

DOCUMENT PANIC | Across the South Bengal border belt, security personnel and local residents say the number of undocumented Bangladeshi nationals attempting to return to their country has risen sharply since early November

SIR sparks reverse migration of 'illegal Bangladeshis'



Bangladeshi nationals, who allegedly entered Indian territory illegally, await to return to their homeland following the implementation of SIR of electoral rolls, at Hakimpur checkpoint in North 24 Parganas district, West Bengal

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HAKIMPUR

Beside a pitch road that opens into a narrow, dusty mud by-lane at the Hakimpur BSF border outpost in West Bengal's North 24 Parganas, a stretch has become an informal departure corridor for "illegal Bangladeshis", who lived in the state for years.

Under a sprawling banyan tree, families with small cloth bags, children clutching plastic

bottles, and men waiting on their haunches formed a silent queue on Saturday, repeating a single plea before BSF personnel: "Let us go home." Across the South Bengal border belt, security personnel and local residents say the number of undocumented Bangladeshi nationals attempting to return to their country has risen sharply since early November.

The movement has taken the shape of an unusual reverse migration, which officials and they

themselves link directly to the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls underway in West Bengal.

Shahin Bibi, identifying herself as a resident of Khulna district who worked as a domestic help in New Town near Kolkata, waited with her toddler by the roadside.

"I came because we were poor. I have no proper documents. Now, I want to return to Khulna. That is why I am here," she said.

She earned around Rs 20,000 a month, lived in a shared room with two women, and sent money home regularly.

Many in the queue admit they procured Aadhaar cards, ration cards or voter IDs through touts and middlemen during their stay in West Bengal.

With SIR demanding verification of older documents, several said they preferred leaving rather than risking questioning and possible detention.

SIR not reform but imposed oppression: Cong after death of some BLOs

NEW DELHI: The Congress on Sunday targeted the BJP over the death of some booth-level officers engaged in the special intensive revision of electoral rolls in various states, terming the exercise an "imposed oppression" and a "deliberate play under which citizens are being harassed".

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi alleged that chaos has been "created" across the country in the name of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls. "The result? Sixteen BLOs have lost their lives in three weeks. Heart attacks, stress, suicide -- SIR is not a reform, it is an imposed oppression," he said in a post in Hindi on X.

Utkhand tribal villages ban liquor, fast food at weddings

Rs 1 lakh fine announced

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DEHRADUN

In a sweeping community-led decision aimed at strengthening social equality and reviving tradition, 25 villages of Uttarakhand's Jaunsar-Bawar region have agreed to hold all weddings and auspicious ceremonies with complete simplicity — a move that bans alcohol, fast food and extravagant gifting.

Under the new rules, serving English liquor, beer, chowmein, momos, tikki,

chaat and other fast foods at ceremonies has been prohibited. The long-standing custom of the bride's family gifting a goat has also been discontinued to ease financial pressure on poorer households. Anyone violating these rules will face a fine of Rs 1 lakh.

The decision was taken unanimously at a meeting in Doha village, chaired by Khatt president and 'Syana' Rajendra Singh Tomar. The gathering concluded that excessive display, rising competition and modern showmanship were pushing many families into debt. To curb inequality,

even the giving and receiving of silver coins, dry fruits and costly gifts has been banned. As per tradition, only the maternal uncle will be allowed to bring wheat, rice and a goat.

Several villages in Jaunsar-Bawar already follow an earlier rule restricting women to wearing only three traditional ornaments at weddings.

This was adopted in Kandhar and Kharsi villages to prevent financially weaker families from taking loans to buy expensive gold jewellery. With gold prices soaring, the measure is being viewed as a significant step toward social balance.

Chandigarh bill not in Winter session, decision after talks with stakeholders: MHA

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The Union Home Ministry Sunday said that it has no intention to bring the proposed Bill on Chandigarh that intends to "simplify the law-making" process for the Centre in the upcoming Winter session of Parliament and asserted that the proposal doesn't aim to change traditional arrangements between Chandigarh and Punjab and Haryana.

This comes a day after a bulletin of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha listed the Constitution (131st Amendment) Bill 2025 among the provisional list of 10 bills for the upcoming session beginning December 1.

The Bill that proposes to bring Chandigarh under the ambit of Article 240 of the Constitution, which empowers the president to make regulations for the UT and legislate directly, sparked sharp reactions from leaders in Punjab.

Kejri, Harsimrat, Bajwa oppose Centre's proposal for Chandigarh administration

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CHANDIGARH

Several political leaders like AAP supreme Arvind Kejriwal, SAD leader Harsimrat Kaur Badal and Congress leader Partap Singh Bajwa on Sunday strongly opposed the Centre's proposal empowering the president to make regulations for the UT and legislate directly.

However, the Centre has issued a clarification following the political outrage over the proposal, saying that it has no intention of presenting any bill on Chandigarh's administration in the Winter session of the Parliament, assuring that the proposal in no way seeks to alter Chandigarh's governance or administrative structure.

This proposed amendment has sparked political outrage in Punjab, with the ruling AAP, Congress, and Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) criticising the BJP-

ABOUT THE BILL

Earlier, according to a bulletin of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, the Centre proposed to include the Union territory of Chandigarh under the ambit of Article 240 of the Constitution. If the bill is passed, Chandigarh could have an independent administrator, similar to having had an independent chief secretary in the past. Chandigarh serves as the joint capital of Punjab and Haryana.

led Centre, accusing the government of attempting to "snatch" Chandigarh from Punjab.

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) national convener Arvind Kejriwal vehemently opposed the Centre's proposed move, calling it a "direct attack" on Punjab's identity and constitutional rights.

AYODHYA SET FOR LANDMARK CEREMONY AS PM MODI TO HOIST FLAG ON RAM TEMPLE ON NOV 25

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AYODHYA

Ayodhya is preparing for a historic moment on November 25 when Prime Minister Narendra Modi will hoist a grand saffron flag atop the newly completed Ram temple, marking the final architectural milestone of the structure. The Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust has described the ceremony as

SECURITY TIGHTENED, BOOKINGS CANCELLED

Ayodhya has come under one of its most stringent security arrangements in recent years. Authorities have cancelled all pilgrim bookings for November 24 and 25 in guest houses, homestays and ashrams within 200 metres of the temple. Only rooms reserved for officially invited guests have been allowed to remain occupied. A senior security officer said the decision was taken to ensure a foolproof security perimeter. Ram Path, the main approach road to the temple, will remain completely closed to the public from 6 am to 2.30 pm on November 25.

the most significant event since the 2024 Pran Pratishtha.

The massive saffron flag, em-

bossed with a Sun symbol, will rise over the temple's main shikhara, symbolising completion

from foundation to crown. Trustee Anil Mishra said the ceremony carries profound cul-

tural and emotional weight. "Hoisting the flag on the shikhara is the culmination of generations of devotion and sacrifice. This moment announces to the world that the Ram temple now stands complete in every sense," he said.

The ceremony takes place on Vivah Panchami, the auspicious day associated with the divine wedding of Lord Ram and Goddess Sita.

Anti-polygamy bill does not target Miyas: Himanta

PTI / TEZPUR (ASSAM)

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Sunday said the state government's proposed bill to ban polygamy is not aimed at targeting 'Miyas', adding that the practice exists among people of other religions as well.

He maintained that the practice of marrying multiple women is more prevalent among Miyas.

"In checking polygamy, we are not targeting Miyas. People of other religions also do it," Sarma told reporters on sidelines of a programme at Rangpara in Sonitpur district. 'Miya' is originally a pejorative term used for Bengali-speaking Muslims in Assam and the non-Bengali speaking people generally identify them as Bangladeshi immigrants.



Crop Shield

A farmer sprays insecticide in a mustard field, in Nadia on Sunday

KARNATAKA

Cong high command will decide whatever it is: Kharge on CM change

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BENGALURU

As speculation around chief minister change in Karnataka refuses to die down, Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge on Sunday said that the party high command will decide whatever it is, and he has nothing to say now.

The AICC chief stated this, a day after his more than an hour long meeting with chief minister Siddaramaiah here.

"I have nothing to say about the developments that have happened. So you (media) standing here is a waste of your time and I too feel bad. Whatever it is, the high command will do it. There is no need for

you to worry more about it," Kharge told reporters outside his residence here.

The power tussle within the ruling party has intensified, amid speculations about chief minister change in the state, after the Congress government reached the halfway mark of its five-year term on November 20.

Speaking to reporters last night, after meeting Kharge, second such meeting between the two in less than a week, Siddaramaiah, while responding to a question regarding clarity about his tenure as the CM had said, he will abide by whatever the high command decides, and everyone also should.

J&K L-G reviews security, counter terrorism measures

AFTERMATH OF DELHI BLAST

IANS
JAMMU

Jammu and Kashmir L-G Manoj Sinha on Sunday chaired a high-level security meeting to review winter preparedness, law and order situation and the overall scenario in the aftermath of the Delhi terror blast.

The meeting was attended by Jammu and Kashmir Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo, senior officials of the Jammu and Kashmir Police, the army, various security forces and intelligence agencies.

The L-G reviewed the situation along the Line of



Jammu and Kashmir LG Manoj Sinha chairs a high-level meeting on security, reviewing the situation in the Union Territory, in Jammu on Sunday

Control (LoC) and the International Border (IB), winter preparedness, and counter terrorism operations in the aftermath of the busting of the white collar terror module involving some doctors belonging to Jammu and Kashmir and Uttar Pradesh, official sources said.

Police, intelligence and security forces briefed the meeting on the overall security situation in the UT.

The DGP, Nalin Prabhat, gave a detailed briefing during the meeting based on a series of recent ground-level review meetings held by him at the district level.

Couple, 2 children found dead at home in J'khand

DUMKA: A man, his wife and their two children were found dead at a house in Jharkhand's Dumka district on Sunday morning, police said.

The incident occurred at Bardahi village in Hansdiha police station area. "We re-

covered four bodies from the house. Preliminary investigation suggests that the man allegedly strangled his wife and two children before hanging himself. Our investigation is underway," said Tarachand, officer in-charge, Hansdiha police station.

5 NAXALS, 2 SUPPORTERS HELD IN CHHATTISGARH'S BIJAPUR

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BIJAPUR

Five Naxalites and two supporters of the outlawed Maoist movement were arrested with explosives in Chhattisgarh's Bijapur district, a police official said on Sunday.

The five ultras were apprehended from the forest near

Kandka and Jabeli villages under Naimed police station limits when the 210th battalion of

CoBRA (Commando Battalion for Resolute Action), which is an elite unit of CRPF, was out on

anti-Maoist operation on Friday, he said.

The five were identified as

Kamlu Oyam (33), Laxman Ursa (30), Lekam Aytu (34), Lachhu Oyam (39) and Pandru Ursa (31),

he said, adding a tiffin bomb, cordex wire and other materials were seized from them.

Vijay resumes poll campaign Targets ruling DMK for 'loot, dynasty politics'

PTI
CHENNAI

Tamilaga Vettri Kazhgam chief Vijay on Sunday resumed his campaign for the 2026 Assembly election after a break of nearly 2 months and without directly naming the ruling DMK, accused it of a 'loot' of Rs 4,730 crore via illegal sand mining.

He also indirectly levelled the allegation of dynasty politics against it and claimed that the ruling party had forgotten its founder CN Annadurai's diktat of 'go to the people.' Addressing party



workers, fans and the public at an auditorium in Kancheepuram district, Vijay, avoiding a direct reference, alleged that DMK's ideology was only to loot. "They just talk about ideology, mortgaging all their principles, acting as if they

alone have leased all principles. Isn't their ideology is just to loot? Do you think people don't know all this? Asserting that Palar River is the lifeline of Kancheepuram region, he said such a life giving river has been degraded and ruined by those merely using the names of social reformer "Periyar" EV Ramasamy and Anna. He said these were not casual remarks and alleged a loot of a "small amount of Rs 4,730 crore" by way of illegal sand mining as about 22.70 lakh units of sand was mined by exceeding the permitted level.

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