

## Junior doctor at Kolkata hospital alleges assault by cop

**KOLKATA, AUG 30** /- A junior doctor at a private hospital here has lodged a complaint of physical assault against a police officer, who had taken admission at the plastic surgery department for a wrist surgery. The alleged assault, around 7pm on Wednesday, triggered a temporary cease work by other doctors in almost all wards of Calcutta Medical Research Institute, barring the emergency and critical care units, an official at the private hospital said. In his complaint at Alipore police station, Srinivas Geddam, a postgraduate trainee doctor with CMRI, said Jadhavpur police station Officer-in-Charge (OC) Pulak Kumar Dutta hit him when he was attending to his medical case.

Dutta, who underwent a wrist surgery yesterday morning, allegedly slapped the junior doctor with his left hand after grabbing him by his neck when asked about his medications a senior police officer said quoting Geddam's complaint. Geddam, a resident of Andhra Pradesh, in his complaint, said he suffered abrasions on his neck following the assault, he said. An official at CMRI said Geddam was attacked while he was trying to understand Dutta's medication routine from the prescriptions submitted to the hospital during admission. "We conducted a medical examination on Geddam which showed abrasions in two places, muscular skeletal wounds and tenderness, which could be a result of the assault," the CMRI official said. The protesting doctors resumed work last night only after police "promised them justice" in the case, he said, adding that the OC signed a "discharge on risk bond" this morning and left the hospital. The Jadhavpur police station OC or his family members could not be contacted for their comments. Deputy Commissioner (South) Meeraj Khalid said a probe has been initiated into the matter. "We are looking into the matter and trying to find out what was the problem. Proper action will be taken against the guilty as per the law," Khalid said, adding that the incident prompted deployment of policemen in large numbers at the hospital last night.

Meanwhile, the state Indian Medical Association (IMA) unit today wrote to Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee seeking her intervention into the matter and action against the accused police officer. There seems to be no end to such assaults on doctors despite the government's multiple awareness campaigns on the issue, Santanu Sen, the state secretary of IMA, told PTI. The attack at CMRI happened even after Kolkata Police issued warnings against such measures. Now we have a case of a police officer assaulting a doctor," Sen said. The Mamata Banerjee-led government had come up with the West Bengal Clinical Establishments Regulatory Commission last year, following an attack by a mob over a death at CMRI. The state IMA secretary threatened to intensify protests if action was not initiated against the accused police officer in the next 24 hours. "If the OC is not arrested under non-bailable sections of the IPC in the next 24 hours, then doctors should stop treating police persons," he added. (PTI)

## Mamata congratulates Asian games champion Swapna's parents

**JALPAIGURI, AUG 30** /- Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee greeted Basana Barman, mother of Swapna Barman, who won a gold medal at heptathlon event of Asian Games on Wednesday. Chief Minister assured all sorts of help for Swapna's family over phone. Tourism minister Gautam Debrushed Swapna's residence in Jalpaiguri today to shower greetings upon her family. Soon the CM called Deb's mobile phone and spoke to the young athlete's mother for nearly four minutes.

Daughter of Panchanan Barman, a rickshaw-puller, Swapna had a golden performance in the international sports event and thus became cyrosure of the country's Panchanan Barman. She has long been battling with illness said, "Swapna did not give up to poverty and other odds. She kept fighting and now she has achieved her mission." Soon after she won the medal by registering a magnificent performance, Swapna has been congratulated from all corners. The central government has already declared prizes and other helps to the champion athlete. The central government has also assured prize money and other facilities.

Siliguri Municipal Corporation has also declared that a special welcome would be accorded to Swapna for having earned laurel for the nation. Puja committees of Jalpaiguri and Siliguri queued up at her door to obtain consent from her parents so that the inauguration could be done by her. Deb said, "Swapna has made us all proud."

Mayor of Kolkata Sovan Chatterjee inaugurating an app for availing health services provided by KMC at KMC headquarters on Thursday—Arijit Ganguly



## Metro services affected as man attempts suicide at station

**KOLKATA, AUG 30** /- A suicide attempt by a man at Gishik Park metro station affected the underground train services for 40 minutes today, a Metro spokesperson said. The unidentified man allegedly tried to com-

mit suicide by jumping on the tracks at Gishik Park when a train entered the station in the up-line. The injured man was lifted and taken to a hospital for treatment, a police officer said. Owing to the incident, metro services were affected from 3.20 pm to 4.13 pm, the Metro spokesperson said. Truncated services were maintained during the period between Maidan and Kavi Subhas stations in the southern part of the city. (PTI)

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## Forest officials bust fake recruitment racket

**SILIGURI, AUG 30** /- Belakoba forest range officer Sanjay Dutt and his team have busted a racket involving people by issuing false appointment letters in the name of Additional Chief Secretary, Forest, PCCF (HOFF). Forest officials apprehended three persons involved in the case and recovered Rs 65,000 from them. All three have been handed over to Raiganj police under Jalpaiguri district last night. The arrested three persons are Pradip Ghosh of Dumdum Kolkata, Bikram Kumar Singha of Malda and Subham Kumar Dikai of Matigra, Siliguri. Dutt informed that the case was reported to him since few months back and accordingly he mobilized his resources to track the offenders. He said, "The message was also available

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## BJP, CPM, Cong behind panchayat violence: TMC

**KOLKATA, AUG 30** /- The Trinamool Congress today alleged that the CPM, BJP and the Congress have joined hands and they were behind the violence taking place during panchayat board formations. These three Opposition parties are terrorising elected candidates of the TMC, its Secretary General Partha Chatterjee told reporters here.

## Mother's shift to Trinamool proves dear for three-year old Mrinal Mondal

**BJP blamed for baby's bullet-injury**

**SAGAR RAJAK**  
**SOUMYA DE SARKAR**  
**MANIKCHAK, AUG 30** /- A three-year old baby boy paid dearly for his mother's change of camps during formation of panchayat boards. Miscreants shot at Mrinal Mondal (3), after his mother Putul Mondal, who was elected to Manikchak gram panchayat (GP) from Ramnagar for BJP supported Trinamool Congress while the board was being formed today. The seriously injured baby was referred to Kolkata from Malda medical college and hospital (MMCH) where he was brought for treatment initially.



house again around 4 pm. While pillaging the house the miscreants allegedly resorted to firing rampantly. While Putul and her husband Parimal Mondal escaped, the baby could not escape the fury of the goons. Mrinal was shot at his forehead. The baby was rescued by locals and rushed to Manikchak rural hospital. Dr Arjit Mukherjee, who attended to the baby said, "The condition of the baby was grave and he was immediately referred to MMCH." Later, the baby was sent for better treatment to Kolkata from MMCH.

Violence over panchayat board formation has left seven persons dead in various districts of the state since August 27. "These political parties have been sent to political oblivion by the people. But they are yet to learn their lesson. Now they are resorting to violence to fight us. Their politics of killing and violence will not yield any results," he said. Another senior TMC leader Jyotipriyo Mullick claimed that the BJP and the CPM have joined hands in various parts of the state and have unleashed violence on the ruling party. "They are stopping our candidates in various places in North 24 Parganas district to stop us from forming boards," he alleged.

Three persons were killed and 17 others injured in clashes over formation of a panchayat board at Amdanga in North 24 Parganas district on Wednesday. The violence followed similar clashes in North Dinapur, Malda and Purulia districts since Monday in which four persons were killed and several others injured. Reacting to the violence, chief minister Mamata Banerjee expressed her disapproval to the BJP, had said one political party has made the "politics of killing a model". (PTI)

Sarkar demanded that the miscreants were investigated by local redoubtable leaders of BJP. He demanded exemplary punishment of the goons. District BJP president Sanjit Mishra, however, refuted that his party workers were involved in the attack. "Trinamool purchased one of our elected panchayat members. The decision divided the ruling party and they indulged in a factional strife. We guess that the innocent baby was victim of the internal clash of Trinamool," Mishra said. Arabh Ghosh, SP, Malda said that a team of police led by deputy superintendent of police (headquarters) Bipul Majumdar went to Ramnagar village to take stock of the situation. "They have spoken to locals. A probe has been initiated. Miscreants would be identified and arrested," Ghosh said. (EOIC)

## Tourism minister likes to set up school to immortalize Mollika Mazumder

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**SILIGURI, AUG 30** /- Tourism minister Gautam Deb met the family members of Mollika Mazumder whose organs saved few lives after her premature demise recently. Deb visited rail colony area of New Jalpaiguri on Wednesday and spoke to relatives of Mazumder for a long time. What she has done is rare. Mollika is physically no more among us but she has been living through her organs implanted to other citizens who have received a new life for her," Deb said. "We have no word to appreciate

such an instance to uphold humanity. We are planning to set up a school in Mollika Mazumder's memory to keep her contribution immortal. A land is being searched for the purpose," minister informed. He assured that the state government and Trinamool Congress would extend all sorts of cooperation to family members of Mazumder. It may be mentioned that Siliguri municipal corporation has already announced posthumous special citizenship award to Mazumder. A road has been proposed to be named after her, said Siliguri mayor Asok Bhattacharya.

## Majority of state CPM units bats in favour of adjustment with Cong in LS polls

**KOLKATA, AUG 30** /- The majority of CPI(M) West Bengal unit today advocated in favour of an adjustment with the Congress and other secular and democratic forces in the state for the next Lok Sabha polls. A one-day long meeting of the Left party was held today to discuss the strategy for 42 Lok Sabha seats from West Bengal. CPM general secretary Sitaram Yechury was also present in the meet-

ing. "Most of the state committee members were in favour of a seat adjustment with Congress in order to stop the march of BJP and TMC in Bengal," said a senior CPM state committee member. However, the district units of Kolkata, Burdwan, and Jalpaiguri were against any sort of adjustment with the grand old party. "We can't deny the credentials and acceptability of the Congress as a secular force and when

the question is of fighting against a communal force like the BJP, the Congress cannot be treated as untouchable," a senior CPM state committee member. According to party sources, all the district units have been asked to prepare a list of seats where "an adjustment with Congress will be a game-changer". The report will be then placed in the central committee and politburo meeting for further discus-

sion. According to a senior CPM state committee leader, the meeting also discussed various modalities, including the party's ability to win seats on its own. "Let us accept the fact that the situation in Bengal is not very conducive for us. We have to see which seats can be won if there is an adjustment with the Congress. We will send the report to the central committee," he told on condition of anonymity. (PTI)

## Minority organisation's rally in Kolkata against Assam NRC

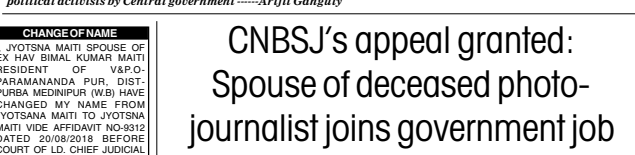
**KOLKATA, AUG 30** /- A minority organisation took out a rally in Kolkata on Thursday protesting against the updation of the Assam NRC and accused the BJP ministry at the Centre of trying to take away citizenship of Muslims. The protestors across the BJP-led ministry in Assam of "deliberately omitting" Bengalis and people from the minority community from the complete draft of NRC that was published in the last week of July. They shouted slogans against the BJP government both in Assam and at the Centre, carried placards denouncing them and demanded immediate withdrawal of the Assam NRC. "The Assam NRC is a ploy to single out Muslims and take away their citizenship. We want this NRC (exercise) to be withdrawn," Mohammad Kamruzzaman, secretary of the West Bengal Minority Youth Federation, said. "The criterion that has been set is not only absurd but also impractical. They are asking for documents of our forefathers. Have the BJP leaders preserved the documents of their forefathers," he added.

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Protest rally from Esplanade to Moulali organised by Left Parties on Thursday to protest the atrocities against political activists by Central government — Arijit Ganguly



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**A LIPURDUAR / SILIGURI, AUG 30** /- A humanitarian appeal of Chandana Chowdhury, a senior scribe from Jalpaiguri and an active member of Confederation of North Bengal & Sikkim Journalists (CNBSJ) that was readily approved by the Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee finally ensures smile on face of Anima Modak, who underwent a deplorable condition since her husband Rajkumar Modak, photo journalist of a vernacular daily died of a cardiac arrest on February 28. Anima Modak joined as a probationary tour guide at Jaldapara tourist centre on Wednesday after receiving appointment letter from the state government few days back.

## CNBSJ's appeal granted: Spouse of deceased photo-journalist joins government job

Chowdhury drew the CM's attention during a press meet to pathetic condition of the deceased photo-journalist's family. Mamata Banerjee promptly responded and asked the CNBSJ officials to send a written application for Modak's family. "My gratitude to the Chief Minister, Chandana Di and all members of CNBSJ knows no bound. Their joint effort has not only saved my family but also an encouragement for the scribes to work impartially and fearlessly," Anima Modak said after joining her tour officially. A n g s h u m a n Chakraborty, general

secretary of CNBSJ thanked the Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in abundance for her humanitarian response to the appeal of Chowdhury. "We, on behalf of CNBSJ, express our profound gratitude to the Chief Minister for her magnanimous gesture. She has also promised to treat any such issue of journalists and photo journalists suitably in future also. It is indeed a great encouragement for us," Chakraborty said. Pramod Giri, working president of CNBSJ also thanked the Chief Minister and the state government for altruistic gesture.

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