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Substandard mid-day meal: UP files FIR against reporter

AVANEESH MISHRA LUCKNOW, SEPTEMBER 2

THE UTTAR Pradesh government has booked a journalist with a Hindi newspaper along with two others, including the Seur village pradhan pratinidhi (representative of the village head) on charges of criminal conspiracy and fraud.

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The FIR was filed ten days after a video showing students of the Seur government primary school in Mirzapur being served only roti and salt under the midday meal scheme surfaced on social media. The video was shot by Pawan Jaiswal, a correspondent of local daily Jansandesh Times. Additional Chief Secretary (Home) Awanish Awasthi said that Jaiswal was called to make this video which was stage-managed by the

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Lander bids goodbye to Chandrayaan-2 in countdown to descent

AMITABH SINHA
NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 2

VIKRAM, THE lander module of Chandrayaan-2, has detached itself from the main spacecraft and started orbiting the moon independently, preparing itself for the descent to the lunar surface in the early hours of Saturday.

The separation, one of the major milestones in the journey of Chandrayaan-2, took place at 1.15 pm Monday, according to ISRO.

The Vikram lander, which **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

Key to landing

THE SEPARATION of the lander module starts the most critical phase.
While making the final descent, the speed of the lander will have to be brought down from a few thousand kilometres per hour to roughly about 2 km/hour or less to enable it to make a

soft landing.

Chidambaram says don't send me to Tihar, SC tells CBI court to extend custody

ANANTHAKRISHNAN G NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 2

GRANTING PARTIAL relief to arrested Congress leader and former Union Minister P Chidambaram, the Supreme Court Monday directed the trial court, which has been hearing the INX Media case against him, to extend his CBI custody for three more days in case it rejects his plea for bail.

This direction came after **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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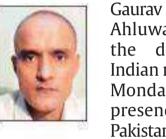
IN THE first instance of consular access granted to Kulbhushan Jadhav in three years, India's Acting High Commissioner in

Islamabad

Ahluwalia met

the detained

Indian national



Monday in the presence of Pakistani officials.

Sentenced Pakistan's

to death
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Pakistan's

Foreign Ministry
said the meeting
was recorded,

but there was no restriction on the "language of communication" between Jadhav and Ahluwalia. In December 2017, when Jadhav's mother and wife had met him in Islamabad, they were prevented by Pakistani



Meanwhile, IAF chief B S Dhanoa and Wg Cdr Abhinandan flew a MiG-21 trainer in Pathankot, Monday. ANI

officials from speaking in Marathi, their mother tongue.

It appears that India yielded to Pakistan's terms for Monday's meeting, although it had earlier asked for "full access" and raised concerns about privacy. After the meeting, New Delhi said Jadhav appeared to be under "extreme pressure" to support Islamabad's "false narrative" in his case.

India's assertion came after Ahluwalia met Jadhav at 12.30 pm IST for "two hours", a day after Pakistan granted consular CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Investor summit on cards, Valley business leaders in detention

NAVEED IQBAL SRINAGAR, SEPTEMBER 2

eight business leaders from the Kashmir Valley have been placed under detention by the J&K administration following the removal of special status to the state under Article 370 and its bifurcation into two UTs. Ironically, their detention comes when the administration is preparing to host a Global Investment Summit in the state, with an official saying they expect investments worth Rs 10,000 crore. The summit was



In Srinagar, traffic was visible Monday. Shuaib Masoodi

expected to be held from October 12-14 but the dates are **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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