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## aganist Climate Change

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**BENGALURU:** Narendra Modi on a phone : call with US President Biden: on 8th Feb applauded his : decision to re-commit Paris Agreement. The decision: came after former president : Donald J Trump pulled out of : the agreement mere weeks: before US elections. Modi affirmed the importance of addressing the issue as: serious as climate change and highlighted the ambitions: India has set for itself in field: of renewable energy.

Modi appreciated Biden's : initiative to organise climate change leader summit in April and he looks forwards to be a part of it says the press release from PIB.

The leaders also discussed: the regional developments and noted: India-US partnership is commitment to democratic. reiterated importance of working with like-minded countries to ensure international order and a free Indo-Pacific region

also took this President to India at his: earliest convenience.

Modi warmly congratulated : Biden conveying best wishes : and said he looks forward to working with him.

## Ind-US unite Nadda slams Mamata, questions TMC actions

Varsha Benedict

KOLKATA: BJP National President JP Nadda visits Bengal on Tuesday, to flag off the second phase of the TPM: "Parivartan Yatra" Tarapith in Birbhum district. While delivering a speech the National President criticizes the Mamata Government's rule in Bengal. "All TMC did was autocracy, polarization, and corruption", said Nadda.

> JP Nadda stated that Mamata always created hindrance in development activities in West Bengal and there is a need to bring about change in this situation against the way TMC ruled in BJP's Parivartan Yatra in Bengal.



JP Nadda at the event

In all the development work Bengal while Modi Ji did that took place in Bengal, justice, added the BJP

Mamata stammered and has President. Nadda mentioned that the state even reports the always done injustice to that most cases of human highest number of murders tracking and acid attacks are and attempts to murders. reported from Bengal and

**Twitter** 

Further taking a dig at the

TMC Government, Nadda mentions that Suvendu Adhikari, who has recently joined BJP leaving TMC, had understood that there is no care for "Maa Maati Manush". The Trinamool came to Bengal 10 years ago with the slogan of Mother, Mati, and Manush, but neither the mother was respected nor the love of Mati nor Manush was concerned.

Nadda stated that was the reason Adhikari joined BJP to work under the leadership of PM Modi to work for development in Bengal. The Scheme Ayushman Bharat will be implemented in Bengal once BJP wins and forms Government in Bengal in May.

## Chamoli falls on its knees due to flooding

firmly anchored to shared BENGALURU:Uttarakhand -resident Manoj Semwal is in rare company: He is one of the few people to have firsthand experience of the 2013 Uttarakhand flash floods in Kedarnath, and the recent glacial burst in the Chamoli district in the state.

opportunity to invite the US: This former mountainneer was present the day the skies burst open and inundated Kedarnath, and arrived a day after the Chamoli incident and witnessed the destruction there. He told the Beacon



Rescue operations in progress

**Twitter** 

over the phone: This incident 2013. He further told that the said that rescue team of was also present there and ITBP, NDRF and Army conducted an ariel inspection personnel are doing their best of the areas that were more than one hundred that 12 workers from NTPC civilians are missing and what happened earlier in project.

took place on Sunday. He CM Trivendra Singh Rawat efforts to rescue villagers affected due to glacier from the incident. So far disaster. Semwal also told project tunnel were rescued their bodies have yet to be and 15 other people who are found, some of them stuck in Rishiganga project belonged to Lakhimpur Kheri too were saved, so far the and Saharanpur district.In rescue team are doing their comparison to kedarnath best efforts to save the flood, the situation is handled remaining workers who are well and the response of the feared to be trapped in the government is better than second tunnel of NTPC

#### Twitterati in fumes over India's loss

Nandita Narayanan

ricket fans took to Twitter to lambast India on their crushing test defeat against England in Chennai, claiming the loss on the week captaincy of Virat Kohli. England celebrated a monumental victory against

the host team by reducing India to 192 in the 4th innings by setting a target of 420 runs. A fan questioned the captaincy of Virat Kohli by mentioning the series victory in down under with the absence of him in tweet (@Steel\_Man\_Usman).

Another fan @ttushar 19 tweeted about the Indian coach Ravi Shastri's coaching and team strategies lead to the loss.

Another fan simply blamed the loss for the team's involvement in the ongoing farmer's protest to be one of the causes. "It would be better if they played only cricket instead of raising their voices against the farmers' protest and Rihanna.": @FreeIndian India to face England in the 2nd test at Chennai on 13th of this month but this time with 50% audience occupancy.

### V-day week business back in action Anna Mariam Ittyerah

BENGALURU: The post pandemic sentiment seems unable to dim Valentine's Day celebrations as prices for all the goodies have reverted to the pre-Covid days.

Home-bound and sending gifts via apps throughout the pandemic, couples are now looking at steep prices for the choice of their gifts to send for occasions like Rose Day and Chocolate Day in the run-up to February 14.

"Being a baker myself, I have increased my standard prices to about 10%," says



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Lisa Jennifer, a home baker student exclaims that the and a student owing to the V- price of rose tends to double

day week. Anya Vergis, a or even triple during

valentine week.

Tesy Ranjana, the owner of OneStopp, a Chennai based handmade craft store said that the business is blooming as their customers and orders are increasing everyday due to the occasion

The online floral and bouquet stores such Ferns N petals and Shades of Spring also have their share in the Valentine's day week business. "We offer up to 20discount" Yeshaswini, the marketing head of Shades of Spring when asked about what makes them stand out.