



Kejriwal reaffirms AAP's commitment to INDIA bloc amid Punjab controversy

New Delhi, Sep 30 (IANS) : Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Saturday reaffirmed the AAP's unwavering commitment to the INDIA opposition bloc, despite the ongoing dispute between his party and the Congress in Punjab regarding the arrest of the latter's firebrand legislator Sukhpal Khaira over drug-related charges. Addressing reporters, Kejriwal, who had previously downplayed reports of internal conflicts within the bloc, aimed to ease tensions once more by stating: "AAP is firmly dedicated to INDIA, and we will not part ways with the INDIA alliance." He also emphasised that his party remained steadfast in its fight against drug abuse. "I've been informed about the Punjab Police's arrest of a Congress leader yesterday. While I lack specific details, you can obtain them from the police. Our commitment to

eradicating drug addiction remains resolute. I won't comment on individual cases, but our goal is to combat this menace," he said. Earlier in the day, Congress leaders comprising state party chief Amarinder Singh Raja Warring and Leader of Opposition Partap Singh Bajwa were stopped from meeting Khaira, who was arrested on Saturday, in police custody. The Congress has accused the AAP government of doing "vendetta politics". In March 2021, the Enforcement Directorate had carried out searches at eight locations linked to Khaira in Chandigarh, Punjab and Delhi in connection with drugs money laundering and a fake passport racket case. The legislator from Bholath, Khaira had resigned from the AAP citing the 'dictatorial' attitude of Kejriwal.



Congress leader in UP booked for remarks against Smriti Irani

Amethi, Sep 30 (IANS) : A case has been registered against former Congress MLC Deepak Singh at the Gauriganj police station in Uttar Pradesh's Amethi district on the complaint of BJP leader Keshav Singh for allegedly making derogatory remarks against Union Minister Smriti Irani. The officials said Singh made the comment on Saturday during his three-day protest over the closure of Sanjay Gandhi Hospital in Amethi. The former MLC alleged that the action against the hospital was politically motivated. A police official said an FIR was lodged under IPC section 499 and section 500. Meanwhile, Uttar Pradesh Congress Committee president Ajai Rai in a statement said a fake case had been registered against Deepak Singh who was agitating against the order for suspension of registration of the hospital.

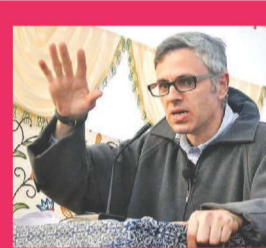
Leader of Opp writes to Guv not to appoint former Kerala HC Chief Justice as Chairperson of SHRC

Thiruvananthapuram, Sep 30 (IANS) : Leader of Opposition VD Satheesan on Saturday wrote to Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan to refrain from providing approval to the proposal of the government to appoint former Kerala High Court Chief Justice S Manikumar as the Chairperson of the State Human Rights Commission. Satheesan pointed out that, he as a member of the selection committee of the State Human Rights Commission (SHRC), expressed strong reservations regarding the decision to appoint the retired Chief Justice as the Chairperson. "As you are aware, the position of SHRC Chairperson requires the highest level of probity and must be free of any bias towards the government in power. However, some

of Manikumar's decisions as Chief Justice of the Kerala High Court have raised serious concerns about his ability to function impartially and fairly, as required by the commission," said Satheesan in his letter. He pointed out that according to current procedure, the SHRC Chairperson is chosen after consulting members of the Selection Committee, including the Leader of Opposition. "But in stark contrast to existing norms, only the name of the former Chief Justice Manikumar was proposed in the meeting. Details of other eligible names in contention, as well as their eligibility, were not provided in advance. This decision to unilaterally impose one name is undemocratic and mysterious. Moreover the government has implicitly revealed its intention to appoint the



retired Chief Justice to the post of chairperson SHRC through unusual decisions involving him long before the selection process began," added Satheesan. Hence Satheesan has expressed doubts that with the state being the violator in the majority of human rights cases, "I believe that the appointment of Manikumar as Chairperson will not bode well for the SHRC's impartiality and hence request that you refrain from approving the government's proposal to appoint him."



BJP is shying away from polls in J&K: Omar Abdullah

Srinagar, Sep 30 (IANS) : Former Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister and vice president of the National Conference (NC) party, Omar Abdullah alleged on Saturday that the BJP was shying away from polls in the state for fear of being punished by voters. Speaking to media persons about the possible postponement of Panchayat and urban bodies' elections in J&K, Omar told reporters that the BJP was in no mood to conduct these polls in the state because they know that people will punish them through votes.



Abhishek Banerjee not to face ED questioning on Oct 3

Kolkata, Sep 30 (IANS) : Trinamool Congress' national general secretary and the party Lok Sabha member Abhishek Banerjee on Saturday morning made it clear that he will not be going to the Enforcement Directorate (ED)'s Salt Lake office in northern outskirts of Kolkata on October 3 to face questioning on the multi-crore cash-for-school job case in West Bengal because of his pre-occupation with a party programme at New Delhi on that day. A clear message was conveyed by Banerjee himself through a message that he posted on his X handle on Saturday morning. "The fight against the deprivation of WB and its rightful dues



shall persist regardless of the obstacles. No force on Earth can hinder my dedication to fight for the people of WB and their fundamental rights. I'll be in Delhi joining the protest on Oct 2nd & 3rd. STOP ME IF U CAN!" his X message read. Banerjee is supposed to be at the national capital for these days to lead Trinamool Congress' protest demonstration at Jantar Mantar against the Union government's "reluctance" to release funds to the West Bengal government. After he received the ED notice on Thursday, he said that ED is deliberately summoning on crucial days when he has prior political assignments. In the fresh notice.

Congress councillor in KMC joins Trinamool Congress

Kolkata, Sep 30 (IANS) : The ruling Trinamool Congress in West Bengal on Saturday roped in heavyweight Congress councillor in Kolkata Municipal Corporation Wasim Ansari. Ansari was welcomed into the Trinamool Congress (TMC) by the ruling party MLA Abdul Khalek Molla, who handed over the party flag to the turncoat councillor. Ansari was one of the two Congress councillors who got elected in the KMC polls in 2022, the other being Santosh Pathak. Following Ansari's shift to the TMC, the Congress' representation in the KMC is now limited to one, whereas the TMC's strength

there has increased to 136. "It was impossible to work for the people by being in the Congress. So I have joined Trinamool Congress to be part of the massive development activities under the leadership of Mamata Banerjee," Ansari said after joining the party. The Congress leadership has claimed that this development is yet another example of how the ruling party is shrinking the Opposition's space in West Bengal through unfair means by poaching people. The Congress leadership has also claimed that this development is a reflection of the TMC's duplicity. While on one hand they want the support of the Congress at the national level, on the other hand they go all out to



weaken the grand old party in West Bengal. However, the TMC leadership has said that if any Opposition leader joins the ruling party to be part of development activities then the Trinamool cannot be blamed for that.



Finally, Nipah scare over in Kerala's Kozhikode

Thiruvananthapuram, Sep 30 (IANS) : With the last of the four patients finally testing double negative, the Nipah scare in Kerala's Kozhikode is finally over, state Health Minister Veena George said on Saturday. One of the patients to be discharged was a nine-year-old boy whose father had succumbed to the virus last month. It was during the second week of September that the medical authorities in Kozhikode suspected an outbreak of Nipah after two patients died of the symptoms.



OPS undecided on alliance with BJP

Chennai, Sep 30 (IANS) : Even as the principal opposition party in Tamil Nadu announced on Saturday that it has walked out of the NDA alliance and that it was not having any truck with the BJP, expelled AIADMK leader, O. Panneerselvam (OPS) has not yet spoken out. OPS who was the chief coordinator of the AIADMK and a former

Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu was expelled from the party in September 2022. While OPS has been trying for reentry into the AIADMK, senior leader K. Palaniswami and those close to him are against it. The BJP central leadership is also trying for a patch up with the AIADMK with Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma taking the initiative.



Over 2 lakh deaths in UP due to cardiovascular diseases

Lucknow, Sep 30 (IANS) : Nearly two lakh people in Uttar Pradesh are dying every year due to cardiovascular diseases (CVD) caused by air pollution. Cardiologists in the state capital have voiced their concern, especially, in the context of India where a hefty majority of the 45 per cent CVD deaths take place in the productive age group (40-69 years). The issue has been deliberated in detail at various platforms, including the World Heart Federation besides the Cardiologists Society of India as 'air pollution is an uncontrollable risk factor'. According to reports, over 3.5 million people in the world are dying of heart disease and strokes linked to air pollution, suggests data from the World Heart Federation. Another dataset indicates that 31 per cent of these deaths were taking place in India. This translates into a loss of some 11.5 lakh persons each year. CVDs are a group of disorders of the heart and blood vessels, including coronary heart disease, cerebrovascular disease, peripheral arterial disease, rheumatic heart disease.

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