



## Rahul Gandhi claims 'atom bomb' evidence of vote theft by ECI for BJP

"Think what kind of language this is: I (Gandhi) will explode on the Election Commission!" Patra told reporters at the BJP headquarters.

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Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Friday claimed that his party has an "atom bomb" of an evidence to prove "vote chori" by the Election Commission for the BJP, remarks that evoked a sharp response from the poll panel that termed his allegations as "baseless and wild allegations".

The BJP also responded strongly to Gandhi's attack on the Election Commission, asking him to "flow like water" instead of "exploding like a bomb".

Gandhi claimed that his party has an "atom bomb" of an evidence to prove "vote chori" by the Election Commission for the BJP and said that when it explodes the poll

panel will have no place to hide anywhere in the country.

The Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha also warned that those people in the EC who are involved in this, right from the top to the bottom, should remember that they will not be spared because they have indulged in "treason". His remarks came on a day the Election Commission published the draft electoral rolls for Bihar, following the completion of the month-long special intensive revision exercise ahead of the upcoming assembly polls.

"I am not saying this lightly. I am saying this with 100 per cent proof. As soon as we release it, the whole country would know that EC is indulging in 'vote chori'. It is doing it for the BJP," he alleged.

## Iranians dealt strong blow to enemy during Israeli war: Official



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The Iranian people have succeeded in dealing a heavy blow to the enemy during 12 days of the Israeli-US war

of aggression, says a senior official in the office of Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei.

Ali Saeedi, head of the Leader's ideological-political office, on Friday hailed the Iranian peo-

ple's resistance and support for the Islamic establishment during the Israeli-imposed war in June.

He said the Israeli regime has made its utmost efforts to collapse the Islamic Republic over 15 years, pursuing its goals at the

beginning of the war by assassinating the Iranian commanders.

However, he said, the Tel Aviv regime failed to achieve its objectives as the Leader's guidelines, resistance of people and strong performance of the Armed

Forces thwarted the adversarial plots.

During the Israeli-US acts of aggression, the Iranian Armed Forces responded strongly to the enemies under the guidelines of Ayatollah Khamenei, Saeedi said.

He warned that if the Israeli regime made another mistake, "we will not give them a chance...and we will solve humanity's fundamental problem by destroying the occupying regime of Quds."

The official also underscored the importance of increasing Iran's intelligence, improving the national security system and protecting border areas.

Saeedi's remarks came a day after Iran's President Masoud Pezeshkian hailed the "honorable" and strong defense of the Iranian people, police, and security forces, as well as missile scientists, during the Israeli-US acts of aggression.

The president said no power will be able to bring the Iranian people to their knees, and no obstacle can hinder their progress as long as they maintain their unity and coherence.

## Chennai Dalit software engineer murder: Father of prime accused arrested



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The grieving parents of 27-year-old Dalit software engineer, Kavin Selvaganesh, finally received their son's body on Friday, August 1, after the Tamil Nadu police arrested suspected sub-inspector Saravanan.

Saravanan served in the Tamil Nadu Special Police. He is the father of the prime accused, Surjit Saravanan, who brutally hacked Kavin to death in Tirunelveli dis-

trict on July 27. Surjit surrendered after the murder and has been charged under the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act and the Goondas Act.

The case ignited a wave of public and political response. It was transferred to the Crime Branch-CID for an impartial investigation. DGP Shankar

Jiwal confirmed that the preliminary probe indicated the motive was rooted in opposition to the inter-caste relationship.

CCTV footage captured Surjit taking Kavin on his bike near a Siddha treatment centre, where Subashini worked as a doctor. Kavin's grandfather was admitted for treatment there.

## Houthi: 100,000 Gaza children face imminent death amid Israeli siege

The leader of Yemen's Ansarullah resistance movement says more than 100,000 children in the Gaza Strip are at risk of imminent death amid a months-long total Israeli blockade. Delivering a televised speech broadcast from the Yemeni capital Sana'a on Thursday afternoon, Abdul-Malik al-Houthi shed light on the oppression and suffering of the Palestinian people in Gaza, especially children, describing it as a disgrace to the international community and the Muslim world.

"One hundred thousand children in Gaza face the risk of starvation, among them 40,000 infants who suffer from the complete lack of baby formula. The Israeli enemy targets infants, and this is part of its genocidal campaign against the Palestinian people in Gaza," he said. The Ansarullah leader further noted that a large number of Gazans die of hunger every day, and the reality is beyond statistics. "The criminal Zionist brutality has reached the point of targeting women during childbirth. The oppression of Palestinian people includes starvation, targeted killings, forced displacement, and confining them to restricted and densely populated areas. He pointed to the suffering of Gaza women, saying Zionism is the invention of barbarity, aggression, and very horrific crimes.

## Second unit of Telangana's Yadadri thermal power plant inaugurated



Hyderabad: Telangana's Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, along with three state ministers, on Friday inaugurated the 800 MW Unit 1 of the Yadadri Thermal Power Station. With this, two units of the 4,000 MW (5x800 MW) power plant have been commissioned.

The Deputy Chief Minister, who is also the Energy Minister, along with ministers N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy, and Adluri Lakshman, inaugurated the unit near Damaracherla in Nalgonda district. They also laid the foundation stone for an integrated township in Yadadri Thermal Power Station (YTPS). The township is being constructed

at a cost of Rs 970 crore on 55 acres. Unit 2 of the plant was commissioned in December 2024. Being constructed by the Telangana Power Generation Corporation (TGGenco), it is billed as the biggest thermal plant in the public sector.

## NCW Hosts Consultation on Muslim Women's Rights Participants: N. Shardha & Shaheen Afroze

New Delhi – August 1  
(Safir News/Sada-e-Hussaini):

The National Commission for Women (NCW) organized a national consultation today at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, on the topic "Rights of Muslim Women in India." The objective of the consultation was to highlight the challenges faced by Muslim women across the country and to formulate recommendations for their resolution.

The event witnessed participation from experts, social activists, legal professionals, and representatives from organizations



working for Muslim women's welfare. Key topics discussed included personal laws, education, employment, safety, and equal

opportunities for Muslim women.

Chairperson of the NCW, Ms. Vijaya Rahatkar, stated that the consultation would provide useful insights for policymakers to ensure better protection and empowerment of Muslim women. Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs and Ministry of Minorities, Shri Kiren Rijju, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Among the invited women dignitaries were Ms. N. Shardha, Chairperson of the Telangana State Commission for Women, and Ms. Shaheen Afroze, Member of the Commission, who also participated in the consultation.

## Telangana CM slams politically-owned media, calls for journalism reforms

Telangana chief minister A Revanth Reddy on Friday, August 1, criticised the growing trend of political parties launching their own media outlets to protect vested interests, warning that such practices undermine the very essence of journalism and blur the line between news and propaganda. Speaking at the 10th anniversary celebrations of Nava Telangana, a Telugu daily backed by the CPI(M), CM Revanth reflected on the role of media in highlighting social causes and political ideologies during India's freedom struggle. "In the past, political parties founded newspapers to propagate their ideologies and foster public awareness. But today, strange tendencies have emerged. Media houses are being launched to conceal irregularities, shield party wealth, and discredit critics," he said. He cautioned the public to observe how some politically motivated dailies manipulate narratives under the guise of journalism. "There's a need to draw a Lakshman Rekha, a clear boundary, to distinguish genuine journalists from those masquerading as one," he said, adding, "its failure could pose a serious threat to the credibility of journalism."



CM Revanth expressed concern over the growing number of unqualified individuals claiming to be journalists, especially through social media. "Today, someone who doesn't even know ABCD of journalism claims to be a journalist, because he/she posts on social media. Real journalists are now forced to define what journalism is by holding seminars," he remarked. He noted how, in earlier times, seasoned politicians would consult journalists to understand issues in depth before addressing the public. "Now, parties are trying to control content and manipulate narratives. Conspiracies are being hatched to dilute journalism," he said.

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