

## SHUBHANSHU SHUKLA SECOND INDIAN TO TRAVEL TO SPACE, SCRIPTS HISTORY

Chennai, 26 June 2025: In a monumental stride for India's burgeoning space ambitions and a significant moment for global space collaboration, Indian Air Force Group Captain and ISRO astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla has successfully launched aboard the SpaceX Dragon spacecraft. As part of the highly anticipated Axiom-4 mission to the International Space Station (ISS), the liftoff occurred at 12:01 PM IST on Wednesday, June 25, following a series of delays. This historic flight marks a pivotal return to human spaceflight for India after over four decades.

The Dragon spacecraft is set to autonomously dock with the space-facing port of the ISS's Harmony module at approximately 5:00 AM IST on Thursday, June 26. Live rendezvous and docking coverage will be available on NASA+.

Born on October 10, 1985, in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, Group Captain Shukla has etched his name in history as only the second Indian to journey to space. His groundbreaking mission comes 40 years after Wing Commander Rakesh Sharma became the first Indian in space, orbiting Earth aboard the Soviet Union's Salyut 7 space station in 1984. A New Era of Indian Space Exploration

Shukla, one of the four astronauts shortlisted for India's upcoming Gaganyaan mission, is now also the first ISRO



astronaut to reach the ISS. His participation in the Axiom-4 mission not only underscores India's rapidly growing role in global space exploration but also highlights the deepening international collaborations in space science.

Joining Group Captain Shukla on this distinguished mission are:

Peggy Whitson, former NASA astronaut and mission commander

Slawosz Uznanski-Wisniewski from Poland

Tibor Kapu from Hungary

This mission is particularly symbolic as it marks a return to space for India, Poland, and Hungary, none of whom had sent government-sponsored representatives to space for several decades. Pioneering Scientific Research and Global Cooperation

The Axiom-4 mission, a private endeavor organized by Axiom Space in collaboration with NASA and SpaceX, is set to conduct a wide array of scientific experiments aboard the ISS during its approximately 10-day stay. The crew's work will significantly contribute to both scientific research and international cooperation in space.

Ax-4 stands as a

beacon of opportunity for India, Poland, and Hungary, each poised to leverage this mission to advance their national space programs. The research complement for Ax-4 is robust, including around 60 scientific studies and activities representing 31 countries, such as the U.S., India, Poland, Hungary, Saudi Arabia, Brazil, Nigeria, the UAE, and various European nations. This makes it the most research- and science-intensive Axiom Space mission aboard the ISS to date, underscoring its global significance and collaborative nature in advancing microgravity research in Low Earth Orbit (LEO).

The mission emphasizes scientific portfolios led by the U.S., India, Poland (in partnership with ESA), and Hungary. It aims to boost participation in these countries by involving diverse stakeholders, showcasing the value of microgravity research, and fostering international collaboration. The studies are designed to enhance global knowledge in human research, Earth observation, and life, biological, and material sciences, clearly demonstrating the space research capabilities of the crew's home nations.

ISRO has confirmed that its

Gaganyatri, Group Captain Shukla, will carry out seven shortlisted Indian microgravity research experiments onboard the ISS. These experiments were proposed by Indian Principal Investigators (PIs) from various national R & D laboratories and academic institutions. The experiments include:

\* Impact of Microgravity Radiation in ISS on Edible Microalgae

\* Sprouting Salad Seeds in Space: Relevance to Crew Nutrition

\* Survival, revival, reproduction and transcriptome of the eutardigrade Paramacrobiotus sp. BLR strain in space

\* Effect of metabolic supplements on muscle regeneration under microgravity

\* Analysing Human Interaction with Electronic Displays in Microgravity

\* Comparative growth and proteomics responses of cyanobacteria on urea and nitrate in microgravity

\* Impact of Microgravity on Growth and Yield Parameters in Food Crop Seeds Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh stated that Group Captain Shukla's mission symbolizes a confident, forward-looking nation ready to reclaim its place in the global space race. His journey is more than just a flight; it's a clear signal that India is stepping boldly into a new era of space exploration, inspiring a new generation of scientists, engineers, and explorers.

"We are well on track to achieve the USD 5 trillion economy goal in the next three years. This milestone will mark the beginning of our journey towards 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047," Goyal said.

Acknowledging global economic headwinds and geopolitical turbulence, Goyal stressed the importance of national unity and determination. "Great

Wish him and other astronauts all the success!"



billion Indians.

## BRICS CALLS FOR NUKE WEAPONS FREE-ZONE IN MID EAST

Chennai, 26 June 2025: The BRICS countries have called for the creation of a zone free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East, a joint communique published by Brazil's Ministry of Foreign Affairs said.

"Guided by the principles enshrined in the United Nations Charter, BRICS remains committed to promoting international peace and security and to fostering diplomacy and peaceful dialogue as the only sustainable path toward long-term stability in the region. In this regard, we also reaffirm the necessity of establishing a zone free of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction in the Middle East, in line with relevant international resolutions," the Tuesday statement said.

The BRICS countries reiterated

that Israel's strikes against Iran, carried out starting from June 13, were a violation of international law and the UN Charter.

"In the face of rising tensions with unpredictable consequences for international peace and security, as well as for the world economy, we underscore the urgent need to break the cycle of violence and restore peace. We call on all parties to engage through existing channels of dialogue and diplomacy, with a view to de-escalating the situation and resolving their differences through peaceful means," the joint statement said.

The BRICS countries emphasised that civilian lives, civilian infrastructure, as well as peaceful nuclear installations, must be protected, in compliance with international humanitarian law.

"We express serious concern over any

attacks against peaceful nuclear installations that are carried out in violation of international law and relevant resolutions of the International Atomic Energy Agency. Nuclear safeguards, safety, and security must always be upheld, including in armed conflicts, to protect people and the environment from harm. In this context, we reiterate our support for diplomatic initiatives aimed at addressing regional challenges," the joint communique said.

Israel launched a large-scale operation against Iran in the early hours of June 13, accusing Tehran of implementing a secret military nuclear program. The Israeli air force carried out several waves of attacks across Iran, including in Tehran, killing several senior Iranian military officials and nuclear scientists. Nuclear sites, including Natanz

and Fordow, and military targets were hit.

Tehran retaliated by launching Operation True Promise 3 on June 13, hitting military targets in Israel.

Iran denies the military dimension of its nuclear program. The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has not seen concrete evidence that Iran has an active nuclear weapons program, Director General Rafael Grossi said on June 18. US intelligence assessments reached a similar conclusion that Iran was not actively pursuing nuclear weapons, CNN reported on June 17, citing people familiar with the issue. A former UK ambassador to Uzbekistan, human rights activist Craig Murray, told Sputnik that Iran had been "extraordinarily responsible and patient" over the last several years, despite Israel's actions.

## \$ 5 TRN ECONOMY: INDIA ON TRACK, SAYS MINISTER GOYAL

Chennai, 26 June 2025: Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal reaffirmed that India is firmly on course to becoming a USD 5 trillion economy by 2027, despite ongoing global uncertainties.

Speaking at a virtual session hosted by the Merchants' Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI), Goyal credited the nation's collective resolve and the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for this progress.

"We are well on track to achieve the USD 5 trillion economy goal in the next three years. This milestone will mark the beginning of our journey towards 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047," Goyal said.

Acknowledging global economic headwinds and geopolitical turbulence, Goyal stressed the importance of national unity and determination. "Great

economies aren't built in calm waters. This is India's moment. We must seize it together and secure our rightful place among the world's leading nations," he said.

The minister described the past decade of economic reforms as transformative. "These have not been incremental changes; we have pursued quantum leaps," he said, adding that the government's model of growth is rooted in inclusivity, sustainability, and transparency.

Goyal pointed to India's significant progress across several economic indicators. From once being labelled among the 'Fragile Five', India now ranks in the top five global economies.

He highlighted India's robust foreign exchange reserves, which recently crossed USD 698 billion, along with a healthy banking sector and historically low average inflation.

He also praised Prime Minister Modi's personal commitment to citizen welfare, citing swift evacuation efforts in conflict zones such as Iran and Ukraine.

Drawing a contrast with the Emergency period imposed in 1975, Goyal described today's India as "an oasis of stability" amid global uncertainty.

On the international trade front, Goyal highlighted India's proactive engagement in free trade agreements with developed nations, including the UK, Australia, and the European Union. "These FTAs are with advanced economies, not weaker ones.

They offer significant opportunities for our exporters and MSMEs," he said, urging businesses to tap into these emerging prospects.

Looking ahead, the minister expressed optimism about India's leadership in emerging



technologies such as artificial intelligence, quantum computing, and 3D printing. "Rather than fearing job losses, we must embrace the potential for new employment opportunities. Our youth are aspirational, and we're working closely with industry groups like NASSCOM to develop future-ready skills," he said.

Concluding his address, Goyal encouraged Indian businesses to scale operations and innovate for export-led growth. "This is a virtuous cycle - scale drives competitiveness, which boosts exports and prosperity. India's growth story is a shared journey, and we all have a stake in its success," he said.

## PM WELCOMES THE SUCCESSFUL LAUNCH OF THE SPACE MISSION CARRYING ASTRONAUTS FROM INDIA, HUNGARY, POLAND AND THE US

Chennai, 26 June 2025: The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today welcomed the successful launch of the Space Mission carrying astronauts from India, Hungary, Poland and the US.

Shri Modi also wished the Indian Astronaut, Group

Captain Shubhanshu Shukla who is on the way to become the first Indian to go to International Space Station.

In a post on X, he wrote:

"We welcome the successful launch of the Space Mission carrying astronauts

from India, Hungary, Poland and the US.

The Indian Astronaut, Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla is on the way to become the first Indian to go to International Space Station.

He carries with him the wishes, hopes and aspirations of 1.4



# SRMIST SPORTS QUOTA ADMIT CARD DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY

Chennai, 26 June 2025: SRMIST have admitted 221 Sportsperson in different Disciplines such as Volleyball, Football, Kabaddi, Ball Badminton, Archery, Chess, Table Tennis, Badminton, Hockey, Athletics, Squash and Swimming for this Academic Year 2025-2026 in Sports Quota. 55 Crores has been allocated by SRMIST to support these students throughout their entire course duration, covering

tuition fees, accommodation, training, and other related Fees." The Admit Card Distribution Ceremony was held today 25/06/2025 at 3.30pm.

SRMIST Prof.C. Muthamizhchelvan, Vice Chancellor, Prof.S.Ponnusamy, Registrar and Prof R.Mohanakrishnan, Director Sports Graced the Ceremony and Distributed the Admit Cards to all the Sportsmen admitted under Sports Quota.



The Prominent Players who are admitted is Miss Shameena Riaz (International Squash Player), Sadhana Ravi (Khelo India Gold Medalist in Athletics), M R Bala Murugan (Inter National Table Tennis Player), a

Benediction Rohit (National Record Holder in Swimming), Avinash (Inter National Master in Chess), Gowshika (Inter National Volleyball Player), Chetan Raju Balbudhe (Inter National VolleyBall Player).

# PRESS RELEASE PERTAINING TO "BONEY KAPOOR"

Chennai, 26 June 2025: While cordially greeting all the colleagues from the media world, print media, electronic media, social media, it is to be informed that Mr Boney Kapoor in this regard is proposing to organize this program after getting the blessings of the Hon'ble Prime Minister and Hon'ble Chief Minister of UP for building the Noida International Film City of their dreams & request their presence for the stone laying ceremony.

The layout of this film city was approved

by the Yamuna Authority for the first phase on 9 June, 2025 and a letter was issued fixing the appointed date as 9 June, 2025. A copy of the letter is attached.

With the blessings of the Hon'ble Prime Minister and the Hon'ble Chief Minister, the foundation stone laying program will be determined and you all will be informed soon. In this program, actors, producers, directors etc. associated with the film industry of our country and abroad will also participate to establish that a world



class film is being created to cater for film industries world over. All of them are being contacted and soon, ensuring the availability of all, a very grand and

dignified event will be organized as soon as possible.

In good faith : For Bayview Bhutani, Boney Kapoor, Prem Bhutani, Ashish Bhutani, Rajiv Arora.

# PRIME MINISTER PAYS TRIBUTE TO DEFENDERS OF DEMOCRACY ON SAMVIDHAN HATYA DIWAS

Chennai, 26 June 2025: On the solemn occasion marking fifty years since the imposition of the Emergency, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today paid heartfelt tributes to the countless Indians who stood tall in defence of democracy during one of the darkest chapters in the nation's history.

Recalling the grave assault on constitutional values, the Prime Minister said that June 25th is observed as Samvidhan Hatya Diwas — a day when fundamental rights were suspended, press freedom extinguished, and countless political leaders, social workers, students, and ordinary citizens were imprisoned.

Shri Modi also reiterated the commitment to strengthen the principles in our Constitution and working together to

realise our vision of a Viksit Bharat.

He further remarked that the anti-Emergency movement was a learning experience, which reaffirmed the vitality of preserving our democratic framework.

Shri Modi called upon all those who remember those dark days of the Emergency or those whose families suffered during that time to share their experiences on social media to create awareness among the youth of the shameful time from 1975 to 1977.

In a series of posts on X, he wrote:

"Today marks fifty years since one of the darkest chapters in India's democratic history, the imposition of the Emergency. The people of India mark this day as Samvidhan Hatya Diwas. On this day, the values enshrined in the Indian

Constitution were set aside, fundamental rights were suspended, press freedom was extinguished and several political leaders, social workers, students and ordinary citizens were jailed. It was as if the Congress Government in power at that time placed democracy under arrest! #Samvidhan HatyaDiwas"

"No Indian will ever forget the manner in which the spirit of our Constitution was violated, the voice of Parliament muzzled and attempts were made to control the courts.

The 42nd Amendment is a prime example of their shenanigans. The poor, marginalised and downtrodden were particularly targeted, including their dignity insulted. #Samvidhan HatyaDiwas"

"We salute every person who stood firm in the fight against the

Emergency!

These were the people from all over India, from all walks of life, from diverse ideologies who worked closely with each other with one aim: to protect India's democratic fabric and to preserve the ideals for which our freedom fighters devoted their lives.

It was their collective struggle that ensured that the then Congress Government had to restore democracy and call for fresh elections, which they badly lost. #Samvidhan HatyaDiwas"

"We also reiterate our commitment to strengthening the principles in our Constitution and working together to realise our vision of a Viksit Bharat.

May we scale new heights of progress and fulfil the dreams of the poor and downtrodden. #Samvidhan HatyaDiwas"

# HDFC LIFE IN ASSOCIATION WITH SOCIETY FOR INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SINE), IIT BOMBAY LAUNCHES 'HDFC LIFE INSUREKA'

Chennai, 26 June 2025: In a significant move to foster sustainable, industry-wide innovation, HDFC Life, one of India's leading life insurers, in partnership with the Society for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (SINE), IIT Bombay, has launched 'HDFC Life InsUREka' – an innovation challenge for startups. This strategic partnership marks a key milestone in India's Insurtech journey, bringing together HDFC Life's industry expertise with SINE's technological prowess to offer a platform that aims to identify and support startups driving innovation in life insurance.

The initiative invites startups from across India to co-create transformative, tech-driven solutions that address real-world challenges in the life insurance industry. Through this challenge, HDFC Life and SINE seek to catalyse a new wave of innovation focused on enhancing customer experience, improving operational efficiency, advancing risk management, and driving digital transformation in the life insurance value chain.

Why participate in HDFC Life InsUREka?

The HDFC Life InsUREka challenge



offers a unique opportunity for startups to gain high-impact visibility, mentorship, and potential collaboration with one of India's leading life insurers. Startups participating in the program will work on carefully curated real-world problem statements sourced from HDFC Life's operating ecosystem. SINE, the technology business incubator at IIT Bombay will play a key role in short listing, mentoring, and supporting the startups at every stage of the challenge.

Key benefits include:

1. Opportunity to work on Proof of Concept (PoC) to solve business challenges with HDFC Life. Successful POCs may lead to potential contracts with HDFC Life, giving startups a gateway to enterprise-level partnerships.
2. Opportunity to scale their technology with industry-grade support.
3. Mentorship from industry leaders and access to a curated boot camp at SINE.

4. Networking and visibility through interactive sessions, workshops at SINE.

The challenge will culminate in a startup showcase where standout innovations may lead to long-term partnerships with HDFC Life.

How to Apply: Interested startups can submit their applications online through the official portal at <https://hdfclifeinsureka.sineiitb.org/>.

Speaking on the launch, Sameer Yogishwar, Chief Operating Officer, HDFC Life, said, "At HDFC Life, we are innovating at every step of our customers' life insurance journey.

Right from product creation to developing service solutions – there is a lot of research and designing that takes place in the background with a singular focus on customer convenience.

We are delighted to partner with SINE. We have always believed in the power of partnerships and collaborations that foster growth and

create opportunities through creative thinking, fresh ideas and state-of-the-art technology. With HDFC LifeInsUREka, we look forward to tapping into the entrepreneurial energy of India's vibrant startup ecosystem and co-create a strong, future-ready innovation pipeline. We believe HDFC Life InsUREka will serve as a platform for startups to innovate and contribute towards our efforts for achieving 'Insurance for All by 2047'.

Highlighting the significance of the partnership, Shaji Varghese – Chief Executive Officer, SINE IIT Bombay said, "At SINE, we are committed to enabling breakthrough innovations that can transform industries. Our collaboration with HDFC Life for the 'InsUREka Innovation Challenge' aligns perfectly with our mission to nurture deep-tech startups and foster impactful solutions. This initiative not only brings real-world problem statements to the startup ecosystem but also creates a unique opportunity for entrepreneurs to co-create with one of the leading insurers in the country."

Interested startups can apply for HDFC Life InsUREka until 7th July.

# ECINET OPERATIONS STARTED IN BYE-POLLS. ELECTION COMMISSION RELEASES INDEX CARDS FOR BYE-ELECTIONS IN UNDER 72 HOURS

Chennai, 26 June 2025: Election Commission of India has operationalised the new digital platform ECINET in the recently concluded bye-elections in the five Assembly Constituencies in the states of Kerala, Gujarat, Punjab and West-Bengal. It may be recalled that ECI had earlier this year on 4th May, announced the development of a new one-stop platform, ECINET, integrating over 40 of ECI's existing mobile and web applications.

The bye-polls witnessed the successful implementation of some of the modules of ECINET, which will become fully operational in the coming weeks. ECINET is one of the various initiatives of the Commission taken under the leadership of

Chief Election Commissioner Shri Gyanesh Kumar along with Election Commissioners Dr. Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Dr. Vivek Joshi for the timely and updated disclosure of election information for the benefit of the voters and other stakeholders. A major achievement during the bye-polls was uploading of the VTR trends directly by the Presiding Officers (PROs) on ECINET as against the earlier manual process. This enabled the quick sharing of information, increased transparency and a significant reduction in time lag in publishing VTR trends. Through ECINET, it was ensured that the PROs uploaded the final VTR figures before leaving their respective polling stations which resulted in much faster

availability of VTR trends on ECINET for the public. The streamlined, technology-driven system was able to provide timely updates on the approximate voter turnout percentage trends during the bye-polls. Another major outcome of the introduction of ECINET has been the faster publication of Index Cards, which were made available within 72 hours of the declaration of the poll results.

The decision to digitise and fast-track the process of generating the Index Card was announced earlier this month on the 5th of June. Under the new system, most data fields in the Index Card are auto-filled using ECINET inputs. Before the introduction of ECINET, the

publication of Index Cards, used to take several days, weeks, or even months as the data was filled and verified manually by the officials. The Index Card, is a non-statutory, post-election statistical reporting format, developed during the late 1980s, as a suo-moto initiative by the Commission to promote accessibility of election-related data at the constituency level for all stakeholders, including researchers, academia, policy makers, journalists, and the general public. The reports contain data across multiple dimensions such as candidates, electors, votes polled, votes counted, party-wise and candidate-wise vote share, gender-based voting patterns, regional variations, and performance of political parties.



# MANAGEENGINE LAUNCHES MSP CENTRAL: A PLATFORM BUILT FOR STRENGTHENING MODERN MSP INFRASTRUCTURE

Chennai, 26 June 2025: ManageEngine, a division of Zoho Corporation and a leading provider of enterprise IT management solutions, today announced the launch of MSP Central, a unified platform designed to help MSPs streamline service delivery, device management, threat protection, and infrastructure monitoring from a single interface.

ManageEngine focuses on addressing specific operational models and business challenges of MSPs, developing tools that support multi-client environments, technician efficiency, and service scalability. MSP Central brings together these capabilities into a unified platform tailored to how MSPs deliver and manage IT services today.

Meeting the Evolving Needs of MSPs :

IDC India forecasts that India's managed services market will grow at a CAGR of 10.5% to cross \$8.4 billion by 2027, driven by hybrid cloud adoption, remote work infrastructure, and growing cybersecurity mandates.

According to NASSCOM, over 60% of Indian SMBs now rely on MSPs for their core IT infrastructure, cybersecurity, and business continuity. The demand is further fueled by the expansion of digital transformation initiatives in Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities, where local MSPs are playing a pivotal role in bridging the IT gap. MSPs are under increasing pressure to scale operations without compromising service quality, as they strive to deliver strategic value to customers and stand out in a competitive market "We had



technicians switching between multiple consoles just to resolve a single client incident, a real drag on time and ticket volume," said Edgar Martínez, Business Manager, EvolutionIT, an early adopter of MSP Central from Chile. We were looking for a tool that could bring together everything our team needs without adding complexity or locking us into a rigid stack."

MSP Central directly addresses this fragmentation by offering a unified platform to manage day-to-day operations across clients, from technician workflows and asset visibility to endpoint protection and network health monitoring. Its modular, cloud-native architecture supports native multi-tenancy, fine-grained role-based access control, and seamless integrations with both Zoho apps and third-party tools. This gives MSPs the flexibility to adopt only the modules they need and expand at their own pace.

Features Designed to Support MSP Operations

"With MSP Central, we're bringing together the best of ManageEngine's proven IT management and security capabilities in a platform designed from the ground up for MSPs," said Mathivanan Venkatachalam, Vice President, ManageEngine. While each of these modules stands strong on its own, together they form a truly unified platform, delivering a single, connected

experience for service providers. This approach lets MSPs consolidate their operations, eliminate tool sprawl, and enable their teams to work more efficiently and effectively, all from a unified console."

The platform includes the following capabilities:

Modular architecture: Adopt only the components required —no bundling or mandatory licensing.

Remote monitoring and management (RMM): Manage devices across clients with patching, asset visibility, and proactive remediation in a multi-tenant setup.

Professional services automation (PSA): Integrate ticketing, contract management, SLAs, time tracking, and billing in a unified workflow.

Advanced server monitoring: Monitor infrastructure across Windows, Linux, databases, and virtual systems with automated alerts and deep metrics.

Endpoint security: Provide comprehensive protection against evolving cyberthreats with vulnerability management, device and application control, anti-ransomware, and browser security.

AI-powered automation: Accelerate workflows with ticket summarization, sentiment detection, alert correlation, and predictive thresholds.

Third-party integrations: Connect

seamlessly with over 20 tools across IT, security and business ecosystems via open APIs and pre-built connectors.

Marketplace ready: Built for integration into cloud market places and partner ecosystems.

Looking Ahead :

MSP Central marks the foundation of ManageEngine's long-term MSP platform strategy, which supports the full spectrum of managed services. Future enhancements will focus on expanding into adjacent domains like SIEM, privileged access management, and advanced analytics, helping MSPs and MSSPs manage security and compliance alongside operations. The platform will also evolve to support deeper integrations with business applications and partner ecosystems, empowering providers to streamline service delivery end to end.

"Our goal is to give MSPs a platform that adapts to their growth, supports their preferred tools, and eliminates the friction of fragmented systems. We're starting with RMM, PSA, and advanced server monitoring, but this is just the beginning. Our vision is to bring all of ManageEngine's standalone MSP tools together under this platform, delivering depth, flexibility, and scalability that helps providers grow alongside their clients' needs. MSP Central is designed to support MSPs for the long haul," added Venkatachalam.

Pricing and Availability : MSP Central is available globally starting today. The platform supports flexible modular pricing so MSPs can pay for only what they need.

# MEDTRONIC UNVEILS NEXT GENERATION MICRA™ AV2 AND MICRA™ Vr2 LEADLESS PACEMAKERS IN INDIA

Chennai, 26 June 2025: Medtronic, a global leader in medical technology, has announced the launch of the Micra™ AV2 and VR2, the world's smallest leadless pacemakers, in India. These are designed to last longer, work better, and make life easier for patients with slow heart rhythms.

The Micra™ AV2 and VR2 are the latest innovations in the Medtronic Micra leadless pacemaker family. They do not have leads or require a chest incision, which helps avoid potential complications, like infections, that can happen with traditional pacemakers with leads. The Micra AV2 also has smart technology that adjusts to each person's heartbeat, helping the heart stay in sync even when the person is moving around.

These new pacemakers are enhanced with extended battery longevity and streamlined implant procedures. They last longer with a median projected battery lifespan of 15.6 years for the Micra AV2 and 16.7 years for the Micra VR2, over 80% of patients will only need one for their whole life. They are also compatible with smartphone-enabled remote monitoring, which can help with care.

Chandrashekar Jaiman, Director Cardiovascular at Medtronic India commented, "At Medtronic, our mission is to alleviate pain, restore health, and extend life. With the launch of the Micra AV2 and VR2 in India, we are proud to advance that mission by redefining what's possible in cardiac



care. These next-generation leadless pacemakers represent a significant leap forward—combining miniaturization with intelligent pacing technology to deliver a superior experience for both patients and clinicians. This innovation is especially meaningful in India, where the growing burden of cardiovascular disease calls for scalable, accessible, and clinically advanced solutions."

Real-world data from global studies

show that the Micra leadless pacemakers significantly reduce major complications by as much as 53% compared to traditional pacemakers. These leadless devices can help patients to recover from the procedure with minimal signs of a visible implant.

With Micra AV2 and VR2, we are not only advancing the science of cardiac care but also reaffirming our commitment to engineering innovative, life-enhancing solutions for patients in India.

# VARALAXMI SARATHKUMAR MAKES HER HOLLYWOOD DEBUT

Chennai, 26 June 2025: Dear All, Greetings!!!

Herewith i forward the press release pertaining to "Varalaxmi"

Varalaxmi goes to Hollywood.

Varalaxmi Sarathkumar makes her Hollywood debut alongside the acclaimed British actor Jeremy Irons.

Directed by veteran director, Chandran Rutnam, the film is shot in Sri Lanka. The film RIZANA - A

Caged Bird is inspired by a true story.

When asked about the project, Varalaxmi shared her excitement, saying, "It is surreal to be working alongside Academy award winner Jeremy Irons.

He is the voice of Scar from the Lion King, a film I adore to a point that I know all the dialogues by heart.

To be making my Hollywood debut in a film with him is a dream come true. He is such a respected actor not just in Hollywood, but in world cinema.



I am also grateful to for the chance to be directed by Chandran Rutnam, a pioneer who changed the face of film making in Sri Lanka and worldwide.

This opportunity means a lot to me. It

was an absolute pleasure to be working with such legends from the international film industry."The film promises to be a landmark collaboration between South Asian and international cinema.

# UNION PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ANNOUNCES WRITTEN RESULTS OF CISF AC (EXE) LIMITED DEPARTMENTAL COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION, 2025

Chennai, 26 June 2025: On the basis of the results of the written part of CISF AC (Exe) Limited Departmental Competitive Exam, 2025 held by the UPSC on 27.04.2025.

The candidates with the under mentioned Roll Numbers (List enclosed) have qualified provisionally for Physical Standards Tests (PST)/Physical Efficiency Tests (PET) and Medical Standards Tests (MST).

2. The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) will intimate to the

candidates about the date, time and venue of the PST/PET/MST to be conducted by them. In case any candidate, whose Roll Number figures in this list, does not receive any intimation regarding the same, he/she may contact the CISF Authorities, immediately.

3. Marks and other details related to examination shall be available on the Commission's website within 30 days from the date of publication of the final result i.e. after the conduct of interview and would be available on the



website of the UPSC for a period of 30 days.

4. Candidates are also advised to intimate the change in their address, if any, to the CISF authorities at HQ: - DG, CISF, Block No. 13, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.

5. The final selection/appointment of Assistant Commandant (Exe.) in CISF will be subject to final outcome of the Writ Petition (Civil) No. 5877/2022 filed by Diwakar Pande & Ors. Vs. Ministry of Home Affairs & Ors. in the High Court of Delhi.

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## POCO UNVEILS F7 WITH THE SEGMENT’S LARGEST BATTERY TO REDEFINE SMARTPHONE EXPERIENCE

Chennai, 26 June 2025: POCO, one of India’s leading performance-driven consumer technology brands, is once again set to redefine smartphone user experience with the latest addition to its F-series, POCO F7. Designed for tech enthusiasts and those always on the go, the smartphone blends futuristic design, high performance, and an advanced battery into one sleek package.

POCO F7 sports a massive 7550mAh battery, India’s Largest Battery, equipped with Silicon Carbon innovation for enhanced energy density and long-term efficiency. This battery supports flagship-level 90W Turbo charging and 22.5W reverse charging, ensuring users stay powered throughout their day—and beyond. Remarkably, this all fits in a sleek 7.99mm body, making it India’s slimmest phone with a big battery.

With F7, priced at ₹29,999, POCO yet again ensures segment highest performance takes centre stage, with the Snapdragon 8s Gen 4 chipset, delivering a blazing 2.1 million+ AnTuTu score—a feat unmatched in its category. Backed by

LPDDR5X memory, UFS 4.1 storage, and up to 24GB (12GB + 12GB) Turbo RAM, the smartphone sets a benchmark in its segment. POCO’s custom-built HyperOS 2.0 with AI Suite ensures a seamless, adaptive experience. The all-new IceLoop Cooling System—featuring a full A720 big-core architecture—manages thermals even during the most intense usage.

The phone’s 6.83” 1.5K AMOLED display with a 120Hz refresh rate and ultra-narrow bezels makes it the segment’s largest and most immersive display, perfect for gaming, content streaming, and creative work.

Commenting on the latest launch, Himanshu Tandon, Country Head, POCO India, said, "With the POCO F7, we’ve focused on what matters most to our community — raw, uncompromised power. It’s not just about a big battery or fast charging, it’s about giving users everything — flagship performance, bold design, durability, and immersive visuals — all packed in one sleek, affordable package. F7 is the performance beast India has been

waiting for.”

What makes the F7 stand out?

- Snapdragon® 8s Gen 4 – 2.1 million+ AnTuTu score and full A720 architecture for top-tier processing and efficiency.

- India’s largest battery - 7550mAh Silicon Carbon battery – Flagship-sized power that lasts longer and charges faster with 90W fast charging and 22.5W reverse charging.

- India’s slimmest phone with a 7550mAh battery – Just 7.99mm thick with IP66, IP68 and IP69 durability protection.

- Best thermal management – The F7 uses the IceLoop cooling system to ensure steady frame rates and low latency

- Premium glass and metal design – Corning® Gorilla® Glass 7i protection on both sides and a flashy, bold camera deco for a standout look.

- Up to 24GB Turbo RAM (12 GB + 12 GB Virtual RAM) + UFS 4.1 – Next-gen memory and storage for unmatched multitasking and app loading speeds.

- 6.83” 1.5K AMOLED display with 120Hz refresh

rate – Segment’s largest display with ultra-slim bezels for immersive visuals.

- 50MP Sony IMX882 camera with OIS + 20MP selfie – Flagship camera setup with Ultra Snapshot mode for vivid, life-like images.

Availability and launch offers

POCO F7 will go on sale exclusively on Flipkart starting July 1st, at an introductory price of ₹29,999 for the 12+256GB variant and ₹31,999 for the 12+512GB variant. As a part of the first sale day offer, consumers can avail an instant bank discount of ₹2,000 using HDFC, SBI, or ICICI Bank cards, along with a ₹2,000 exchange bonus—applicable either independently or bundled with the bank offer. Additionally, POCO is offering 1-year free screen damage protection worth ₹10,000 and 1-year extended warranty, taking the total warranty coverage to 2 years. These launch day benefits are available exclusively for customers purchasing the device on 1st July, making POCO F7 not just a performance powerhouse, but also the best deal in its category.

## NETFLIX DROPS THE TRAILER FOR ‘AAP JAISA KOI’

Chennai, 26 June 2025: Dear All, Greetings!!!

Herewith i forward the press release pertaining to" Aap Jaisa Koi "

Pyaar, Takraar and Family Drama: Netflix Drops The Trailer For ‘Aap Jaisa Koi’ — a Melodic and Visual Masterpiece ~ Directed by Vivek Soni and produced by Dharmatic Entertainment, Aap Jaisa Koi is a soulful, layered story about courage, connection, and rewriting the rules of family and love. ~

Mumbai, 25th June 2025: What happens when a quiet 42-year-old man unlocks a part of himself he never knew existed — and begins to rewrite the rules of his own life? Netflix has dropped the trailer for Aap Jaisa Koi (loosely translated as “Someone Like You”), starring R. Madhavan as Shrirenu Tripathi and Fatima Sana Shaikh as Madhu Bose, bringing audiences a heart warming family drama that celebrates connection, companionship, and the beauty of discovering ‘Barabari Wala Pyaar’ in the most unexpected circumstances.

Set across the distinct worlds of Jamshedpur and Kolkata, the film follows Shrirenu, a man shaped by habit and tradition, as he begins to re-examine long-held beliefs about masculinity, companionship, and emotional expression. In Madhu, a spirited woman who refuses to shrink herself to fit

societal moulds, he finds not just a romantic partner, but a mirror to his own conditioning. As the two navigate family expectations, emotional baggage, and the weight of societal conditioning, Aap Jaisa Koi becomes a story not just about romance, but about reclaiming a woman’s agency.

Marking Madhavan’s much-awaited return to the romance genre, Aap Jaisa Koi pairs him with Fatima Sana Shaikh in a story that defines what inner liberation and “barabari wala pyaar” (equal love) truly mean. Directed by Vivek Soni (Meenakshi Sundareswar) and produced by Dharmatic Entertainment, the film is brought to life by a powerhouse ensemble cast including Ayesha Raza, Manish Chaudhari and Namit Das, each adding nuance to this honest, heartfelt exploration of family, identity, patriarchy, and the emotional truths we often hide — even from ourselves.

Speaking about the role, R. Madhavan shares, “Aap Jaisa Koi is unlike any love story I’ve done before — it’s quiet, awkward, and deeply human. Shrirenu is one of the most complex characters I’ve played — someone who longs for companionship and closeness, but doesn’t quite know how to ask for it, yet he is rich with emotion underneath. This film isn’t loud or dramatic — it’s patient, gentle, and deeply affecting.

I was drawn to how it speaks to all the people who’ve felt overlooked in life or love. Aap Jaisa Koi is a reminder that it’s never too late to start living on your own terms. It’s a story about vulnerability, rediscovery, and the idea that it’s never too late to open your heart.”

Fatima Sana Shaikh adds, “I feel truly blessed to be a part of Aap Jaisa Koi. I’ve been a huge fan of Madhavan, and getting the chance to share the screen with him was such a joy. Playing Madhu was incredibly special. We often associate strength and confidence with masculinity, but Madhu embodies these qualities with such softness and femininity... Through this film, I got to dive into different shades of love, and oddly enough, it felt quite therapeutic. I also really enjoyed working with Vivek.. he has a very unique voice as a filmmaker, and it was a pleasure to be a part of his beautiful world. I’m just grateful I had the opportunity to collaborate with Netflix and Dharmatic Entertainment, along with Vivek, and Maddy on a story that’s so honest and special.”

While announcing the film’s release date, Ruchikaa Kapoor Sheikh, Director of Original Films, Netflix India, had shared, “Aap Jaisa Koi is a romance drama about love that sprouts amidst fallen hopes and gated traditions. With Vivek Soni’s captivating visuals, it boasts beautiful performances

by R. Madhavan, Fatima Sana Shaikh, Ayesha Raza, along with a stellar ensemble. The film attends to the complexities of love with tender strokes. Dharmatic Entertainment, the masters of romance on film, have told this classic tale in a contemporary fashion. It is part of a strong slate of films we’re bringing to Netflix this year, each with a unique voice and perspective.”

Fresh off his critically acclaimed performance in Netflix’s TEST, R. Madhavan returns to the genre that made an entire generation fall in love with him — romance. In Aap Jaisa Koi, he sheds his recent intense avatars to embrace a tender, emotionally layered character that brings back his iconic chocolate-boy charm. As Shrirenu, Madhavan delivers a performance filled with restraint, warmth, and quiet courage, marking a poignant comeback to the kind of love story that’s both timeless and deeply contemporary.

Get ready for a romance that speaks to the heart and defies convention. Watch the trailer for Aap Jaisa Koi and discover a romance that’s tender, grown-up, and refreshingly real — streaming on July 11, only on Netflix.

CREDITS

Cast: R. Madhavan, Fatima Sana Shaikh, Production: Dharmatic Entertainment, Producers: Karan Johar, Adar Poonawalla, Apoorva Mehta, Somen Mishra, Director: Vivek Soni.

## ALTERNATE ENERGY: CENTRE’S NOD FOR BIHAR NUKE POWER PLANT

Chennai, 26 June 2025: Taking a major step towards promoting nuclear energy across the country, the Central Government today approved the Bihar Government’s proposal to set up a nuclear power plant in the State. Union Power Minister Manohar Lal made this announcement at the Power Ministers’ Conference here.

The Minister said: “If the Bihar Government sets up a nuclear power plant, the Central Government is fully prepared to provide support. We aim to set up a nuclear power plant in every state to ensure the country’s energy security.” He added: “There is also a request from Bihar government for a 1,000 MW battery storage project under Viability Gap Funding (VGF), and we have given in-principle approval for

that as well.” He said India is fulfilling whatever power requirement is there in the country. Until a few years ago, India was known as a power-deficient country. However, today, India is not only fulfilling its needs but also exporting power to countries like Myanmar, Bhutan and Bangladesh.

He noted that India successfully met a peak power demand of 250 GW in May 2024 and 242 GW thus far in 2025. But the peak demand is projected to rise further, reaching approximately 270 GW later this year.

He said: “India’s peak electricity demand is projected to reach 446 GW by 2034?35 and meeting this sustainably requires proactive planning and continued coordination between the centre, states, and other stakeholders.”



The Minister laid emphasis on ensuring Resource Adequacy and necessary power generation capacity tie-ups and advised states to ensure a balanced and diversified power generation mix. This should include the addition of nuclear generation capacity, with an aim to establish at least one nuclear power project in each state.

The Minister remarked that States should promote renewable energy coupled with energy storage systems in order to ensure reliability of supply of power. He mentioned India is moving towards having an increased share of

renewable energy and the same has increased from 32% in 2014 to 49% in April 2025.

He also highlighted the national ambition to achieve 100 GW of nuclear energy by 2047. He urged the states for reinforced implementation of Renewable Purchase Obligation (RPO) mandates and called upon them to form dedicated teams for these critical planning.

A vision paper-2035 was also prepared for the power sector, the Minister said adding that the country was already extensively working on thermal power, solar energy, wind power and projects related to storage of energy.

## CUTN ANNOUNCES ONE-TIME SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS FOR FORMER STUDENTS

Chennai, 26 June 2025: In a significant move aimed at bridging academic gaps and supporting student futures, the Central University of Tamil Nadu (CUTN) has announced a One-Time Special Supplementary Examination for students who have completed their academic tenure but did not clear all requisite papers to obtain their degrees.

The comprehensive programme extends to students from the CUTN batch of 2009-2010 (1st Batch Students) through to the 2022-2023 Final year / Outgoing students.

This initiative specifically targets former and outgoing students who were unable to clear certain papers essential for graduation, providing them with an unprecedented second chance to obtain their degrees.

The announcement comes as a direct response to persistent appeals from past students who, due to various personal or academic challenges, could not complete their programmes within the standard

academic timeframe.

Prof. Sulochana Shekhar, Controller of Examinations at CUTN, highlighted that the initiative aligns with the core principles of the National Education Policy (NEP).

"The NEP encourages flexibility and inclusivity in higher education. This is a student-centric decision aimed at ensuring that a temporary hurdle does not result in a permanent barrier to academic achievement.

The programme is being implemented as per the guidance of

Vice-Chancellor Prof. M. Krishnan, reflecting the university's commitment to student welfare and academic inclusivity," she explained.

Eligible students must complete online registration through the official portal at <http://exam.cutn.ac.in:8080/course-reg-2025-05-sup/> before the deadline of Monday, 07 July 2025.

The fee structure has been set at affordable rates: Theory papers: ₹1,600 per subject / Practical examinations: ₹1,375 per subject / Grade card issuance: ₹200