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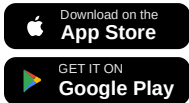


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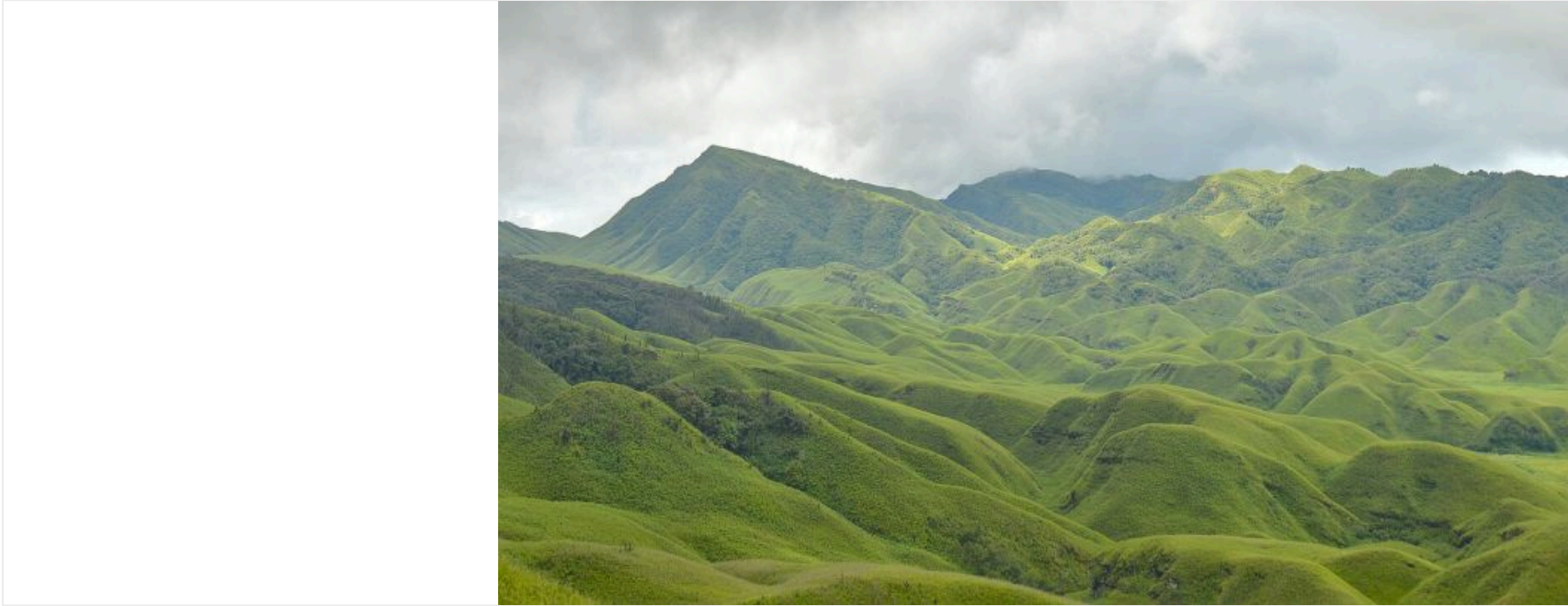
NAGALAND

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BUSINESS

## Nagaland Dear Destiny Tuesday Lottery announces ₹1 crore jackpot winners



The Nagaland State Lottery Department held its scheduled "Dear Destiny" draw at 8 PM on Tuesday. The draw announced the winner of the ₹1 crore jackpot, the largest prize in this weekly lottery series.

Immediately after the draw, Asianet Newsable published the complete list of all winning ticket numbers. The list includes details of the jackpot ticket as well as other prize categories, allowing

participants to match their tickets against the official results.

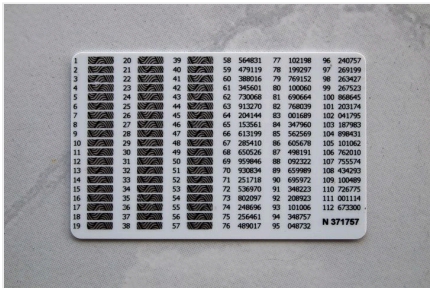
The lottery, operated by the state government, is run to generate revenue and provide citizens with the opportunity

to win large prizes. Winners must claim their prizes within the stipulated time frame in accordance with the verification process set by the lottery authority.

Officials reminded the public that the lottery is a game of chance and that responsible play is essential. The next "Dear Destiny" draw will be held next Tuesday at the same time.

TECHNOLOGY

### Six teams crowned winners at Code for Nagaland hackathon



The Code for Nagaland hackathon has concluded, and The Nagaland Post has announced the winners. A total of six teams were declared winners in the competition. Organizers praised the quality of the solutions presented and the collaborative spirit of the participants. The winning teams will be honored and awarded prizes in accordance with the stipulated rules. The event highlights the growing interest in technological innovation in Nagaland.

According to the NPP leader, Nagaland's status as a 'dry state' is merely a formal designation that exists only on paper. This argument suggests that despite strict legal prohibitions, practical enforcement and ground realities do not reflect the image of a truly alcohol-free society.

The remark highlights the growing gap between the legislative intent of prohibition laws and their actual impact within the state. By labeling the system a fraud, the leader implies that the current mechanism benefits specific interests rather than effectively curbing alcohol consumption among the public.

The statement deepens the political discourse in Nagaland, where the efficacy of its unique policy stance is under debate. The NPP's position signals a push for a reassessment of how prohibition laws are implemented and monitored to ensure they serve the genuine welfare of citizens.

LIFESTYLE

### Nagaland CM Inaugurates Elevens Cafe Lounge in Kohima



Kohima, Nagaland – Chief Minister Neiphu Rio presided over the inauguration ceremony of the Elevens Cafe Lounge on Thursday, marking the arrival of a modern eatery in the city that is expected to boost tourism and hospitality.

Located in the heart of Kohima, the cafe features contemporary decor, a menu that blends regional flavors with international dishes, and plans for cultural events.

During the ceremony, the Chief Minister emphasized the state government's commitment to encouraging private investment in the service sector and creating more employment opportunities for the youth.

Local business owners and officials who attended the inauguration expressed hope that the new venue would attract both locals and tourists.

This move reflects Nagaland's broader economic strategy, which identifies hospitality as a key growth sector in addition to traditional industries.

FOOD

### FSSAI Imposes Strict Standards on Perishable Food in India



The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has issued strict control regulations for perishable food items such as dairy, meat, seafood, and ready-to-eat meals. This step has been taken with the aim of reducing waste, preventing foodborne illnesses, and ensuring uniform labeling across the supply chain.

Under the new standards, manufacturers, processors, and retailers will be required to adopt temperature-controlled logistics, use approved packaging materials, and clearly display "use-by" dates on all perishable products. Obtaining certification is mandatory before these regulations take effect.

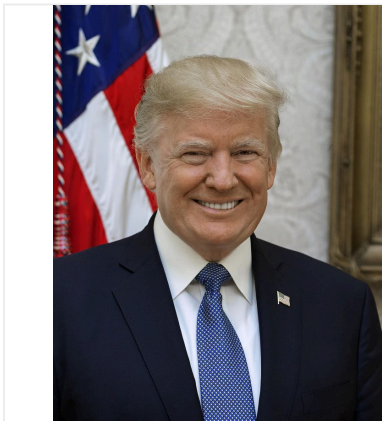
FSSAI has set a deadline for compliance and announced regular inspections. Units that fail to meet these conditions may face penalties such as fines or license suspension.

Industry bodies have appreciated the focus on consumer protection but have expressed concern over the cost of upgrading cold-chain infrastructure for small traders. To facilitate this transition, FSSAI has indicated that it will offer guidance and support measures.

These regulations come at a time when the perishable food market in India is growing rapidly, making robust food safety measures essential for public health.

INTERNATIONAL

### Trump Says Many Do Not Know His Decision on Russia Sanctions Waiver



Former President Donald Trump said that his decision regarding a potential waiver of sanctions on Russia is not clear to most people. He noted that many do not know what his stance on the issue is. This comment comes amid ongoing international debate over easing economic sanctions on Moscow.

Trump did not specify any conditions or timelines, stating only that the public lacks information about his thoughts. Experts believe his statement could impact diplomatic negotiations, although no official policy change has been declared yet.

The statement was reported by the Nagaland Post, reflecting sustained interest in US-Russia relations within Indian media.

DEFENCE

### Reality of the Indo-Myanmar Border Fence: An Economic Times Analysis



The Economic Times has published an article titled "Reality of the Indo-Myanmar Border Fence," analyzing the current status of the fence project along the Indo-Myanmar border.

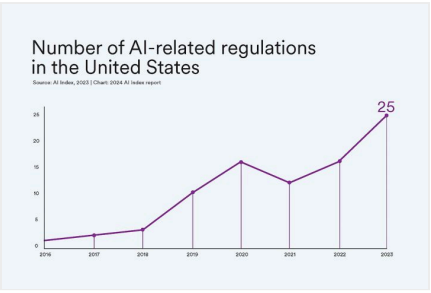
The article details the progress made so far and highlights the challenges officials are facing in completing the fence.

It also discusses the importance of the fence, which helps curb illegal migration and smuggling, and notes that it is part of India's broader border security strategy.

The report calls for continued focus on completing the remaining sections of the fence to enhance security along the border.

BUSINESS

US AI Regulation Unlikely Despite Political Pressure: UBS Report



According to a recent report by global financial services firm UBS, the probability of major new regulations on artificial intelligence (AI) being implemented in the United States is low, despite rising political pressure. The report suggests that the current regulatory landscape, characterized by a framework of state-level rules and voluntary industry guidelines, is likely to persist in the near term. The report attributes this to several factors, including the complexities of regulating a rapidly evolving technology, concerns about stifling innovation, and a lack of clear consensus among policymakers on the appropriate level of regulation.

INTERNATIONAL

Economic crisis sparks violent protests in European cities



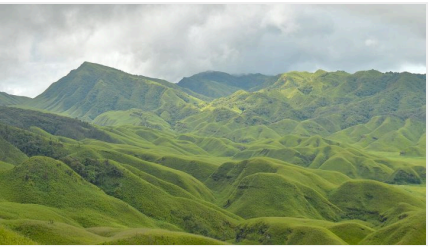
Protests driven by deep economic problems have turned violent in several European urban centers, according to reports from local authorities. Citizens frustrated by rising cost of living and stagnant wages clashed with police in multiple cities, resulting in property damage and several arrests. Police deployed water cannons and tear gas to control the crowds as the unrest spread. Authorities have warned that the situation could worsen further in the absence of economic relief measures. The European Union has called for peace and urged member states to address economic discontent.

The unrest emerged early this week as public squares and streets became venues for demonstrations of economic dissatisfaction. While the scale of protests varied from city to city, the frustration over economic stagnation was consistent across all of them.

In affected cities, authorities have imposed temporary curfews and increased police deployment to restore order. Economic experts say that this prolonged unrest could further destabilize the continent's already fragile economies.

LOCAL

Nagaland Dear Lottery results for October 16, 2026 (1 PM, 6 PM, 8 PM) released



The results of the Dear Lottery held in Nagaland on October 16, 2026, were announced at three scheduled time slots – 1 PM, 6 PM, and 8 PM – as reported by GoodReturns. The complete list of all winning ticket numbers was publicly displayed during the live stream on the lottery Sangad portal. Organizers stated that results were published immediately after each draw to ensure compliance with state lottery regulations. Interested participants can view the list of winners on the lottery Sangad website or its partner channels. No additional information regarding prize amounts or individual winners was provided in the initial announcement.

EDUCATION

AAA audit begins at Government College, Phutsero, Nagaland



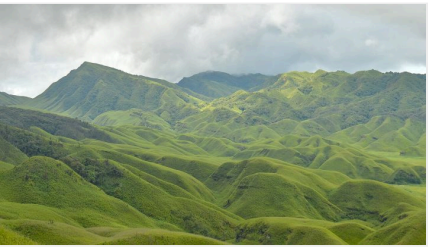
Government College, Phutsero, in Nagaland, has launched an AAA audit this week. The audit is being conducted by an accredited assessment agency with the aim of examining the college's infrastructure, academic processes, and overall administration against AAA quality standards.

The audit team will review documents, inspect facilities, and interview faculty and staff to ensure compliance with the standards. Successful completion could enhance the college's reputation and open up opportunities for additional funding or academic collaboration.

College management stated that the audit is part of a broader effort to improve academic outcomes and align the institution with national quality standards. Results will be released after the final review, which will guide the campus's future development plans.

BUSINESS

Nagaland Retail Inflation Remains Stable Amid Economic Pressures



The latest price data released for Nagaland shows that the state's retail inflation rate remained unchanged from the previous month, even as price pressures rise across the country. Data compiled by the state's statistics department reveals no significant changes in the prices of consumer goods.

Experts note that while prices are rising in several Indian states due to fuel, food, and logistics costs, Nagaland's retail price basket currently remains stable. This stability is attributed to local supply chains and limited demand in key retail sectors.

Analysts have warned that this stability could be temporary if the national inflation trend accelerates, though the state's limited exposure to volatile commodity markets is seen as a protective shield. Continuous monitoring will be required to assess the likelihood of maintaining this stability in the coming months.

POLITICS

Congress says upcoming Nagaland Assembly elections will be a referendum on governance



Congress has described the upcoming Nagaland Assembly elections as a referendum on the tenure of the current government. The statement was made ahead of the elections, which are scheduled to be held by the end of this year.

By calling it a referendum, the party intends to signal that voters will make their decision based on the government's policies and development initiatives.

This perspective highlights the intensifying political competition in the state, where infrastructure, peace talks, and socio-economic development are key issues.

The voting process in Nagaland will be conducted by the Election Commission of India, ensuring the elections are held in accordance with constitutional provisions.

Congress hopes its message will reach voters and influence the outcome of the Assembly elections.

ENTERTAINMENT

Nagaland Local Artists Make a Splash at October Roots Volume 1



The first edition of October Roots was held in Nagaland, featuring a group of local musicians and artists known for their unique styles.

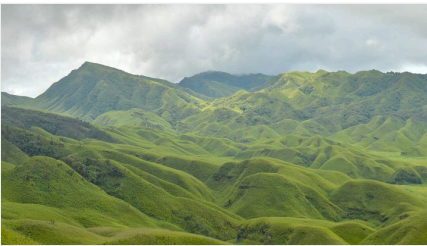
The event presented a mix of traditional and contemporary musical expressions, delighting audiences from across the state.

Key highlights of the program included performances that showcased Nagaland's rich cultural heritage, allowing viewers to experience the region's diverse artistic traditions.

October Roots Volume 1 has set the tone for future editions, promising to continue bringing Nagaland's vibrant artistic community into the spotlight.

LOCAL

Nagaland State Lottery Draws at 1 PM, 6 PM, and 8 PM on October 19, 2026



Nagaland State Lottery held three draws at 1 PM, 6 PM, and 8 PM on October 19, 2026, at their scheduled times. Each draw was broadcast live, enabling participants across the state to view the results in real time.

Goodreturns published the complete list of winning ticket numbers immediately after each draw concluded. The list included details of the prize amounts and winning tickets for various categories.

State authorities stated that there were no technical issues during the draws and that all prize amounts will be distributed to verified winners within the specified timeframe. The lottery remains a significant source of revenue for the Nagaland government.

The live broadcasts were available via the official Nagaland Lottery website and associated mobile apps, providing broad access to both regular players and occasional participants.

BUSINESS

RBI SAMVAD 2026 Warns of AI and Geopolitical Tensions as Growing Threats to Financial Stability



Senior economists and market analysts on the Reserve Bank of India's SAMVAD 2026 platform highlighted two emerging risks that could destabilize the country's financial system. The first risk is the rapid adoption of artificial intelligence (AI) in the financial sector, which, while increasing efficiency, also heightens the potential for systemic contagion due to model risks, data security issues, and errors in AI-based decision-making.

The second risk is the increase in global geopolitical tensions, including trade disputes and regional conflicts, which can disrupt capital flows, cause currency instability, and hinder cross-border funding channels. Experts noted that such external shocks can exacerbate stress in emerging markets if not monitored in a timely manner.

In light of these dual risks, speakers urged the RBI to strengthen the regulatory framework for AI applications and develop stress-testing scenarios that incorporate geopolitical shocks. They also advised enhancing information sharing between domestic regulators and international institutions to better anticipate and prevent potential impacts.

Although no specific policy announcements were made at the forum, it was clear that proactive monitoring and robust risk-assessment tools are essential to safeguarding India's financial stability against these new challenges.

POLITICS

Rahul Gandhi Accuses BJP's Shah Nawaz Husain of Seeking Power Change Without Votes



Rahul Gandhi, a senior Congress leader, publicly accused senior BJP minister Shah Nawaz Husain of working towards a change in government without the approval of voters. He made these remarks in a recent comment, alleging an attempt to weaken the democratic process.

Shah Nawaz Husain, who has previously handled several ministries, was described by Gandhi as an example of anti-democratic thinking within the ruling party. He did not cite any specific plan but warned that such an attitude puts the constitutional framework at risk.

Congress has not yet issued an official press statement on the matter, and BJP spokespersons have also not responded to the allegation so far. Political analysts say this accusation could further intensify hostile rhetoric between parties ahead of the upcoming electoral cycle.

If the allegation is proven true, it would intensify the debate over any unconstitutional attempt to change the government and strengthen the demand for free and fair elections.

BUSINESS

India Needs 2.1 Lakh Hotel Rooms by 2035, Report Says



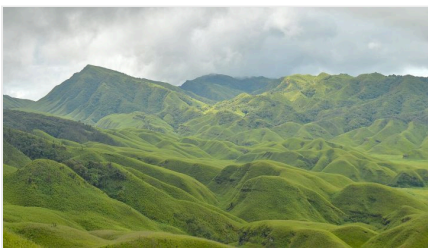
India's hospitality industry is facing a shortage of accommodation capacity. According to a report released by LatestLY, the country needs to add 2.1 lakh hotel rooms by 2035 to meet the growing demand for domestic and international tourism. The report highlights the gap but does not disclose the current number of rooms.

The estimated growth reflects an increase in tourist arrivals and a rising preference for hotel stays compared to alternative accommodation options. This expansion will create opportunities for investors, developers, and hospitality operators, but it will also present challenges regarding land acquisition, regulatory approvals, and sustainable development.

Industry stakeholders have been urged to work with the government to formulate policies that facilitate the construction of new hotels and the upgrading of existing properties.

LOCAL

Nagaland Dear Lottery Results: Live Announcement on October 20, 2026



Nagaland Dear Lottery announced the winning numbers for the October 20, 2026 draw at 1 PM. The draw was held at the state lottery office in Kohima and included a total of 10 winning numbers and one bonus number.

Lottery officials confirmed that the results were verified by an independent audit team. Winners have been instructed to claim their prizes at the nearest authorized lottery outlet within 30 days.

The State Lottery Board encouraged participants to match their tickets with the published list and report any discrepancies to the board's customer service hotline. No irregularities were recorded during the draw.

The announcement was broadcast live on the state's official lottery channel and posted on the board's website and social media pages. The board reminded players to play responsibly and keep their tickets safe.

The Nagaland Dear Lottery remains a major source of state revenue, with its income used for local development projects.

AGRICULTURE

New Nagaland rice variety records 5.4 tonnes per hectare yield in natural farming



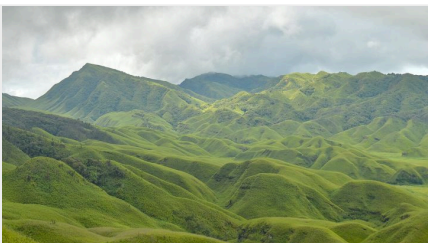
The Nagaland Agriculture Department stated that a locally developed rice variety has achieved a yield of 5.4 tonnes per hectare under natural farming. Hub News published data highlighting the crop's performance without the use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides.

Experts consider this yield remarkable for natural farming, as the method typically focuses on sustainable production rather than maximum output. The result demonstrates that high productivity is possible with eco-friendly practices, potentially serving as a model for other rain-fed regions.

State officials are evaluating the outcome to ensure the variety reaches smallholder farmers in Nagaland. If widely adopted, this approach could enhance food security while reducing chemical inputs and maintaining soil health.

POLITICS

Leadership demands referendum on Nagaland's alcohol ban amid rising deaths



A prominent political leader in Nagaland, identified as Thary, has called for a referendum to determine the future of the state's strict alcohol prohibition laws. This call comes amid rising reports of alcohol-related deaths, sparking fresh debate over the effectiveness of the current ban.

Thary argued that the decision to maintain or change the prohibition policy should be left to the people of Nagaland. The aim of a referendum is to ensure that the state's stance on alcohol aligns with the collective will of its citizens, rather than being imposed solely by the administration.

The issue of alcohol-related deaths has become a major concern in the northeastern state. Voices in favor of the ban point to social and health crises caused by illicit liquor, while others advocate for a regulated approach. This new call adds to the ongoing discourse on how to address the challenges associated with alcohol consumption in Nagaland.

The demand for a referendum has exposed deep divisions within the state on this issue. As the debate intensifies, attention is now on whether the state government will consider formalizing a process to gauge public opinion on this sensitive social matter.

EDUCATION

Drutshu Rutsa Wins 11th Nagaland Spelling Bee



Drutshu Rutsa has been declared the winner of the 11th Nagaland Spelling Bee. The competition tests participants' proficiency in English spelling, and Rutsa claimed the championship title this year.

This victory marks a significant achievement for the student in the context of the state's educational and linguistic events. The Spelling Bee provides a platform that encourages linguistic accuracy and academic excellence among students in the region.

The event highlights the growing trend of language competitions in Nagaland, which promotes a culture of learning and intellectual dialogue. Drutshu Rutsa's win has been added to the list of notable achievements in recent state-level educational competitions.

JOBS & CAREER

Nagaland Police Constable 2026 Syllabus Released: Exam Pattern and Subject Details



Jagran Josh has published the official syllabus for the upcoming 2026 Nagaland Police Constable recruitment exam. The document outlines the structure of the written exam, the number of sections, mark distribution, and time limits for each part. Candidates can now clearly view the subject-wise breakdown, which includes General Knowledge, Reasoning, Numerical Ability, and police-related topics. This release will help applicants focus their preparation on the correct material. Prospective candidates are advised to carefully read the syllabus and adjust their study plans accordingly.

TRAVEL

Bird strike on Air India Express flight; all 148 passengers safe



An Air India Express aircraft encountered a bird strike during flight, prompting immediate safety measures. No injuries were reported, and the safety of all 148 passengers on board was ensured. The airline worked with airport authorities to manage the situation, prioritizing passenger welfare. Bird strikes are a known risk in aviation, and strict protocols are in place to mitigate them. The aircraft continued operations under the team's supervision, with no further issues reported.

BUSINESS

US to discuss challenges and opportunities in Venezuela oil refining with Reliance



The United States has announced that it will hold discussions with Reliance Industries regarding oil refining in Venezuela. The aim of these talks is to identify regulatory, logistical, and financial hurdles that could impact the partnership. Reliance, a major player in India's energy sector, has expressed interest in expanding its refining capacity using Venezuelan crude oil. These discussions are part of US efforts to diversify energy sources and support Indian companies.

CRIME

CBI interrogates Urmila Sanwar in Ankita Bhandari murder case



The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has formally interrogated Urmila Sanwar in connection with the murder of Ankita Bhandari. This interrogation is part of a broader investigation aimed at uncovering the motives behind the killing.

According to limited information released by the agency, Sanwar was summoned to provide a detailed statement regarding her connection to the circumstances of the crime. Investigators are examining potential links between her and the victim.

Authorities have not yet provided detailed information on evidence or further legal action. The CBI stated that the investigation is ongoing and that statements may be taken from other potential witnesses.

The case, first reported by local media, is under active investigation, and law enforcement agencies have invited the public to provide any useful information.

No arrests have been made so far, and the CBI is pursuing all possible leads to uncover the truth behind Ankita Bhandari's death.

