

NewsClick founder Prabir Purkayastha arrested under UAPA after day-long raids

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: A total of 46 people were questioned in relation to the case, according to Delhi Police.

After conducting a day-long search, seizures and detentions, Delhi Police on Tuesday arrested NewsClick founder and its editor-in-chief Prabir Purkayastha and Amit Chakravarty, firm's human resources head, under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act. The founder of the portal was earlier brought to the Delhi Police special cell office for questioning in

connection with the case under the anti-terror law following the allegations that the portal received funds for pro-China propaganda.

Earlier in the day, Delhi Police personnel carried out raids in houses of several journalists associated with the news portal and seized a number of their electronic devices as evidence including laptops, mobile phones and hard disks.

According to the police officials, a total of 46 suspects have been questioned in relation to the case at different locations. The



case under UAPA and different sections of the Indian Penal Code were filed on August 17.

"A total of 37 male suspects have been questioned at their respective places of stay and digital devices, 9 female suspects have

been questioned at their respective places of stay and digital devices, documents etc. have

been seized/collected for examination," Delhi Police said.

According to

reports, a list of 25 questions on various issues which included details of foreign travels, protest against the Citizenship (Amendment) Act and farmer's agitation were posed at the journalists.

Earlier, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) had conducted raids at different premises associated with the firm to figure out sources of the funding. According to officials, the special cell is carrying out searches on the basis of inputs given by the central probe agency.

NewsClick came under scanner after a

report by The New York Times said the firm allegedly received money from US billionaire Neville Roy Singham, who is also known for pushing campaigns in support of China and its propaganda. Singham also has close ties with Chinese government's media machine.

The Editors Guild of India expressed 'deep concerns' regarding the incident. Meanwhile, Union minister Anurag Thakur defended the raids by saying there must have been some evidence or complaint related to the case.

Railways minister shares pics of upcoming Vande Bharat sleeper compartment

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: The Vande Bharat sleeper trains will allow passengers to travel long distances on these high-speed trains overnight.

Railways minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Tuesday shared pictures on social

media platform X of the upcoming Vande Bharat sleeper trains. "Concept train - Vande Bharat (sleeper version). Coming soon... early 2024", the minister's caption read.

As seen in the picture, the Vande Bharat sleeper trains

will have two and three tier options. The design of the berths is entirely different from those in Rajdhani and other premium trains.

The minister did not specify when will the new sleeper Vande Bharat train start running next year, but

an ANI report had claimed that it could be February 2024.

The Vande Bharat sleeper trains will allow passengers to travel long distances on these high-speed trains overnight.

The first Vande Bharat Express,



between New Delhi and Varanasi, was flagged off by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on February 15, 2019.

Manufactured at the Integral Coach Factory (ICF) in Chennai, the train set stands as a symbol of the 'Make-In-India' initiative and showcases India's engineering prowess.

The Indian Railways has introduced the concept for the Vande Bharat trains from October 1, under which the coaches will be cleaned in just 14 minutes. This concept exemplifies Japan's bullet train model, where the trains are cleaned in seven minutes.

"We want all the

trains to be cleaned in 14 minutes but we are starting with the Vande Bharat as of now. A total of four staff would be deployed in every Vande Bharat coach. The cleaning staff has not only been trained for over a month to execute this initiative but also have had mock drills", a senior railway official told HT.

Railways minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said the initiative is based on the concept of '7 minutes of miracle' in Japan, where bullet trains are cleaned and made ready. The minister had said the initiative is being undertaken to improve punctuality and turnaround time.

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Petroleum Minister Hardeep S Puri urges OPEC to imbue a sense of pragmatism, balance and affordability in the oil markets



Chennai, Oct 03 2023: Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas met Secretary General – OPEC, addressed the OPEC crude production cuts and its impact on global energy sector.

Cumulatively, OPEC and OPEC+ have reduced the availability of oil by 4.96 mb/d (~5% of global oil demand) from the market since 2022, spiking Brent prices from ~\$72/bbl in June to ~\$97/bbl in September 2023.

On the sidelines of the annual Abu Dhabi International Petroleum Exhibition and Conference (ADIPEC) 2023, on 3rd October 2023, Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas and Housing, Shri Hardeep Singh Puri had bilateral

discussion with Secretary General-OPEC, H.E. Mr. Haitham Al-Ghais.

During the discussions, the Minister highlighted, that due to the production cuts carried out by OPEC (10) and OPEC+ countries from August 2022 onwards, effectively around ~5% of the total global oil availability has been removed from the market, causing crude oil price to rise ~ 34% in just last 3 months.

These cuts have been made despite growing energy demand. Brent Crude oil prices jumped from \$ ~72 /bbl in June to \$ ~97/bbl in September 2023, placing severe strains on the capacities of most oil importing consuming countries.

Minister highlighted that in the background of geopolitical crisis of 2022, which has added to existing inflationary pressures and created a real risk of recession in large parts of the world.

Minister further noted that while Government of India, through positive intervention had effectively cushioned its economy from spiralling energy prices, the World needs to be cognizant that around 100 million people have been pushed away from cleaner fuels, back to coal and firewood in the last 18 months.

Minister wondered whether the global economy is again going to witness a situation similar to the economic turmoil of 2008 which had become a self

fulfilling prophecy. Brent prices had initially soared from \$ 93.60/bbl in January 2008 to \$ 134.3/bbl in July 2008, fueling an accelerated global economic meltdown, leading eventually to demand destruction and very low oil prices.

In the interest of global good, Minister advocated balancing global energy markets by ensuring that crude oil prices do not outstrip the paying ability of the consuming countries.

Minister urged OPEC to recognize the gravity of the current economic situation and urged the Secretary General to use his office to imbue a sense of pragmatism, balance and affordability in the oil markets.

VICE PRESIDENT OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC CALLS ON THE PRESIDENT

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: The Vice President of Dominican Republic, H.E. Ms Raquel Peña Rodríguez called on the President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu at Rashtrapati Bhavan today (October 3, 2023).

Welcoming the Vice President on her first visit to India, the President said that the timing of this visit is very apt as India and Dominican Republic are marking the 25th anniversary of their diplomatic relations. She noted that bilateral relations between the two countries are warm and friendly, anchored on the strong foundation of shared values of democracy, and a broad convergence of views on global issues.

The President noted



that the Dominican Republic is India's 8th largest trading partner in Latin America. She was confident that there is potential to further diversify the trade basket. She said there is scope for working together and exchanging our experience and expertise in the areas such as pharmaceutical

products, marine science, meteorology, disaster resilient infrastructure and digital payments technologies.

The President said that capacity building is one of the central pillars of India-Dominican Republic cooperation. She was happy to note that recently, India has organized two Special

ITEC training courses for Dominican Republic officials, in the critical fields of cyber security and remote sensing.

The two leaders agreed that continued exchanges and contacts between India and Dominican Republic would further strengthen our bilateral ties.

Ukraine troops advance on southern front: Top general



Chennai, Oct 03 2023: Russia-Ukraine War: Tarnavskiy, head of the southern group of forces, said troops had conducted 1,198 assignments in the past 24 hours.

One of Ukraine's top generals said on Tuesday that his forces were advancing in the south, one of two theatres of their counteroffensive to evict Russian occupation forces, but offered few details of their gains.

"In the Tavria sector, there has been an advance by the defence

forces," General Oleksander Tarnavskiy said in a post on Telegram, using the military's name for the southern front.

Tarnavskiy, head of the southern group of forces, said troops had conducted 1,198 assignments in the past 24 hours, with Russian forces sustaining losses of 261 men and a further 10 being taken prisoner.

The General Staff of the Ukrainian armed forces, in its evening report, said offensive operations were proceeding in the east

and south, with little elaboration.

It reported Russian air strikes in southeastern Zaporizhzhia region, the focus of the drive south to the Sea of Azov. The report also said Ukrainian forces had repelled Russian attacks in areas of Donetsk region already recaptured by Kyiv and around the long-contested town of Maryinka further west.

Military analysts have spoken in the past week of Ukrainian forces consolidating

positions around the village of Verbove on their southward drive.

The drive in the east has focused on recovering land around the devastated town of Bakhmut, seized by Russian forces in May after months of heavy fighting.

The Institute for the Study of War, in an assessment issued on Monday, said Ukrainian forces had made marginal gains in the area straddling Donetsk and Zaporizhzhia regions.

Result of the written examination of Combined Defence Services Exam (II)-2023

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: On the basis of the results of the COMBINED DEFENCE SERVICES EXAMINATION (II), 2023 held by the Union Public Service Commission on 03rd September, 2023, 6908 candidates with the following Roll Numbers have qualified for being interviewed by the Service Selection Board of the Ministry of Defence, for admission to (i) Indian Military Academy, Dehradun 157th (DE) Course commencing in July, 2024 (ii) Indian Naval Academy, Ezhimala, Kerala, Course commencing in July, 2024 (iii) Air Force Academy, Hyderabad (Pre-Flying) Training Course (216 F(P)) commencing in July, 2024 (iv) Officers Training Academy, Chennai 120th SSC (Men) (NT) (UPSC) Course commencing in October, 2024 and (v) Officers Training Academy, Chennai, 34th SSC Women (Non-Technical) (UPSC) Course commencing in October, 2024.

The candidature of all the candidates, whose Roll Numbers are shown

in the lists below, is provisional. In accordance with the conditions of the admission to the examination, they are required to submit the original certificates in support of age (Date of Birth), educational qualifications, NCC (C) (Army Wing/Senior Division Air Wing/Naval Wing) etc. claimed by them to IHQ of MoD (Army) / Dte Gen of Rtg (Rtg A) CDSE Entry for SSC male candidates and SSC women entry for female candidates West Block III, R. K. Puram, New Delhi-110066 in case of IMA/SSC first choice candidates and Naval HQ "DMPR" (OI & R Section), Room No. 204, 'C' Wing, Sena Bhawan, New Delhi-110011 in case of Navy first choice candidates and PO3 (A)/Air Headquarters 'J' Block, Room No. 17, Opp. Vayu Bhawan, Motilal Nehru Marg, New Delhi-110004 in case of Air Force first choice candidates by the following dates failing which their candidature will stand cancelled. The original Certificates are to be submitted not later than 01st July, 2024 for IMA & INA, not later

than 13th May, 2024 for AFA and not later than 1st October, 2024 in case of SSC course only. The candidates must not send the original Certificates to the Union Public Service Commission.

Candidates who qualified in the written exam and given their first choice as Army (IMA/OTA) are required to register themselves on the recruiting directorate website www.joinindianarmy.nic.in in order to enable them to receive call up information for SSB interview. Those candidates who have already registered on the recruiting directorate website are advised not to register again.

In case, there is any change of address, the candidates are advised to promptly intimate directly to the Army Headquarters/Naval Headquarters/Air Headquarters as the case may be.

The Union Public Service Commission has a Facilitation Counter near Examination Hall Building in its Campus. Candidates may obtain a n y information/clarification regarding this examination on working

days between 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM, in person or over telephone No.011-23385271, 011-23381125 and 011-23098543 from this Facilitation Counter. In addition, for SSB interview related matters, the candidates may contact over telephone no. 011-26175473 or visit Joinindianarmy.nic.in for Army as first choice and 011-23010231 Extn. 7645 / 7646 / 7610 or v i s i t www.careerindianairforce.cdac.in for Air Force as first choice. Candidates can also obtain information regarding their result by accessing UPSC website <http://www.upsc.gov.in>

The marks-sheet of candidates who have not qualified, will be available on the Commission's website within 15 days from the date of publication of the final result of OTA (after conducting SSB Interview) and will remain available on the website for a period of 30 days.

50 lakh Street Vendors covered under PM SVANidhi Scheme



Chennai, Oct 03 2023: The Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) scheme, an initiative under the aegis of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), has achieved a momentous milestone by extending its support to more than 50 lakh street vendors across the nation. Street vendors have long played an integral role in the urban informal economy, providing essential goods and services to urban residents. The PM SVANidhi scheme has been instrumental in bringing them into the formal economic fold, presenting fresh avenues for upward mobility.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision to broaden the scheme's reach has prompted concerted efforts towards its expansion. Beginning on July 1, 2023, a campaign was launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), revising the targets to be achieved under the Scheme. Several high level review and monitoring was undertaken during this period, including inter alia, review of Public sector banks by Finance Minister, Zonal State Reviews across the country in different locations Dr.

Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad, Minister of State for Financial, as well as State/UT review meetings by Shri Manoj Joshi, Secretary MoHUA and Shri Vivek Joshi, Secretary, DFS.

This collective endeavor resulted in disbursement of a remarkable 65.75 lakh loans, benefiting over 50 lakh street vendors, with a total value exceeding ₹ 8600 crore. It is noteworthy that public sector banks have played a pivotal role in achieving this significant milestone through their support of the first-ever micro-credit scheme designed for urban poor socio-economic section. PM SVANidhi is a pioneering initiative by the Government of India aimed at integrating street vendors into the formal economic system and facilitating access to formal channels of credit.

States have wholeheartedly embraced the scheme, with the recent campaign yielding impressive results. Over the past three months, states have successfully onboarded more than 12 lakh new vendors, the highest ever, with many more in the process of enrollment. The Ministry has allocated

targets to all states and union territories for the identification of beneficiaries and loan disbursement. States, in turn, have assigned targets to their respective cities, with the aim of achieving them by December 31, 2023. Currently, Madhya Pradesh, Assam, and Gujarat are among the top-performing states, while Ahmedabad, Lucknow, Kanpur, Indore, and Mumbai are the leading cities in the program's implementation. However, all states are actively participating in the scheme to provide tangible benefits to street vendors.

Beyond facilitating micro-credits, the PM SVANidhi scheme empowers street vendors through digital payments. Promoting digital transactions, participating Lending Institutions/Banks, and Digital Payment Aggregators (DPAs) have offered digital onboarding and training. These collaborations have resulted in over 113.2 Crore digital transactions worth ₹ 1,33,003 Crores, with ₹ 58.2 Crore in cashback disbursed to beneficiaries.

The scheme's impact extends beyond providing micro-

credits; it has also laid the groundwork for creating a safety net of welfare schemes for vendors' families. The "SVANidhi se Samridhi" initiative, launched on January 4, 2021, aims to connect beneficiaries' families to eight Government of India socio-economic welfare schemes, promoting holistic development. To date, over 51 lakh sanctions under these schemes have been granted for the upliftment of beneficiary street vendors' families.

The accomplishment of financially empowering 50 lakh street vendors marks a promising future for India's informal economy. The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs remains steadfast in its commitment to providing financial stability, recognition, and growth opportunities to this crucial segment of the Indian economy.

"The PM SVANidhi Scheme has exceeded our expectations by reaching over 50 lakh beneficiaries in just over three years. This achievement underscores our commitment to empowering street vendors and integrating them into formal financial systems."

itel launches 'P55 Power 5G'; India's Most Affordable 5G Smartphone under 10K segment

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: itel, a leading smartphone brand in India, has been democratizing technology by delivering high-quality smartphones under INR 10K. Today, itel takes another giant leap in launching India's Most Affordable and powerful 5G Smartphone under 10K, making it an accessible technology for the consumers of Bharat. itel P55 Power 5G Smartphone is one of its kind in the industry unlike any other brands to be present in this segment. It is equipped with highly aspirational MediaTek dimensity 6080 chipset ensuring uninterrupted and outstanding performance.

Meeting the storage demands of our customers, this smartphone boasts an impressive 6GB RAM, complemented by an additional 6GB of memory fusion, and a generous 128GB ROM. You'll be delighted to know that it will be exclusively available on Amazon at the enticing price of just INR 8,999 with bank offers and it's all set to



be available for purchase starting from October 4th, 2023.

Commenting on the launch, CEO, itel India, Mr. Arijeet Talapatra, said, "itel has been at the forefront in driving the digital revolution in Bharat, successfully facilitating seamless transition of customers from 2G to 4G. As India is poised to welcome approximately 150 million 5G users by 2024, flagging off a big digital revolution, we are determined to democratize 5G technology making it accessible and affordable for the masses in Bharat."

"The itel P55 Power 5G redefines technology supremacy under 10K segment by offering 5G connectivity with NRCA technology, combined with the powerful MediaTek

The itel P55 Power 5G boasts with an astonishing 50MP AI dual camera and an 8MP front camera to capture the perfect moments with ultra-clarity. Catering to the storage needs of the customers, the smartphone comes with 128GB storage paired with an exceptional 6GB RAM along with additional 6GB memory fusion. The smartphone features NRCA technology to enable seamless 5G network connectivity even in areas with low signal strength, enhancing the user experience

After capturing the hearts of millions in the sub-INR 8,000 segment with a path-breaking product line up and the highest proportion of repeat users among first-time buyers, this launch from itel is set to dominate the under INR 10K smartphone segment with aspirational features catered to the youth, providing them with a premium experience.

Consumers can register their interest through the "Notify Me" link on amazon <https://www.amazon.in/1/90117307031>.

CCI approves 100% shareholding of Lanco Amarkantak Power Limited by PFC Projects Limited, REC Limited, SJVN Limited and Damodar Valley Corporation

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved the proposed acquisition of 100% shareholding of Lanco Amarkantak Power Limited by PFC Projects Limited, REC Limited, SJVN Limited and Damodar Valley Corporation.

The proposed combination relates to acquisition of 100% shareholding of Lanco Amarkantak Power Limited (LAPL) by PFC Projects Limited (PPL), REC Limited (REC), SJVN Limited (SJVN) and Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC).

Acquirers PPL is a wholly owned subsidiary of Power Finance Corporation Limited (PFC), a Government of



India undertaking. PPL has been set up to, inter alia, carry out the business of power generation and distribution.

REC is a subsidiary of PFC. It is presently a non-banking financial company categorized as an infrastructure finance company by the Reserve Bank of India. SJVN is a listed

company held by the Government of Himachal Pradesh and public shareholders. At present, SJVN is implementing and operating projects in, inter alia, the States of Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Bihar, Maharashtra, and Uttar Pradesh in India. DVC is a statutory corporation set up under the Damodar Valley

Corporation Act, 1948. It is engaged in the businesses of, inter alia, power generation, transmission, and water management in India.

Target LAPL is an unlisted public limited company engaged in power generation in India. Detailed order of the CCI will follow.

CCI approves acquisition of majority stake in Indira IVF by Zonnebaars and amalgamation of Spaceway Wellness into Indira IVF

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved acquisition of majority stake in Indira IVF by Zonnebaars and amalgamation of Spaceway Wellness into Indira IVF.

The proposed

combination envisages: Private Limited primarily engaged in the provision of fertility and in vitro fertilisation treatment through its hospitals/centres across India. Spaceway is one of the promoters of Indira IVF. Detailed order of the CCI will follow.

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itel launches India's first smartphone with 3D curved AMOLED Display in less than 15K segment

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: After disrupting the sub 10K segment with innovation of premium affordable smartphones, itel has marked its debut into the 15K segment with the launch of S23+. With segment first 3D curved AMOLED Display Smartphone in less than 15K, itel has raised the bar once again, crafted to match the style quotient of Gen Z. Available at an effective price of INR 12,999 with bank offers, the itel S23+ sets itself apart with its in-display fingerprint sensor, a feature unique to the smartphone in this price range. The online sale for itel S23+ will go live exclusively on Amazon India from 6th October. itel S23+ comes with a special launch offer of free itel T11 earbuds worth Rs 2399.

Commenting on the launch, CEO, itel India, Mr. Arijet Talapatra, said, "The under 15K segment represents a substantial 50% share of the smartphone market. With the introduction of the itel S23+, we are embarking on a bold



journey, venturing into uncharted territory to redefine this segment with ground breaking features. Today's consumers are discerning and place great importance on their preferences, choices, and fashion sensibilities, reflecting a significant shift in consumption patterns. Mobile devices have evolved beyond mere tools; they have seamlessly integrated into the entertainment and lifestyles of the new Bharat."

He added, "At itel, our unwavering commitment is to serve our consumers by introducing innovations complemented by trendy features, stylish aesthetics, and cutting-edge technology. The S23+ smartphone, equipped with pioneering features, is

poised to cater to the style preferences of Generation Z while setting a new benchmark in the sub-15K segment. With this launch, itel is delivering a significant enhancement to the Bharat consumer experience, offering exceptional viewing and much more."

The 3D curved AMOLED display delivers a remarkable 240 Hz of touch sampling rate, making it ideal for high-end gaming and better productivity. With storage options of up to 256GB+16GB (8GB RAM with 8GB Memory Fusion), a sleek 7.9mm slim body and weighing just 180 gm, the itel S23+ establishes a fresh benchmark in contemporary design, catering to all walks of life. The smartphone's

premium features are complemented by an exceptional 32MP ultra clear front camera with flash, first in the segment, offering customized beauty enhancements and multiple modes, alongside a powerful 50MP rear camera.

The itel S23+ features Dynamic Island, allowing users to check notifications for incoming calls, reminders, and battery status. The best-in-segment display comes protected with Gorilla Glass 5, which offers 4 times more resistance to drops than standard glass screens. Expanding its horizons further, itel is primed to assert its strong entry in the INR 15K smartphone arena with itel S23+ which embodies aspiration and sophistication, tailored to the discerning tastes of the youth demographic, delivering a premium and unparalleled experience.

Consumers can register their interest through the "Notify Me" link on [amazon http://www.amazon.in/190117311031](http://www.amazon.in/190117311031).

AIR INDIA JOINS TATA NEU-HDFC BANK CREDIT CARD AS PARTNER

Earn up to 5% NeuCoins on all spends with Air India

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: Tata Neu HDFC Bank Credit Card today welcomed Air India to its growing family of partner brands. Available on both RuPay and Visa networks, it is one of the most rewarding and fastest-growing co-branded credit cards in India.

Tata Neu HDFC Bank credit card customers can now earn 5% NeuCoins with Tata Neu Infinity HDFC Bank Credit Card and 2% NeuCoins with Tata Neu Plus HDFC Bank Credit Card, on all spends with Air India's direct booking channels, including website and mobile apps. Customers will continue to earn their "Flying Return" points in addition to these NeuCoins.

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QMin, Tata CLiQ Luxury, Tata Pay, Tata Play and Westside.

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electronics, fashion, travel, hospitality, groceries, and pharmacy on Tata Neu and across all partner brands (online and in-store), giving them the flexibility and incentive to transact on the Tata Neu ecosystem. Cardholders can also avail of complimentary lounge access across airports in India and overseas. For more information on the cards, please visit <https://www.tatadigital.com/creditcard/>

The Tata Neu app has over 60 million cumulative downloads and 75 million members enrolled in its NeuPass rewards programme (web + app). The Tata Neu app currently enjoys a rating of 4.1 and 4.2 on the Google Play Store and The App Store, respectively.

CCI approves acquisition of certain stake of Lenskart Solutions Private Limited by Kedaara Capital Fund III LLP

Chennai, Oct 03 2023: The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved acquisition of certain stake of Lenskart Solutions Private Limited by Kedaara Capital Fund III LLP (Acquirer).

The proposed combination relates the

acquisition of approximately 1.74% of the issued share capital on a fully diluted basis of Lenskart Solutions Private Limited by Kedaara Capital Fund III LLP.

Acquirer is a private equity fund, registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of

India as a Category II Alternative Investment Fund, and is engaged in the activity of investing in companies.

Target is a private limited company incorporated in India. In India, the Target undertakes the following businesses:

including eyeglasses, sunglasses and eyewear accessories and sale (including by way of retail) of such manufactured products etc.; and (ii) wholesale trading of eyewear products.

Detailed order of the CCI will follow.

(i) manufacture of eyewear products,

Natural Star Nani, Shouryuv, Vyra Entertainments, Hi Nanna 2nd Single Gaaju Bomma On October 6th



Chennai, Oct 03 2023: The musical gala of the Pan India film Hi Nanna began with the mellifluous number Nizhaliye which showed the lovely chemistry between the lead pair-Natural Star Nani and Mrunal Thakur. The film's second single Gaaju Bomma will be out on October 6th. The same has been announced through a video where Nani and Kiara Khanna have a beautiful conversation.

The girl asks when will the song of Father-daughter be released. Nani calls her Gaaju Bomma and it is revealed that this is going to be the soul of Hi Nanna. The music for the movie is scored by Hesham Abdul Wahab. Hi Nanna marks the directorial debut of Shouryuv.

It is produced by Mohan Cherukuri (CVM) and Dr Vijender Reddy Teegala on Vyra Entertainments. The wholesome family

entertainer has Sanu John Varughese cranking the camera, while Praveen Anthony is the editor and Avinash Kolla is the production designer. Satish EVV is the executive producer. Hi Nanna is scheduled for release in Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Malayalam, and Hindi languages on December 21, this year.

Cast: Nani, Mrunal Thakur, Baby Kiara Khanna
Technical Crew: Director:

Shouryuv Producers: Mohan Cherukuri (CVM) and Dr Vijender Reddy Teegala
Banner: Vyra Entertainments
DOP: Sanu John Varughese
Music Director: Hesham Abdul Wahab
Production Designer: Avinash Kolla
Editor: Praveen Anthony
Executive Producer - Satish EVV
Costume Designer: Sheetal Sharma
PRO: Nikil Murukan.



Chennai, Oct 03 2023: The beauty of a calm Sunday morning was further enhanced with a melodious rendition by Malavi G at Nageswara Rao Park on October 1, 2023. A

good crowd of over 30 early morning music lovers listened in rapt attention to 12 year-old Malavi G as she sang 6 songs. She was accompanied by Kum Pranavi G on the violin

and by Master B S Samarth on the Mirudangam. She sang the following songs;

1) Gajavada Karunaasadana
2) Seetamma Maayamma

3) Paridaana michite
4) Shivakaameshwari Chintaye
5) Venkataachala nilayam
6) English note