packaged drinking water as well as its escalating price is directly impacting the production of bottled drinking water.

According to the association, the price of the material used to manufacture plastic bottles has surged by nearly 50 percent and has reached around Rs170 per kilogram.

In addition, the cost of bottle caps has also increased sharply, more than doubling to approximately Rs 0.45 per piece. Apart from this, the prices of corrugated boxes, labels, and adhesive tapes used for packaging and sealing have also witnessed a substantial rise, further increasing the overall production cost for packaged drinking water manufacturers.

Three held for Nalasopara murder; three more wanted accused nabbed

Mumbai, Mar 13 (UNI) Police in Maharashtra's Palghar district have arrested three men for allegedly murdering a man in Nalasopara, while the investigation into the case also helped authorities apprehend three other individuals who were wanted in a separate criminal matter. Officials confirmed the arrests on Friday.

The action was carried out by the Mira-Bhayander Vasai-Virar Police after a man was killed near a bar in Nalasopara West. According to police, the victim, Shubham alias Baba Premshankar Mishra, was attacked by a group of men and killed on February 20.

Following the killing, the crime branch launched a special investigation to identify and track down the individuals responsible for the attack. Police teams began gathering evidence and tracing the suspects involved in the incident.

During the course of the investigation, police arrested Sunil Gyanoba Malusare, also known as Bigshow, aged 28, on March 2 for his alleged role in the murder. As the probe progressed, officers subsequently arrested two more suspects identified as Jagan Mayandi Patkatiyar, aged 27, and Sharan Murgan, aged 25. While tracking accused Patkatiyar, investigators discovered that he was in the company of three other men who were already wanted in another criminal case. The three were identified as Ajay Amod Mishra, 26, Prishit alias Deepak Shrimohan Pal, 27, and Sunny alias Abhishek Mahendra Tak, 26. Police said the trio were wanted in multiple offences, including a case of attempt to murder registered at the Achole Police Station.

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ACB traps Jalna police inspector, constable while accepting bribe

Jalna, March 13 (UNI) : The Maharashtra Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) claims to have arrested a police inspector and a police staff member from the Mantha police station in the district while allegedly accepting a bribe to avoid action against a sand transport vehicle.

The ACB said its team from the Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar unit laid a trap to arrest the suspects on Thursday night.

According to officials, the accused have been identified as police inspector Manoj Kumar Rathod and constable Ravi Ganpat Jadhav. The complainant, who operates a sand transportation business, approached the ACB after the two officials allegedly demanded money in return for not seizing his sand-carrying vehicle.

Investigators said the accused had initially demanded a monthly payment of Rs 50,000 from the transporter to allow the ferrying of illegal sand without police action. It is alleged that Rs 10,000 had already been accepted. When the officials continued to press for the remaining amount, the complainant decided to report the matter to ACB.

During verification conducted by the ACB, it was found that constable Jadhav had demanded a total of Rs 55,000, including Rs 50,000 rupees as the monthly payment and an additional Rs 5,000 for himself.

Officials also revealed that inspector Rathod

Middle East conflict disrupts export of Indian vegetables to Gulf, farmers face losses

Mumbai, Mar 13 (UNI) Indian vegetables such as lemon, green chillies, drumsticks (moringa), okra and bitter gourd witness strong demand in Gulf countries throughout the year. However, the ongoing conflict in the Middle East has severely disrupted exports of these vegetables, causing a direct impact on farmers in India.

Due to the prevailing war-like situation in the region, export operations to several Gulf nations have come to a halt. As a result, farmers who depend on overseas markets for better prices are now facing significant financial losses. According to trade data from the previous financial year, India exported around 3.73 lakh tonnes of vegetables to eight Gulf countries. This export trade generated a total turnover of approximately rupees 1,681 crore. With the current disruption in shipments, exporters and farmers alike are worried about mounting losses and falling domestic prices due to excess supply in local markets.

PIL in Bombay High Court seeks probe into Ajit Pawar plane crash

Mumbai, Mar 13 (UNI) A case related to the alleged plane crash involving Ajit Pawar has reached the Bombay High Court after a public interest litigation (PIL) was filed on Friday by Hemant Patil, the national president of India Against Corruption.

In the petition, Patil has urged the court to direct authorities to register criminal cases against the concerned aviation company and other responsible individuals linked to the aircraft accident. He has also requested the court to order a detailed investigation to determine the exact cause of the crash.

According to the plea, it is necessary to ascertain whether the incident was purely accidental or if there was any possibility of sabotage.

Patil has requested the court to order a comprehensive probe and require a detailed report explaining the circumstances surrounding the crash. The petition also asks the court to direct the Baramati Police Station to conduct the investigation.

The PIL refers to the tragic accident that occurred on June 28, 2018, when a 12-seater chartered aircraft (VT-UPZ King Air C-90) crashed in the Jivdaya Lane area of Ghatkopar in Mumbai. The crash killed four people on board, including the pilot and a technician,

and one pedestrian on the ground. The aircraft was owned by U Y Aviation.

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allegedly encouraged the transaction by offering the complainant an unusual proposal. He reportedly told the transporter that if he helped the police catch two other vehicles involved in illegal sand transport, he would be given a concession in the monthly payment.

Following negotiations, the bribe amount was reportedly settled at Rs 30,000, ACB said. Acting on the information, the ACB laid a trap in the confidential branch office of the Mantha police station. Constable Jadhav was caught red-handed while accepting the amount, ACB added.

Authorities have taken both suspects into custody, and the process of registering a case against them is underway. The ACB has also initiated searches at their residences as part of the ongoing investigation, it added.

EAST COAST RAILWAY

No. WHS/52/WAT/Med/Mar/2026, Date: 06.03.2026

Advertisement for Inviting Expression of Interest (EOI) for recognition of CGHS, ECHS & ESIC empaneled / Non-empaneled Hospitals and also other interested private Hospitals for treatment of Railway Beneficiaries and NABL accredited Private Labs for Blood Alcohol Content Analysis of East Coast Railway, Waltair Division.

Chief Medical Superintendent, East Coast Railway, Waltair on & behalf of the President of India invites Expression of Interest (E.O.I) on prescribed Application form from CGHS, ECHS & ESIC empaneled Hospitals or any other interested Private Hospitals and NABL / accredited Private Labs situated in / near KK Line: Kottavalasa - Kirandul, KR Line: Korapat - Rayagada & RV Line: Rayagada - Vizianagaram Health Units of Waltair Division for treatment of Railway beneficiaries as per CGHS rates or their Hospital tariff rates whichever is lower on credit system of payment for the period of one year.

All the hospitals and labs are advised to carefully go through the instructions, list of enclosures before filling up the application form. The concerned hospitals / labs should enclose all the required documents along with application form. The incomplete applications & those which are not submitted within the due date will be rejected. The application for empanelment must be submitted in a sealed envelope prescribed as "Application for Empanelment of Hospitals NABL Labs" in the office of the Chief Medical Superintendent, East Coast Railway, Divisional Railway Hospital, Waltair on or before 1500 hrs on 30.03.2026.

Date of Notification	Date of downloading the application form	Last Date of submission of application form	Date of Opening of EOI's
09.03.2026	09.03.2026	30.03.2026	31.03.2026

The Application Form along with instructions to the applicants, list of enclosures can be downloaded from www.eastcoastrail.indianrailways.gov.in

PR-1229/Q/25-26 Addl. Chief Medical Superintendent/Waltair

ASREC (India) Limited Bldg. No. 2, Unit No. 201-202A & 200-202B, 6r Floor, Solitaire Corporate Park, Andheri Ghatkopar Link Road, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai-400 093.

APPENDIX-IV-A PUBLIC NOTICE FOR AUCTION - SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(Under Rule 8(6) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

WHEREAS ASREC (India) Ltd. is a Securitisation and Asset Reconstruction Company (hereinafter referred to as "ASREC") and secured creditor of Borrower Account names by virtue of Assignment Agreement dated 25.03.2021 executed with Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd., and has acquired the secured debt of M/s Three Balaji Textiles and its Proprietor Borrower Mr. Narayan Narasayya Taduka along with underlying securities from the original lender, Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd.

The Authorised Officer of Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd. in exercise of powers conferred under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI) and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, had issued a demand notice dated 19.09.2018 u/s 13(2) of the said act calling upon the ("Borrower") for repayment of total outstanding amount aggregating to Rs. 1,20,10,387/- (Rupees: One Crore Twenty lakh Ten Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Seven Only) as on 31.08.2018 with further interest thereon, after adjusting recovery made if any, in respect of the advances granted by the Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd. to the Borrower, Joint/Co-borrower/Surety within the stipulated period of 60 days.

As the Borrowers, Joint/Co-borrower/Surety having failed to pay as per the said Demand Notice dated 19.09.2018 under Sec. 13 (2) of the said Act, served upon you the borrowers and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(4) read with Enforcement of Securities (Interest) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer of ASREC (India) Ltd. took physical possession of the properties more particularly described in Schedule here under on 10.11.2022.

Pursuant to Assignment Agreement dated 25.03.2021 ASREC (India) Ltd., has acquired the financial assets of aforesaid borrower from Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd with all rights, title and interest together with underlying security interest under Section 5 of the SARFAESI Act, 2002.

As the abovementioned Borrowers/Joint Co. Borrower/Surety having failed in payment of entire outstanding amount as per said demand notice and pursuant to aforesaid assignment by Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd in favour of ASREC (India) Limited, the Authorised Officer of ASREC (India) Limited, intend to sell the below mentioned properties for recovery of our dues in the account.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and Borrower/Joint Co-Borrower / Surety in particular that the Authorised Officer of ASREC (India) Ltd hereby intends to sell the below mentioned secured properties for recovery of dues and hence the tenders/bids are invited in sealed cover for the purchase of the secured property. The properties shall be sold strictly on "As is where is", "As is what is", "As is Whatever Condition There is" and "No Recourse basis"

Lot No	Description of the Secured Assets	Reserve Price (Rs. in Lakh)	EMD (Rs. in Lakh)	Bid Increment (In Rs.)
1	Plot No. 10, admeasuring 165 sq.mtrs i.e. 1776 sq.ft. along with building namely House No. 578/A consisting of ground floor constructed thereon Survey no.167(P) at Mauje Karivali, Karivali Naka, Tal. Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane. Property owned by: Shri Narayan N. Tadka	37.57	3.75	0.25
2	Plot No. 11, admeasuring 224.92 sq.mtrs (167.22+57.7 sq.ft.) i.e. 2421 sq.ft. along with building namely House No. 952 consisting of ground plus two upper floor constructed thereon Survey no.167(P) at Mauje Karivali, Karivali Naka, Tal. Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane. Property owned by: Shri Narayan N. Tadka	42.02	4.20	0.25
3	Part of Plot No. 27, admeasuring 150.55 sq.mtrs i.e. 1620 sq.ft. along with building namely House No. 451 consisting of ground plus two upper floors constructed thereon Survey no.167(P) at Mauje Karivali, Karivali Naka, Tal. Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane. Property owned by: Smt. Laxmi N. Tadka	38.07	3.80	0.25

Details of auction:

> Auction Date & Time: 30.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M

> Inspection of Property: On 23.03.2026 from 12.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m.

> Collection of Bid Forms: From 14.03.2026 to 27.03.2026 - 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

> Last date & time for submission of Bid Forms: Till 27.03.2026 up to 04.00 p.m.

> Venue of Bid Forms Collection / submission/Venue of Auction & Bids opening: From the office of ASREC (INDIA) Ltd. at 201/202A, Building No. 2, Solitaire Corporate Park, Andheri- Ghatkopar Link Road, Chakala, Andheri (E), Mumbai - 400093. Tender Forms can also be downloaded from the website of ASREC (INDIA) LTD. (www.asrecindia.co.in) The Offers/tenders received by ASREC, shall be opened by the Authorised Officer at the above mentioned office address on 30.03.2026 at 11.00 A.M. wherein inter-se bidding, may take place.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

1. To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrances on the property. The intending bidders should make their own independent enquiries regarding encumbrances, title of property put on auction and claims/rights/dues affecting the property prior to submitting their bids. The public auction advertisement does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any commitment or any representation of ASREC. The property is being sold with all existing encumbrances whether known or unknown to ASREC. The Authorised Officer / Secured Creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims/ rights/ views.

2. Auction will be held for the entire property as stated above on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "As is Whatever There is" and "No Recourse basis"

3. Bid in the prescribed format given in the tender document shall be submitted to Authorised Officer of ASREC (India) Ltd., Bldg. No. 2, Unit No. 201-202A & 200-202B, 6r Floor, Solitaire Corporate Park, Andheri Ghatkopar Link Road, Chakala, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400093 or submit through email harshad@asrecindia.co.in The Bid form or EMD received after 5.00 p.m. on 27.03.2026 for any reason whatsoever will not be entertained. Bid without EMD shall be rejected summarily.

4. The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of the successful bidder shall be retained towards part of sale consideration and the EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded in the same way. The EMD shall not bear any interest. The bidders are requested to give particulars of their bank account to facilitate quick and proper refund.

5. The successful bidder shall immediately i.e. on the same day or not later than next working day, as the case may be, deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD amount deposited) to the Authorised Officer and in default of such deposit, EMD will be forfeited and the property shall be sold again.

6. The balance amount of the sale price shall be paid on or before 15th day of confirmation of sale of the property or such extended period as may be agreed upon in writing between the secured creditor and successful bidder. In default of payment within above stipulated time period, the deposit shall be forfeited and the property shall be resold and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all claims to the property or to any part of the sum for which it may be subsequently sold.

7. The sale shall be subject to rules/conditions prescribed under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

8. The Bid without EMD amount and/or less than the Reserve Price shall not be accepted / confirmed.

9. The intending purchasers / bidders are required to deposit EMD amount either through NEFT/ RTGS in the Account No.: 09020110001517, with Bank of India, SSI, Andheri Branch, IFSC Code : BKID000090 Name of the Beneficiary: ASREC PS-12/2020-21 TRUST, or by way of Demand Draft drawn in favour of ASREC-PS- 12/ 2020-21 TRUST drawn on any Nationalized or Scheduled Bank and payable in Mumbai.

10. The interested bidders can inspect the property on 23.03.2026 from 12.00 p.m. to 03.00 p.m. Contact Details: Mr. Harshad V. - Cell No. 9594692251, 022-61387060, Mr. Jagdish Shah - Cell No. 70214 28336, 022 61387042 may be contacted for any query.

11. The Authorised officer has every right to accept or reject any or all offers and/or modify any terms/conditions without assigning any reasons therefor.

12. The successful bidder would bear the charges/fees payable for registration, stamp duty, registration fee, incidental expenses etc. as applicable as per law.

13. On compliance of the terms and condition of sale and on confirmation of the sale the Authorised Officer shall issue CERTIFICATE OF SALE in favour of the successful Bidder.

14. In the event the auction scheduled hereinabove fails for any reason whatsoever, ASREC has the right to sell the secured asset under auction through this Notice by way of PRIVATE TREATY or under the provisions of Rule 8(5) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules and the SARFAESI Act, 2002.

15. The highest bid will be subject to approval of the secured creditor/Authorised Officer.

THIS NOTICE SERVE AS 15 (FIFTEEN) DAYS NOTICE TO THE BORROWERS & JOINT/CO-BORROWERS/SURETY FOR SALE OF SECURED PROPERTIES UNDER RULES 8(6) & 9(1) OF SARFAESI ACT AND SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES ON THE ABOVE MENTIONED DATE IF THEIR OUTSTANDING DUES ARE NOT PAID IN FULL.

Date: 14.03.2026

Place: Mumbai

Sd/- Authorised Officer, ASREC (India) Ltd.

WESTERN RAILWAY

ELECTRICAL WORK

Sr. Divisional Electrical Engineer (Rolling Stock), EMU Carshed, Virat Nagar, Virar-401303 invites E- Tender No: DRM-RS-2025-26-03-VR, Date: 10.03.2026. Name of Work: Inspection, Load Testing, Operational Checking and Certification of Lifting Machines, Tools & High Mast Rope Wires as per MFR 1963 for a Period of 03 Years at EMU Carshed, Virar as per the attached scope of work. Estimated Cost of Work: ₹ 3,01,404.41/- (All Inclusive). EMD: ₹ 6,000/- . Date & Time of Submission: Till 10.04.2026, 15:00 hrs in the prescribed manner. Date & time of opening: On 10.04.2026 at 15:30. For further details please visit our website www.ireps.gov.in 1212

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ANNUAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

Chief Workshop Manager, Carriage Repair Workshop, Western Railway, N. M. Joshi Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai - 400013 invites e-Tender No: WR-PLCAMC-TestBench, Date: 09.03.2026. Name of work with its location: Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract (CAMC) of computerized DV Test Bench, BMBC Test Bench and SCTRT Test Bench for 02 Years at Lower Parel Workshop. Approx. Estimated Cost: ₹ 9,61,700/- . EMD: ₹ 19,200/- . Last date & time for online submission: Till 30.03.2026, 15:00 hrs. Last date & time for online opening: On 30.03.2026 at 15:30 hrs. For further details please visit our website www.ireps.gov.in 1211

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