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Mark Carney Leads Liberals to Minority Win with 169 Seats; Poilievre and Singh Defeated in Own Ridings

Not any party, but Mark Carney emerged as the winner in the 2025 federal election, clinching a resounding victory in his Nepean riding in Ottawa with over 46,000 votes—more than double the tally of his closest rival, Conservative candidate Barbara Bal. His triumph marks a stunning turnaround for the Liberal Party, which, until just a month ago, had been lagging behind the Conservatives for nearly a year. The Liberals fell just short of the majority mark of 172 seats—securing 169 in the 343-seat House of Commons. It was a clear indication that, while Canadians were not entirely sold on the party itself, they were willing to give Carney the benefit of the doubt.

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From Experienced To New And Youngest: More Than 20 Punjabi-Origin Candidates Win Big Across Canada This Election

Long-time Surrey MPs Sukh Dhaliwal and Randeep Sarai retain their ridings

Some old, some new and some even youngest -- twenty-three Indian-origin out of which 22 are Punjabi origin candidates have won in this election compared to the last federal election. Representing both Conservative and Liberal parties across Canadian ridings, they will be going to parliament either as part of the government or as opposition in 2025. The increasing number reflects the important role of Punjabi community in Canadian politics.



Anita Anand

From British Columbia, five Punjabi origin candidates



Amanpreet Singh Gill

claimed victories. Liberal incumbents Randeep Sarai and Sukh Dhaliwal retained their



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ridings in Surrey Centre and Surrey Newton respectively.



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Emotional Jagmeet Singh steps down as NDP leader after losing in Burnaby, Sikh community celebrates his legacy

Jagmeet Singh, the first turbaned leader of a dominant Canadian federal party, stepped down after suffering a crushing loss in Monday's national election. His New Democratic Party (NDP) dropped from 25 to only 7 seats, losing official party status within the House of Commons. Singh himself was unable to keep his seat in Burnaby Central, where he placed third. "Choosing to commit your life to politics obviously comes with some sacrifice, but we choose this life because of the chance to change the country you love for the better," Singh said from his election night headquarters in Burnaby, B.C. on Monday night, often pausing to hold back tears, and thanking his wife and supporters. "We may lose sometimes, and those losses hurt." "It's tough, but we are only defeated if we stop fighting," he added. "We're only defeated when we believe those that tell us that we can never dream of a better Canada, a fairer Canada, a more compassionate Canada."

A former Ontario MPP, Singh won the



NDP leadership in 2017 and led the party from outside the House of Commons — much to the chagrin of some longtime New Democrats — until 2019, when he secured a seat in the Burnaby South, B.C. byelection.

His tenure as NDP leader was marked by achievements and criticism. The Sikh community celebrated his achievements, thanking him for his contributions. World Sikh Organization President Danish Singh said, "Jagmeet Singh made history as the first Sikh — proudly wearing the articles

of faith — to lead a federal political party in Canada. As leader of the NDP, he shattered barriers and sent a powerful message to not just Sikhs but all Canadians: that faith and leadership are not mutually exclusive, and that Sikhs, including those who wear the Sikh articles of faith, can lead and serve at the highest levels of public life."

Singh will be remembered for being a parliamentary partner with the Liberal minority government that led to the creation of national pharmacare and dental care programs, not to mention the securing two weeks of paid sick leave and the banning of replacement workers during strike actions.

Bea Bruske, President of the Canadian Labour Congress, said, "Jagmeet has been a tireless, principled, and passionate champion for fairness, justice, and the dignity of work. As the first racialized person to lead a major federal party in Canada, Jagmeet made history—and he did so with courage, compassion, and an

unwavering commitment to social justice. His politics have always been rooted in unity—bringing people together across differences and fighting for a Canada where no one is left behind.

As leader, he rolled up his sleeves and did the hard work of turning principles into action. From delivering historic wins like dental care and advancing the fight for universal Pharmacare, to standing firm against corporate greed and advocating for equity and inclusion, Jagmeet has never stopped fighting for what matters to working people."

The supply-and-confidence agreement struck between the two parties in March 2022 committed the NDP to supporting the Liberal government on confidence votes in exchange for legislative commitments on NDP priorities. The deal was scheduled to run until June 2025.

When Singh tore up that agreement in early September, but did not bring down the Liberal government, he was the subject of an onslaught of negative Conservative ads.

Why did Conservative leader Poilievre lose Carleton riding he's held for 20 years?

For many Canadians, the defeat of Pierre Poilievre from his riding in Carleton, Ontario was more shocking than the victory of the Liberal Party. Poilievre has represented this riding for almost two decades.

Poilievre was ousted by Liberal newcomer candidate Bruce Fanjoy who garnered about 51 per cent of the vote to Poilievre's 46 per cent. So the question is what contributed to the downfall of the candidate who was rising to popularity and was close enough to be the next Prime Minister of Canada.

There are many interesting aspects related to it. One is the riding itself. It had the largest number of candidate



Pierre Poilievre with his wife on Election night

representatives. Almost 90 candidates were in the ballot list out of which most of them were independent candidates. According to CTV news, "The riding was contested by 91 candidates on the ballot, largely due to a protest group called the

Longest Ballot Committee, which was able to convince dozens of candidates to register as independent candidates as part of a protest for electoral reform. According to Elections Canada, 90 of 91 candidates on the ballot received a vote in the election."

Carleton saw the highest voter turnout in advance polling in the country, with Elections Canada reporting that nearly 44,000 votes were cast over four days of early voting during the Easter long weekend. The person who defeated Poilievre is a newcomer, a private sector and community



Bruce Fanjoy, the man who defeated Poilievre

leader. He held a number of leadership positions with several large companies. He said that he won because he worked hard and Poilievre was absent from the community. "The contrast between Pierre Poilievre and me is quite stark. I was here and working hard in all parts of the riding, virtually every day for two years, where he's been absent," Fanjoy said. "I think he took the riding a bit for granted and nobody likes to be taken for granted."

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Meet the very young Liberal MP of Canada from Brampton: Amandeep Sodhi

Amandeep Sodhi Liberal has won Brampton Centre in a close federal election race. Sodhi won with 18,940 votes (48 per cent), ahead of Conservative candidate Taran Chahal's with 18,600 votes (47.2 per cent). According to media reports, Sodhi's family is from Moga district of Punjab. She will be perhaps one of the youngest MPs in the parliament. According to her biography, Sodhi completed her graduation in 2023 from the University of Western Ontario in 2023 with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Certificate in Law and Public Policy.



her to develop skills that are vital in navigating the legislative process. Born in Toronto and having lived in Brampton, London, and Caledon, Amandeep is a second generation Canadian that has firsthand connection to the challenges and strengths of our diverse surrounding communities.

She said after her victory, "I am deeply grateful for your trust and support Together, we made history and I'm honoured to be your voice in Ottawa. This win isn't just mine—it belongs

to every volunteer, supporter, and voter who believed in a better future for our community." Her success is being widely celebrated by the Indian diaspora, especially the Punjabi community, for whom her win symbolizes growing representation and influence in Canadian politics.

Currently working as a Legal Assistant at a family law firm, her role has allowed

Anju Dhillon: The only Punjabi Origin candidate to win in French Speaking Quebec



Anju Dhillon, Canadian lawyer-politician Anju Dhillon on became the first Punjabi-origin candidate to get elected from the French-dominated Quebec province in the Canadian general elections. Liberal party candidate Anju, 36, who hails from a Sikh family, made it to the Canadian parliament from fom Dorval-Lachine-LaSalle riding by a huge margin of 16,301 votes.

Anju overcame incumbent Isabelle Morin of New Democratic Party. Anju is known for her legislative initiative that became law in 2023; Bill C-233: An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Judges Act, also known as Keira's Law across Canada. This piece of legislation irrevocably altered the administration of the justice system in matters of intimate partner violence (IPV). Before this law came into effect, coercive control was not recognized by the courts nor was IPV taken into consideration as a condition of release. The law also amended the Judges Act requiring judges to train in domestic violence and consider the risks to the safety of the survivor in determining whether an accused charged with intimate partner violence must wear an electronic monitoring device before being released. Prior to Keira's law, conditions of release did not include a monitoring device or even the mention of intimate partner violence.

Long Time Minister Kamal Khera loses to Amarjeet Gill

In a stunning upset, Kamal Khera, a cabinet minister under both Mark Carney and Justin Trudeau, lost her seat Brampton West to Conservative candidate Amarjeet Gill in a tight race.

Gill got 21,112 votes leaving Khera behind only by a difference of less than 1000 votes. Khera got 20,214 Before earning her first cabinet post in 2021, Khera was a parliamentary secretary. A nurse by training, Khera had held the riding since 2015. Khera was a high-profile member of the Liberal



Kamal Khera



Amarjeet Gill

government, having held roles which included Minister of Health, Minister of Seniors and Minister of Diversity, Inclusion and Persons with Disabilities. Gill's grandfather and father both served in the Armed Forces during World War I and World War II respectively.

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We Must Take Steps To Prevent Tragedies Similar To The One That Took Place During Lapu Lapu Festival In Vancouver



By Harinder Mahil

Many publications have written about the tragedy that took place on Saturday, May 26 in Vancouver when a man drove an SUV into a crowd at the Lapu Lapu Day festival killing 11 people and injuring many more. This was a senseless and heartbreaking act of violence. I was heartbroken to learn of the accident which claimed the lives of so many people. There are no words that can truly ease the pain of such profound loss to victims' families and the Filipino community. The driver, Kai-Ji Adam Lo, has been charged with eight counts of second-degree murder. Vancouver Police Department have stated that they may add additional charges. Police said the

suspect was known to them prior to the attack. Organisers of the annual Lapu Lapu festival said the city's tight-knit Filipino community is grieving and the attack's impact will be felt for years to come. It has become clear now that the suspect has had many interactions with the police. Most of these interactions appear to be in connection with mental health issues. Many politicians, including Premier David Eby and Prime Minister Mark Carney, have spoken about the tragedy and expressed grief. Many in the community are still shocked and trying to understand why such a tragedy happened in Vancouver. We take pride in the fact that people of various backgrounds live in Vancouver and get along with one another. Although this was a festival organized by the Filipino community, it could have been any other community. We have recently had Baisakhi Parades in Vancouver and Surrey which were



BC Premier David Eby and Mable Elmore honoring memories of the lost ones with profound sorrow at Lapu Lapu memorial

killed 11 people and injured many more had more than 50 interactions with the police, what was done to help him. What steps were taken so that he would not injure himself and others in the community? The provincial government closed a number of mental institutions such as Riverview in Coquitlam many years ago. The prevailing wisdom was that persons with mental health challenges should be provided appropriate resources so that they can adjust to living in the community. It is obvious that this has not happened. Recently, the provincial government has announced that it has opened 10 beds under an involuntary treatment program at South Fraser pretrial centre. This will not be enough. Much more needs to be done to keep persons suffering from mental health challenges safe and keep the community safe.

It is also important that we do not stigmatize persons with mental health challenges as it is estimated that about 11 percent of British Columbia's population suffers from one or the other mental health challenge. Most of us know someone in our own circle of friends who needs help because of a mental health challenge. We should not see every person suffering from a mental health disability as someone who would do what this driver did. Let us be compassionate and caring in dealing with the issue and still take steps to protect ourselves and support those who need help. Harinder Mahil is a human rights activist and is secretary of Dr. Hari Sharma Foundation.

attended by hundreds of thousands of people. Any community could have been victim of such a tragedy. What can we do so that this will never happen again? There appear to be two areas that requires attention. The first one is: what steps can be taken by our governments and various police departments to make such events safe for everyone. The second area is that of support for persons with mental health challenges. There is no doubt that police and all levels of governments must pay attention to the safety of people whenever large number of people attend various festivals. The second area requires much more attention. I am asking the same question as many others: if this driver who

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Sikh Heritage Month Canada Cup On May 3 To Celebrate Historical Connection Between Martial Arts And Sikh Culture

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"I am proud that our Sport Surrey Grant program is supporting this world-class event," said Mayor Brenda Locke. "These funds are essential for foster local initiatives that bring people together through sport and culture. By combining world-class martial arts with the rich traditions of Sikh culture, this event highlights not only the

talent of these athletes but also promotes community engagement, spirit and economic development in Surrey."

Organized by Arjan Bhullar, a decorated heavyweight mixed martial artist and former ONE Heavyweight World Champion, the event will showcase fighters from around the world in boxing, kickboxing, MMA, and Gatka, a traditional Sikh martial art. The competition ring will be set up in the center of the ballroom, creating an immersive experience for spectators. Event tickets can be purchased on the website, and doors will open at 5:15 pm.

Proceeds from the ticket sales of this event will benefit the Arjan Bhullar Foundation, with funds going toward the Champions For Change program, which provides mentorship and support for at-risk youth in communities across Canada.

"I am excited to bring this event to Surrey,



and to celebrate the powerful role martial arts have played in Sikh culture," said Arjan Bhullar. "This event will not only offer thrilling competition but also make a lasting impact in our community."

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Police Investigate Death Of AAP Leader's Daughter In Ottawa

Ottawa police are investigating the death of a young woman who was found in a park on the shore of the Ottawa River on Sunday. The Indian High Commission in Ottawa has identified her as a student from India, saying she went missing several days before her body was found. The Commission said, "We are deeply saddened to be informed of the death of Ms. Vanshika, student from India in Ottawa. The matter has been taken up with concerned authorities and the cause is under investigation as per local police. We are in close contact with the bereaved kin and local community associations to provide all possible assistance." Ottawa police say they won't provide any personal information



about the woman while the circumstances of her death are under investigation. "Sadly, on Sunday, April 27, the Ottawa Police Service received a report of a deceased person in the water at Dick Bell Park located on Carling Avenue in Ottawa. A woman in her twenties was located, and the circumstances surrounding her death are under investigation," said in police in a post on Platform X. According to Tribune, Vanshika was from Dera Bassi. "Her father, Davinder Saini, a resident of Saini Mohalla, Dera Bassi, and local AAP leader, suspect foul play in his daughter's death. He said he had last talked with her daughter on April 22, after which her phone remained switched off," the newspaper reported.

SGPC Greet Punjabis On Poll Win In Canada

Shiromani Gurdwara P a r b a n d h a k Committee (SGPC)'s Harjinder Singh Dhami congratulated Punjabis, particularly the Sikh candidates, who emerged victorious in Canada's federal elections. He said it was a matter of pride for the Sikh community and all Punjabis that these candidates had secured win, proving their leadership in Canadian politics. Dhami also congratulated Canada's emerging Liberal Party and its leader, Mark Carney, on their performance in the elections. "We hope the winning candidates will work for social justice and the welfare of all communities," he said. He wrote on Platform X, "Happy to extend congratulations on the significant victories of Punjabi—particularly Sikh—candidates in Canada's federal elections. It is a matter of great pride for the Sikh community



and all Punjabis that these candidates have secured wins, proving their leadership in Canadian politics and bringing honor to the Punjabi community. These victories are the result of the hard work, honesty, and humanitarian service of Punjabis. P u n j a b i s — a n d especially Sikhs—living abroad are not only preserving their cultural education, ethics, and historical roles on the global political stage. Hope that the elected Sikh and Punjabi Members of Parliament will uphold their religious values and effectively represent public trust in Canadian politics. I, Congratulate Canada's emerging Liberal Party and its leader, Mark Carney, on their performance in the general elections. Hope that the winning candidates will work for social justice and the welfare of all communities."

Indian-Origin CEO near Seattle shoots wife and son at US home, then kills himself

A Mysuru-based tech entrepreneur died by suicide and his wife and son were found shot dead at their residence near Washington in the United States last week, according to several reports. The King County Medical Examiner's Office in US identified the victims as 57-year-old Harshavardhana Kikkeri, who was the CEO of HoloWorld, a robotics company headquartered in Mysuru's Vijayanagar, his 44-year-old wife Shwetha Panyam, who is also the co-founder of the company, and their 14-year-old son. "According to the King County Medical Examiner's Office, the three who died at the scene on April 24 were 14-year-old male Dhruva Kikkeri, whose cause of death was a gunshot wound of the head and the manner of death was a homicide; 44-year-old female Shwetha Panyam, whose cause of death was gunshot wounds of the head and torso and the manner of death was a homicide; and 44-year-old male Harshavardhana Kikkeri, whose cause of death was a perforating contact handgun wound of the head and the manner of death was suicide," wrote US newspaper Kent Reporter. King County sheriff's spokesperson Brandyn Hull said police are suspecting a murder-suicide, The Seattle Times reported.



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However, officials are still ascertaining the exact reason behind the incident. The incident happened on last week and is under investigation. Reports say the younger son, 7 years old, was outside the house when it happened, so he survived. Police rushed to a townhouse on 129th Place Southeast around 7 pm after a 911 call, the King County sheriff's spokesperson said. Detectives later found blood smeared on the front window and a single hollow-point bullet lying in the street. "An investigation such as this takes time, and our detectives are working diligently to try and piece together what led to this incident," Hull said.

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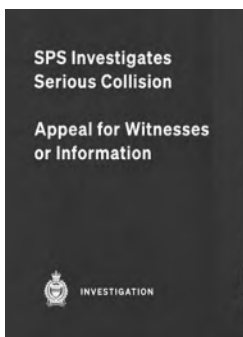
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Serious Collision In Newton Sends 70 Year Old Senior To Hospital

Surrey Police Service Traffic Enforcement Unit, with support from the Lower Mainland District Integrated Collision Analysis and Reconstruction Service (ICARS), was investigating a serious collision that has resulted in one man being critically injured in Surrey's Newton neighbourhood.

At approximately 5:50 pm on April 28, 2025, RCMP Surrey Provincial Operations Support Unit (SPOSU) officers came across a two-vehicle collision in the 14600 block of 72 Avenue while on patrol. Surrey Police Service



Frontline officers, Surrey Fire Service firefighters, and BCEHS paramedics attended the scene. The driver of one of the vehicles, a man in his early 70's, was transported by BCEHS to hospital

in critical condition and has potentially life-threatening injuries. The passenger in the vehicle that had the injured driver was treated for minor injuries. Neither of the two occupants of the second vehicle were injured. SPS Traffic Enforcement Unit is investigating the collision, and the cause remains under investigation.

If you witnessed the collision or have any information, including CCTV or dashcam footage, please call Surrey Police Service at 604-599-0502 and quote file 2025-33962 (SP).

Hit and Run Pedestrian Struck Collision in Delta

A collision involving a black vehicle and a pedestrian sent one person to hospital with minor injuries. The driver did not remain at the scene.

Just before 3:00 PM, a youth male was crossing 112th Street at Bridlington Drive (in front of Burnsview Secondary School) when he was struck by a black vehicle that was travelling southbound on 112th Street. The youth male was subsequently transported to hospital with minor injuries.

The black vehicle failed to stop and continued driving southbound on 112th Street. The Delta Police is appealing to the driver of the vehicle to come forward and speak with investigators about the incident.

We want to speak with witnesses to the incident. We are requesting anyone with CCTV or dash camera video of the collision or the vehicle involved to contact the investigating officer, Cst. A. Creber, at (604)946-4411 and quote file number 2025-7255.

Surrey Police Service Appeals for Witnesses to Stabbing

Surrey Police Service (SPS) is appealing for witnesses to a stabbing that occurred at 13428 Old Yale Road, Surrey (Holland Park) on April 24, 2025.

On April 24, 2025, at approximately 7:35 am, a man was located by BCEHS in Holland Park suffering from multiple stab wounds and serious head injuries. The man was transported to hospital by BCEHS in serious but

stable condition. SPS Frontline Investigative Support Team (FLIST) has been contacted and is investigating the incident. If you witnessed the incident or have any information or video, please call Surrey Police Service at 604-599-0502 and quote file 2025-32486 (SP) or contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or www.solvecrime.ca if you wish to remain anonymous.

Burnaby RCMP Arrests 44-Year-Old Man After He Allegedly Threatened Security Staff With Bear Spray And A Knife

A 44-year-old man was arrested by Burnaby RCMP after he allegedly threatened Metrotown security with bear spray and a knife.

On April 22, 2025, at approximately 10:20 p.m., Burnaby RCMP frontline officers responded to a report of a suspect who had allegedly attempted to bear spray staff while holding a knife. The suspect had fled the scene prior to police arrival; however, with the assistance of several witnesses and security,

police were able to quickly locate the suspect a short distance away.

Police verbally engaged the suspect, who was holding what was believed to be a can of bear spray. The suspect ignored police commands. With the presence of two weapons and the public safety risk, arresting officers used distractionary strikes and deployed a conducted energy weapon in order to gain control of the resisting subject as safely as possible. Police were able to take the suspect into custody. The suspect suffered very minor

injuries and was provided immediate medical assistance.

Once in custody, police located and seized a knife and bear spray that were both in the suspect's possession. The suspect was transported to Burnaby RCMP cells and now faces multiple potential criminal charges.

The investigation is ongoing. "If not for the actions of our frontline officers, this situation could have had much more dire consequences," said Superintendent Sunny

Parmar, Burnaby RCMP's Operations Officer. "We are aware that there is video of this interaction online that does not capture the totality of the circumstances. If you have video of the incident, or witnessed it and haven't spoken to police, our investigators would like to hear from you."

Police are asking anyone that witnessed this incident and hasn't already spoken to police, or anyone with video or the incident, to please contact the Burnaby RCMP at 604-646-9999 and quote file number 25-13386.

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Mark Carney Leads Liberals to Minority Win...

flux. The popularity of Conservative party went down, which was sitting comfortably in polls just a few months before. The Conservative Party won 144 seats across Canada. Most shocking was the downfall of Pierre Poilievre, the leader of the CPC. He lost his seat in Carleton in Ottawa, which he has represented for nearly two decades. New Democratic Party (NDP) led by Jagmeet Singh, performance was as predicted in the polls. The party managed to win only 7 seats, with Singh losing his Burnaby Central seat to Liberal candidate Wade Chang. He said he will step down once an interim leader is appointed. The party has also lost its official status, failing to secure the 12 seats necessary. Carney on the other hand emerged as single most popular leader of the parties running in election. "Thank

you, Canada. Our strength lies in our resolve to work together. United, we will build Canada strong," he said. "President Trump is trying to break us so America can own us. That will never — that will never, ever happen," Carney declared in his victory speech. He also gave a stark assessment of a world order once defined by an integrated global trading system with the US at the centre, saying such a system was over, and he pledged to reshape Canada's relationships with other nations. "We are over the shock over American betrayal. But we will never forget the lessons," he said. While a majority government would have allowed Carney to push through his policies without needing to rely on others in Parliament, he will need help from smaller parties to pass legislation and pursue a challenging agenda, including confronting

President Trump's economic and sovereignty threats. The Bloc Québécois and the NDP could play a role here, as they can help the Liberals pass their legislation. The Conservatives are on track to once again form the Official Opposition. World leaders from across the world congratulated Carney on his victory. US President Donald Trump has called Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney to congratulate him on his victory in the country's general election, and the two have agreed to meet in the near future. "President Trump congratulated Prime Minister Carney on his recent election," the PMO's readout of the call said. "The leaders agreed on the importance of Canada and the United States working together — as independent, sovereign nations — for their mutual betterment. To that end, the leaders agreed to meet in person

Indian Prime Minister Modi Congratulates Carney on Canada Election Win as countries hope to reduce Tensions

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated Mark Carney for his Liberal Party's victory in Canada's national election, pointing to the prospect of a further thaw in relations between the two countries. Modi in a post on X on Tuesday said



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he looks forward to working with the Canadian prime minister following his party's fourth consecutive election victory, saying the two countries were bound by "shared democratic values, a steadfast commitment to the rule of law, and vibrant people-to-people ties." The comments are the latest sign of easing tensions between Ottawa and New Delhi. Relations have been strained since former Prime Minister Justin Trudeau accused Indian officials in September 2023 of orchestrating the killing of Khalistan supporter Hardeep Singh Nijjar. India has denied involvement in the killing, which took place in British Columbia. According to media reports, Carney in past has signalled he may be willing to reset the relationship. Two days before election, he described that relationship with India as "incredibly important". He did not directly address the festering matter of Nijjar's killing, but suggested differences which led to the cratering of ties could be resolved. He said, "There are strains on that relationship that we didn't cause, to be clear, but there is a path forward to address those with mutual respect and to build out." With the threats of a trade war from US President Donald Trump looming, he may be taking the pragmatic path towards rebuilding the relationship with the world's fifth largest economy, as he stressed, "It's one of the opportunities I would look to pursue if I were selected by Canadians." It wasn't an isolated remark, as on March 4 during the campaign for leadership of the Liberal Party, he told reporters in Calgary, Alberta, "What Canada will be looking to do is to diversify our trading relationships with like-minded countries and there are opportunities to rebuild the relationship with India."

Next Stage Of Focus Newton's Action Plan To Support International Students

Surrey City Council has approved the next stage of an initiative to help address the unique challenges faced by international students. A primary goal of the Focus Newton Action Plan is to actively support this demographic and in 2024 the City launched efforts to understand the issues they face more deeply. Engagement activities with students and professionals highlighted various issues, including social isolation and exploitation. Throughout 2024, the City identified several key actions to enhance resources for international students as they navigate their academic journeys. This pivotal next phase of the plan was approved at Monday's Regular Council Meeting.

"International students face many challenges and are often taken advantage

of," said Mayor Brenda Locke. "That is why support for international students is a key element of the Focus Newton Action Plan. With the next stage of this initiative, we are expanding our efforts to help students successfully adapt to their new environment. Our vision is to ensure that the City of Surrey is a welcoming, supportive, and safe place for all – a place where everyone matters."

The next steps include:

Partner with Surrey Libraries to ensure resource availability for international students with a specific focus on Newton Library, Strawberry Hill Library, and the new Welcome Centre located within City Centre Library;

Convene and lead a project working group to inform the development of resource guides for international students,

covering information such as housing, employment, and safety;

Host a series of informational workshops for international students on relevant topics, such as healthy relationships, tenancy rights, employment rights, etc.

"By prioritizing the needs of international students, we are not only enriching their experiences but also enhancing the cultural fabric of our community," said Councillor Harry Bains, Chair of the Focus Newton Task Force. "This next stage of the Action Plan is an essential step towards building a supportive network that empowers students to thrive academically and socially. Together, we are committed to creating a welcoming environment where every student feels valued and connected."

B.C. has the second highest enrolment

of international students in Canada. In 2024, an estimated 6,400 international students attended a Surrey post-secondary institution. With relatively affordable housing, diverse educational institutions and transit options, Surrey remains a popular destination for international students.

Action 3.2 of the Focus Newton Action Plan emphasizes the importance of supporting international students. This comprehensive initiative aims to enhance, beautify, and strengthen the Newton community, all informed by community input. The plan is dedicated to transforming Newton into a thriving and vibrant area that fosters pride among all residents. The actions outlined in the plan will be implemented over four years, from 2024 to 2027.

Surrey Mayor Highlights Need For Cross-Border Cooperation At Tariff Roundtable Discussion In Blaine



Surrey Mayor Brenda Locke attended a Tariff Roundtable Discussion in Blaine on April 24, 2025 with Washington Senator Patty Murray (centre), Blaine Mayor Mary Lou Steward (far left) local businesses, officials, and community leaders who expressed their concerns about the consequences of the current tariff policies.

Surrey Mayor Brenda Locke joined a roundtable discussion in the City of Blaine last week focused on the impacts of tariffs on cross-border trade and local economies in both Canada and the United States. The event, organized by Washington Senator Patty Murray, brought together local businesses, officials, and community leaders who expressed their concerns about the consequences of the

current tariff policies, particularly the struggles facing border communities.

"Tariffs are more than just economic policies, they are a tax on our people and businesses that threaten the very fabric of our communities," says Mayor Locke. "As we navigate these challenges, it is essential cities unite to advocate for fair trade practices that protect our communities and promote economic growth. In B.C., we have long-standing relationships in Washington State, and we must work together to strengthen these bonds. As neighbours working side by side with intertwined economies, open trade and collaboration are needed now more than ever."

During her visit, Mayor Locke highlighted the interconnectedness of the Pacific Northwest's economic landscape, noting the shared benefits of free trade that have historically bolstered both regions. As the home of the largest border crossing in Western Canada, Surrey feels the heartbeat of daily trade through its community.

"I want to thank Washington State Senator Patty Murray for her leadership and vision in bringing us together for this important

conversation focused on fostering a prosperous future for Surrey, for Blaine,

and for the entire Pacific Northwest corridor," added Mayor Locke.

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Police arrest two Indo-Canadians in Break-and-Enter and Stolen Vehicle Exportation in Brampton


Investigators from Commercial Auto Crime have made an arrest and identified suspects involved in a break-and-enter and auto theft in Brampton in late 2023. On November 4, 2023, two suspects unlawfully entered a Brampton area business that rents luxury vehicles. While inside, the pair stole several vehicle keys along with two luxury vehicles, a 2022 GMC SUV and

a 2022 Rolls Royce worth nearly \$750,000. Following a lengthy and complex investigation, it has been determined that the stolen vehicles were exported to foreign markets. Investigators have since identified the two suspects believed to be responsible. On April 1, 2025, Charmeet Matharu, a 29-year-old male from Brampton, and held in custody pending a bail

hearing for the 2 offences: Break and Enter with Intent and Theft of Motor Vehicle X2. A warrant for the arrest of the second suspect, 26-year-old Nikhil Sidhu of Brampton, has been issued for the same offences. Police continue to search for and investigate his whereabouts. Anyone with information on Sidhu's whereabouts or this investigation



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anonymously by calling Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), or by visiting [peelcrimestoppers.ca](https://www.peelcrimestoppers.ca).

Surrey City To Permit Secondary Suites In Townhouses

Surrey City Council approved Bylaw changes to permit secondary suites in townhouses in Surrey. Once the changes are given final approval, secondary suites in townhouses, also known as lock-off suites, will be permitted in townhouse zones for new developments located within transit-oriented areas and frequent bus stops areas. Staff will



also begin implementation of the necessary amendments to Secondary Suite Service Fee Bylaw to include lock-off suites in townhouses. "With the housing crisis we are faced with, it makes good sense to permit secondary suites in townhouses," said Mayor Brenda Locke. "The added benefits of these 'lock-off suites' are it gives homeowners a stream of revenue to help with the mortgage, increases affordable rental housing stock, and facilitates new rental units come to market quickly. It is also important to note that the changes are targeted at neighbourhoods that are accessible to frequent transit service in order to give residents a viable alternative to owning a car." Surrey's Zoning Bylaw currently permits secondary suites in single family dwellings, duplexes, and semi-detached residential buildings. Monday's decision provides updates to the Zoning Bylaw to allow lock-off suites in three different multi-unit residential zones: RM-15, RM-23, and RM-30. Recommendations to address location, size of suite, new construction, and safety were also put forward by staff to support lock-off suites: Permitted only in Transit-Oriented Areas

and Frequent Bus Stop Areas. Must be a minimum of 30 sq. m (323 sq. ft.) and occupy less than 40% of the habitable floor area of the larger principal unit. Permitted only in new townhouse construction that have building permits issued after the approval of these proposed amendments. Development Cost Charges and Community Amenity Contributions will continue to be charged based on floor area which would include the area of lock-off suites. "Staff are pleased to bring forward these amendments to our Zoning Bylaw to permit lock off suites in new townhouse developments that are well served by transit," said Ron Gill, General Manager of Planning & Development. "The proposed changes will provide developers constructing new townhouse projects in transit supported neighbourhoods the flexibility to include lock off suites as part of their townhouse project design. These units will contribute to greater housing choice and affordability in our City." Learn more about ongoing development and permitting improvements in Surrey by visiting [surrey.ca/development](https://www.surrey.ca/development).

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Docu-Series Not Your Butter Chicken Premieres May 1 on CBC Gem In Celebration of Asian Heritage Month

JUGAAD Sisters Inc. announced that their four-part docu-series Not Your Butter Chicken directed by Priyanka Desai (House Special) will be available to stream for free on CBC Gem starting Thursday, May 1st, 2025 as part of the Asian Heritage Month collection. The series celebrates the recipes, untold stories and life lessons of South Asians in Canada through the eyes of celebrated Vancouver culinary mind, Shiva Reddy. Priyanka Desai is a Mumbai-born, award winning broadcast journalist turned documentary filmmaker who has directed and produced television documentary shows in India and Canada. Over the course of four episodes, Not Your Butter Chicken takes us from Vancouver to Kamloops and Kelowna, BC, and Lethbridge and Fort McMurray, Alberta, while host Shiva Reddy explores her culture with other South Asians to fill in the gaps that come with being a second-generation Canadian. Once a competitive hockey player, Reddy grew up to be one of the first South Asian women to make it in the world of wine and fine dining in Canada. Now, grappling with her mother's battle with dementia, Reddy is on a journey to piece together the story of her Indian heritage through food and community. Shiva Reddy is a food and wine expert and a sommelier at Michelin-starred Burdock and Co. She is recognized for her work at Vancouver's top restaurants and bringing a fresh, innovative voice to the food and wine industry in Canada. "Everyone knows Butter Chicken, but not the culture that created it. The title is a playful invitation to discover all the ways Indian culture is more than this go-to dish," says Reddy, who is also a sommelier



Documentary: Shiva Reddy and Karnail Singh Sidhu of Kalala Organic Estate Winery (Credit Joanna Wong)



Former player now food and wine columnist Shiva Reddy in a sari on the ice (Credit Richard Tran and Lon Gross)

at Michelin star restaurant Burdock & Co. in Vancouver. "Because my mom is my connection to my Indian heritage, her dementia meant we were slowly forgetting our stories and recipes. For me, this show was a way to make new memories even as my mother was losing hers. For our viewers, I hope this show inspires you to collect the stories that mean the most to you."



Viewers are invited to join this lively celebration of South Asian culture and make new memories alongside Reddy as she discovers the untold stories of Indo-Canadians in Western Canada. Through storytelling, sharing personal experiences and cooking with others, the series celebrates the unique traditions, history and unforgettable recipes of the South Asian diaspora in Canada and beyond. Special guests include broadcast journalist Meera Bains, professional hockey player Dampy Brar, Punjabi-Cree artist Madeson Singh and Reddy's own mother who transitions to living in long term care during a very poignant and touching episode. JUGAAD Sisters, Toronto's Reel Asian Film Festival and the South Asian Canadian Film Federation have partnered for an Artist Talk Event on April 26th, 2025 for Not Your Butter Chicken where host Siva Reddy and director Priyanka Desai will be in Toronto to show clips and discuss the making of the series in celebration of the CBC launch. This event will be ticketed and will take place at Toronto Reel Asian International Film Festival Offices at 401 Richmond Street West. Director Priyanka Desai is a Filmmaker

and Television Producer from Mumbai, India, with credits on documentaries, feature films, series and reality TV shows. Starting as a Journalist, she has worked in a variety of roles spanning Story Producer, Field Director/Producer, Creative Supervisor and Executive Producer. Having worked across two continents, she has a meticulous understanding of different audiences and cultures. In Canada, her recent work includes the award-winning docu-series Red Chef Revival (Storyhive), Rolling With The Punches (AMI) and Moosemeat & Marmalade (APTN). Not Your Butter Chicken is a TELUS original series produced and directed by Priyanka Desai, hosted by Shiva Reddy, produced by Joanna Wong, with cinematography by Richard Tran (Arthur Erickson: Beauty Between The Lines), and cinematography and editing by Lon Gross (Red Chef Revival), with sound design by Alvand Jalali (A Whitewater Romance). For more information about Not Your Butter Chicken, tickets to the event and how to watch, please follow along at www.notyourbutterchicken.com and on Instagram at @notyourbutterchicken.

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Two Indian Nationals On Student Visa Arrested For Scamming Seniors In US

Two Indian citizens on student visas in the US have been arrested for scamming an elderly individual and charged with theft, according to authorities. In October 2024, the El Paso County Sheriff's Office Regional Communications Center received information from an elderly citizen who stated they had been a victim of a scamming phone call. The victim said the scammer claimed to be a "government agent" and made multiple threats to the victim. Consequently, the victim sent money via a cryptocurrency ATM and purchased gold, which was given to the suspects in person. The El Paso County Sheriff's Office Investigations Division Financial Crimes Unit initiated an investigation into the incident and, through cellphone tower record tracing, was able to identify and locate two



suspects. The suspects were identified as 24-year-old Mahammadilham Vahora and 24-year-old Hajiali Vahora, both Indian nationals admitted to the USA on student visas and attending East-West University in Chicago, Illinois. Both suspects were booked into the El Paso County Jail in April 2025 and are the subjects of a continued investigation involving victims across the United States. Both Hajiali and Mahammadilham

Vahora are charged "Shame on anyone who defrauds our elderly citizens," said El Paso County Sheriff Joseph Roybal. "I am incredibly proud of my Financial Crimes Unit, as they continuously educate this vulnerable population regarding the risks of scammers and then hold accountable the low-life criminals who prey on their limited resources. "Scammers are around every corner, and it is crucial for families and friends to be talking to their elderly loved ones about the signs of a scam phone call or email. I encourage the citizens of the Pikes Peak region to connect with those who are vulnerable and remind them to NEVER give currency to anyone claiming to be a government agency while posing threats!"

'Gender-Based Violence Leaves Too Many In B.C. Unsafe In Their Own Communities'

Jennifer Blatherwick, parliamentary secretary for gender equity, has released the following statement in recognition of Prevention of Violence Against Women Week: "This week, we recognized Prevention of Violence Against Women Week and the pervasive and devastating impacts of gender-based violence throughout Canada. "Gender-based violence leaves too many in B.C. unsafe in their own communities. Women, girls, Two-Spirit and gender-diverse people are disproportionately targeted by violence - particularly Indigenous and



Jennifer Blatherwick, parliamentary secretary

racialized women, newcomers, women with disabilities and 2SLGBTQIA+ people. Our government's commitment is to prevent violence against all women, girls, Two-Spirit and gender-diverse people in B.C. "Our Gender-Based Violence Action Plan is helping prevent and respond to gender-based violence and ensure survivors of violence can access the care and supports they need. We are supporting survivors by boosting resources for services and building more women's transition housing. "We also know that children and youth benefit from learning about healthy relationships, boundaries and regulating emotions. That's why we support age-appropriate educational and awareness programs in K-12, such as the Violence is Preventable program. As part of the program, counsellors go to schools to deliver presentations about intimate-partner violence and help connect students experiencing violence to these counsellors. We also created consent-awareness campaigns, which are promoted at all public post-secondary institutions. "We continue to support Indigenous self-determination and healing through programs like the Path Forward Community Fund and new Indigenous-led initiatives that promote safety planning, capacity building and culturally safe approaches and solutions to gender-based violence. "I encourage all British Columbians to join the effort to build a province that is safe and welcoming for everyone." Learn More: For more information about Safe and Supported, B.C.'s Gender-Based Violence Action Plan and supports available for survivors: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/british-columbians-our-governments/services-policies-for-government/gender-equity/safe-and-supported-gender-based-violence-action-plan-december-2023.pdf>

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Audit recommends improved legal representation services for people on low incomes

Legal Aid BC did not have the processes and information to help ensure timely, high-quality legal representation services for people on low incomes, the Office of the Auditor General concluded in an independent audit report that has been delivered to the Legislative Assembly. Legal Aid BC, a Crown corporation, offers legal advice, information and representation in criminal, family, child protection, and immigration and refugee law for people who can't afford a lawyer. In 2023-24, Legal Aid BC had a budget of just over \$140 million, with most of its funding coming from the Ministry of Attorney General. "Timely, high-quality legal representation

can reduce time in custody, resolve cases faster, and protect people sooner, through things like restraining orders," said Sheila Dodds, Acting Auditor General. "Our audit found that Legal Aid BC could take additional steps to improve how it oversees its legal representation services." Between 2021-22 and 2023-24, demand for legal aid representation increased nearly 28%. The audit found that Legal Aid BC determined short- and long-term funding needs based on what demand had been in the previous year, but it did not consider the impact of rising demand in its long-term budget planning. Legal Aid BC relies on contracted lawyers to provide legal representation services.

As of March 31, 2024, it had roughly 1,360 lawyers under contract, a figure that has not changed much since 2021-22. The audit found that Legal Aid BC took steps to expand its roster of available lawyers through recruitment initiatives and financial incentives, but had not determined the number of lawyers it needed to meet demand. It also had not monitored the quality of legal representation services provided by contracted lawyers. The audit found that Legal Aid BC did not ensure staff followed policy when they assessed and reviewed applications for legal representation or responded to complaints. It also found staff did not ensure complaints were addressed in a



Sheila Dodds, Acting Auditor General

timely way. The audit made seven recommendations related to Legal Aid BC's long-term resource forecasting, intake and eligibility reviews, and complaints process. Legal Aid BC has accepted and committed to implementing all of the audit's recommendations.

Province Moving Forward On Short-Term Rental Rules

The Province is providing an update on short-term rental registration (STR) numbers and deadlines ahead of the one-year anniversary of new restrictions to crack down on illegal listings and open up more long-term homes for people. By May 1, 2025, all short-term rental hosts in B.C. should have registered their listings and received a provincial registration number. To date, more than 20,000 listings have been registered. When the STR legislation was introduced in 2023, there were an estimated 28,000 individual STR listings in B.C., indicating more of these units are being converted to long-term homes that people need. In response to requests from STR

	Vacancy Rate Change from 2023 to 2024 (percentage points)	% Change - Entire Unit STRs	Avg asking rent level change from Oct 2023 to Mar 2025 - 1 bed	Avg asking rent level change from Oct 2023 to Mar 2025 - 2 bed	Avg asking rent % change from Oct 2023 to Mar 2025 - 1 bed	Avg asking rent % change from Oct 2023 to Mar 2025 - 2 bed
Kelowna	+2.7 pp (from 1.0% to 3.7%)	-30.6%	-\$158	-\$231	-7.7%	-9.0%
Vancouver	+0.7 pp (from 0.8% to 1.5%)	-22.1%	-\$325	-\$335	-11.4%	-8.9%
North Vancouver	+0.1 pp (from 2.8% to 2.9%)	-5.4%	-\$253	-\$410	-8.7%	-10.6%
Burnaby	+0.3 pp (from 1.2% to 1.5%)	-12.8%	-\$279	-\$289	-10.7%	-8.7%
Victoria	+0.9pp (from 1.6% to 2.5%)	-24.2%	\$5	-\$132	0.2%	-4.7%
Surrey	+0.2 pp (from 1.5% to 1.7%)	-0.9%	-\$179	-\$146	-8.8%	-5.7%

platforms to allow for additional time to complete technical work on platforms' validation systems, the minister of housing and municipal affairs is moving to have the timeline extended for when platforms are legally required to validate provincial registration numbers and automatically

remove illegal listings as follows:
* As of June 2, 2025, if a short-term rental listing does not have a valid registration number, platforms must stop advertising the listing and prevent new bookings from that host or face a possible investigation and potential monetary penalty. This date was previously May 1.
* As of June 23, 2025, platforms must cancel all future bookings from hosts without a valid provincial registration number or face a possible investigation and potential monetary penalty. This date was previously June 1. During this period, the Province will continue working with platforms to ensure any technical challenges or concerns are addressed. Hosts are still expected to


register their listings by May 1. Action on short-term rentals is part of the provincial government's \$19-billion investment through the Homes for People Plan. Since 2017, the Province has more than 92,000 homes delivered or underway, with actions underway to help deliver thousands more over the next 10 years. Since the legislation was introduced to restrict short-term rentals, asking rates for long-term rentals are down 6.1% throughout B.C., including a 11.4% decrease in Vancouver, according to Rentals.ca. In addition, annual CMHC data shows provincewide vacancy rates are up from 1.2% in 2023 to 1.9% in 2024. To learn more about the principal-residence requirement, visit: <https://gov.bc.ca/ShortTermRentals>

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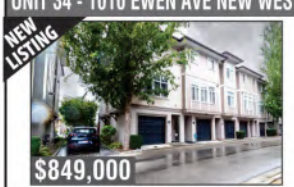
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5105 ABERDEEN ST., VAN



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#37-8358 121A ST., SURREY



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9750 128 ST., SURREY



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Solid 6 bed and 2 bath house in the heart of Surrey. A perfect home for home buyers, investors. Upstairs features 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, kitchen with gas stove, separate laundry. Massive living room, freshly painted. Downstairs comes with 3 bed, 1 den, 1 bath and kitchen. Lots of parking at the front and back. Detached garage. Some recent renos include roof, windows, paint.

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7 BED - 5 BATHS - 6,600 SF

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7028 142 STREET, SURREY



5 BED - 5 BATHS - 7,107 SF

Welcome to this well-maintained and updated home in the heart of Newton with over 7100 sqft lot with 77 feet Front just steps away from school and Bus Stops. Upstairs there are 3 bedrooms and 2 full bathrooms with a living room, dining room and kitchen along with a bonus Family room. There are 2 separate balconies off the Family & Living Room. 2 Mortgage helpers (1 bedroom each) currently rented to Nice tenants. There is one full extra bath Downstairs. This home has lots of options to rent. The home features an updated kitchen (2015) updated washrooms (2017) and has been freshly painted. The roof has been updated as well in 2017. Walking distance to George Vanier Elementary school, daycare and to public transportation. THIS IS A MUST SEE!! Please book your private Showings.

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4 BED - 2 BATHS - 9,750 SF LOT

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1001 14881 103A AVENUE



2 BED - 2 BATHS

Best Opportunity for the first time home buyers & nature lovers to enjoy the scenic beauty, spectacular north shore & panoramic coastal mountain views. This amazing Corner unit features with 2 Bedrooms & 2 Bathrooms with a Huge Master Bedroom Ensuite, A Good Size Living Room, Dining Room with fully renovated kitchen with quartz countertops & new kitchen cabinets, New stainless steel appliances & pot lights. All these appliances & renovations were done two years ago. Carpet in the whole unit is one year old. You are minutes walk to Guildford Town Centre, TNT Supermarket, dining, public library and highways. The maintenance fees include gas & hot water, One Storage locker & One Parking. There is also a bike room and lots of outdoor Visitor Parking.

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2025 Honda Civic Wins 2025 North American Car of the Year™ award!

Auto Review by Veenoo Dewan

In January 2025 – The new Honda Civic hybrid, the electrified variant of America's most popular compact car, has been honored with the prestigious 2025 North American Car of the Year™ award. It's a record-setting



fourth win for the Honda Civic, which has won more NACOTY honors than any other nameplate in the over 30-year history of the award. The win also marks the second honor for the 11th-generation Civic and the seventh time a Honda vehicle has received a North American Car or Truck of the Year™ award – Honda Civic (2006, 2016, 2022 and 2025), Honda Ridgeline (2006 and 2017) and Honda Accord (2018).

The Honda Civic has been the best-selling car in Canada for almost a quarter century. And now the 2025 Civic returns as a five-passenger, five-door 10th generation model.

The 2025 Civic has a neat stylish, but understated design that will not polarize buyers or age terribly. The lines are cleaner with a larger greenhouse for a more spacious interior feeling. Two engines are offered in the Civic: a 2.0-litre four-cylinder (158 hp / 138 lb-ft.) and a 1.5-litre turbocharged four-cylinder (180 hp / 177 lb-ft). Both engines drive the front wheels and are paired with either a six-speed manual or continuously variable

transmission (CVT).

The top-line Sport Touring as evaluated arrives with additional power courtesy of a 180-hp, 1.5L turbocharged four-cylinder engine and a CVT. The four trim levels of Civic start with the -LX (\$30,130), EX, Sport (\$30,250) and Sport Touring (\$37,170.)

There is a fully digital gauge cluster on Touring models, along with a new 7-inch and optional 9-inch center touchscreen that integrates Apple CarPlay and Android Auto. Top trims are also equipped with a 12-speaker premium Bose sound system, wireless phone charging, GPS navigation, and leather-trimmed seating surfaces. We tested the Sport Touring model with a standard equipment list including LED headlights, taillights, and fog lights, 18-inch aluminum alloy wheels, 10.25-inch digital instrument cluster, 9-inch infotainment touchscreen with embedded navigation, heated front, and rear seats, plus a heated leather-wrapped steering wheel and a lot more.

Safety is also high with newly designed front airbags, rear side airbags, and an updated suite of driver assistance features including a wide-angle front view camera and an all-around blind-spot monitoring system.

The new cabin design for the 2025 Civic is wonderful, with comfortable supportive seats and plenty of occupant room both front and rear. There is an easy-to-use infotainment system, bright clear digital displays, and instrument cluster unit. The cabin design is clean and ergonomically almost perfect. Switchgear, dials, and control knobs are all impeccably designed

for form and function. A standout feature is the exquisite metal honeycomb vent covers that stretch across the dashboard. Moving to the rear, you gain roomy comfortable seats and there is adequate legroom for at least three passengers at a push. The rear hatch door is now also lower and wider for easier access and maximum cargo volume is rated at 693 litres.

We tested an automatic CVT equipped Sport Touring model with the 1.5-litre turbo engine. Note, the Sport comes with either the CVT or a six-speed manual transmission for the same price. The turbo is a refined, smooth unit offering plenty of acceleration and a linear power delivery.

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From experienced to new and youngest: More than 20 Punjabi-origin...

A 25-year-old Sukhman Gill, Conservative candidate, who hails from Moga district in Punjab, has won from the Abbotsford-South Langley seat. Former city councillor and now representing Liberals Gurbux Saini won from Fleetwood—Port Kells with 23,239 votes. Parm Bains, a former media and public relations officer and instructor at Kwantlen Polytechnic University, was first elected to Parliament in 2021 and has been able to retain his seat as Liberal MP from Steveston-Richmond East. In Alberta it was blue wave for Indian 6 Indian Origin candidates won big for Conservative Party. From Calgary Heritage, Shuvaloy Majumdar, a Conservative MP, Member of the Subcommittee on International Human Rights of the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Development retained his seat. He brings extensive experience from the field to the boardroom in foreign policy, national security, and international business, and a 25-year history with the conservative movement. A former builder, Jasraj Singh Hallan, entered Parliament in 2019 and has since been a prominent Conservative voice. He has able to retain his seat and won for second term from Calgary East. Dalwinder Gill, Conservative candidate, has defeated sitting

Liberal MP George Chahal from Calgary Mcknight seat. Gill has worked in realty sector for 21 years in Canada. Moga’s Amanpreet Singh Gill, former president of Gurdwara Dasmesh Culture Centre Calgary, has become a Member of Parliament for the first time from the Calgary Skyview constituency. He played a major role in the advancement of the Mata Sahib Kaur Ji Women and Children’s Transitional Housing Project located in the community of Saddleridge. Conservative candidate Tim Uppal held onto his seat from Edmonton Gateway. A former Federal Minister under Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Uppal is the first turbaned Sikh to be appointed in the Canadian Cabinet. Previously, he lost in Edmonton Mill Woods in 2015 but regained it in 2019, 2021 and now in 2025. He also served as deputy leader of the Conservative Party since 2021. Prior to joining politics, he was a banker and host of a radio show. Jagsharan Singh Mahal, a lawyer by profession and Conservative candidate, has defeated a heavyweight sitting Edmonton Mayor and seasoned leader Amarjeet Sohi from Edmonton Southwest. Eleven Indian-origin, especially Punjabi origin candidates won in Ontario, a province with the most ridings. Most of them represented Liberal party.

Innovation, Science and Industry Minister Anita Anand (Liberal), who retained the riding of Oakville East comfortably, is expected to feature in a prominent position in Prime Minister Mark Carney’s new Cabinet. Anand had initially withdrawn from the race but was convinced to contest. Twenty three year old Amandeep Sodhi has won from Brampton Centre seat for Liberals and is the youngest MP in Canada in this term. Currently, she was working as a legal assistant at a family law firm. Maninder Sidhu, a 41-year-old entrepreneur and philanthropist, has won for the third time on Liberal party ticket from Brampton East. He first won in 2019, 2021 and 2025. Ruby Sahota won for the fourth time as Liberal MP from Brampton North. She is representing the seat since 2015. Her father was the Chairman of the Ontario Sikhs and Gurdwara Council. Sonia Sidhu, who has been representing Brampton South seat since 2015, has been able to retain her seat for the fourth time. Before politics, she worked for over 18 years in the healthcare field as a diabetes educator and research coordinator. Conservative candidate from Brampton West Amarjeet Gill, a businessman, has defeated sitting minister Kamal Khara. Parm Gill, (Conservative) has won from Milton East seat. Earlier, he was MLA in Ontario Assembly;

from 2011-2015 term he represented Brampton-Springdale; then in 2015 he lost in federal polls. Later, he won from Milton seat in 2018 Assembly polls; and in 2021 he was made Minister in Provincial Assembly. Iqwinder Singh Gaheer has won for the second term from Mississauga — Malton. Gaheer went on to attend Harvard Law School from 2016 to 2019, where he served as Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Harvard Human Rights Journal. Arpan Khanna, a controversial Conservative candidate, who NDP alleged that was under investigation by the CSIS, a lawyer by profession, has been able to retain his Oxford seat. Former minister Bardish Chagger won from her Waterloo seat for the fourth time. First she won in 2015, followed by 2019, 2021 and now. Harb Gill, Conservative candidate, who is a retired police officer, has defeated a seasoned NDP sitting MP Brian Masse from Windsor West. Anju Dhillon, a lawyer, became the first Indo-Canadian to win a seat thrice in the French-speaking province of Quebec. Once Prime Minister Mark Carney selects his cabinet, it will be interesting to see how many Punjabi origin winners will get a ministerial post. Carney’s last cabinet only had two Punjabi origin ministers Kamal Khara and Anita Anand and Kera is already out of the race.

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Rejected by Oxford — And Grateful for It



By Alex Sangha

In 1990, I graduated from Frank Hurt Secondary in Newton, Surrey, full of dreams bigger than I could put into words. A couple of years later, after working as a dental claims examiner, I saved enough money to visit my grandfather in Kent, England — not knowing that journey would change everything. Inspired by the excitement of London, I decided to stay and pursue higher education. I was accepted into two programs: Journalism at City University and Philosophy, Politics, and Economics at Goldsmiths College of the University of London. Dreaming big, I dared to apply to study politics at Oxford University. Oxford said no. The rejection letter was polite but devastating: my academic record was “rather weak in relation to other applicants.” It stung in ways I couldn’t explain. I had imagined Oxford as a ticket to a different

life — perhaps one spent writing for The Guardian on Fleet Street, making my mark on the world. Instead, life knocked me sideways. Just weeks before school started, the overwhelming stress of being in a new country, alone, and grappling with my sexuality led to a nervous breakdown. My mother flew to England to bring me home. At 20 years old, I thought my life was over. But looking back, that heartbreak was the beginning of a life far richer than I could have imagined. Back home, I picked myself up. I completed an Associate of Arts at Douglas College, then transferred to UBC where I earned a Bachelor of Social Work with First Class Standing. I started my career as a social worker with the Ministry of Children and Family Development — a role that showed me the profound difference one person can make in another’s life. Still, the hunger to learn burned inside me. I decided to apply to graduate school once more — but this time, not to Oxford. I set my sights on the London School of Economics (LSE), one of the world’s top institutions. Receiving my acceptance letter — along with a partial scholarship — remains one of the proudest moments of my life. It felt like

the universe’s way of saying: keep going. I returned to Canada with a renewed sense of purpose. I worked in social services, founded Sher Vancouver — a nonprofit for LGBTQ+ South Asians and their allies — and pursued a Master of Social Work at Dalhousie University. Juggling school, work, and life wasn’t easy, but I graduated with an A average, proving to myself that resilience matters more than perfection. Today, I am a Registered Clinical Social Worker (RCSW) and a Registered Clinical Counsellor (RCC) in private practice in North Delta. I’m also an award-winning documentary film producer and Co-Founder of the Sundar Prize Film Festival, where we celebrate powerful stories that inspire change. Sometimes, I wonder: what if Oxford had said yes? Would I be sitting at a London café, typing out articles for a newspaper? Would I have lived a completely different life? Maybe. But I wouldn’t trade the life I have now for anything. I have been blessed to support vulnerable communities, help people heal, and use my voice to advocate for those who often go unheard. I’ve seen firsthand that true success isn’t about prestige. It’s

about impact. It’s about how much love, courage, and hope you pour into the world around you. Oxford’s rejection was not my failure — it was my redirection. It was life gently steering me toward the work I was born to do. In time, I was also accepted into other prestigious programs: York University (with a full scholarship for their MSW), the University of Toronto’s MSW program, and Queen’s University’s Master of Public Administration. Each acceptance reminded me that sometimes when one door closes, countless others quietly open. To anyone facing rejection today: take heart. It might just be the universe rerouting you to something greater than you dared to dream. Trust the detours. Trust yourself. Looking back, I’m not bitter. I’m grateful. I didn’t go to Oxford — but I found my calling, my community, and my joy. And in the end, that’s the life I was meant to live. Thank you — and God bless. *(Alex Sangha is a Registered Clinical Social Worker (RCSW) and a Registered Clinical Counsellor (RCC) and Founder of Sher Vancouver, a not profit organization)*

Remembering Pope Francis



By Zile Singh

The Sunset Indo-Canadian Seniors’ Society, Vancouver met on Thursday, April 24th. All the members stood in silence for a minute to pay homage to

Rev. People Francis and the innocent victims of the terrorist incident of Pahalgam in Kashmir (India). “May I give you a piece of advice: Never end the day without making peace.” – Pope Francis. “What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal” – Albert Pike. Pope Francis, born Jorge Mario

Bergoglio, was a prominent figure in the Catholic Church, serving as the 266th Pope from 2013 until his death on April 21, 2025. He was known for his progressive stance on social issues and his focus on the poor and marginalized. Born in Buenos Aires, Argentina,



in 1936, to Italian immigrant parents. Ordained a Jesuit priest in 1969. Became Archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1998. Made a cardinal in 2001. Elected Pope in 2013, becoming the first Jesuit and the first Latin American pope. Known for his humility, his focus on the poor, and his willingness

to address social issues like poverty, climate change, and the plight of immigrants. Authored the encyclical Laudato Si’ (2015), which addresses the climate crisis. Apologized to survivors of clergy sexual abuse. Advocated for peace and reconciliation. His papacy was marked by both widespread admiration and some controversy regarding his more progressive views. Died on April 21, 2025, at the age of 88.



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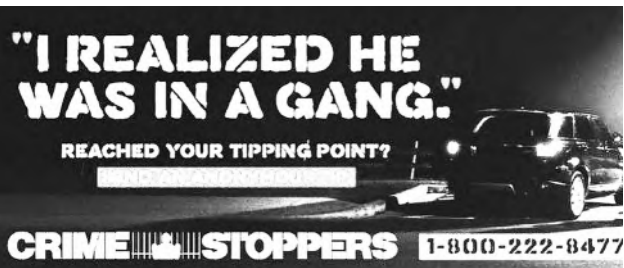
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Girlfriends Of Gang Members Should Also Call Crime Stoppers And Stay Anonymous

This is “Prevention of Violence Against Women Week” in B.C. (April 20-26). Eleven million people in Canada have experienced intimate partner violence (a form of gender-based violence) at least once since the age of 15, according to Women and Gender Equality Canada. Intimate partner violence is a crime. Its victims are all genders, sexual orientations, and ethnicities – and each year, an average of 102 women and girls in Canada become victims of gender-related killings. In 93 per cent of those cases, the homicides were committed by male intimate partners or family members. Violence in relationships often goes beyond physical attacks. Intimidation and threats, sexual, emotional, psychological, verbal, or financial abuse may also commonly used to gain power and control over a partner and take away their self-worth.



Worst of all, it often goes on hidden behind closed doors. “Reporting is perhaps the most crucial step toward ending the cycle of abuse, and you can help someone who won’t do it for themselves by giving an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers,” says Linda Annis, Executive Director of Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers. “If someone you know, is experiencing violence or abuse in an intimate relationship, we encourage you to report it to Crime Stoppers with an anonymous tip so police can investigate. You will never be identified, and the information will

be forwarded directly to police without identifying you.” Girlfriends of gang members should also call Crime Stoppers and stay anonymous. Girlfriends of gang members also often live in fear knowing that their boyfriend might be carrying a weapon or may even ask them to stash it for them. These women often won’t report their boyfriends to police for fearing of being found out. One of the advertisements in Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers’ current “Guns and Gangs” ad campaign depicts a girlfriend who finally decided to provide an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers after reaching “a tipping point” about her worries. Police recommend victims speak to a professional to help decide how to report intimate violence. Lists of services to call may be found on police websites

including Vancouver Police and the Surrey Police Service. Police say intimate partner violence may involve one or more of the following: Physical abuse: Hitting, shoving, slapping, choking, or any physical harm. Sexual abuse: Non-consensual sexual acts or behavior. Emotional or psychological abuse: Threats, insults, yelling, humiliation, controlling behaviour like taking your phone away, isolating you or stopping you from leaving home, breaking things, harassment and continuous phone calls. Financial abuse: Withholding money, controlling financial resources, or otherwise exploiting a partner financially. Stalking or harassment: Unwanted contact or attention that causes fear or distress. Serving as a “mule” to carry money or drugs: The victim is essentially “owned” by the abuser.

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Why did Conservative...

Fanjoy also attributed his victory to people’s concern about Trump threats. “People in Carleton are very concerned about Donald Trump and the tariffs and what that means for our economy,” he said to CBC. “They’re been looking for serious leadership and they saw that in in Mark Carney’s Liberals.” The Conservative Leader conceded to his loss. And the question is what’s next for him? Poilievre vowed to stay on as party leader despite the disappointing final result, telling his supporters in Ottawa early Tuesday that he needs more time to drive a stake through the Liberals once and for all. “We didn’t quite get over the finish line — yet. We know that change is needed, but change is hard to come by. It takes time. It takes work,” Poilievre said. “We have to learn the lessons of tonight so that we can have an even better result the next time Canadians decide the future for the country,” he

said. According to CBC, “While he may vow to stay on as leader, getting a new seat may take a Conservative MP elected Monday night giving up their seat to allow him to run in a byelection — a move that could technically backfire and possibly put the Liberals a seat closer to a majority. Still, Poilievre led the party to gains in areas where the party has struggled in recent federal elections. “Poilievre’s effort to court blue-collar workers, particularly those in private-sector unions, also paid off with a strong Conservative showing in industrial areas like Ontario’s Niagara region, and southwestern Ontario locales like London and Windsor. The party outperformed in some areas of Atlantic Canada, picking up a seat in Newfoundland and Labrador, and benefited from progressive vote splits in B.C.,” wrote CBC. Andrew Scheer, a close Poilievre confidant, said in a social media post the party ran “an incredible campaign” and posted “the highest vote percentage in modern Conservative history” and therefore the “inspirational” Poilievre should be given a chance to continue leading the party to “finish the job next time.”

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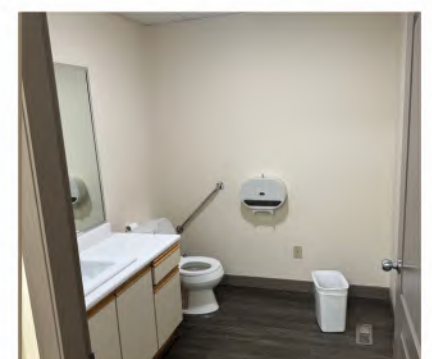
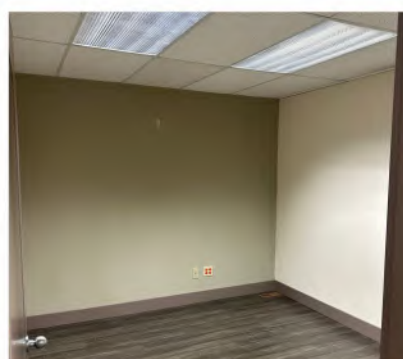
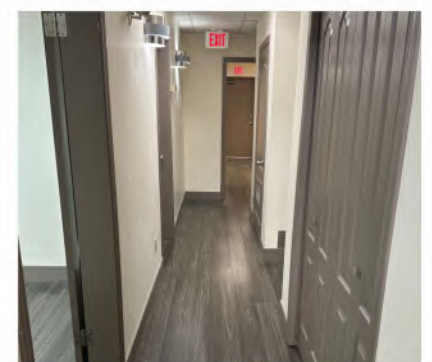
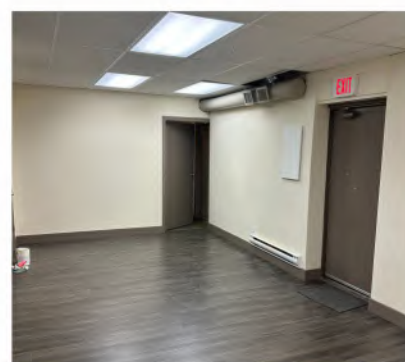
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2nd May, Friday	at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by the Jaskirat Singh family.
2nd May, Friday	at 2:30 pm, Sri Sehaj Path bhog and antim ardas for late Kehar Singh Kler by the Kler family.
2nd May, Friday	at 4:00 pm, Sri Sehaj Path bhog and antim ardas for late Teja Singh Dhaliwal by the Dhaliwal family.
3rd May, Saturday	at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by the Jasmel Singh Gill family.
4th May, Sunday	at 9:30 am, During weekly Diwan, Path Sri Sukhmani Sahib, Gurbani Kirtan, Katha Vichar and langar seva by the Parminder Singh Riar family.
8th May, Thursday	at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by the Avtar Singh Atwal family.
9th May, Friday	at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by the Jaswant Singh Gill family.
10th May, Saturday	at 10:00 am, Anand Karj ceremony will be performed by the Pirtpal Singh Sanghera family.
10th May, Sunday	at 5:00 am, Path Sri Sukhmani Sahib, Gurbani Kirtan, Katha Vichar and langar seva by the Mike Hothi family.
11th May, Monday	at 10:30 am, Weekly Diwan will be dedicated to the birth anniversary of Guru Amar Das Ji, followed by Gurbani Kirtan and Katha Vichar Samagam. Langar seva by the Sangat.

**19 July (Saturday) and 11 September (Thursday) are available for Anand Karj.
Please contact Kanwaljit Singh (Assistant Secretary) to book Anand Karj.**

All the Sangat are requested to come to the weekly Kirtan Diwan and Katha Vichar Smagam every Sunday morning from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm.

The Sangat is invited to come to the weekly Smagam and make your life successful.

If any family wishes to do seva of Gurbani Kirtan and Langar in the weekly Diwan, they should contact the Management Committee.

***Every Tuesday at 10:00 AM, Path Sri Sukhmani Sahib Ji by the Bibian and the Langer seva by the group of Sukhmani Sahib Walian Bibian**

***Important Information:**

Punjabi classes have started in Punjabi schools from Sunday, January 5th. Please enroll your children in the school so that they can speak, read and write Punjabi. For more information, contact Secretary S. Balwant Singh Sanghera 604-836-8976

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Jab Steven Spielberg Met Kareena Kapoor: ‘Are You The Girl In Famous Indian Film About Three Students?’

Actor Kareena Kapoor Khan revealed a highlight of her acting career which involves one of Hollywood’s biggest filmmakers Steven Spielberg at the Day Two of the inaugural World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit (WAVES) 2025 in Mumbai. The actor was part of the Cinema: The Soft Power panel discussion alongside Telugu actor Vijay Deverakonda, moderated by filmmaker Karan Johar.

The Jab We Met actor, in all her excitement, narrated an incident where she happened to meet Steven. He recognised her as the actor in 3 Idiots and also praised her performance in Rajkumar Hirani directed film, which also starred Aamir Khan, R Madhavan and Sharman Joshi in pivotal roles.

Steven Spielberg praised Kareena for 3 Idiots

“I was actually in a restaurant, travelling somewhere, and Spielberg (Steven Spielberg) happened to be at the same place,” she said, adding, “This was many moons ago. Obviously it was around the time 3 Idiots had



just released. He actually came up to me and asked, ‘Are you the girl in that very famous Indian film about three students?’ I said, ‘Yes, it’s me!’ He said, ‘My God, I loved that movie’. So, you know, I didn’t

have to act in an English film for him to have seen 3 Idiots. That, I think, was a special moment for us”, Kareena said.

About Waves 2025 Summit in Mumbai

The four-day summit, held at the Jio World Convention Centre (JWCC) in Mumbai, was launched by PM Narendra Modi on Thursday. Numerous stars from across the country, including Shah Rukh Khan, Aamir Khan, Deepika, Karan Johar, Alia Bhatt, Ranbir Kapoor, Rajinikanth, Chiranjeevi, Mohanlal, Hema Malini, Akshay Kumar, Anil Kapoor, and others, are attending the summit.



Tom Cruise, 62, Shares What He Eats For Breakfast Before Jumping Off Planes



Fans are eagerly waiting to see Tom Cruise in his eighth and possibly final outing as Ethan Hunt in Mission: Impossible – The Final Reckoning. The star has revealed in an interview with People that a major chunk of his preparation before attempting some of the heavy stunts in the action franchise is a ‘massive breakfast

Tom shares his ‘massive breakfast’ list

It is not just any breakfast. Tom added what are the exact items that are included for the day, saying, “I actually eat a massive breakfast. The amount of energy it takes — I train so hard for that wing-walking. I’ll eat, like, sausage and almost a dozen eggs and bacon and toast and coffee and fluids. Oh, I’m eating! Picture: It’s cold up there. We’re at high altitude. My body is burning a lot.”

Meanwhile, director Christopher McQuarrie added, “Anytime you see Tom in the plane, he’s at the controls. He’s basically a one-man film crew: operating the camera, acting and flying.”

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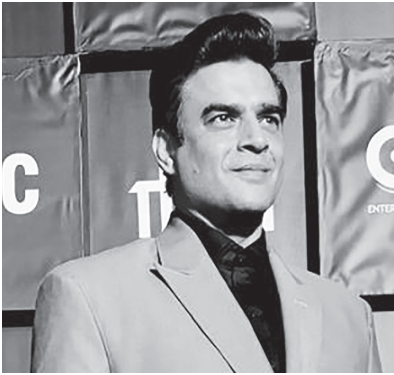
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Amid NCERT Row, R Madhavan Wonders Why 8 Chapters On Mughals And Just One Cholas

Actor R Madhavan has joined the debate over historical representation in school syllabi, specifically the NCERT's reported decision to remove sections on Mughals and Delhi Sultanate from Class 7 books. He questioned why earlier history curriculums didn't adequately cover Jainism, Hinduism, and Buddhism. Madhavan opines

In an interview with News18, Madhavan spoke about the ongoing stir around the change in NCERT class 7 books.

Madhavan said, "I might get into trouble for saying this, but I'll still say it. When I studied history in school, there were eight chapters on the Mughals, two on the Harappa and Mohenjo-daro civilisations, four on British rule and the freedom struggle, and just one chapter on the southern kingdoms — the Cholas, Pandyas, Pallavas, and Cheras. The British and the Mughals ruled us for close to 800 years, but the Chola Empire is 2,400 years old. They were pioneers of sea travel and naval power. They had spice routes that extended



to Rome. Where's that part of our history? Where's the mention of us building temples all the way to Angkor Wat with our mighty naval forces? Jainism, Buddhism, and Hinduism spread to China. People in Korea speak half Tamil because that's how far our language reached. And we encapsulated all of this in just one chapter".

Madhavan mentioned during the conversation that he believes the Mughal dynasty's coverage in school history textbooks was disproportionately large previously.

The actor said, "Whose narrative is this? Who decided the syllabus? Tamil is the oldest language in the world, but nobody knows about it. The scientific knowledge hidden in our culture is being mocked right now."

According to him, his latest film Kesari Chapter 2 is a step towards changing the narrative. He emphasised that if they're correcting historical narratives, they shouldn't be criticised for taking small creative liberties, but rather held accountable if the outcome deviates from historical truth.

Aamir Khan, Shah Rukh Khan Reveal How Bollywood And Theatres Can Be Saved

Actors Shah Rukh Khan and Aamir Khan have advocated for more cinema screens in India in a bid to expand the reach of films, and consequently end the dull streak of Hindi cinema at the box office. Shah Rukh spoke about this on Thursday during the ongoing World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit (WAVES) in Mumbai, while Aamir echoed his thoughts during his session on Friday morning. Aamir Khan talks about the need for more screens

On day two of the first WAVES 2025, A a m i r



participated in a session titled "Studios of the Future: Putting India on World Studio Map". During the session, Aamir said there is a serious need for investment in infrastructure to boost the industry's growth.

"My belief is that we need to have a lot more theatres in India and theatres of different kinds. There are districts and vast areas in the country which don't have a single theatre. I feel that whatever issues we have faced over the decades are just about having more screens. And according to me, that is what we should be investing in. India has huge potential, but that can only be realised when you have more screens across the country. If you don't, then people won't watch the films," the actor said.

The superstar highlighted that India is way behind the United States and China in terms of cinema screen count. India has around 10,000 screens while China, with a similar population, has 90,000. The United States, with a population just one-third of India's, also has 40,000 screens.

Allu Arjun Recalls Making 6-Pack Abs Because An Actress Told Him 'Don't Think South Actors Can Do It'

Actor Allu Arjun attended the first World Audio Visual Entertainment Summit (WAVES) in Mumbai on Thursday. During a session, he spoke about his career, becoming the first Telugu actor to win a National Award, and the story behind why he was one of the first south Indian actors to sport a six-pack on-screen.

Allu Arjun took 'challenged' from female co-star Arjun was asked at the summit what kind of hard work goes into staying fit constantly as an actor, given that he was one of the first from south India to show off fit abs on-screen. He said, "Honestly, it's about just the mindset. You know, twenty years back, to do something that was never done before by any other south actor... culturally it was not accepted, there were many taboos around that. I knew that it was a great sign, that if you just do it once, it takes one person to break that jinx."

He then revealed that there was more than one reason to do it, and that it was also because he felt 'challenged' when a female co-star questioned if south Indian actors could do it. Arjun said, "Someone motivated me to do that by saying, I don't think any south actors can come up with six packs. One of the actresses whom I worked with said that. And I took that up as a challenge. Then, I just did it for my people."

For the uninitiated, Arjun sported only boy-next-door looks in his initial films Gangotri (2003), Arya (2004), Bunny (2005), and Happy (2006). But it was in his next films, like Desamuduru (2007) and later Varudu (2010), that he pushed the bar by getting buff for his roles and going shirtless on-screen.

Upcoming work

After the success of Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo (2020), Arjun dedicated five years of his life to the Pushpa films – Pushpa: The Rise (2021) and Pushpa 2: The Rule (2025). The films were a massive success, earning him a National Award for his performance as the smuggler, Pushpa Raj. Now, Arjun has said yes to a sci-fi film directed by Atlee that is currently in pre-production. He previously also said yes to Trivikram Srinivas, and it remains to be seen when that film will be shot.



THANK YOU!



GREGOR ROBERTSON

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