

Why is CM not concerned about Maratha children: Jarange

Agencies Mumbai, February 5 Quota activist Manoj Jarange on Wednesday asked why Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis who cares so much for his daughter does not show similar concern for the Maratha children and grant them reservation. Jarange, who has undertaken several hunger strikes demanding quota in education and government jobs for the Maratha community, was referring to Fadnavis's statement on Tuesday that he had postponed shifting to the



Chief minister's official residence in Mumbai until his daughter's Class 10 exams get over. Speaking to the media, Jarange said, "We saw a father's love for his daughter yesterday...if he has

so much concern for his daughter, why doesn't he care for the children from the Maratha community?" "For your daughter's sake, you are not shifting to another bungalow just 500 metres away...then why can't you see the plight of our kids who hang themselves if they get less marks in exams? Why doesn't the CM give them the reservation which is their right," Jarange added.

NCP(SP) Eknath Khadse meets Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis

Agencies Mumbai, February 5 Nationalist Congress Party (SP) leader Eknath Khadse met Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis at the latter's residence here, a source said on Wednesday. The meeting took place at 'Sagar', Fadnavis's current official bungalow in south Mumbai, on Tuesday night. The source close to the chief minister. "Khadse met the CM for some personal work. It was not a political meeting," he added, without disclosing what transpired during



the meeting. Khadse, who was with the Bharatiya Janata Party for nearly four decades, stepped down from the Fadnavis-led Maharashtra cabinet in 2016 over a controversial land purchase by his family. Later, he quit the BJP and joined the Sharad Pawar-led Nationalist Congress Party. Before the Lok Sabha elections last year, Khadse tried to return to the BJP's fold, but it did not materialise.

Not just Munde but the entire govt is corrupt: Congress

Agencies Mumbai, February 5 As Dhananjay Munde continued to face multiple charges, the Congress on Wednesday mounted a major offensive against the BJP-led Maha Yuti-NDA government saying that the entire government is corrupt, not just the NCP minister. The Congress also slammed chief minister Devendra



Fadnavis and deputy chief ministers Eknath Shinde and Ajit Pawar. "Whether it was the Fadnavis government from 2014 to 2019, the subsequent Shinde-Fadnavis

Saint Tukaram's descendant Shirish More dies by suicide

Agencies Mumbai, February 5 Shirish Maharaj More, a 32-year-old descendant of Saint Tukaram Maharaj, tragically died by suicide at his Dehu home on Wednesday morning. Police investigations suggest financial difficulties led to his death. More, who lived upstairs in his newly built house while his parents lived downstairs, was

found hanging in his room after family members broke down his door when he didn't respond to them. A suicide note citing financial problems was recovered, and police are investigating. The investigation is complicated by the fact that his mobile phone data had been completely erased. Dehu Road police, led by Senior Inspector Vikram Bansode, are conducting a detailed investigation.

Cancellation of block between Virar & Vaitarna on 9 Feb

By A Staff Reporter Mumbai, February 5

Western Railway that the block scheduled to be undertaken on Sunday, 9 February, 2025 between Virar and Saphale & Kelve Road for launching PSC slabs and girders has been cancelled. All affected trains as notified earlier will run as per the scheduled timings.



Over 2,000 IndiGo airline employees join BJP

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In a significant political development ahead of the municipal election, more than 2,000 IndiGo airline employees joined the BJP at its state office in Mumbai on Tuesday. The induction, led by BJP state organiser Ravindra Chavan, marks a strategic shift as many of these employees were previously associated with the Bhartiya Kamgar Sena, a labour union linked to the Shiv Sena (UBT). With elections on the horizon, the BJP has intensified its efforts to expand its support base, particularly among labour unions. Labour unions from airports, MTNL, and the hotel industry play a crucial role at the ground level during elections. Until now, most of these unions in Mumbai were aligned with the Shiv Sena (UBT). However,

the BJP is making efforts to bring them into its fold, and the induction of IndiGo employees is a part of this strategy.

Over 250 people fall ill due to food poisoning at Kolhapur fair

Agencies Kolhapur, February 5

At least 300 persons fell ill due to suspected food poisoning after attending a village fair in western Maharashtra's Kolhapur district. About 50 persons were undergoing treatment at hospital at Shirol at present and the condition of all of them was said to be stable, said an official of Kurundwad police station. A fair had been organised at Shivnakwadi village on Tuesday where 'kheer', a sweet preparation made from milk, was served as 'prasad', he said.

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