

Congress Poised to Regain Power

If the exit polls are to be believed — and given their mixed accuracy during the recent Lok Sabha elections, caution is warranted — the Congress party appears poised to regain power in Haryana after a decade-long absence. Most projections indicate that the grand old party will form a government independently, leaving the ruling BJP to a distant second place. This anticipated shift in power underscores a familiar electoral pattern in Haryana, characterized by alternating terms between the Congress and the BJP over the past two decades. Historical trends suggest that once a party loses the confidence of the electorate, regaining it for a third consecutive term becomes a formidable challenge.

Voter sentiments in Haryana have consistently demonstrated impatience towards incumbent governments that fail to meet their expectations. The BJP's current predicament is exacerbated by growing anti-incumbency sentiments, particularly following the controversial decision to replace Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar with Nayab Singh Saini earlier this year — a move that reeks of desperation. Furthermore, the recent release of Gurmeet Ram Rahim, the head of Dera Sacha Sauda, prior to the polls, appears to have backfired, rather than disrupting the Congress's electoral calculations.

A defeat in Haryana would compound the BJP's challenges in the north, especially after its loss in Himachal Pradesh in 2022 and setbacks in Punjab and Delhi. The underwhelming performance in the 2024 Lok Sabha polls has already highlighted vulnerabilities within the party. The pattern of electoral success for the BJP has often mirrored the decline of the Congress, making the latter's potential resurgence in Haryana a critical test of its renewed political vigor.

Additionally, the Congress seems set to make strides in Jammu and Kashmir, where it is contesting elections in alliance with the National Conference. The prospect of a hung assembly looms large, with the PDP signaling its intent to keep the BJP out of power. This election marks the first assembly poll since the historic abrogation of Article 370, a move that has significantly altered the political landscape in the region.

In summary, the unfolding electoral scenario in Haryana presents a pivotal moment for the Congress, potentially rejuvenating its standing at the national level. With the stakes higher than ever, the forthcoming results will not only shape the future of Haryana but also have significant implications for the broader political dynamics in India. As the electorate prepares to cast its votes, one can only hope that the government that emerges will prioritize the needs and aspirations of its constituents, setting aside the partisan divides that have often marred the democratic process.

Preparations Underway for "Main Hoon Don - An Evening Dedicated to the Great Amitabh Bachchan"

Udaipur: The Suron Ki Mandali is fully immersed in preparations for the grand event, "Main Hoon Don - An Evening Dedicated to the Great Amitabh Bachchan," to celebrate the legendary actor's 82nd birthday on October 13 at the MadhuShree Auditorium in Ashoka Palace. Committees are working diligently, and performers are rehearsing daily at the venue.

Founder and Patron Mukesh Madhwani announced that the historic event will be celebrated in two parts. On October 11 at 5 PM, a towering 82-foot cake will be cut at the Ashoka Palace porch by the members of Suron Ki Mandali, with special invitations extended to those who share their birthdays with Amitabh Bachchan. The second part will be held on October 13, starting at 4 PM in the auditorium, where a musical tribute featuring songs sung and filmed on Amitabh Bachchan will be presented. Program Director Ishwar Jain "Kautubh" stated that solo and duet performances by talented singers are in regular rehearsal at the auditorium. Key responsibilities have been assigned to teams. Notable participants include Nikhil Maheshwari, Mahendra Chawla, Harish Bhatia, Kailash Kaivalya, Vinu Vaishnav, Kaustubh, Nutan VEDI, Kamal Juneja, Preeti, Bhagwati Menaria, CP Gandharva, Mahavir Prasad Jain, Kuber Sehlot, Neelam Kaushal, Bhopal Singh Hada (mouth organ), Gopal Gothwal, and Vishnu Vaishnav.

A.R. Rahman Composes Music for 'Gandhi' Series

Applause Entertainment has enlisted Grammy-winning composer A.R. Rahman for its upcoming series 'Gandhi,' directed by Hansal Mehta. Based on Ramachandra Guha's writings, the series promises to intertwine history and emotion through Rahman's evocative music, reflecting Gandhi's teachings on truth and non-violence. Director Hansal Mehta regards Rahman's involvement as a dream come true, while Rahman expresses honor in exploring Gandhi's youth and character development through his compositions for this significant project.

Presented by: Kalidas Pandey

Senior Film Journalist Kali Das Pandey Honored

On October 2nd, at Mayor Hall in Andheri (West), Mumbai, the renowned social service organization Krishna Chauhan Foundation (KCF), founded and managed by Dr. Krishna Chauhan, hosted the "Mahatma Gandhi Ratna Award 2024" ceremony on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti. Senior film journalist and lawyer Kali Das Pandey, connected to Hazaribagh (Jharkhand), was honored with the Mahatma Gandhi Ratna Award in the presence of famous Bollywood actor, producer, and director Dheeraj Kumar, television serial "Mahabharat" actor Surendra Pal, composer Dilip Sen, Mumbai Police Commissioner Sanjay Patil, and union leader sound recordist B.N. Tiwari.



Google Celebrates Its 10th Year in India



New Delhi: Google for India is celebrating its 10th edition, highlighting a decade of teamwork that has brought technology-related benefits to millions of users across the country. The event focused on making AI practical and relevant in various sectors of India, aiming to impact individuals, businesses, and society as a whole.

During the event, Google released a whitepaper titled 'AI Opportunities Agenda for India.' This roadmap supports the government's AI mission in India by focusing on three main areas: investing in innovative infrastructure, preparing an AI-ready workforce, and promoting inclusive access to technology.

Key Highlights of the Event:

1. **Integrating AI into Google's Consumer Products:**

Google announced new AI-driven innovations aimed at making information more accessible and useful across India. Leveraging its advanced AI model, Gemini, the company is expanding its products, including AI Overviews in Google Search and Gemini Live in various Indian languages. Additionally, Google introduced a new experiment with Google Lens for video searching.

2. **AI Overview in More Indian Languages:**

Google is simplifying the process of finding necessary information for users with a customized Gemini model for

Google Search. This feature will soon be available in Bengali, Marathi, Telugu, and Tamil.

3. **New Google Lens Video Search Feature:**

Google Lens, widely used in India, is enhancing its capabilities with video search, allowing users to ask complex questions about moving objects.

4. **Enhanced Safety and Visuals in Google Maps:**

Utilizing AI, Google Maps will provide clearer visuals and more informative summaries based on billions of reviews. New weather alerts for fog and flood-affected areas will also enhance user safety.

5. **New AI Tools for Businesses:**

Google Merchant Center's Product Studio will offer businesses tools to creatively showcase their products, including an image-to-video animation feature.

6. **Google Pay Expands Services:**

Collaborating with Muthoot Finance, Google Pay will offer gold-backed secured loans at affordable interest rates. The Gemini-powered support guide will assist users with credit-related questions.

7. **Healthcare Innovations:**

Google is supporting the

National Health Authority (NHA) under its Google Health Charter, which will facilitate developers in integrating seamlessly with the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission architecture.

Conclusion

As Google celebrates its 10th anniversary in India, it continues to innovate and empower users, businesses, and the economy through real AI applications. The focus on local languages and safety enhances the accessibility and relevance of technology in everyday lives, marking a significant milestone in India's digital transformation journey.

KONE India expands operations with a new office in Udaipur, Rajasthan

Udaipur (Dr. Munesh Arora): KONE Elevator India, a leading provider of elevator, escalator, and automation solutions today announced the expansion of their footprint in Udaipur, Rajasthan with the launch of their new office space. <

This expansion is another milestone in KONE India's commitment to delivering high quality products and services to their customers across the country.

The company is proud to be associated with institutions such as The Oberoi Udaivilas, The Leela Palace, Indian Institute of Management, Celebration Mall, and Geetanjali Hospital in Udaipur. Many existing and upcoming projects will be managed from the new office. Strategically

located at Sobhagpura, Udaipur this office is expected to cater to the growing demand for elevator and escalator solutions in Rajasthan. The office would also be an exhibition center for elevator design, features & technology. KONE India's locally based Sales, Installation and Service teams will be dedicatedly working for customers in Udaipur, Rajsmad, and Chittorgarh.

At the office launch, Mr. Amit Gossain, Managing Director, of KONE India and South Asia, said, "We are excited to establish one of our network offices in Udaipur—a fast-growing city offering great prospects for our business. We believe this expansion will open many doors towards innovation and help contribute to the development of Udaipur and



improve the livelihood of the citizens. We would also like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Maharaj Kumar Sahib Lakshyaraj Singhji Mewar of Udaipur, for gracing us with his presence at the inauguration and lending his support and trust to KONE India."

With a strong network of offices in major cities, KONE India aims to meet the diverse needs of customers in various

sectors— including residential, commercial, and industrial.

Sustainability is at the core of their operations, and KONE India is committed to delivering cutting-edge technology and outstanding performance. The company's focus on research and development ensures that its products and services remain at the forefront of the industry and well aligned with the evolving demands of the customers.

Mahakal Motors Celebrates First Anniversary with Exciting Offers



Udaipur: Mahakal Motors, located near Jhadav Nursery in Hiran Magri Sector 6, is celebrating its first anniversary with an array of attractive offers for customers on the occasion of Dussehra and Diwali. The showroom, known for its wide range of Pure EV scooters and motorcycles, announced special rewards and discounts to mark the celebration.

Vimal Kothari, Director of Mahakal Motors, shared that all electric two-wheelers available at the showroom are now being offered with significant cash discounts. The popularity of electric vehicles (EVs) has been consistently rising, with an increasing emphasis on eco-friendly alternatives to reduce global warming. EVs are not only beneficial for the environment but are also becoming the preferred choice for people of all age groups.

Safe, accessible, and cost-effective, electric vehicles cater to both men and women, with special designs that appeal to young bike enthusiasts. Pure EV has recently launched stylish and comfortable bikes packed with new features.

The scooters available at the showroom are equipped with powerful batteries ranging from 1.5 kW to 3.5 kW. These vehicles can be fully charged in 6 to 7 hours and offer a range of 85 to 211 kilometers on a single charge. Mahakal Motors has also incorporated the "Hill Assist" feature in these scooters, enabling them to easily climb inclines in auto mode. Additionally, the scooters include a reverse mode, similar to what is found in cars, enhancing convenience. The price range for these electric vehicles starts at ₹74,000 and goes up to ₹1,70,000 (ex-showroom).

Kothari highlighted that customers need not worry about servicing, as the showroom has an in-house service center. Moreover, there is no need to replace entire batteries in case of damage, as individual cells can be replaced instead. To add to the excitement, Mahakal Motors is offering up to ₹9,000 in cash discounts along with a gold-plated silver coin on every purchase of an electric two-wheeler.

This anniversary celebration promises great value for customers seeking to invest in electric mobility, blending eco-consciousness with style and innovation.

IIFA Awards 2024: Winners in Popular Category Announced

Mumbai witnessed a grand celebration of Indian cinema at the IIFA Awards 2024, organized under the patronage of His Excellency Sheikh Nayhan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, UAE's Minister of Tolerance and Coexistence, in collaboration with Abu Dhabi's Department of Culture and Tourism and Miral. The winners in the Popular Category have been revealed, showcasing the incredible talent in the industry.

Highlights include:

- Best Picture: Animal
- Direction: Vidhu Vinod Chopra for 12th Fail
- Leading Role (Female): Rani Mukerji for Mrs. Chatterjee vs Norway
- Leading Role (Male): Shah Rukh Khan for Jawan
- Supporting Role (Female): Shabana Azmi for Rocky Aur Rani Ki Prem Kahani
- Supporting Role (Male): Anil Kapoor for Animal
- Negative Role: Bobby Deol for Animal
- Music Direction and Playback Singers also recognized for Animal and Jawan.

Stay tuned for more updates as the IIFA Awards prepares for its silver jubilee next year!



Udaipur Shines as Double Champion in Kudo Championship

Udaipur: The city has emerged as a double champion in the Rajasthan State Kudo Championship 2024, clinching an impressive total of 130 gold medals across two major competitions. Organized by the Kudo Headquarters Rajasthan and S.R.A.M.M.A., the event featured the 11th State Level Kudo Championship and the 5th Kudo Federation Cup 2024.

In the 11th State-Level Championship, Udaipur's athletes triumphed with 50 gold, 21 silver, and 12 bronze medals, securing the championship trophy. Jodhpur and Bikaner followed in second and third place, respectively. Udaipur continued its success in the 5th Kudo Federation Cup 2024, amassing 80 gold medals, along with 33 silver and 7 bronze.

The closing ceremony, attended by Chief Guest Shri Jogeshwar Garg, highlighted the athletes' performances and the potential inclusion of Kudo as an officially recognized sport in the Rajasthan Sports Council. Several athletes received awards, including Udaipur's Archit Jain and Linashree Dashora.

while nine were selected to represent India at the upcoming Kudo Eurasia Cup 2024 in Armenia. The event concluded with tributes to Percy Bahmani for his contributions to Kudo in India.

Reliance Trends Unveils New Autumn Winter Collection with Everyday Lower Prices

Reliance Trends, India's premier fashion destination, is excited to launch its new Autumn Winter collection, showcasing a vibrant selection of men's, women's, and children's wear just in time for the festive season. With the innovative "Every Day Lower Prices" concept, shoppers can enjoy incredible deals starting as low as Rs. 199, making it easy to elevate their festive wardrobes.



The men's collection draws inspiration from nature, featuring designs that reflect the beauty of blooming flowers and serene landscapes. The women's line blends traditional Indian craftsmanship with modern styles, including layered kurtas and ethnic dresses in rich jewel tones and floral prints—the top trend of 2024.

For children, the collection bursts with playful patterns and cheerful colors, crafted from soft, breathable fabrics for comfort. Unique details like whimsical designs and tiny pockets enhance the joy of dressing up. This festive season, let Reliance Trends be your go-to fashion destination for celebrating India's rich cultural heritage!

Ashok Leyland Opens New Dealership in Udaipur

Udaipur: Ashok Leyland, a leading company of the Hinduja Group, has inaugurated a new dealership for Light Commercial Vehicles (LCVs) in Udaipur in partnership with Tirupati Automobiles. The launch was officiated by the company's LCV Business Head, Vipul Shah.

During the event, Shah noted that this marks the sixth LCV dealership in Rajasthan. Tirupati Automobiles offers sales, service, and spare parts facilities at five major locations, with the dealership located on Govardhan Villas Ahmedabad Road in Udaipur. This facility is equipped with advanced tools and a quick service base.

Shah mentioned that the products from the Dost and Bada Dost ranges have received excellent feedback from customers, particularly for their mileage and class-leading performance. He also stated that 70% of customers return to their dealer workshops after the warranty period.

The company aims to meet the emerging needs of Indian LCV customers by launching products with competitive pricing and advanced technology. Shah expressed a special attachment to Udaipur, as it is where he began his career.

Zonal Head Atul Shrir Sagar and Regional Head Ankit Garg shared insights into the company's achievements and future plans. The event included a warm welcome to the authorized dealers of Tirupati Automobiles and other distinguished guests present.

Poster Unveiled for Rajasthan Film 'Tu Diya Main Baati'

Udaipur: The poster for Udaipur's inaugural Rajasthan film, "Tu Diya Main Baati," was unveiled at Ashoka Palace under the M Square Production banner. Scheduled to begin filming soon, the movie aims to promote Rajasthan cinema, with producer-director Vipin Tiwari emphasizing themes of women's empowerment and the lives of farmers and soldiers.

The film will explore familial struggles, the emotional toll on soldiers, and the psychological challenges faced by women. It will be shot at iconic locations in Udaipur, Jaipur, Kota, and Tonk, featuring a mix of Rajasthan and Bollywood talent. The first shooting schedule is set to commence in Udaipur before Diwali.

Amrapali Dubey's 'Maatru Devo Bhavah' Shoots in Ambedkar Nagar

Ambedkar Nagar: The Bhojpuri film "Maatru Devo Bhavah" is currently filming in Pakri Bhojpur, Ambedkar Nagar, Uttar Pradesh. Starring the talented Amrapali Dubey, a prominent name in Bhojpuri cinema, the project reflects her commitment to selecting meaningful scripts.

Dubey remarked, "While I have mostly worked on commercial films, it's vital to create movies that highlight art, culture, and social justice. 'Maatru Devo Bhavah' aligns with this vision, providing me with a sense of inner peace." With over 150 successful films to her credit, she believes that stardom alone is insufficient.

The film features a talented cast, including Dr. Mahesh Kumar, Anup Arora, and child actors Aarav Verma, Saiyasha Naatekar, and Agastya. Directed and produced by Machindra Chate, the film is produced by Devayani Movies, with a screenplay by Sabha Verma and cinematography by Firoz Khan. The production team includes Sagar Shelke and music by Sajjan Mishra, while fight choreography is by Heera Yadav and dance direction by Akashi Shetty. Film publicist Sanjay Bhushan Patiala shared this update.