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## Iranian elect reformist pezeshkian as President

Iran's reformist candidate Mashoud Pezeskian on Saturday won the Presidential run off poll defeating run off presidential candidate Saeed Jalili, the interior ministry said.

Mr Pezeskian received 16 million views which is around 54 %, and Jalili more than 13 million, roughly 44%, out of about 30 million votes cast ,electoral authority said . Voter turnout was 49.8% .

Iran's Supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khameni congratulated him . He urged him to "continue on the path of martyr Raisi and use the country's many capacities.

In his first address to people he urged people to cooperate.

"I will not leave you alone on this path. Do not leave me alone . "



#### Issues and Policies of new Prime Minister:

Mr Pezeshkian is a reformist, he in his election campaign speeches had said about "constructive relation with the west ".

Getting Iran out of isolation .And that he favoured reviving the nuclear deal that was abandoned by the US in

In Iran Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khameinei has control over policy decisions, police and the country's army.







Mr Pezeshkian will have very limited say in these matters.

However, setting economic policies is within his power.

In his election campaigns he had promised to cut Inflation which is currently at 40 %.

The sanction by US and Western countries is because of Iran's support to anti west, anti Israel groups like Houthis, Hezbollah etc in the region.

Elections in Iran were held after President Raisi died in a helicopter crash.

## Union. budget to be presented on July 23, session till August 12

The first Union budget (2023 - 24) session will be presented by the Union Finance minister in the Lok Sabha on July 23. The session will conclude on August 12.

In her joint address the president has said that the coming fiscal budget will be impactful document of the government's far reaching policies ,and futuristic vision .and that several historic steps and major economic decisions will be taken.

The pace of reforms would be accelerated to fulfil the aspirations of people. Interim budget was presented on 1 February.

## A.P. Telangana forms panel to resolve differences amicably

In a first concrete step to resolve issues between two states. Andhra Pradesh and Telangana has formed two committees to resolve issues between two states.

Telangana government is learnt to have sought remerger of seven mandals, including five village, abutting the temple town BhadrChalam that was merged with Andhra Pradesh.

These matters will require interference by Home ministry.



## Committed to deepening ties, Modi tells U.K.'s Starmer

Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke to U.K. prime Minister Keir Starmer on Phone and congratulated him over his win in U.K's election.

In a post on X, Mr Modi said he had congratulated Mr Starmer and remained committed "over deepening comprehensive economic partnership " and robust economic ties . " Meanwhile , sources said that New Delhi was preparing for a high level visit from the new U.K. government in the next few weeks.







#### India UK FTA -

The India UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA) is expected to finalized in the coming few weeks. It can happen on UK's high level visit a few weeks later.

To finalise India UK FTA is in the 100 day agenda of PM Modi's newly formed government.

## Centre studying if CAA criterion on documentary proof can be tweaked

Centre is deliberating over measures to simplify a provision under Citizens Amendment Act (CAA) that requires citizen to produce original document proving he or she is a citizen of Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan.

The move comes after the request by West Bengal government, who had arrived from Bangladesh, Pakistan or Afghanistan.

## Four terrorist dead in encounter in Kulgram; two soldiers feared dead

Two anti militancy operation continued at separate location in Kulgram district of south Kashmir, preliminary reports say that suggest that four militants and two soldiers were killed.

"Security forces had received information about the movement of militants opened fire I

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## Nadda sounds poll bugle in J& K, identifies PoK as ' unfinished agenda '

BJP president JP Nadda, on Saturday sounded the poll bugle for assembly elections in j& K. He said that his party would implement its unfinished agendas, including taking back Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (PoK), and establishing a BJP government at the UT.

" Modi has turned Kashmir in tourism capital . Terrorism has ended , J&K is on path of progress and upgraded infrastructure. ".



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## DRDO unveils country's light tank zorawar, soon

The prototype of the country's indigenous light tank Zorawar is ready, and will soon be subjected to extensive trials.

The tank unveiled on Saturday, was Jo ntlru developed by DRDO along with Larson and Toubro (



On test: The Zorawar light tanks will be inducted into the Army by 2027, SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The tank is currently powered by US company Cummins engine. DRDO has taken on a project to develop a new engine domestically.

It is capable to work in most challenging situation on earth: extreme whether and extreme height with minimum logistical support, in high altitude area along the northern border." A defence official said.

In 2021, army had requested for 350 light tanks after which DRDO and L&R started working on it.

### World: ——

## Srilanka to permit call for from foreign research vessels, at its port next year

Srilanka will resume permitting calls from foreign research vessels at its ports from next year, as the government " cannot only block China ." Sri Lankan foreign Minister Ali Sabri said in an interview with Japnese channel NHK.

"We cannot have different rules for different countries and only block China. We will not do that we will not take sides "he said.

In January 2024, SriLanka banned, the visit of foreign research vessels after India and USA had voiced concern of visit of two Chinese vessels.

## FAQ:\_\_\_\_\_

#### How to manage 'brain eating amoeba 'cases?

There have been four cases, including three death from rare, but fatal primary amoebic meningilitis (PAM) in Kerala, in last two months.





#### What is PAM?

PAM is caused by a virus called Nigeria Floweri. The virus lives in lakes pounds rivers .It can also survive in poorly maintained swiming pool in rare cases .as it can infect brain and desotroy the tissues there .

The organism is also called 'Brian eating amoeba' These infections thorough rate, are fatal and ,97% of the patient dont survive.

- The infection can be diagnosed by PCR test.
- Vaccination is best way to prevent this.
- There is no standard method of treatment.

#### Can the uber rich world wide be taxed better?

French Economist Gabriel Zucman has increased a recent report commissioned by G20 presideny recommended an annual 2 %= tax on individual holding wealth exceeding 1 billion dollar.

Finance Ministers of G 20 group are set to meet in Rio De Janeiro on June 25-26 and the proposal is expected to be discussed in the meeting.

The research sites that contemortiry tax system world wide is not effective enough to tax wealthiest person. Brazil, France, Spain, Columbia, Belgium, The African Union, Belgium, African Union and South Africa are the main backer. US has however said that it is not in its support.

### What's does the Karnataka Bill promise gig workers?

On. June 29, Karnataka government published the draft of the Karnataka platform based gig workers, social security act ,making it the second Indian state to initiate such move, the first being the Rajsthan.

Gig workers are those who use online paforms to prvide services, to deliver food. Such as delivery boys, drives of Ola, Uber, Rapido, delivery persons of Zomato, swiffy etc

#### What does the bill seek to do?

The bill seeks to regulate the social security and welfare of platform based gig workwers in the state. The bill has provision on 'rights based bill'. It seeks to protect rights of gig workers. It places obligation on Aggregator over social security, occupational health and safety of workers.

The new draft rule aims to safeguard against unfair means bring two level of security systems. It says that aggregators would not terminate the workers without giving valid reasons and prior notice of 14 days.

Arbitrary termination and blacklisting by aggregators are some major complaints raised by Gig workers.

Rajasthan is the only state to have such acts on Gig workers. Haryana is soon to bring similar laws.



