

## List of ministers along with their portfolios:

**Devendra Fadnavis** - Home, Energy, Law & Judiciary, General Administration, Information and Publicity  
**Eknath Shinde** - Urban Development, Housing, Public Works  
**Ajit Pawar** - Finance and Planning, State Excise  
**Chandrashekhar Bawankule** - Revenue  
**Radhakrushna Vikhe-Patil** - Water Resources (Godavari and Krishna Valley Development Corporation)  
**Sakina Hasan** - Medical Education  
**Chandrakant Patil** - Higher and Technical Education, Parliamentary Affairs  
**Girish Mahajan** - Water Resources (Vidharbha, Tapi, Konkan Development Corporation), Disaster Management  
**Ganesh Naik** - Forests  
**Gulabrao Patil** - Water Supply and Sanitation  
**Dadaji Bhuse** - School Education  
**Sanjay Rathod** - Soil and Water Conservation  
**Dhanjay Munde** - Food, Civil supplies and Consumer Protection  
**Mangalprabhat Lodha** - Skill Development, Employment, Entrepreneurship and Innovation  
**Uday Samant** - Industries, Marathi Language  
**Jaykumar Rawal** - Marketing, Protocol  
**Pankaja Munde** - Environment and Climate Change, Animal Husbandry  
**Atul Save** - OBC Welfare, Dairy Development and Renewable Energy  
**Ashok Uike** - Tribal Development  
**Shambhuraj Desai** - Tourism, Mining, Ex-Servicemen Welfare  
**Ashish Shelar** - IT and Cultural Affairs  
**Dattatray Bharane** - Sports and Youth Welfare, Minorities Development and Aukaf

**Aditi Tatkare** - Women and Child Devpt  
**Shivendrasingh Bhosale** - Public Works (Exl Public Enterprises)  
**Manikrao Kokatae** - Agriculture  
**Jaykumar Gore** - Rural Development, Panchayati Raj  
**Narhari Zirwal** - Food and Drug Admin, Special Assistance  
**Sanjay Savkare** - Textiles  
**Sanjay Shirsat** - Social Justice  
**Pratap Sarnaik** - Transport  
**Bharatsheth Gogwale** - Employment Guarantee, Horticulture, Salt Pan Land Development  
**Makarand Jadhav (Patil)** - Relief and Rehabilitation  
**Nitesh Rane** - Fisheries, Ports  
**Aakash Fundkar** - Labour  
**Babasaheb Patil** - Co-operation  
**Prakash Abitkar** - Public Health and Family Welfare  
**Ministers of State**  
**Ashish Jaiswal** - Finance and Planning, Agriculture, Relief and Rehab, Law and Judiciary, Labour  
**Madhuri Misal** - Urban Development, Transport, Social Justice, Medical Education, Minorities Development and Aukaf  
**Dr Pankaj Bhojar** - Home (Rural), Housing, School Education, Co-operation, Mining  
**Meghna Bordikar** - Public Health and Family Welfare, Water Supply and Sanitation, Energy, Women and Child Development, Public Works  
**Indranil Naik** - Industries, Public Works, Higher and Technical Education, Tribal Development, Tourism, Soil and Water Conservation  
**Yogesh Kadam** - Home (Urban), Revenue, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection, Food and Drug Admin

## Wanted to meet PM Modi: Rohit Pawar

**NAGPUR:** Nationalist Congress Party (SP) MLA Rohit Pawar on Friday said that he wanted to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi, but regretted that the PM will not give him time.

Pawar, who was talking to reporters at Vidhan Bhawan premises, said his party MLAs are meeting Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar to resolve issues in their respective constituencies.

"The post of Deputy Chief Minister is not a party post, but it is for the welfare of everyone. So our party MLA is meeting him to resolve the issues in their constituencies," said Rohit Pawar.

Rohit Pawar said he also met the Deputy CM for his constituency's development. "We want

to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the issue of development of the state, but it seems that he (Modi) will not give time to me," said Rohit Pawar.

He also expressed his anger on the issue of a Marathi family getting beaten up in Kalyan and said that there is "strong condemnation" in the elite society in Kalyan. "Such attacks will no longer be tolerated. At present, the situation in Maharashtra is becoming like Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi, where the administration has failed," he alleged.

Pawar also accused the BJP government of failing to protect the honour and safety of Marathi people. He said, "This is not just an attack on a family, but an attack on the pride of Marathi people."

## Hindu dharma is eternal religion: Dr. Mohan Bhagwat

**PUNE:** Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh Sarangchalak Dr. Mohan Bhagwat (RSS Chief Mohan Bhagwat) said that one cannot become a Hindu leader by building the Ram temple. While speaking on the lecture of 'Vishwaguru Bharat' in Pune on Friday, Bhagwat said, "Religion is ancient, and Ram Temple has been created out of the identity of religion. It is right, but, no one can become the leader of Hindus just because the temple was built."

Speaking on the occasion, Bhagwat said, "Hindu Dharma is an eternal religion and the Acharyas of this Eternal and Sanatan Dharma fol-

low Sevadharna.

This is seva dharma like human dharma. It is our nature to always stay away from the limelight while serving. "Those who constantly do service without showing off, desire service. While maintaining the religion of service, we should not be extreme and adopt the middle path according to the situation of the country," he said.

Human religion is the religion of the universe, and it should be manifested through service." He further said, "We declare for world peace. However, what is the status of minorities elsewhere? It is important to note this.

## Kejriwal accuses BJP

**NEW DELHI:** Aam Aadmi Party convener Arvind Kejriwal on Friday accused BJP of conspiring to remove the names of Purvanchal community members from Delhi's voter lists, alleging they were being labeled as Bangladeshi, Rohingyas, and infiltrators.

Addressing the media, Kejriwal strongly criticised BJP National President JP Nadda's remarks in Parliament, stating, "Nadda compared the people of Purvanchal living in Delhi to illegal Bangladeshi immigrants and Rohingyas, and said that the BJP is working to remove their names from the voter list."

The AAP chief asserted that it is now evident that BJP workers are deliberately attempting to disenfranchise the Purvanchal community in Delhi.

"We strongly condemn this act and regard it as a well-planned conspiracy against an entire community. On one hand, BJP leaders brand Purvanchalis as 'Rohingyas' and Bangladeshis; on the other, they attempt to strip them of their citizenship," he said.

## Permanent Mission of India at UN observes First World Meditation Day

**NEW DELHI:** The Permanent Mission of India to the United Nations in New York organized 'Meditation for Global Peace and Harmony' to mark First World Meditation Day at the UN Headquarters in New York on December 20, that saw attendance by over 600 people.

The landmark event was attended by Philemon Yang, President of the General Assembly, Under Secretary General Atul Khare and several other dignitaries. Keynote address on the occasion was delivered by Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, who also conducted a special meditation session during the event to the 600 enthusiastic participants, a statement said.

Permanent Representative of India to the UN, Ambassador Parvathani Harish, in his welcome address, underscored the importance of the ancient Indian practice of Dhyana as an instrument

for personal fulfillment and inner peace, rooted in the civilizational

link between yoga and meditation as complementary approaches to



dictum of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam - the whole world is one family. He added that the United Nations General Assembly resolution on World Meditation Day acknowledged the

health and well-being.

The President of General Assembly noted that meditation cultivates compassion and respect for people. Speaking on the occasion, Under

Secretary General Khare outlined the inherent connect between mental health and meditation and the profound impact of meditation on United Nations Peacekeepers. Sri Sri Ravi Shankar highlighted multiple benefits and dimensions associated with meditation in his keynote address.

It may be recalled that on December 6, the United Nations General Assembly unanimously adopted the resolution, declaring December 21 as World Meditation Day. India was instrumental in the unanimous adoption of the said resolution. Adoption of the resolution at such a time highlights the importance of promoting calm, peace, and overall human well-being when the world is facing conflicts and suffering. It also marks a significant milestone in global recognition of meditation's transformative potential.

## You've made J&K proud: LG Sinha

**JAMMU:** Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday congratulated the University of Jammu on getting the A++ NAAC accreditation stating that the institution has made the Union Territory proud.

"The University of Jammu has achieved the prestigious

A++ Grade with a CGPA of 3.72 on a seven-point scale by NAAC," Sinha posted on X.

Heartiest congratulations to the Vice Chancellor, faculty, staff, scholars and students for this outstanding accomplishment, he further posted adding, "you've made J&K proud."

Jammu University's reform-driven futuristic vision underscores its commitment to fostering academic excellence, goal-oriented research, innovative capacity and holistic development of students to make them enlightened citizens, he said. "My best wishes to all for success in your mission," Sinha, who is also Chancellor of the Jammu University stated.

## UAML's IPO opens tomorrow

**BANGALORE:** The Initial Public Offering (IPO) of Unimech Aerospace and Manufacturing Limited (UAML) will open tomorrow (Monday, December 23, 2024), for subscription and close on Thursday, December 26, 2024. The company has fixed the price band of Rs 745/- to Rs 785- per equity share of face value Rs 5/- each for its maiden initial public offer.

Investors can bid for a minimum of 19 equity shares and in multiples of 19 equity shares thereafter. The IPO is a mix of fresh issue of up to Rs 2,500 million and an offer of sale of up to Rs 2,500 million.

The proceeds from the fresh issue to the extent of Rs 363.66 million will be used for funding of capital expenditure for expansion through purchase of machineries and equipment by the company; Rs 252.85 million for funding working capital requirements of the company; Rs 438.91 million for funding of capital expenditure of the material subsidiary for expansion through purchase of machineries and equipment; Rs 447.15 million for funding working capital requirements of the material subsidiary; and Rs 400 million for repayment / prepayment of borrowings by the material subsidiary, in full or part, of certain borrowings; and general corporate purposes.

Incorporated in the year 2016, Unimech Aerospace and Manufacturing Limited is an engineering solutions company specializing in manufacturing and supply of critical parts such as aero tooling, ground support equipment, electro-mechanical sub-assemblies and other precision engineered components for aerospace, defence, energy, and semiconductor industries.

## Meghalaya CM seeks special allocation

**SHILLONG:** Meghalaya Chief Minister, Conrad Sangma has emphasised the importance of continuing and augmenting the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) scheme, requesting an allocation of over Rs 1,50,000 crore for the upcoming fiscal year. During the pre-budget consultations of the Union government at Jaipur, Rajasthan on Friday, Sangma also sought a special allocation of Rs 10,000 crore within this scheme specifically for the seven North Eastern States excluding Assam. In a memorandum presented to Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, the Chief Minister outlined the critical development needs of the State.

These requests are designed to enhance infrastructure, promote digital

services, support rural livelihoods, and improve financial inclusion in Meghalaya.

Emphasising the importance of continuing and augmenting the SASCI scheme, Sangma said the SASCI scheme has been instrumental in enabling states, particularly those in the North East, to undertake vital capital projects that stimulate economic growth and improve citizens' quality of life.

"The meritocratic approach of the scheme rewards States for implementing reforms and effectively utilising funds within the fiscal year. Meghalaya has successfully leveraged this initiative to bridge resource gaps and enhance connectivity, making it essential for the Finance Ministry to strengthen this program further," he stressed.



### CHANGE IN NAME

My Old name Akshay Gokul Mane has changed to New name Akshay Gokuldas Mane Aadhar No. 509719146100. (Bk-8324)

My old name Khatib Firdaus Begum Nasiruddin has been changed to my new name Firdos Nasir Khatib as per Aadhar No. 320221230668 (Bk-8323)

My old name Nayan Vasant Pawar has been changed to my new name Nayan Vasant Pawar as per Aadhar No. 327979826989(Bk-8323)