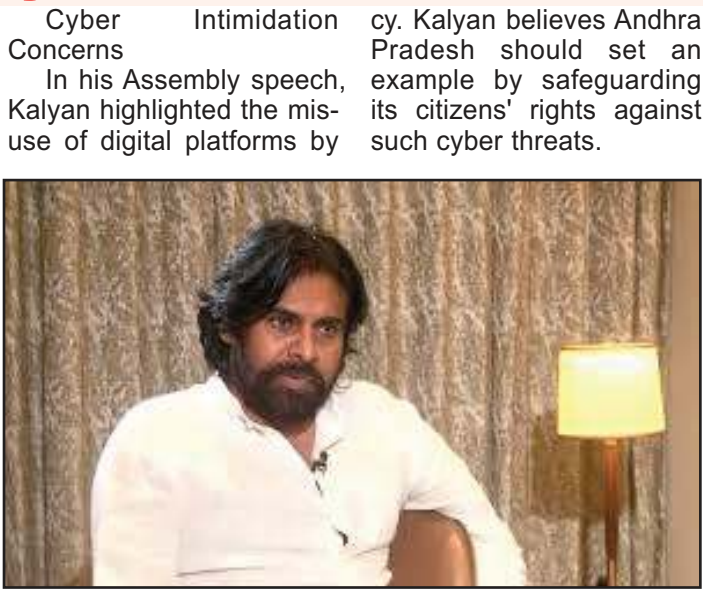


Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan Receives Death Threat Call

(Gns). Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan on Monday received a death threat call. The incident occurred at evening when an unknown caller used abusive language and threatened him. Authorities have been alerted, and a probe into the matter is underway. Kalyan, who transitioned from acting to politics, recently advocated for a Social Media Abuse Protection Bill in the state Assembly. He urged the government to address online harassment issues, especially those targeting public figures and women. He described the abuse as having become "sadistic."



Cyber Intimidation Concerns In his Assembly speech, Kalyan highlighted the misuse of digital platforms by political figures to manipulate and intimidate others. He stressed that this trend poses a threat to democracy. The proposed bill aims to curb online harassment and protect individuals from digital abuse. Kalyan's call for action reflects growing concerns about the impact of social media misuse on public discourse and personal safety.

Assad Flees To Russia: Rebels Take Damascus, US Targets ISIS In Syria

(Gns). In a dramatic turn of events, Syrian rebels captured the capital city of Damascus on Sunday, forcing President Bashar al-Assad to flee to Russia. The fall of Damascus marks a historic end to Assad's 13-year rule amidst a brutal civil war and six decades of autocratic governance by his family.

Hours after the rebel victory, the United States launched a series of airstrikes targeting Islamic State (ISIS) camps in Syria. The US military confirmed strikes on over 75 targets, employing multiple Air Force assets, including B-52 bombers, F-15 jets, and A-10 aircraft. President Joe Biden, addressing the nation, reaffirmed Washington's commitment to preventing ISIS from exploiting the power vacuum in Syria. "The Islamic State will not be allowed to re-establish itself," Biden said, calling Assad's ouster a "fundamental act of justice" and a "historic opportunity for the Syrian people."

Assad Granted Asylum in Russia Bashar al-Assad and his family reportedly fled to Moscow, where they have been granted asylum. The collapse of his regime came just 11 days after a swift offensive led by the Islamist Hayat Tahrir al-Sham (HTS) group challenged his decades-long grip on power. Rebel leader Abu Mohammed al-Golani addressed a large crowd in Damascus, declaring, "A new history is being written for the region after this great victory."

Biden Describes Assad's Fall in Syria as a Fundamental Act of Justice Amidst Regional Risks

(Gns). The sudden collapse of Bashar Assad's regime in Syria marks a significant shift in the Middle East, according to President Joe Biden. He described it as a "fundamental act of justice" after years of repression. However, he also acknowledged the uncertainty and risks this brings to the region. Biden spoke following the rebels' takeover after more than a decade of civil war. Biden Calls Assads Fall a Justice Act Assad's whereabouts remain unknown, though there are reports he may be seeking refuge in Moscow. The outgoing Biden administration and incoming President-elect Donald Trump are assessing the new dynamics in the Middle East. Biden credited the efforts of the US and its allies for weakening Syria's supporters, namely Russia, Iran, and Hezbollah. US Military Presence and Actions The US maintains around 900 troops in Syria, collaborating with Kurdish allies in the northeast to prevent an Islamic State resurgence. Biden confirmed that US forces con-



ducted "dozens" of precision airstrikes on Islamic State targets in Syria. The Syrian opposition, led by Hayat Tahrir al-Sham, is designated as a terrorist group by the US due to its past ties with al-Qaida. Biden emphasised vigilance regarding rebel groups with histories of terrorism and human rights abuses. "We will remain vigilant," he stated. "Make no mistake, some of the rebel groups that took down Assad have their own grim record of terrorism and human rights abuses." He added that while these groups are currently saying the right things, their actions will be closely monitored. Regional Implications

and Reactions The fall of Assad adds complexity to an already tense regional situation, including Israel's conflict with Hamas and its fragile ceasefire with Hezbollah. Trump linked the upheaval in Syria to Russia's war in Ukraine, noting that Assad's allies are weakened. He suggested Assad's ouster could aid peace prospects in Ukraine. Vice President-elect JD Vance expressed skepticism about the insurgents on social media, noting their connections to ISIS. "Many of the rebels are a literal offshoot of ISIS. One can hope they've moderated. Time will tell," he said. Trump's comments on his platform highlighted Putin's

waning interest in Syria due to Ukraine. International Calls for Civility Daniel B. Shapiro from the US Department of Defense stressed that American military presence in eastern Syria aims solely at defeating ISIS. He urged all parties to protect civilians and respect international norms. Shapiro refrained from confirming Assad's deposition but noted no sympathy should be spared for his regime if true. As rebels advanced towards Damascus, they freed political prisoners from government jails. The family of missing US journalist Austin Tice renewed calls for his return. Tice disappeared near Damascus in 2012 during escalating conflict. His mother, Debra Tice, appealed for help through social media advocacy groups. Biden reiterated commitment to bringing Tice home, stating they believe he is alive despite lacking direct evidence. "We have to identify where he is," Biden said at the White House, adding that Assad should be held accountable for his actions.

City Kotwali police caught two murder accused

Ashfaq Chaudhary Mathura city Kotwali police has arrested two murder accused while revealing the murder of an unknown old man that took place on the railway ground on December 4. It is noteworthy that on 04.12.2024, the dead body of an old man was found under the railway ground. While successfully unveiling the same, Sunil Kumar Joshi, Inspector of City Kotwali Police arrested Bharat Singh son of Mula Singh, resident of Dahtora police station, Sikandra district, Agra Hall slum, railway line, Dhaultipya, Kashiram



Murder accused in police custody

Kalouni, resident of Sunny, son of Pappu, this afternoon from Railway gate turn, Dhaultipya. Is. Senior Sub Inspector Sunil Kumar Joshi said that in relation to the above incident, plaintiff Mohit Kumar has filed FIR No. 852/2024 Section 105 BNA at Kotwali Police Station, District Mathura. Was registered vs unknown. In the said incident, the names of both the murder accused came to light, who will be produced before the arrest court today and sent to jail

LuLu Beauty Fest 2024 organised by LuLu Hypermarket wraps up with resounding success in association with Pond's and Tresemme, powered by Fiamo & Yardley London, in association with Enchanteur and Dermafique.

Lucknow, More than 500 candidates registered their participation, shared their profile for audition and short-listed 50 contestants entered the Semi finals, further Top 20 finalists contested in 3 rounds in LuLu Beauty Fest 2024 Grand Finale. Winner of the title "LuLu Nivea Beauty Queen - 2024" won by Sukriti Chhetri, and "LuLu Royal Miraj Man of the Year - 2024" won by Siddhant Talwar, while 1st & 2nd Runner up - Female & Male won by Priya Maurya, Prashant Dwivedi, Apeksha Singh Chauhan and Rishav Dev Singh, respectively. Winners were felicitated by Chief Guest Bollywood Actress Harshaali Malhotra. Assessed by Fashion



Designer Asma Hussain and Bollywood Actor Akarsh Alagh, choreographed by Sameer Srivastava. Mr. Noman Aziz Khan - General Manager LuLu Retail Lucknow exclaimed that LuLu Hypermarket proudly concludes a groundbreaking event that not only showcased the latest trends in beauty industry but also fostered a sense of community and empowerment in the city by providing a platform for fresh talent to perform.

80 year old man donated Rs 1 lakh for brave soldiers

Ashfaq Chaudhary Mathura. Patriotic passion and dedication can happen at any age. Shri Uttam Chand Verma, about 80 years old, resident of Holy Gate area of Mathura, has donated Rs 1 lakh for the brave soldiers deployed on the border of the country on the occasion of Flag Day. Today, on 9 December 2024, Uttam Chand Verma reached the office of District Magistrate Shailendra Kumar Singh, where he gave a check of Rs 1 lakh to the District



Uttam Chand Verma giving a check of one lakh to DM for soldiers on Flag Day

the officer of District Sainik Welfare and Rehabilitation Organization. During this, Uttam Chand Verma said that he has been a businessman in the past and he always respects patriotism and brave soldiers.

When Presidential Palaces Became Symbols Of Defiance: A Comparative Look At Sri Lanka, Bangladesh And Syria

(Gns). Historically, presidential palaces have always symbolised the power and authority of the state. However, in moments of national unrest, these iconic buildings have also become the focal points of public defiance, where the anger of the masses often erupts. Drawing parallels between Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Syria, we observe how public uprisings and rebellions led to the fall of presidents, with their official residences becoming the stage for political transformation. Sri Lanka: The Fall of Rajapaksa When Presidential

Syria Being Purified: Rebel Chief Declares Victory as Assad Flees

(Gns). Syria's long-running civil war reached a historic milestone on Sunday when Abu Mohammed al-Jolani, the leader of the Islamist rebel group Hayat Tahrir al-Sham (HTS), declared victory following the swift takeover of Damascus. The rebel forces, in a lightning offensive, captured the Syrian capital in under two weeks, leading to the collapse of President Bashar al-Assad's regime. The fall of Assad's government has led to widespread celebrations within Syria and



authoritarian rule. Al-Jolani, who is now

across the region, marking the end of over a decade of using his real name Ahmed al-Sharaa, made the announcement from the Umayyad Mosque in Damascus. He addressed the nation and the world, calling this victory "historic" for both Syria and the broader Islamic nation. In a powerful speech, al-Jolani declared, "Today, Syria is being purified," underscoring the symbolic end of Assad's ties with Iran and Hezbollah, two key allies that have been involved in supporting the regime's sectarian policies. Al-Jolani framed the victory as a triumph for the Syrian people who had endured oppression under Assad's rule and for the mujahideen (fighters) who had "broken their chains." Rebel Chief Declares Victory This event marks the dramatic collapse of the Syrian government, which had ruled with an iron fist

since 2000 under Assad and his father, Hafez al-Assad, before him. The regime's fall comes more than 13 years after the beginning of the Syrian Civil War, which erupted in 2011 after peaceful anti-government protests were met with violent crackdowns by the Assad regime. Over the years, the conflict has evolved into a complex and deadly war, drawing in foreign powers, jihadist groups, and other factions, leaving more than half a million people dead and millions displaced. HTS, originally an offshoot of Al-Qaeda, has become one of the most powerful groups in Syria since it broke ties with the terrorist organization in 2016. Despite being labeled a terrorist group by many Western countries, HTS has expanded its influence in northwestern Syria, particularly in Idlib, and has now achieved a significant military victory by capturing Damascus. While al-Jolani's speech was met with cheers and chants of "Allah Akbar" from the crowd, his victory comes with the recognition of the monumental challenges that lie ahead. HTS, having fought to dismantle Assad's government, now faces the daunting task of governing a war-torn nation. The transition to a new