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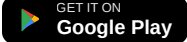
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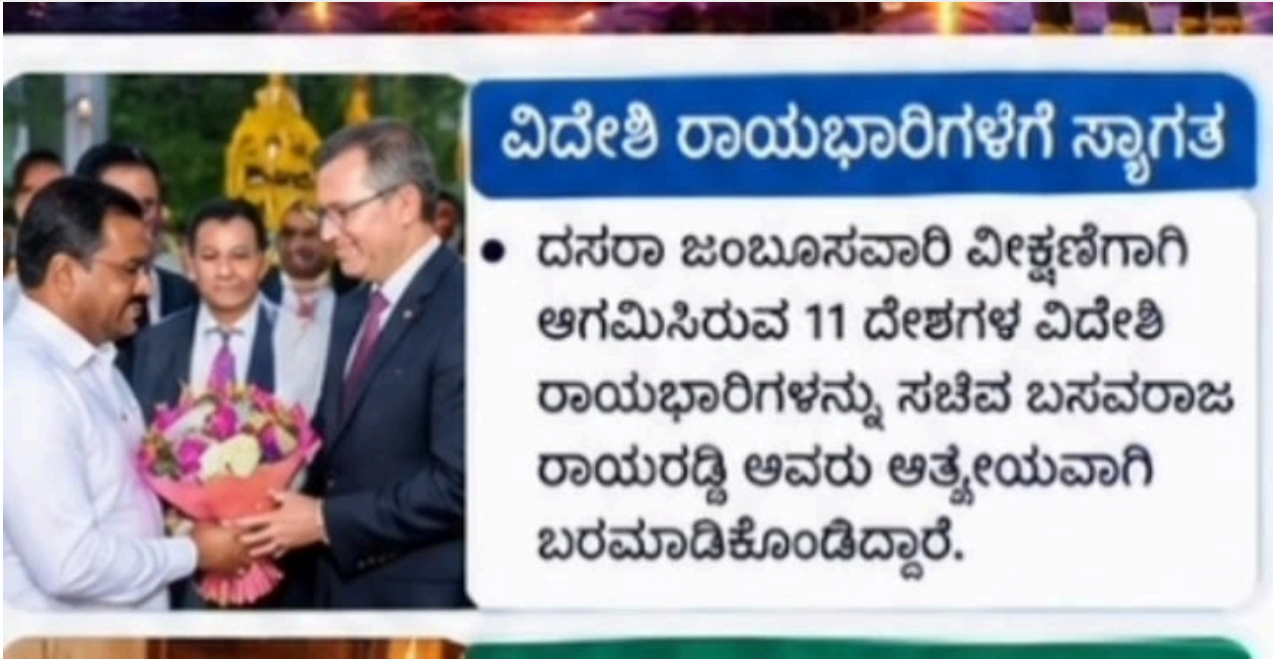
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LOCAL

# Minister Basavaraj Rayaraddi Welcomes Ambassadors from 11 Countries for Dasara Jamboo Savari in Mysore



**Ganesh SI** Minister Basavaraj Rayaraddi extended a cordial welcome to foreign ambassadors representing 11 countries who arrived to witness the world-famous Dasara Jamboo Savari. The dignitaries were received at the venue in Mysore, the

heart of Karnataka's annual Dasara celebrations.

The Dasara Jamboo Savari, a grand elephant procession that forms the climax of the Mysore Dasara festival, draws attention from across the globe for

its cultural splendor and historic significance. This year, the participation of ambassadors underscores the event's international appeal.

During the reception, the minister highlighted the importance of cultural

exchange and expressed hope that the ambassadors would enjoy the festivities. The warm welcome set a friendly tone for the delegates as they prepared to observe the traditional procession.

The presence of representatives from multiple countries reflects growing diplomatic interest in India's heritage festivals, with Mysore's Dasara serving as a prominent showcase of regional art, music, and ritual.

LOCAL

Bengaluru Metro to Begin Trial Runs on Blue and Pink Lines



**Ganesh SI** Bengaluru Metro has fixed a date for the trial run of its highly awaited Blue Line and Pink Line, signalling a major milestone in the city's public transport development.

The Blue Line, which will connect key areas across the city, and the Pink Line, aimed at enhancing connectivity in the southern corridor, have long been awaited by commuters and city planners alike.

The trial run will allow authorities to test the system's operations, safety protocols and passenger flow before the lines are opened to the public.

With the trial phase underway, Bengaluru moves closer to expanding its metro network, promising improved mobility and reduced traffic congestion for residents.

INTERNATIONAL

Yemen's Houthi rebels target Riyadh airport



**ABHISHEK KUMARI** Yemen's Houthi rebels fired a missile at the international airport in Riyadh, the capital of Saudi Arabia. The attack occurred while normal activities were underway at the airport. The Houthi rebels claimed responsibility for the strike.

Following the attack, security measures at the airport have been tightened, and no detailed information has been provided about any immediate impact on flight operations. Saudi officials have not yet issued an official statement on the incident.

In recent days, Houthi attacks on Saudi locations have increased. This latest strike could further heighten the existing tensions between the two countries.

TRAVEL

Birding-trekking program launched on Mount Manipur as part of the 72nd Wildlife Week



Port Blair, Andaman – On the occasion of the 72nd Wildlife Week, a birding-trekking program was held on Mount Manipur, a prominent hill near the capital. The initiative aimed to showcase the region's rich avian diversity and promote environmentally friendly outdoor activities.

Guided by local naturalists, participants identified various bird species and learned about their habitats during the trek. From amateur birdwatchers to seasoned trackers, many trekked along marked trails through the hill's dense forests.

Organisers said such events raise awareness of biodiversity conservation and encourage responsible tourism in the islands. The program will continue throughout Wildlife Week, with additional sessions planned at nearby sites.

NATIONAL

Lakheri



**Shivaraj gujarl** Lakheri district, Bundi, Rajasthan – the ACC plant in Lakheri has been shut for six months, prompting protests by the youth wing leader and the BJP president.

